

#### PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

#### **BOARD OF VARIANCE**

#### **NOTICE OF MEETING**

A meeting of the Board of Variance will be held on Thursday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. in the Board Room, Service and Resource Centre, 411 Dunsmuir Street, Nanaimo, BC to hear the following appeal:

APPEAL NO: BOV00786

**Applicant:** Donald Neil, B. Gallant Homes

Civic Address: 710 Arbutus Avenue

LOT 20, DISTRICT LOT 96G, NEWCASTLE RESERVE, SECTION

1, NANAIMO DISTRICT, PLAN 7837

**Zoning:** Three and Four Unit Residential (R5)

Requested Variance: Section 7.5.1 of the "City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 2011 No. 4500"

sets out minimum required distance a principal building must be set

back from a rear lot line.

The applicant requests to reduce the minimum required rear yard setback for a principal building from 7.5m to 6.06m to allow the

construction of a garage addition with a rooftop deck. This is a

variance request of 1.44m.

You are being notified as an owner or tenant of land that is adjacent to the property that is the subject of this application. If you deem your property is affected by the proposed variance, and wish to address this appeal, you will be given the opportunity to be heard at the Board of Variance meeting. Members of the public may submit comments in writing or attend the meeting in-person.

For questions, please contact Kristine Mayes, Planner by email at <a href="mailto:Kristine.Mayes@nanaimo.ca">Kristine.Mayes@nanaimo.ca</a>, or by phone at 250-755-4460 ext. 4355.

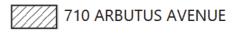
**WRITTEN SUBMISSION:** Written comments must be submitted by email to above address no later than 2:30 p.m. May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

**ATTEND IN-PERSON:** To address this appeal in person you must attend this meeting, in the Board Room, Service and Resource Centre, 411 Dunsmuir Street, Nanaimo, BC on Thursday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.

### **SUBJECT PROPERTY MAP**







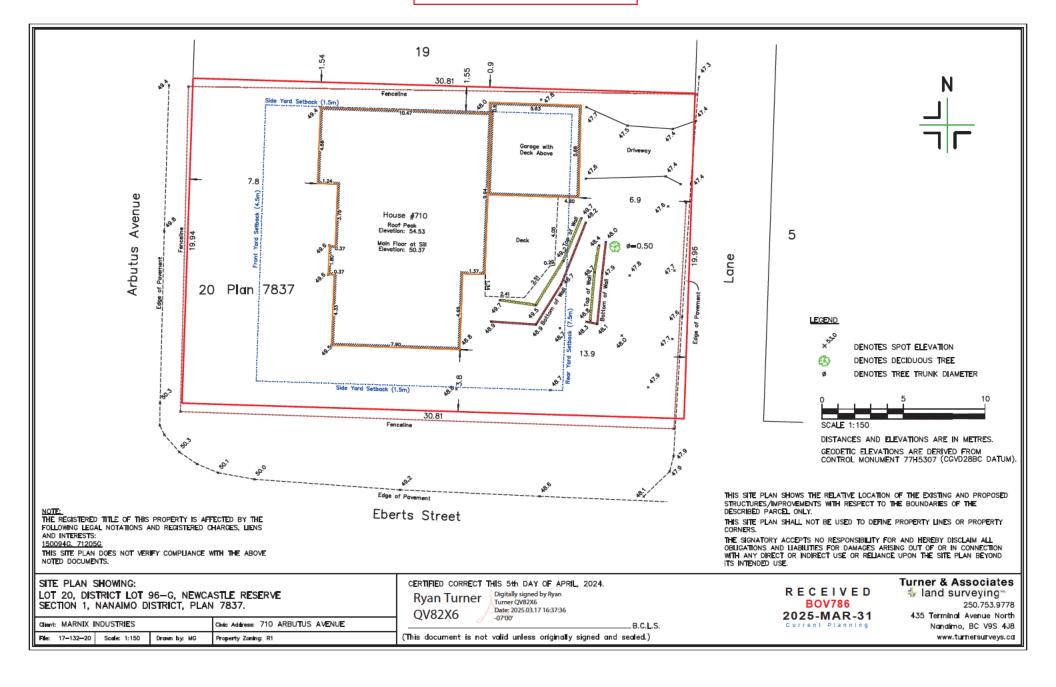
### **AERIAL PHOTO**



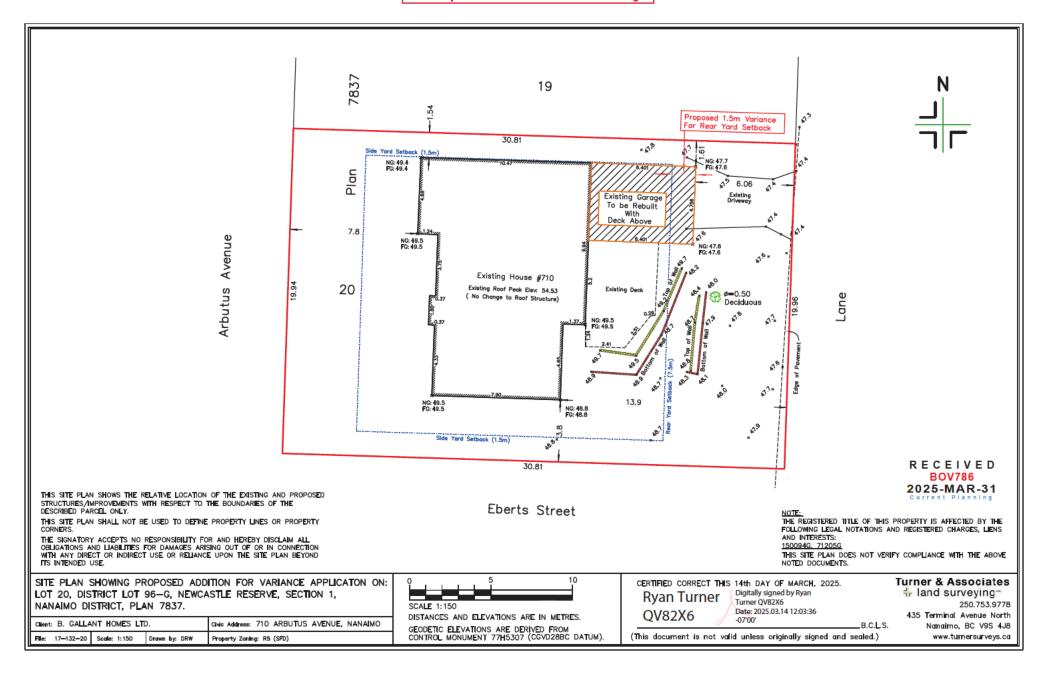


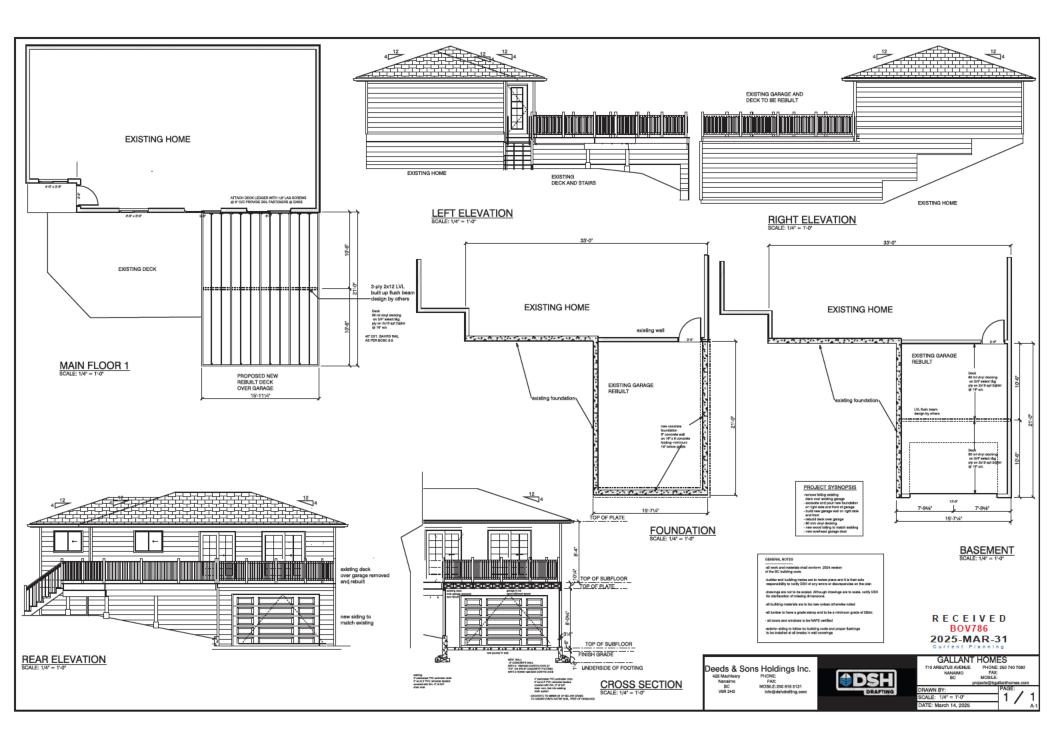


# Existing Site Survey



## Proposed Site Survey







### BUILD RENOVATE LIVE

BOARD OF VARIANCE APPLICATION

March 18, 2025

710 ARBUTUS AVENUE, NANAIMO, B.C. GARAGE REPLACEMENT Rational for variance request.

On Behalf of,



. Property owner

The existing garage is in a very poor state and needs significant enough repairs that removing it entirely and rebuilding is a better option than trying to repair what exists. As built, it's not deep enough to park a full-sized car in. It is currently encroaching into both the side yard and the rear lane setbacks by 0.6m. Although it is already encroaching into the rear setback it's still not deep enough to park a car inside and close the door. This means her gardening tools and car are unsecured and can be seen from the alley. Given the increase in crime in the area it's a matter of time before she is a victim of theft. She would like to be able to secure her car and tools and not have them visible by anyone walking by in the alley. We are asking for a relaxation of only the rear yard setback to a total of 1.5m, only 0.9m more than existing, to extend the garage length to the minimum needed to park her car inside and close the overhead door. This would reduce the rear yard setback to 6m from the 7.5m as per current zoning regulation. Although the garage is narrower than average at only eighteen feet, she is willing to reduce the proposed width to under sixteen feet to conform to the 1.5m side yard setback. Please see attached existing and proposed drawings for reference.

Thank you for considering this request.

Don Neil Project manager B. Gallant Homes Ltd 250.714.1991

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