# **Board of Zoning Adjustment**

# Staff Report

October 7, 2019



Case No: 19-VARIANCE-0030
Project Name: Plainview Avenue Variance
Location: 516 Plainview Avenue
Owner/Applicant: Joseph P. Hines, II
Louisville Metro

**Council District:** 19 – Anthony Piagentini **Case Manager:** Zach Schwager, Planner I

### **REQUEST**

• <u>Variance</u> from Land Development Code section 5.1.10.F to allow a structure to encroach into the required side yard setback.

Location	Requirement	Request	Variance
Side Yard	3 ft.	2.7 ft.	0.3 ft.

#### CASE SUMMARY/BACKGROUND

The subject property is located in the Cherokee Court subdivision and contains a one-story single-family residence. The applicant is proposing an addition on the rear of the existing structure. This single-story addition will encroach into the northern side yard setback at the same distance as the existing structure.

The subject property is 30 feet in width. Land Development Code section 5.1.10.F allows for a lot less than 50 feet in width to have a side yard setback requirement of 10% of the width of the lot. The required side yard setback is therefore three feet.

#### **STAFF FINDING**

Staff finds that the requested variance is adequately justified and meets the standard of review.

Based upon the information in the staff report, and the testimony and evidence provided at the public hearing, the Board of Zoning Adjustment must determine if the proposal meets the standards for granting a variance established in the Land Development Code from section 5.1.10.F to allow a structure to encroach into the required side yard setback.

### **INTERESTED PARTY COMMENTS**

No interested party comments were received.

### STANDARD OF REVIEW AND STAFF ANALYSIS FOR VARIANCE FROM TABLE 5.1.10.F

(a) The requested variance will not adversely affect the public health, safety or welfare.

STAFF: The requested variance will not adversely affect the public health, safety or welfare as the structure will be constructed to comply with all building codes, including fire codes.

(b) The requested variance will not alter the essential character of the general vicinity.

STAFF: The requested variance will not alter the essential character of the general vicinity as the proposed addition will be the same distance from the side property line as the existing structure.

(c) The requested variance will not cause a hazard or nuisance to the public.

STAFF: The requested variance will not cause a hazard or nuisance to the public as the proposed addition will be the same distance from the side property line as the existing structure.

(d) The requested variance will not allow an unreasonable circumvention of the zoning regulations.

STAFF: The requested variance will not allow an unreasonable circumvention of the zoning regulations as the proposed addition will be the same distance from the side property line as the existing structure.

#### ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS:

1. The requested variance does not arise from special circumstances which do not generally apply to land in the general vicinity or the same zone.

STAFF: The requested variance does arise from special circumstances which do not generally apply to land in the general vicinity or the same zone because the lot is narrower than a number of lots on the same block.

2. The strict application of the provisions of the regulation would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land or create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant.

STAFF: The strict application of the provisions of the regulation would create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant by preventing the applicant from constructing an addition that is the same distance from the side property line as the existing structure.

3. The circumstances are not the result of actions of the applicant taken subsequent to the adoption of the zoning regulation from which relief is sought.

STAFF: The circumstances are not the result of actions of the applicant taken subsequent to the adoption of the zoning regulation from which relief is sought as the applicant is requesting the variance and has not begun construction.

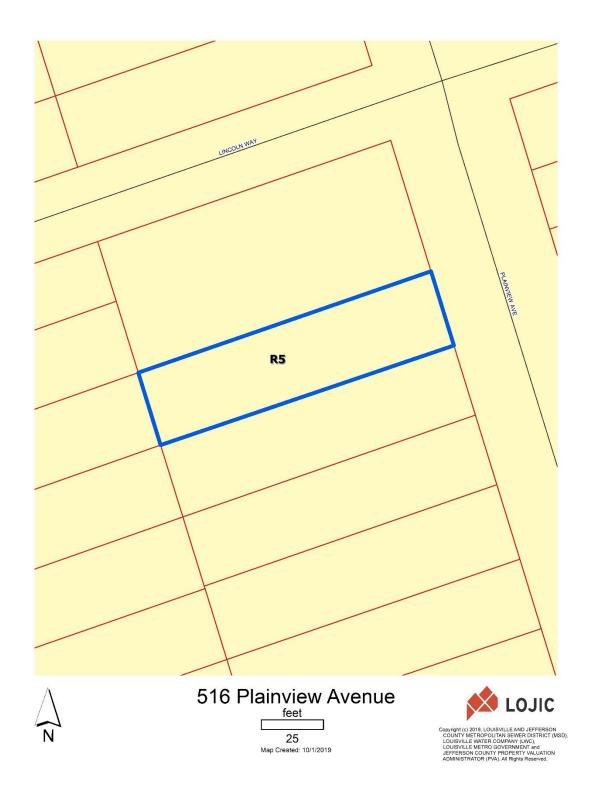
# **NOTIFICATION**

Date	Purpose of Notice	Recipients
08/22/2019		1 <sup>st</sup> tier adjoining property owners Registered Neighborhood Groups in Council District 19
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09/20/2019	Hearing before BOZA	Notice posted on property

# **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1.
- Zoning Map Aerial Photograph 2.
- 3. Site Plan
- 4. Site Photos

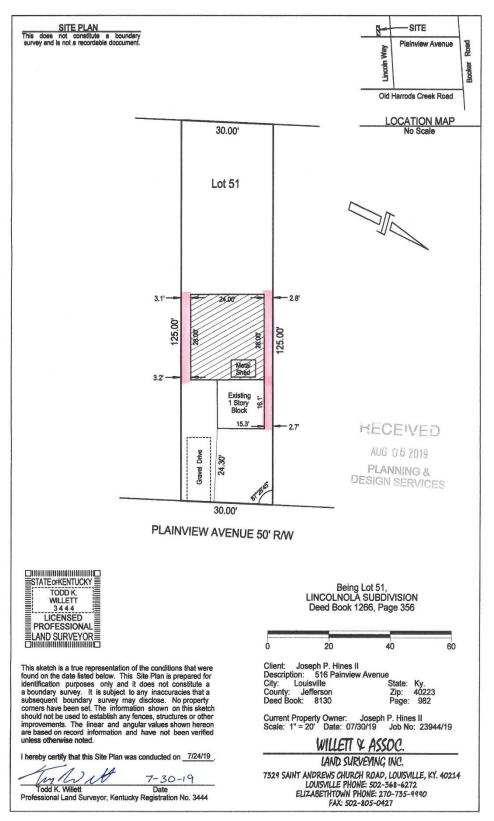
# 1. Zoning Map



# 2. <u>Aerial Photograph</u>



### 3. Site Plan



# 4. Site Photos



Front of the subject property.



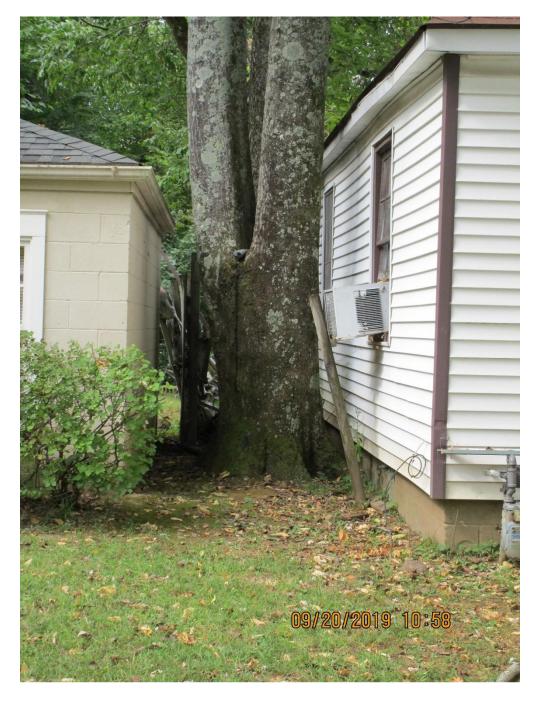
Property to the left.



Property to the right.



Property across Plainview Avenue.



Variance area.



Existing structure from rear.