

Board of Adjusment

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Board of Adjustment					
Meeting: December 6th, 2018	File No.: 20198-033- VAR-BOA	Application Type: Board of Adjustment			
General Data: Agent: Roger Cope Applicant: Vinod Gulati Owner: Vinod Gulati Location: 45 Gleason St. PCN: 12-43-46-16-22-020-0030 Property Size: 0.17 Acres FLUM: MD (Medium Density) Zoning: RM (Multiple Family Resi Adjacent Zoning: o CF (North) o RM (West) o R-1-A (South) o CF (East) Existing Land Use: Four Plex Proposed Land Use: Four Plex	dential)	Timmar, Dr.			

Item before the Board:

The action before the Board is the consideration of a Variance to allow the enclosure of an existing outdoor terrace to encroach on the required 15-foot side interior setback 8'5".

Recommendation:

Approve the variance request (BOA 2019-033) for 45 Gleason Street, by adopting the findings of fact and law contained in the staff report and finding that the request and approval thereof is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and does meet the criteria set forth in LDR Section 2.4.7(A)(5); LDR Section 4.3.4(K).

Background:

The property consists of the south 55 feet of the west 135 feet of the north half of Beach lot 20 Plat of this fractional east half of Section 16 Township 46, south range 43 east, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 1 Page 25, of the Public Records of Palm Beach County, Florida. The proposal is to enclose the upstairs terrace on the south side with three walls and a roof.

The request before the board is relief to allow the enclosure of the upstairs terrace to encroach into the side interior setback. Per LDR section 4.3.4(K), the required side interior setback for RM zoning district for multiple family dwellings is 15 feet. The site plan shows that the existing structure encroaches 8 feet 5 inches. There will be no increase to the existing nonconformity.

Site Plan Analysis:

Pursuant to LDR Section 2.2.4(D)(4), the Board of Adjustment has the authority to grant variances and hear appeals from the provisions of the supplemental district regulations (Article 4.6) except where said authority is expressly prohibited or granted to others.

Project Planner:	Review Dates:	Attachments:
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Pursuant to LDR Section 2.4.7(A)(5), Variances: Findings, the following findings must be made prior to approval of a variance:

- (a) That special conditions and circumstances exist which are peculiar to the land, structure, or building involved and which are not generally applicable to other lands, structures, or buildings subject to the same zoning (The matter of economic hardship shall not constitute a basis for the granting of a variance);
- (b) That literal interpretation of the regulations would deprive the applicant of rights commonly enjoyed by other properties subject to the same zoning;
- (c) That the special conditions and circumstances have not resulted from actions of the applicant;
- (d) That granting the variance will not confer onto the applicant any special privilege that is denied to other lands, structures, and buildings under the same zoning. Neither the permitted, nor nonconforming use, of neighborhood lands, structures, or buildings under the same zoning shall be considered grounds for the issuance of a variance;
- (e) That the reasons set forth in the variance petition justify the granting of the variance, and that the variance is the minimum variance that will make possible the reasonable use of the land, building, or structure; and,
- (f) That the granting of the variance will be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of existing regulations, will not be injurious to the neighborhood, or otherwise detrimental to the public welfare.

In consideration of the findings noted above, the applicant has cited the following:

The applicant states "An exciting iconic structure designed by architect Sam Ogren: Space proposed to be captured/enclosed in an existing roof terrace."

Staff Variance Analysis

The dimensions of this property are 55 feet x 135 feet and is a lot of record. The lot is surrounded by CF to the north and east, RM to the west and R-1-A to the south. The house was constructed in 1945 as a four plex called the Cape Cod Apartments as it exists today as a three-story structure. The side interior to the south is an existing non-conformity as it is 7 feet 5 inches from the property line. The applicant is requesting to enclose an existing open terrace on the second floor approximately 245 square feet. The applicant is not increasing the existing nonconformity; therefore, the special circumstance and condition already exist to the land and structure of the building and does show a basis for a hardship to grant a variance. Thus, a positive finding can be made with respect to finding "a".

The applicant states "If a 15-foot side yard restriction were imposed no improvements would be practible"

Staff Variance Analysis

The requirements for LDR Section 4.3.4(K) regarding side street setbacks for the RM zoning district is applied city wide. However, this is not a demolition or an addition that would encroach further into the setback of the existing building. The footprint of the existing structure is not being altered. Therefore, not granting this variance would deprive the applicant of rights commonly enjoyed by other properties subject to the same zoning. Thus, a positive finding can be made with respect to finding "b".

The applicant states "existing building designed circa 1945 when setbacks were quite different.

Staff Variance Analysis

The original plat was recorded in 1899. The original structure was built in 1945 as the Cape Cod Apartments with very few structural changes throughout the years according to building records. Although the applicant was aware of the existing setbacks upon purchase, they were not the direct actions of the applicant. Thus, a positive finding with respect to "c" can be made.

The applicant states "very unique property which is surrounded by similar zoning districts – church to north and east and single family to south."

Staff Variance Analysis

The granting of a variance would not confer a special privilege that is denied to other lands, structures, and buildings as 1101 Miramar Drive which is directly south was granted a variance for the front yard setback in 1987 for 21.9 feet to add a screen enclosure with a built up roof and just recently 1102 Coconut Row was granted relief for three variances for a new construction for



front, side and swimming pool setbacks. Based upon the above a positive finding with respect to "d" can be made.

The applicant states "If allowed at 6'6" the enclosed space would be structurally feasible and harmoniously integrated into existing building"

Staff Variance Analysis

As noted in staff analysis above, the granting of the variance can be justified. The applicant is not proposing to increase the non-conforming side interior setback but work within the existing building footprint by enclosing an open terrace. By enclosing the open terrace, this reduces the intrusiveness, level of noise and increases privacy to the surrounding areas. Based on the above a positive finding with respect to "e" can be made.

The applicant states "The existing building already exists at 6'6" off of the property line - no harm to any public welfare."

Staff Variance Analysis

The existing structure is set 32 feet from the front property line, and the north and east of the property faces a church parking lot. The south side interior where the enclosure is proposed rears to properties along Miramar Drive. The proposal will not disrupt the harmony of the streetscape nor will it be injurious to the neighborhood, or otherwise detrimental to the public welfare. Thus, a positive finding with respect to "f" can be made.

Please see attached additional justification.

Alternative Actions:

- A. Continue with direction.
- B. Approve the Variance request (BOA 2019-033) to LDR 4.3.4(K) to reduce the side interior setback from 15 feet to 8 feet 5 inches located at **45 Gleason Street**, based upon positive findings with respect to LDR 2.4.7(A)(5).
- C. Deny the Variance request (BOA 2019-033) to LDR 4.3.4(K) to reduce the side interior setback from 15 feet to 8 feet 5 inches located at **45 Gleason Street**, based upon a failure to make positive findings with respect to LDR Section 2.4.7(A)(5).



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

THE SOUTH 55 FEET OF THE WEST 135 FEET OF THE NORTH HALF OF BEACH LOT 20 PLAT OF THIS FRACTIONAL EAST HALF OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 46, SOUTH RAGE 43 EAST, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 25, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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REMOVE EXISTING OVERHANG FROM UPPER PARAPET, TYPICAL

ADD NEW RAISED STUCCO BAND ABOVE ALL WINDOWS, TYPICAL EXISTING STUCCO TO REMAIN, REPAINT SAME COLOR REPLACE EXISTING NON-IMPACT WINDOWS & DOORS WITH IMPACT RESISTANT PRODUCT, TYPICAL EXISTING 3/4" STUCCO REVEAL TO REMAIN, TYPICAL

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NEW PARAPET W/ STUCCO FINISH TO MATCH EXISTING CONDITIONS NEW ROOF OVERHANG TO MATCH EXISTING CONDITIONS

NEW IMPACT RESISTANT TRANSOM WINDOWS NEW IMPACT RESISTANT BI-FOLDING (NANA) DOOR

NEW STONE SURROUND TO MATCH EXISTING CONDITIONS

NEW ALUMINUM RAILING SYSTEM TO MATCH EXISTING CONDITIONS

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