

## APPLICATION BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS VARIANCE

Section of zoning ordinance from which request for variance is made:

## PART A

1. Applicant: $\square$ owner $\square$ Contract Purchaser $\square$ Agent

Name $\qquad$

Address _110 W Bellefonte Ave, Alexandria VA 22301
$\qquad$

Daytime Phone 832-385-3398
Email Address badri.munipalla@gmail.com
2. Property Location 110 W Bellefonte Ave
3. Assessment Map \# ${ }^{034.03-11-01}$ Block___ Lot $15 \quad$ Zone Federal Hill
4. Legal Property Owner Name Badrinath Munipalla and Pallavi Raviprakash

Address 110 W Bellefonte Ave, Alexandria VA 22301

## OWNERSHIP AND DISCLOSURE STATEMENT <br> Use additional sheets if necessary

1. Applicant. State the name, address and percent of ownership of any person or entity owning an interest in the applicant, unless the entity is a corporation or partnership, in which case identify each owner of more than three percent. The term ownership interest shall include any legal or equitable interest held at the time of the application in the real property which is the subject of the application.

| Name | Address | Percent of Ownership |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | Badrinath Munipalla | 110 W Bellefonte Ave |

2. Property. State the name, address and percent of ownership of any person or entity owning an interest in the property located at 110 W Bellefonte Ave $\qquad$ (address), unless the entity is a corporation or partnership, in which case identify each owner of more than three percent. The term ownership interest shall include any legal or equitable interest held at the time of the application in the real property which is the subject of the application.

| Name | Address | Percent of Ownership |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1. <br> Badrinath Munipalla | 110 W Bellefonte Ave | $50 \%$ |
| 2. Pallavi Raviprakash | 110 W Bellefonte Ave | $50 \%$ |
| 3. |  |  |

3. Business or Financial Relationships. Each person or entity listed above (1 and 2), with an ownership interest in the applicant or in the subject property is required to disclose any business or financial relationship, as defined by Section 11-350 of the Zoning Ordinance, existing at the time of this application, or within the12-month period prior to the submission of this application with any member of the Alexandria City Council, Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Appeals or either Boards of Architectural Review (OHAD and Parker-Gray). All fields must be filled out completely. Do not leave blank. (If there are no relationships please indicate each person or entity below and "NONE" in the corresponding fields.)

|  | Name of person or entity | Relationship as defined by <br> Section 11-350 of the Zoning <br> Ordinance | Member of the Approving <br> Body (i.e. City Council, <br> Planning Commission, etc.) |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| ${ }^{1 .}$ | Badrinath Munipalla | NONE | NONE |
| 2. | Pallavi Raviprakash | NONE | NONE |
| 3. |  |  |  |

NOTE: Business or financial relationships of the type described in Sec. 11-350 that arise after the filing of this application and before each public hearing must be disclosed prior to the public hearings.

## 5. Describe request briefly:

Approval for a 7', pressure treated pine, privacy fence on our property and bordering a commercial property with 1) bright security lights, 2) normal ambient lights at night, 3) high traffic driveway during the school year, and 4) loud noise during the school year.

## 6. If property owner or applicant is being represented by an authorized agent,

 such as an attorney, realtor or other person for which there is a form of compensation, does this agent or the business in which they are employed have a business license to operate in the City of Alexandria, Virginia?$\square$ Yes — Provide proof of current City business license.
No - Said agent shall be required to obtain a business prior to
filing application.
THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY ATTESTS that all of the information herein provided including the site plan, building elevations, prospective drawings of the projects, etc., are true, correct and accurate. The undersigned further understands that, should such information be found incorrect, any action taken by the Board based on such information may be invalidated. The undersigned also hereby grants the City of Alexandria permission to post placard notice as required by Article XI, Division A, Section 11-301(B) of the 1992 Alexandria City Zoning Ordinance, on the property which is the subject of this application. The applicant, if other than the property owner, also attests that he/she has obtained permission from the property owner to make this application.

## APPLICANT OR AUTHORIZED AGENT:

I, as the applicant or authorized agent, note that there is a fee associated with the submittal of this application. Planning \& Zoning Department staff will be in contact with the applicant regarding payment methods. Please recognize that applications will not be processed until all fees are paid.
$\square$ Yes $\square$ No I affirm that I, the applicant or authorized agent, am responsible for the processing of this application and agree to adhere to all the requirements and information herein.

Printed Name:
Badrinath Munipalla
Date:
June 2, 2020

Signature: Badrinath Munipalla
Pursuant to Section 13-3-2 of the City Code, the use of a document containing false information may constitute a Class 1 misdemeanor and may result in a punishment of a year in jail or $\$ 2,500$ or both. It may also constitute grounds to revoke the permit applied for with such information.

## APPLICANT MUST EXPLAIN THE FOLLOWING:

(Please attach additional pages where necessary.)

## 1. Please answer A or B:

A. Explain how enforcement of the zoning ordinance would prevent reasonable use of the property.

The current (decaying) 6' wooden fence does not block 1) bight security lights from the adjacent commercial property (Immanuel Lutheran Church), 2) ambient interior lights left on at night for security,
3) traffic noise from the school when in session, 4) traffic visuals when the school is in session,
5) personal privacy from people in the school and traffic looking down and into our property when the school is in session.
B. Explain how the variance, if granted, would alleviate a hardship, as defined above.

The proposed 7' pressure treated pine fence would 1) block the bright security lights at certain angles into our home including our sunroom and back patio and 2) mitigate ambient interior lights at night, traffic noise, traffic visuals, personal privacy issues.
2. Is this unreasonable restriction or hardship unique to the property?
A. Explain if the restriction or hardship is shared by other properties in the neighborhood.

The hardship is shared by my adjacent neighbor, Paul Maykish. Related, Immanual Lutheran is grateful the unsightly, decaying fence will be replaced and supports a 7 ' fence plan on our property.
B. Does this situation or condition of the property (on which this application is based) generally apply to other properties in the same zone?

Yes, but the lighting and traffic hardship is shared between our property and our neighbor, Paul Maykish.
3. Was the unreasonable restriction or hardship caused by the applicant? A. Did the condition exist when the property was purchased?

Yes.
B. Did the applicant purchase the property without knowing of this restriction or hardship?

I had no idea there was a restriction of a 6 ' fence and immediately began to budget and plan to resolve the hardship with a taller, more beautiful, termite resistant fence.
C. How and when did the condition, which created the unreasonable restriction or hardship, first occur?

By design.
D. Did the applicant create the unreasonable restriction or hardship and, if so, how was it created?

No.
4. Will the variance, if granted, be harmful to others?
A. Explain if the proposed variance will be detrimental to the adjacent properties or the neighborhood in general.

Both the Immanuel Lutheran President of the Board Tom Strickland and adjacent neighbor, Paul Maykish whole-heartedly support this variance request for 7 ' privacy fencing. References available upon request! All three property owners have met and are cooperating on the project down to agreeing on the most beautiful design.
B. Has the applicant shown the proposed plans to the most affected property owners? Have these property owners written statements of support or opposition of the proposed variance? If so, please attach the statements or submit at the time of the hearing.

Yes, plans and estimates have been shared with Tom Strickland (Immanuel Lutheran) and Paul Maykish. Mr. Maykish will also add the same fencing from the same company (we are coordinating on the project for the shared beautification of the three property boarder.
5. Is there any other administrative or procedural remedy to relieve the hardship or unreasonable restriction?

None known.

## PART C

1. Have alternative plans or solutions been considered so that a variance would not be needed? Please explain each alternative and why it is unsatisfactory.

Yes. Our neighbor Paul Maykish and I have aken six professional estimates and there was strong consensus that a 7' foot privacy fence would be better at alleviating the hardships.
2. Please provide any other information you believe demonstrates that the requested variance meets the required standards.

I've noticed other 7' fences in the neighborhood/Del Ray for far less hardships by relative comparison to being immediately adjacent to a busy, bright (and lovely) private school.

## ***ATTENTION APPLICANTS***

At the time of application for a Special Use Permit, Rezoning, Vacation, Encroachment, Variance, Special Exception or Subdivision, you must provide a draft of the description of your request you intend to use in the property owner's notice. You must be thorough in your description. Staff will review the draft wording to confirm its completeness.

The example illustrates a detailed description:
"Variance to construct a two-story addition in the required side yards on $\qquad$ Street."

If you fail to submit draft language at the time of the application filing deadline, the application will be determined to be incomplete and may be deferred by staff.

## A. Property Information

| A1. | Street Address |
| :--- | :--- |
| A2. | Total Lot Area |
| B. Existing Gross Floor Area |  |
| $\begin{array}{l}\text { Existing Gross Area }\end{array}$ |  |

Basement
First Floor
Second Floor
Third Floor

## Attic

## Porches

Balcony/Deck
Garage
Other**
B1. Total Gross

$$
0.00
$$

C. Proposed Gross Floor Area
Proposed Gross Area
Basement

## Second Floor

Third Floor
Attic
Porches
Balcony/Deck
Garage

## Other***

C1. Total Gross

## D. Total Floor Area

D1. 0.00 Sq. Ft.
D2. $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total Floor Area Allowed } \\ & \text { by Zone (A2) }\end{aligned}$ Sq. Ft.
x
Floor Area Ratio Allowed by Zone

Allowable Exclusions**

| Basement** |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Stairways** |  |
| Mechanical** |  |
| Attic less than $7^{\text {*** }}$ |  |
| Porches** |  |
| Balcony/Deck** |  |
| Garage** |  |
| Other*** |  |
| Other*** |  |
| Total Exclusions | 0.00 |

B1. 0.00


B2. 0.00 Allowable Floor Exclusions** Sq. Ft.
B3. 0.00
Existing Floor Area Minus Exclusions (subtract B2 from B1)

Comments for Existing Gross Floor Area

## Allowable Exclusions**

| Basement** |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Stairways** |  |
| Mechanical** |  |
| Attic less than $7^{7 * *}$ |  |
| Porches** |  |
| Balcony/Deck** |  |
| Garage* |  |
| Other ${ }^{* * *}$ |  |
| Other*** |  |
| Total Exclusions | 0.00 |


|  | 0.00 | Sq. Ft. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Proposed Gross Floor Area* |  |
| C2. | 0.00 | Sq. Ft. |
|  | Allowable Floor Exclusions** |  |
| C3. | 0.00 |  |
|  | Proposed Floor Area Minus (subtract C2 from C1) |  |

## Notes

*Gross floor area for residential single and two-family dwellings in the $R-20, R-12, R-8$, $R-5, R-2-5, R B$ and RA zones (not including properties located within a Historic District) is the sum of all areas under roof of a lot, measured from exterior walls.
** Refer to the Zoning Ordinance (Section 2-145(A)) and consult with Zoning Staff for information regarding allowable exclusions. Sections may also be required for some exclusions.
*** Refer to the Zoning Ordinance (Section 2-145(A)) and consult with Zoning Staff for additional allowable exclusions. Additional exclusions may include space under balconies, retractable awnings, etc.

The undersigned hereby certifies and attests that, to the best of his/her knowledge, the above computations are true and correct.
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## Department of Planning and Zoning <br> Floor Area Ratio and Open Space Calculations

## A. Property Information

| A1. |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Street Address |  |
| A2. | Total Lot Area |
| B. $\begin{array}{l}\text { Existing Gross Floor Area } \\ \text { Existing Gross Area }\end{array}$ |  |

Basement

## First Floor

Second Floor
Third Floor

## Attic

Porches
Balcony/Deck
Lavatory***
Other**
B1. Total Gross

$$
0.00
$$

C. Proposed Gross Floor Area Proposed Gross Area
Basement

## First Floor

Second Floor
Third Floor
Attic

## Porches

Balcony/Deck
Lavatory***
Other
C1. Total Gross
D. Total Floor Area
D1. 0.00 Total Floor Area (add B3 and C3)

D2. 0.00
Sq. Ft.
Total Floor Area Allowed by Zone (A2)
x
Floor Area Ratio Allowed by Zone

Allowable Exclusions**

|  |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Stairways** |  |
| Mechanical** |  |
| Attic less than $7^{1 * *}$ |  |
| Porches** |  |
| Balcony/Deck** |  |
| Lavatory*** |  |
| Other** |  |
| Other** |  |
| Total Exclusions | 0.00 |

R-20
Zone

$$
\begin{aligned}
& =0.00 \\
& \text { Maximum Allowable Floor Area }
\end{aligned}
$$

B1. 0.00

Sq. Ft.

B2.


B3. 0.0
 Sq. Ft.
Existing Floor Area Minus Exclusions (subtract B2 from B1)

Comments for Existing Gross Floor Area

## Allowable Exclusions**

| Basement** |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Stairways** |  |
| Mechanical** |  |
| Attic less than $7^{* * *}$ |  |
| Porches** |  |
| Balcony/Deck** |  |
| Lavatory*** |  |
| Other** |  |
| Other** |  |
| Total Exclusions | 0.00 |

c1. 0.00 Sq. Ft. Proposed Gross Floor Area* Sq. Ft.
c2.

owable Floor Exclusions**
c3. Sq. Ft. Proposed Floor Area Minus Exclusions (subtract C2 from C1)

## Notes

*Gross floor area is the sum of all areas under roof of a lot, measured from the face of exterior walls, including basements, garages, sheds, gazebos, guest buildings and other accessory buildings.
** Refer to the Zoning Ordinance (Section 2-145(B)) and consult with Zoning Staff for information regarding allowable exclusions. Sections may also be required for some exclusions.
***Lavatories may be excluded up to a maximum of 50 square feet, per lavatory. The maximum total of excludable area for lavatories shall be no greater than $10 \%$ of gross floor area.

The undersigned hereby certifies and attests that, to the best of his/her knowledge, the above computations are true and correct.
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NOTE: TAX ASSESSMENT MAP NUMBER: 034.03-11-01

$40^{\circ} \mathrm{R} / \mathrm{W}$

## PLAT

SHOWING PHYSICAL IMPROVEMENT SURVEY
LOT 15
FEDERAL HILL
DB. 121, PG. 425
CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA




The parking lot of the church property directly abuts the rear of 110 Bellefonte and is within five to seven feet from the property line. Such conditions make it difficult to enjoy the rear yard as other properties similarly do.

Showing the divide between church property and 110 Bellefonte, detailing small distance between the usable spaces.


Showing divide between residential properties and church parking lot with car for reference of headlight location


Showing the slope difference between residential properties and church


