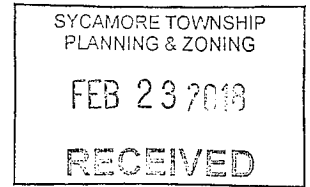


February 23, 2018

Sycamore Township Board of Zoning Appeals
8540 Kenwood Road
Cincinnati, Ohio 45236



RE: Proposed Fence Project / 4125 Estermarie Drive

Dear Ladies & Gentlemen of the Board:

This letter shall serve as a request for a variance for the property located at 4125 Estermarie Drive. This variance request is for relief from Sycamore Township Zoning Code Section 10-7.1, stating that “no fence or wall shall be located in any defined front yard.”

I am the owner of the property located at 4125 Estermarie Drive. Our property is the corner lot located on the corner of Huddleston Drive and Estermarie Drive in Sycamore Township. Our house is located on the north side of the property and the side yard, which is separated by our driveway, is located at the southern portion of the property. The southern portion of our property contains our yard that is currently enclosed with a chain link fence, which was present when we purchased the property in 2011. Over the years, the chain link fence has deteriorated and we would like to replace the chain link fence with a split rail fence with a coated wire liner. We have a dog that we would like to keep contained in our yard, and fence certainly allows us to continue to be responsible pet owners. In addition, we would like to improve the aesthetics of our property and remove the unsightly and deteriorated chain link fence and replace it with a split rail fence.

The existing chain link fence is considered to be in our front yard, although the section of our property in which the fence is located is separated from our house by our driveway and therefore no portion of our home would be surrounded by the fence. The proposed new fence would adhere to the requirements of the Zoning Code Section 10-7.1 in that the height of the fence would be four feet and shall be 75% open.

The new fence, which would run along the current fence line of the chain link fence, would be a substantial improvement to the value and aesthetics of our property. Currently the chain link fence that is on the property is deteriorating and, in my opinion, detracts from the value of our property.

I appreciate your time and consideration of this issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Meghan Donnallon Hyden".

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