

City of Appleton

100 North Appleton Street Appleton, WI 54911-4799 www.appleton.org

Meeting Agenda - Final Board of Zoning Appeals

Monday, May 15, 2023 7:00 PM 6th Floor Council Chambers

- 1. Call meeting to order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Roll call of membership
- Approval of minutes from previous meeting

<u>23-0483</u> Minutes from March 20, 2023

Attachments: Minutes from March 20, 2023.pdf

- 5. Public Hearing/Appearances
- 6. Action Items

23-0484

100 W. Wisconsin Ave. (31-6-0576-00) Proposed project is to start using the property as an auto sale and display lot and not provide landscape buffering or meet setbacks. Section 23-66(h)(5)(b)(1)(ii) specifies that display lots shall have a five (5) foot wide buffer in the front yard.

Attachments: 100 W. Wisconsin Ave.pdf

23-0523

100 W. Wisconsin Ave. (31-6-0576-00) Proposed project is to start using the property as an auto sale and display lot and not provide landscape buffering or meet setbacks Section 23-66(h)(5)(b)(2)(ii) of the Zoning Ordinance requires landscaping adjacent to the right of way.

Attachments: 100 W. Wisconsin Ave.pdf

23-0485
702 E. Wisconsin Ave. (31-6-0478-00) The applicant proposes to add pavers that would increase lot coverage to 91%. Section 23-113(h)(2) of the Zoning Ordinance limits lot coverage in the C2 district to 75%.

Attachments: 702 E. Wisconsin Ave.pdf

23-0486

1619 E. Pauline St. (31-1-2375-00) The applicant proposes to maintain a fence that is seven (7) feet tall. Section 23-44(a)(1)(a) of the Zoning Ordinance limits fence height to six (6) feet.

Attachments: 1619 E. Pauline St.pdf

7. Information Items

8. Adjournment

Notice is hereby given that a quorum of the Common Council may be present during this meeting, although no Council action will be taken.

Reasonable Accommodations for Persons with Disabilities will be made upon Request and if Feasible.

*We are currently experiencing intermittent issues/outages with our audio/video equipment. Meeting live streams and recordings are operational but unreliable at times. This is due to delays in receiving necessary system hardware components. We continue to look for solutions in the interim and we hope to have these issues resolved soon.



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Meeting Minutes - Final Board of Zoning Appeals

Monday, March 20, 2023

7:30 PM

6th Floor Council Chambers

1. Call meeting to order

Meeting called to order by Engstrom at 7:10 pm.

2. Roll call of membership

Present: 5 - Engstrom, Sperl, Cain , Loosen and Babbitts

Excused: 1 - McCann

3. Approval of minutes from previous meeting

<u>23-0242</u> Minutes from February 20, 2023

Attachments: Minutes from February 20, 2023.pdf

Loosen moved, seconded by Cain, that the minutes be approved. Roll Call.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Sperl, Cain, Loosen and Babbitts

Excused: 1 - McCann

Abstained: 1 - Engstrom

4. Public Hearings/Appearances

Dan Frost Cynthia Simon

Vered Meltzer- Dist. 2 Alderperson

5. Action Items

23-0238 1000 W. Northland Ave. (31-5-9494-00) The applicant proposes to

build a detached accessory structure (canopy) in the required front yard, eight (8) feet, seven (7) inches from the front property line. Section 23-43(f)(2)(e) of the Zoning Ordinance prohibits accessory structures in

the front yard.

Attachments: 1000 W. Northland Ave.pdf

Sperl moved, seconded by Babbitts, that the request regarding 23-43(f) be approved. Roll Call. Motion carried 4-0, McCann excused, Engstrom abstained. Cain moved, seconded by Sperl that the request regarding 23-47(a) be approved. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Sperl, Cain, Loosen and Babbitts

Excused: 1 - McCann

Abstained: 1 - Engstrom

23-0239

416 E. Haddonstone Dr. (31-6-5105-00) The applicant proposes to install a pool that would increase the lot coverage to 46.4%. Section 23-92(g)(2) of the Zoning Ordinance limits lot coverage to a maximum of 40% in the R1A Zoning District.

Attachments: 416 E. Haddonstone Dr.pdf

Cain moved to approve at 50% lot coverage, seconded by Sperl, that the Report Action Item be approved. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Sperl, Cain, Loosen and Babbitts

Excused: 1 - McCann

Abstained: 1 - Engstrom

23-0240

2626 S. Oneida St. (31-9-4374-01) The applicant proposes to replace a large section of an existing sign. The total area of the proposed sign would be two hundred and seven (207) sq. ft. Section 23-523(a) of the Zoning Ordinance limits the area of a ground sign to one hundred and fifty (150) sq. ft.

<u>Attachments:</u> 2626 S. Oneida St.pdf

Sperl moved, seconded by Loosen, that the Report Action Item be approved. Roll Call. Motion failed by the following vote:

Nay: 4 - Engstrom, Sperl, Cain and Loosen

Excused: 1 - McCann

Abstained: 1 - Babbitts

23-0241

602 N. Lawe St. (31-1-0256-00) The applicant proposes to change from residential to a commercial (tavern) with a maximum capacity of forty-nine (49). The proposed plan has three (3) parking spaces. Section 23-172(m) of the Zoning Ordinance requires tavern uses to provide one

(1) parking space for each three (3) persons allowed based on maximum capacity. Seventeen (17) parking spaces are required.

Attachments: 602 N. Lawe St.pdf

Cain moved, seconded by Loosen, that the Report Action Item be approved. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Sperl, Cain, Loosen and Babbitts

Excused: 1 - McCann

Abstained: 1 - Engstrom

6. Information Items

7. Adjournment

A motion was made by Sperl, seconded by Loosen, that the meeting be adjourned at 9:22 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Sperl, Cain, Loosen and Babbitts

Excused: 1 - McCann

Abstained: 1 - Engstrom

Department of Public Works Inspection Division 100 North Appleton Street Appleton, Wisconsin 54911 (920) 832-6411

City of Appleton Application for Variance

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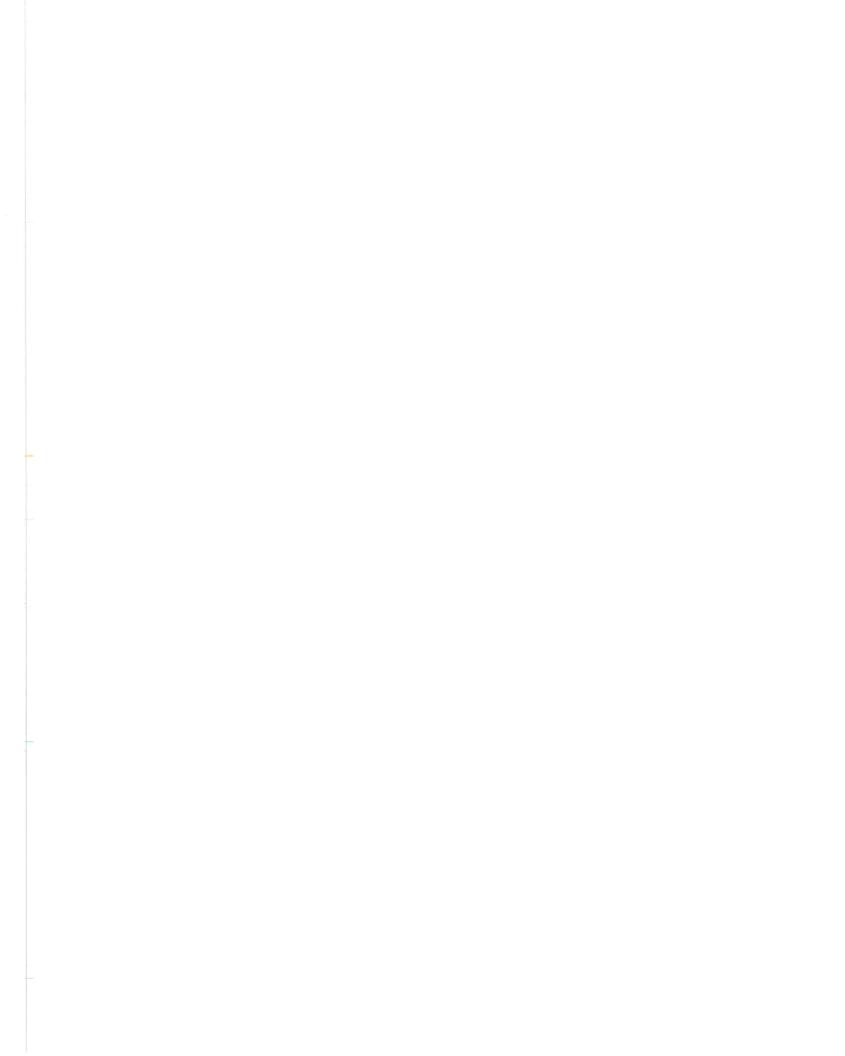
Please write legibly and also submit a complete reproducible site plan (maximum size 11" x 17"). A complete site plan includes, but is not limited to, all structures, lot lines and streets with distances to each. There is a non-refundable \$125.00 fee for each variance application. The nonrefundable fee is payable to the City of Appleton and due at the time the application is submitted.

Property Information						
Address of Property (Variance Requested) 100 W. Wisconsin Ave.	Parcel Number 31-6-0576					
Zoning District	Use of Property					
C2	Residential X Commercial					

Applicant nformation				
Owner Name Owner Address				
CHAD LECAPITAINE LLC	925 W. Lindbergh St.			
	Appleton, WI 54911			
Owner Phone Number	Owner E Mail address (optional)			
920-378-5468 Captianchad302@gmail.com				
V	ariance Information			
Municipal Code Section(s) Project Does	s not Comply			
Section 23-66(h)(5)(b)- Perimeter lands	caping buffering and setbacks			
Brief Description of Proposed Project				
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The plan provides ** parking spaces. Section 23-172(m) of the Zoning Ordinance requires **				
customer parking spaces and ** total pa	rking spaces.			

Racp 4964-0003

Date: 4-24-2023



Department of Public Works

Inspection Division 100 North Appleton Street Appleton, Wisconsin 54911

(920) 832-6411

Questionnaire

In order to be granted a variance each applicant must be able to prove that an unnecessary hardship would be created if the variance were not granted. The burden of proving an unnecessary hardship rest upon the applicant. The attached sheet provides information on what constitutes a hardship. (Attach additional sheets, if necessary, to provide the information requested. Additional information may be requested as needed.

- 1. Explain your proposed plans and why you are requesting a variance:

 The pavement is existing on the property and fits with the surrounding area. Also, I need the area to park cars that are being repaired, sold and/or serviced. I want to use the property as it was previously.
- 2. Describe how the variance would not have an adverse impact on the surrounding properties:

It is how the property was being used previously and I just want to maintain the current use. I need the area south of the building to advertise autos that are for sale.

3. Describe the special conditions that apply to your lot or structure that do not apply to surrounding lots or structures:

The houses to the north and west are rental houses. The house to the north has existing gravel that extends up to the property line.

4. Describe the hardship that would result if your variance were not granted:
I would need to remove existing impervious surface and I would lose the area for parking spaces that were planned due to the existing impervious surface.

To: Board of Zoning Appeals

From: Kurt W. Craanen, Inspections Supervisor

Date: April 26, 2023

RE: Variance Application for 100 W. Wisconsin Ave. (31-6-0576-00)

Description of Proposal

The applicant proposes to begin selling vehicles at this location and provide no landscape buffering or vegetation. Section 23-66(h)(5)(b)(1) of the Zoning Ordinance requires a five (5) foot wide buffer along the side and front yards and Section 23-66(h)(5)(b)(2)(ii) of the Zoning Ordinance requires landscaping in front yard that includes evergreens and shrubs across eighty (80%) percent of lot frontage.

Impact on the Neighborhood

In the application, the applicant states that it is how the property was being used previously and he just wants to maintain the current use. He needs the area south of the building to advertise autos for sale.

Unique Condition

In the application, the applicant states that the houses to the north and west are rentals and the house to the north has gravel that extends up to the property line.

Hardship

In the application, the applicant states that if the variance is not granted, he would need to remove existing impervious surface and would lose the area for parking spaces that were planned, due to the existing impervious surface.

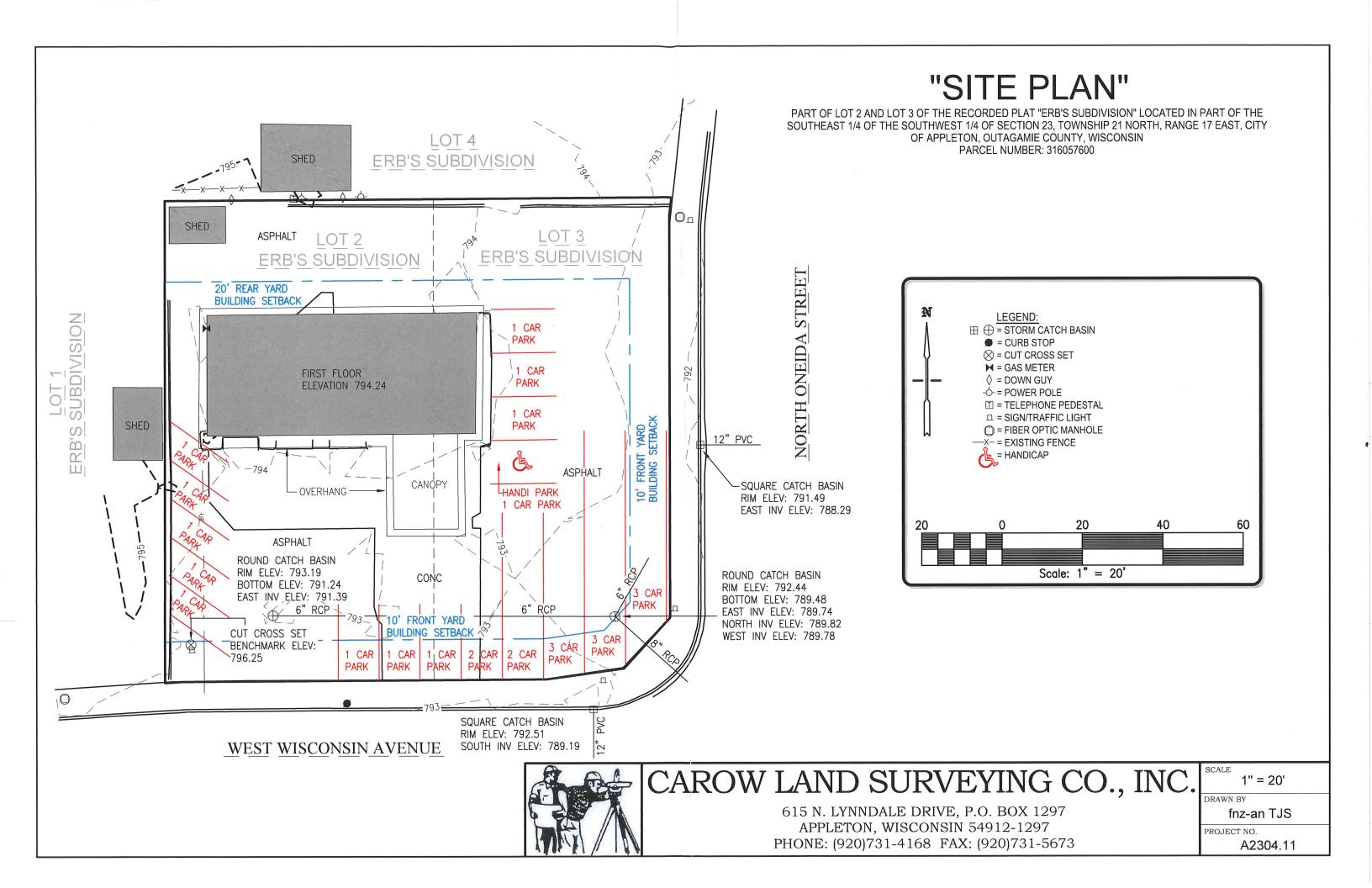
Staff Analysis

This parcel is 14,721 sq. ft. The minimum size of a lot allowed in the C2 zoning district is 14,000 sq. ft. This is not an unusually small lot.

The property has been used as a repair and towing company for many years. It has not been licensed for auto display and sales in the past. The owner is proposing to sell vehicles and is required to obtain a special use permit from the City of Appleton. Because of this change, compliance with the landscape buffering standards is required. The owner is proposing this change. Therefore, any hardship is self- created.

The minimum number of required parking spaces for the use of the property for auto sales is six (6) spaces. These are spaces not to be used for display of vehicles for sale.

Based on the information available, the applicant has not met the review criteria for a variance because no hardship has been identified due to the dimensional limitations of the lot.



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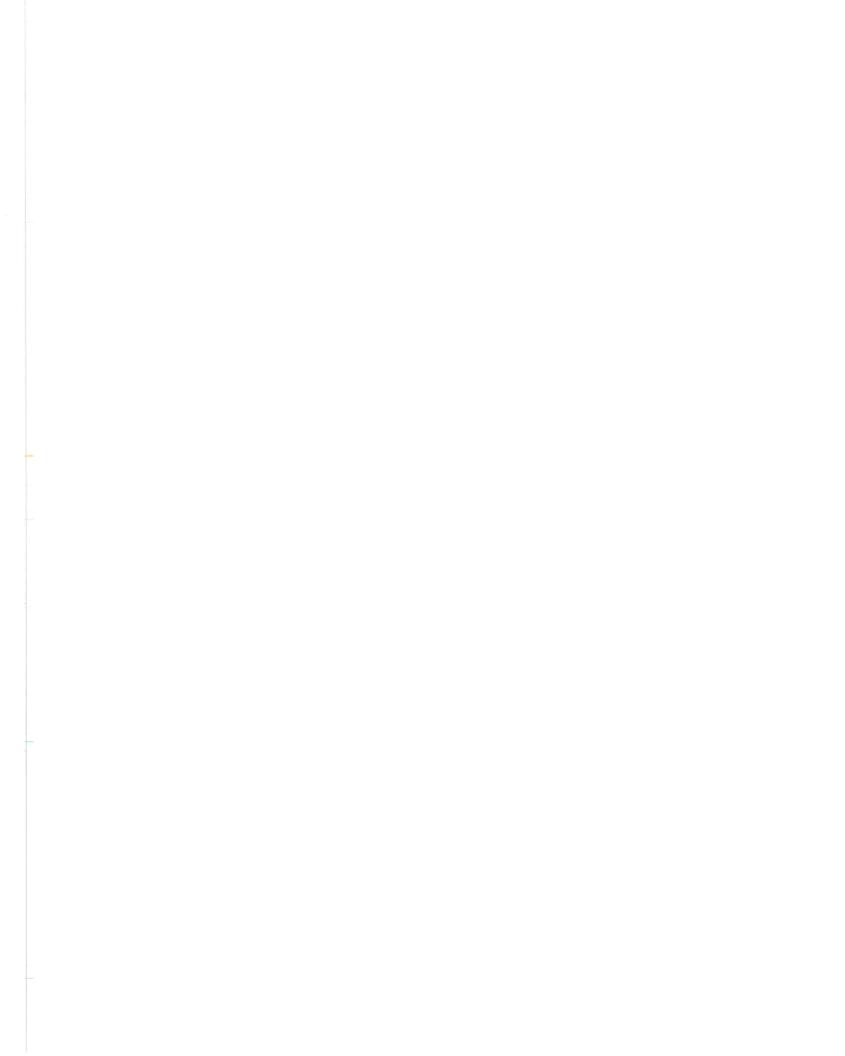
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Applicant nformation				
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To: Board of Zoning Appeals

From: Kurt W. Craanen, Inspections Supervisor

Date: April 26, 2023

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Impact on the Neighborhood

In the application, the applicant states that it is how the property was being used previously and he just wants to maintain the current use. He needs the area south of the building to advertise autos for sale.

Unique Condition

In the application, the applicant states that the houses to the north and west are rentals and the house to the north has gravel that extends up to the property line.

Hardship

In the application, the applicant states that if the variance is not granted, he would need to remove existing impervious surface and would lose the area for parking spaces that were planned, due to the existing impervious surface.

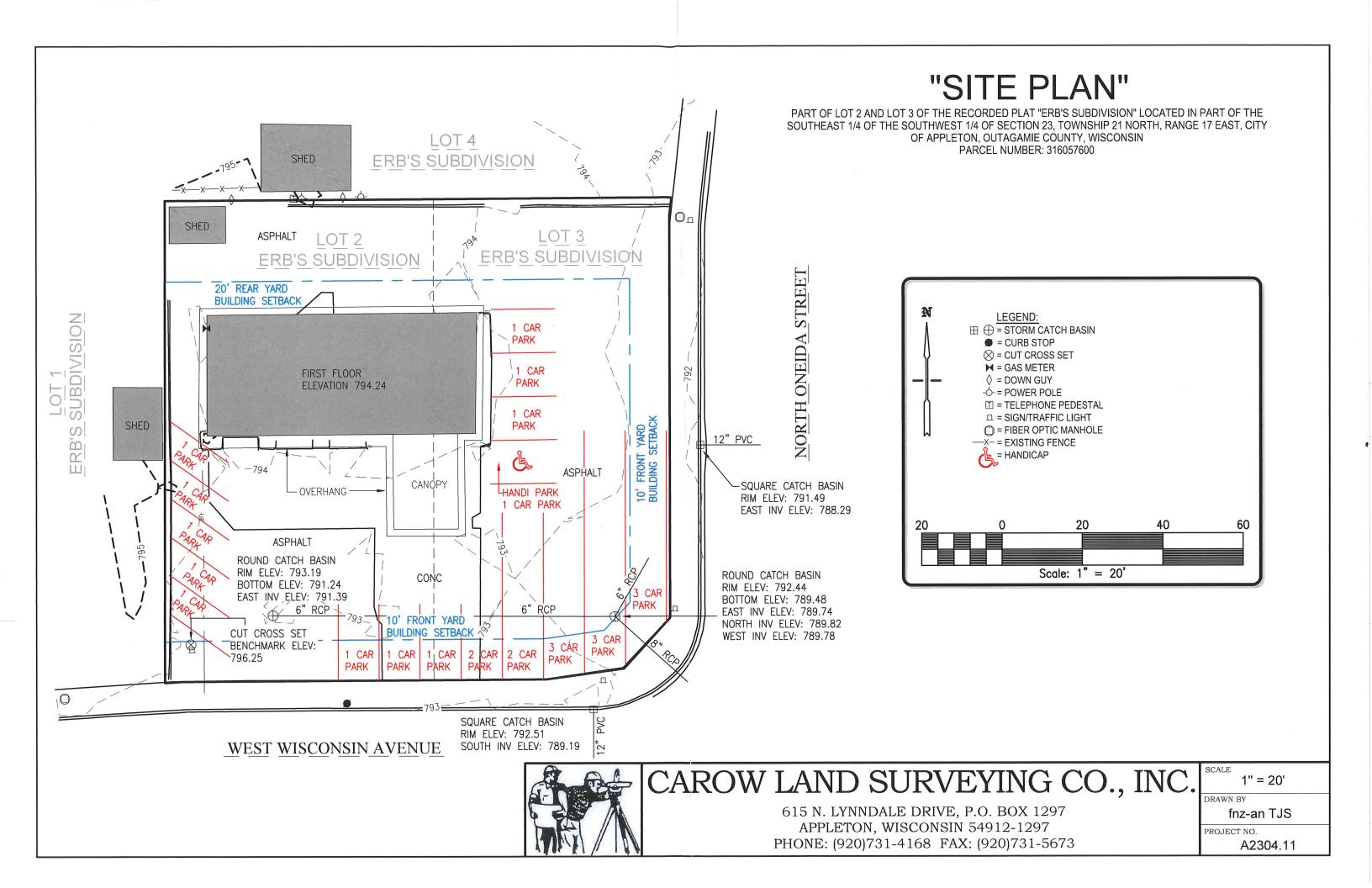
Staff Analysis

This parcel is 14,721 sq. ft. The minimum size of a lot allowed in the C2 zoning district is 14,000 sq. ft. This is not an unusually small lot.

The property has been used as a repair and towing company for many years. It has not been licensed for auto display and sales in the past. The owner is proposing to sell vehicles and is required to obtain a special use permit from the City of Appleton. Because of this change, compliance with the landscape buffering standards is required. The owner is proposing this change. Therefore, any hardship is self- created.

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Property Information						
Address of Property (Variance Requested) 702 E. Wisconsin Ave.	Parcel Number 31-6-0478-00					
Zoning District	Use of Property					
C2	Residential X Commercial					

	Applicant information
Owner Name	Owner Address
RJK LLC	702 E WISCONSIN AVE
	APPLETON WI 54911
Owner Phone Number	Owner E Mail address (optional)
920-707-3660	derksconst@sbcglobal.net
Agent Name	Agent Address
James Derks	715 E Hancock St
	Appleton, WI 54911
Agent Phone Number	Agent E Mail address (optional)
920-707-3660	
	Variance Information
Municipal Code Section(s) Project I	Does not Comply
Section 23-113(h)(2)- Lot coverage	exceeding 75%
Brief Description of Proposed Proje	ct
Proposed project to add paver area v	will increase lot coverage to%,. Section 23-113(h)(2) of
the Zoning Ordinance limits maxim	um lot coverage to 75%.

Owner's Signature (Required): James F. De. Date: 4-18-23

Resp 4964-0005

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Questionnaire

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1. Explain your proposed plans and why you are requesting a variance:

Our plan is to remove non growing grass area because of large cedar tree line on west side, which are owned by Fox Communities Credit Union. These trees do not allow proper sun to allow the grass to grow. Also, the tree on our property will be removed because the root system from the tree starves areas of the lawn. Removal of this tree and grass would allow us to install pavers. A variance is needed because we will be less that 25% of the required green space.

2. Describe how the variance would not have an adverse impact on the surrounding properties:

There are 2 areas which butt with our property. Fox Communities Credit Union on the west side which is a tree line and parking lot. On the north side are residential homes. Our proposed pavers will be pitched from the west to the east, which on the east side is our parking lot with its own 10" sewer drain. Conclusion would be all the water run off would be on our property going into our parking lot, thus doing no damage to the neighbors' properties.

3. Describe the special conditions that apply to your lot or structure that do not apply to surrounding lots or structures:

Special conditions are we are in the service industry. We are a Bar & Grill in a building that was built in 1900 and has always been a bar establishment. It is part of Appleton's history and we want to maintain and cherish that history. We also have a 10" storm drain in our parking lot so not water will run off to the neighboring property.

4. Describe the hardship that would result if your variance were not granted:

Without the variance, our non grassy area becomes muddy and washes into our parking lot storm sewer which could cause an environmental issue. We have tried to grow grass in this area, but with the large trees surrounding the lot, the grass will not grow. Removing the grass and installing pavers would be the best use of this space and prevent the mud from draining into the storm sewers. The grass area used to be a gravel parking lot which could also be part of the reason the grass does not want to grow properly.

To: Board of Zoning Appeals

From: Kurt W. Craanen, Inspections Supervisor

Date: April 26, 2023

RE: Variance Application for 702 E. Wisconsin Ave. (31-6-0478-00)

Description of Proposal

The applicant proposes to add pavers that would increase lot coverage to 91%. Section 23-113(h)(2) of the Zoning Ordinance limits lot coverage in the C2 district to 75%.

Impact on the Neighborhood

In the application, the applicant states that the proposed pavers would be pitched to the east and west and the east side has a 10" sewer drain, so the water run off would stay on their property and not impact the neighboring properties.

Unique Condition

In the application, the applicant states this building was built in 1900 and has always been a bar establishment and is a part of Appleton's history. The applicant also states there is a 10" storm drain in their parking lot.

Hardship

In the application, the applicant states that without this variance the non-grassy area becomes muddy and washes into the parking lot storm sewer. Attempts to grow grass have failed because of the large trees in the area.

Staff Analysis

This parcel is 12,136 sq. ft. The minimum size lot in the C2 zoning district is 14,000 sq. ft. This lot is a nonconforming lot of records because the size of the lot is below the minimum permitted size in the C2 zoning district. Regardless, this is a self-crated hardship because the owner is choosing to make this change by adding impervious service.

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Zoning District	Use of Property		
C2	Residential X Commercial		

Owner Name	Owner Address	
JO ANN FIDIKA	1619 E PAULINE ST	
	APPLETON WI 54911	
Owner Phone Number	Owner E Mail address (optional)	
920-574-0471	zorrofid@gmail.com	
Agent Name	Agent Address	
Agent Phone Number	Agent E Mail address (optional)	
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Municipal Code Section(s) Project D	oes not Comply	
Section 23-44(a)(1)(a) Fence height	may not exceed six (6) feet.	
Brief Description of Proposed Project	t	
Proposed project is to maintain a fend	ce that extend to seven (7) feet in height. Section 23-	

Owner's Signature (Required): The Keep 4964 -0006

Return to: Department of Public Works Inspection Division 100 North Appleton Street Appleton, Wisconsin 54911 (920) 832-6411 The neighbor shoots Questionnaire gravel over the ferce. In order to be granted a variance each applicant must be able to prove that an unnecessary siding. hardship would be created if the variance were not granted. The burden of proving an the complaint was unnecessary hardship rest upon the applicant. The attached sheet provides information on what constitutes a hardship. (Attach additional sheets, if necessary, to provide the information requested. Additional information may be requested as needed. 1. Never in 34 plats was a complaint Explain your proposed plans and why you are requesting a variance: aware it was problem you day I'm on city property by 1/2 feet, 2 fense Describe how the variance would not have an adverse impact on the surrounding problem Wort affect anyone - ity been there 34 years + properties: gives the weigh Bornson a rice applied ance. It even gives more Describe the special conditions that apply to your lot or structure that do not apply to surrounding lots or structures: Neighbors house is too close - he can book right into my kitchen a dining soom. Neighbor theating me and has ripped of boards of 6 fence. Then he tried to pound Describe the hardship that would result if your variance were not granted privacy The six foot fence with I Foot of lattice protects my Privacy - keeps him from shooting gravel pelting my siding. He has theatened my life with a power drell in my face! There have been & police reported in the past 6 months all of my fence whether 3 foot or 7 foot (1500t of bittice) and it should keep him on his side of fence Plus it would ruin the beauty of both properties and other neighbors hite them fince as it is. Please don't just follow the letter of the law - give me on exception

To: Board of Zoning Appeals

From: Kurt W. Craanen, Inspections Supervisor

Date: April 26, 2023

RE: Variance Application for 1619 E. Pauline St. (31-1-2375-00)

Description of Proposal

The applicant proposes to maintain a fence that is seven (7) feet tall. Section 23-44(a)(1)(a) of the Zoning Ordinance limits fence height to six (6) feet.

Impact on the Neighborhood

In the application, the applicant states that the fence won't affect anyone, it has been there for thirty-four (34) years and gives the neighborhood a nice appearance and value.

Unique Condition

In the application, the applicant states that the neighbor's house is too close and the tenant can look right in her kitchen and dining room. The applicant states that the one (1) foot of lattice protects her privacy.

Hardship

In the application, the applicant states that her neighbor is harassing her and threatening her and that the fence protects her safety and privacy.

Staff Analysis

The applicant has not identified any aspect of the property or dimensional limitations of the property that constitutes a hardship. The relationship between neighbors or actions of individuals should not be considered a hardship. The applicant has not met the review criteria for a variance.