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Gregg A. Cleveland, Fire Chief



July 22, 2016

Jesse Ramos
1908 21st St S
La Crosse WI 54601

RE: An appeal regarding the requirement to provide a 2 foot section of lattice on top of fence when installed within 10 feet of neighboring dwelling at 1908 21st St S, La Crosse, WI.

Dear Jesse Ramos:

We have received your building permit application for a 6 foot tall vinyl privacy fence to be installed on the north property line that *does not* meet the minimum requirements set forth in the Municipal Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse (Code) regarding the requirement that the top 2 feet of any 6 foot fence placed within 10 feet of the neighboring dwelling must be at least 50 percent open. We invite your attention to subchapter of the Code wherein it provides for the purpose of the law from which you are seeking a variance:

“115.3 INTERPRETATION, PURPOSE AND CONFLICT.

In interpreting and applying the provisions of this Chapter, they shall be held to be the minimum requirements for the promotion of the public health, safety, convenience, prosperity or general welfare.”

The project as proposed is in direct violation of the following subparagraphs of the Code:

(c)

Height and setback of *fences* regulated.

c.

A *fence* located in an interior side yard between dwellings shall not exceed four feet in height. However, a *fence* may be erected to a height of six feet if the entire *fence* is constructed of wrought iron or similar open construction or if the area above four feet is at least 50 percent open. An example of the latter is a *fence* that is opaque to a height of four feet and is topped with not more than two feet of lattice. Any interior side-yard *fence* may be erected to a height of six feet if it is located more than ten feet from the side wall of the adjacent neighboring dwelling.

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Therefore, if upon consideration of all of the facts surrounding this appeal in a public hearing, the Board of Zoning Appeals determines that this appeal meets all of the criteria established by the Legislature of the State of Wisconsin, as interpreted by the Supreme Court of the State of Wisconsin for the granting of variances, the Board of Zoning Appeals would have to grant a variance to allow a 6 foot solid privacy fence located within 10 feet of the neighboring dwelling before a building permit could be issued for this project as proposed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara Benson".

Barbara Benson
Building Inspector

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BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION

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Inspection@cityoflacrosse.org

Application No:

Date:

Parcel No.:

17-50062-120

Project Address: X 1908 21st St. S.

Building ☐ Addition ☐ Alteration/Remodel ☐ Cost of Project: \$ X
Sign ☐ Demolition ☐ Intended Use of Land after demolition:
Description of Work:

X fence - vinyl 6' privacy

Name: Jesse Ramos

Address: 1908 21st St. S.

City: La Crosse

State: WI

Zip Code: 54601

Phone:

Cell: 608-738-3495

Fax:

Email:

Name:

Supervisor:

Address:

WIS Cred/Qual:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Phone:

Cell:

Fax:

Email:

Zoning:

Flood Plain: Yes ☐ No ☐

Number of Dwelling Units:

Fire Limits: Yes ☐ No ☐

Property located in archaeological district: ☐ Yes ☐ No

BUILDING & INSPECTIONS

Tenant/Occupancy:

Former Tenant/Occupant:

DEPT

Architect/Engineer Name:

Architect/Engineer Phone:

OK TO ISSUE:

Inspector Initials:

Approval Date:

Fees

Copies:

\$

Plan Review:

\$

Permit Fee:

\$

Record Maintenance Fee:

\$

Other:

\$

TOTAL

\$

Received By:

Check #:

It is hereby agreed between the applicant, as owner, owner's agent or servant, and the City of La Crosse that for and in consideration for the premises and of the permit to construct, erect, alter, move, raze, or install and the occupancy of a building or property as above described, to be issued and granted by the Department of Building and Inspections of the City of La Crosse, that the work thereon will be done in accordance with the descriptions set forth in this statement, and as more fully described in the specifications and plans herewith filed; and it is further agreed to construct, erect, alter, move, raze or install and occupy in strict compliance with the ordinances of the City of La Crosse, and to obey any and all lawful orders of the Department of Building and Inspections of the City of La Crosse and State of Wisconsin laws relating to the construction, alteration, repairs, removal and safety buildings and other structures and permanent building equipment.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: CITY OF LACROSSE TREASURER

(SIGN) AGENT/CONTRACTOR NAME

DATE

(PRINT) AGENT/CONTRACTOR NAME

DATE

X Jesse Ramos

(PRINT) OWNER NAME

6/23/16

DATE

X Jesse Ramos

(SIGN) OWNER NAME

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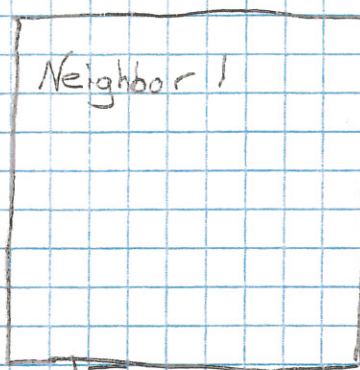
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Side Walk

Front of House

— = Fence on Property line

$$150 = 3 \text{ ft}^2$$

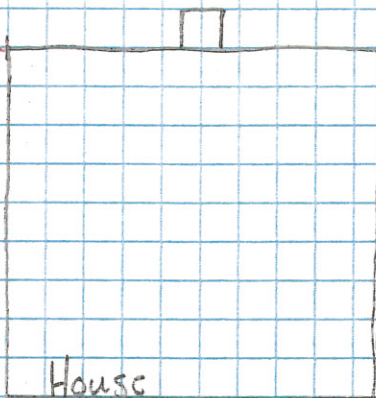


Neighbor 1

8ft 8ft

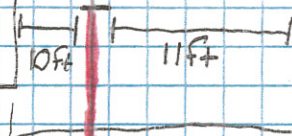
21ft long

75ft long fence



House

Lot size
 $12\frac{1}{4} \text{ ft} \times 47 \text{ ft}$

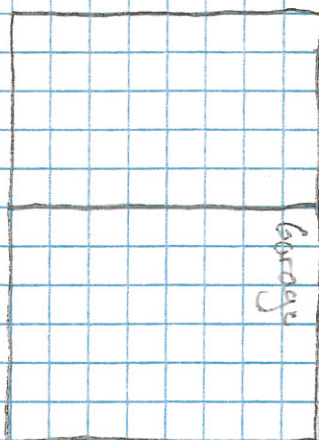


10ft

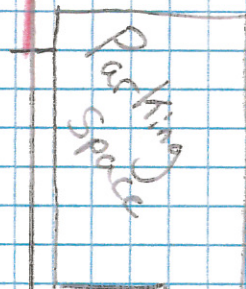
11ft

Neighbor 2

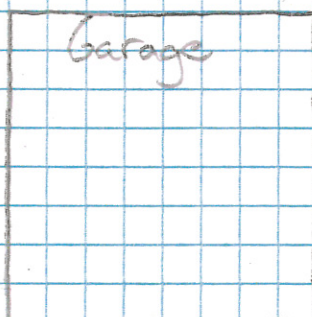
21ft
48ft long fence



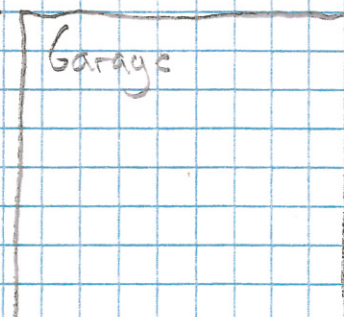
Garage



Parking Space



Garage



Garage

Alley

47ft

I KEVIN HERMAN at 1902 21 Street South La Crosse WI, neighbor to Jesse Ramos at 1908 21 Street South La Crosse WI agree to the placement & installation of the proposed fence, which is to be installed at the above address, and run along adjoining properties. I also grant permission to use my property for fence maintenance if applicable. Furthermore with notice to the property owner of 1908 21st Street, building off this fence to be installed to enclose the property of 1902 will be allowed.

Signed  Date 17 June 2016

Property Owner Of 1902

Signed Jesse Ramos Date 6/17/16

Property Owner of 1908

To whom it may concern:

I Marlene Riepel at 1912 So. 21st St. South,
name address

neighbor to Jesse Ramos at 1908 21 Street South,
name address

agree to the placement & installation of the proposed fence, which is to be installed at the above address, and run along the adjoining properties. I also grant permission to use my property for fence maintenance if applicable.

Signed Marlene Riepel Date 6-17-16
Property Owner


Jesse Ramos

6/17/16

I, Kevin Herman, at 1902 21st St S, La Crosse, WI, owner of the property that neighbors Jesse Ramos at 1908 21st St S, La Crosse, WI, agree to the maintenance free, 6' solid fence style and its placement and installation which is to be installed at the above address and run along adjoining properties. I also grant permission to use my property for fence maintenance if applicable, with advance notice and approval. Furthermore with notice to the property owner of 1908 21st St, building off this fence to be installed to enclose the property of 1902 will be allowed at no cost or consideration.

Signed  Date 2 August 2016

Property Owner of 1902 21st St

Signed  Jesse Ramos Date 8/2/16

Property Owner of 1908 21st St



a problem



← 21st St S

