RE: Property at 2546 South 7th Street, La Crosse, WI 54601

The purpose of having extra garage space is for extra storage. Most of my neighbors don't have extra storage space so they must park their boats and trailers in their front yards since there is no alley access to our homes. I also have boats, canoes, kayaks, a riding lawn mower, utility cart, grill and various carts that I currently keep outside.

The extra storage space I propose to build will be climate controlled for my collector cars as recommended by my mechanic from Andy's Auto. The climate-controlled environment will protect them from damage.

The addition will be built with windows and stone on the front to match my house. It will also be insulated and finished off inside with painted, drywall interior walls.

After meeting with my surveyor, he noticed that if I build the addition any further back on the property than originally proposed, I will have to remove a large shade tree in the rear yard. This would be a huge loss in the heat of the summer since this is the only shade tree I have in the rear yard. Also, building the addition any further back than proposed would block the view of the river for my neighbor and myself, potentially devaluing the property.

There are eleven properties on South 7<sup>th</sup> Street near my property that are closer than allowed for set back in accordance with the lot line. Nine of these properties are even closer to the road than I am proposing! Having to build my addition any further back on the lot would make it look out of place in comparison to my neighbors.

Sincerely,

Doug Buchner







