



**CITY OF BAY CITY
VARIANCE REQUEST**

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Bay City, TX 77414
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All requests for a variance shall be filed with the City Secretary. Each request shall be accompanied by a \$75.00 filing fee, a drawing/illustration depicting the property affected by the request, and any additional supplemental documentation that you want the Variance Committee to consider. **Incomplete requests will not be accepted.**

Date: 12/12/2022

Name of Requestor (please print): Benjamin Flores

Address of Requestor: 2500 Hamman Rd Phone Number: 512.987.3585

Email Address: bajaguy@gmail.com

Address of subject property: 2500 Hamman Rd

Legal description of subject property: _____

Section(s) of the City's Code of Ordinances from which the variance is being sought:

Sec. 14-5 of the Code of Ordinances

Sec. _____ of the Code of Ordinances

Sec. _____ of the Code of Ordinances

In detail, please state the reason for the request: _____

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The Variance Committee will consider variance requests from the following:

- (a) Ch. 22 (Buildings and Building Regulations)
- (b) Ch. 46 (Flood Damage Prevention)
- (c) Ch. 54 (Mobile Homes, etc.)
- (d) Ch. 78 (Off Street Parking (Angle Parking))
- (e) Ch. 94 (Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places)
- (f) Ch. 98, Sec. 98-122 – Subdivision Streets
- (g) Ch. 110, Sec. 110-178 (Traffic and Vehicles (Angle Parking)).

Otherwise, the Planning Commission will consider the variance request.

Decisions of the Variance and Planning Committees shall be filed with the City Secretary's Office and promptly reported to the requestor. All decisions may be appealed to the City Council.

Benjamin Flores

Requestor Signature

We request that we are allowed to raise pastured pigs within city limits. We have done extensive research, visited small scale pig operations, consulted experts at TAMU and a local veterinarian. We're working with the pig specialist (PhD) at TAMU to obtain a grant to do pastured pork research. Only a small group of pigs will be kept here, and once piglets are weaned off, they'll be transferred off-site to reach market weight. The pigs will not be confined, as is the general practice, but rotated every 2-4 weeks to a new paddock, within our 10 acres. This will mitigate odors, diseases, and parasites. Biosecurity practices will be in place to protect both the herd, us, and the community at large. The goal is to ultimately create a premium brand of pork products, with a projected revenue of \$6k per pig.

Benjamin Flores

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