Subject:Variance (First District)Author:Chelsie Fernald, Senior PlannerDepartment:Development ServicesMeeting Date:July 9, 2024

Item Description: Kenneth Souls requests a variance from ordinance Section 3.21.1, to allow for occupation of an R/V camper. Located at 277 Horseshoe Road, zoned AR-1. [Map# 355A Parcel# 3]

Summary Recommendation

Staff has reviewed the application and recommends **approval** of the request for a **variance** from ordinance Section 3.21.1, to allow for occupation of an R/V camper.

Executive Summary/Background

• Pursuant to Appendix C-Zoning Ordinance, Article VII-Planning Board, Section 7.1.8, variances may only be granted if the following findings are made:

That there are unique physical circumstances or conditions, including irregularity, narrowness, or shallowness, of lot size or shape, or exceptional topographical or other physical conditions peculiar to the particular property, and that the unnecessary hardship is due to such conditions, and not to circumstances or conditions generally created by the provisions of the zoning ordinance in the neighborhood or district in which the property is located; and

That because of such physical circumstances or conditions, there is no possibility that the property can be developed in strict conformity with the provisions of the zoning ordinance, and that the authorization of a variance is therefore necessary to enable the reasonable use of the property.

- The applicant requests a variance from Section 3.21.1, to allow the occupation of an R/V camper.
- Staff has met with the applicant and in that discussion the applicant stated they are currently renovating a
 mobile home for their niece. Until the mobile home is ready, she would like to be able to live in the R/V on
 site.

Alternatives

- **1. Approve** the request for a **variance** from ordinance Section 3.21.1, to allow for occupation of an R/V camper with the following conditions:
- Should the renovations take longer than 12 months, the applicant needs to come back before the board to get an extension of time for the occupation of the R/V.
- 2. Deny the request for a variance from ordinance Section 3.21.1, to allow for occupation of an R/V camper.

Other Alternatives: 2

Recommended Alternative: 1

Department Review: Development Services FUNDING: N/A

Attachments: 1. Conditional Use application 2. Aerial photograph 3. Deed