

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS DIVISION II

August 13 2024

Case Number:	2024-DV2-028	
Property Address:	561 Jefferson Avenue (approximate address)	
Location:	Center Township, Council District #13	
Petitioner:	Lincoln & Lynda Brill, by Joseph Lese	
Current Zoning:	D-5	
Request:	Variance of Development Standards of the Consolidated Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance to provide for a detached garage addition including the connection to the primary building, resulting in a four-foot ten-inch rear yard setback (20-foot rear setback required).	
Current Land Use:	Residential	
Staff Recommendations:	Staff recommends approval of this petition	
Staff Reviewer:	Noah Stern, Senior Planner	

PETITION HISTORY

• This is the first public hearing for this petition.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of this petition

PETITION OVERVIEW

- This petition would provide for a detached garage addition including the connection to the primary building, resulting in a four-foot ten-inch rear yard setback (20-foot rear setback required).
- Since the proposal calls for an open-air breezeway to connect the existing primary building and the proposed detached garage (as opposed to a fully enclosed, air-conditioned connection), the garage would not be considered a part of the primary structure. Therefore, the request for a 20-foot rear setback is not necessary and the proposal would only need a 2-inch variance, as the proposed accessory garage structure would be permitted to have a 5-foot rear yard setback.
- The property is improved with a primary residence and a detached garage. The current detached garage would be removed and replaced with a new detached garage that would contain the same setbacks as the existing garage.



• Staff finds the request to be reasonable in nature, given that the location of the garage and its setbacks would not change as a part of this addition. Likewise, the addition proposal is moderate in nature with regards to height and bulk, and would match the design and style of the existing structures. Further, the proposal would meet all other setback standards and open space requirements. Therefore, Staff does not see the proposal as overdevelopment of the site. For these reasons, Staff is unopposed of the variance request.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Existing Zoning	D-5		
Existing Land Use	Residential		
Comprehensive Plan	Traditional Neighborhood		
Surrounding Context	Zoning	Surrounding Context	
North:	D-5	North Single-family residential	
South:	D-5	South: Single-family residential	
East:	D-5	East: Single-family residential	
West:	D-5	West: Single-family residential	
Thoroughfare Plan			
Jefferson Avenue	Local Street	60 feet of right-of-way existing and 48 feet proposed	
Context Area	Compact		
Floodway / Floodway Fringe	No		
Overlay	No		
Wellfield Protection Area	No		
Site Plan	7/7/24		
Site Plan (Amended)	N/A		
Elevations	7/7/24		
Elevations (Amended)	N/A		
Landscape Plan	N/A		
Findings of Fact	7/12/24		
Findings of Fact (Amended)	N/A		

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ANALYSIS

Comprehensive Plan

- Marion County Land Use Plan Pattern Book
- Infill Housing Guidelines

Pattern Book / Land Use Plan



• The Marion County Land Use Plan pattern Book recommends the Traditional Neighborhood typology for this site.

Red Line / Blue Line / Purple Line TOD Strategic Plan

• Not Applicable to the Site.

Neighborhood / Area Specific Plan

• Not Applicable to the Site.

Infill Housing Guidelines

- With regards to new garages, the Infill Housing Guidelines recommends:
 - Locate accessory structures behind primary buildings
 - Access accessory buildings from alleys, when possible
 - Don't overshadow primary buildings

Indy Moves (Thoroughfare Plan, Pedestrian Plan, Bicycle Master Plan, Greenways Master Plan)

• Enter Recommendation by Indy Moves Plans or "Not Applicable to the Site.



ZONING HISTORY

ZONING HISTORY – SITE

N/A

ZONING HISTORY – VICINITY

2019UV2003; 552 Jefferson Avenue (west of site), Variance of use of the Consolidated Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance to legally establish a three-unit dwelling (not permitted), **withdrawn.**

99-V2-124; (west of site), Variance of development standards of the dwelling districts Zoning Ordinance to provide for construction of a 720 square foot detached garage resulting in 61% open space (minimum 65% required), **approved.**



EXHIBITS





















