#### STAFF REPORT

## Department of Metropolitan Development Division of Planning Current Planning Section

Case Number: 2023-DV3-014

Address: 5464 East 18<sup>th</sup> Street (approximate address)
Location: Warren Township, Council District #12

Zoning: D-5

Petitioner: Mirian Mejia, by Sarah Walters

Request: Variance of Development Standards of the Consolidated Zoning and

Subdivision Ordinance to provide for the construction of a covered addition to an existing garage, resulting in a 3.5-foot south side yard

setback (five-foot side yard setback required).

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

Staff **recommends approval** of the request subject to the site plan and elevations filed March 15, 2023

#### **SUMMARY OF ISSUES**

The following issues were considered in formulating the recommendation:

#### LAND USE

#### EXISTING ZONING AND LAND USE

D-5 Compact Single-Family residential

#### SURROUNDING ZONING AND LAND USE

North	D-5	Single-Family residential
South	D-5	Single-Family residential
East	D-5	Single-Family residential
West	D-5	Single-Family residential

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN The Comprehensive Plan recommends Traditional Neighborhood

development

♦ The subject site is a 7,429 square foot lot in the D-5 district, and is developed with a single-family dwelling and a detached garage. This property is in the Eastside neighborhood.

#### VARIANCE OF DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

♦ This request would provide for the construction of a covered addition to an existing garage, resulting in a 3.5-foot south side yard setback where a five-foot side yard setback required.

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- ♦ The existing detached garage is 20 feet by 14 feet and has a three-foot side yard setback. The addition would be 20 feet by 14 feet and aligns with the existing garage setback. The ordinance includes an exception for a one-time expansion of an existing non-compliant setback, but it is limited to 50 percent of the length of the existing structure; a maximum of an additional 10 feet would be permitted by ordinance.
- As shown on the elevations and construction plans, the addition proposed is not enclosed, but would be an open, post frame structure. Staff believes that the open sides of the addition reduce the impact of the reduced setback, and would recommend approval of the reduced setback subject to the site plan and elevations submitted, file-dated March 15, 2023.
- The addition proposes a three-foot setback where five feet is required. A three-foot setback would be permitted by building code requirements without requiring increased fire-rating. Staff would not be opposed to a slightly reduced setback where it would comply with all other standards.
- Staff would note that there is a violation for a use not permitted in the D-5 district: appliance storage and repair. If the variance for the addition is approved, the structure may only be used for permitted residential accessory uses.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

THOROUGHFARE PLAN East 18<sup>th</sup> Street is classified in the Official Thoroughfare Plan

for Marion County, Indiana as a local street, with a 50-foot

existing and proposed right-of-way.

SITE PLAN / CONSTRUCTION PLANS File-dated March 15, 2023

FINDINGS OF FACT File-dated May 18, 2023

#### **ZONING HISTORY -SITE**

**VIO22-007020,** failure to obtain an improvement location permit for an addition; outdoor storage of junk, trash, or debris; conduct of any activity in a zoning district, not specifically permitted—appliance sales, appliance repair.

**2011-DV2-015**, Variance to provide for an attached carport, with a zero-foot south side setback, creating a three-foot aggregate side setback, **denied**.

#### **ZONING HISTORY – VICINITY**

**96-V2-64, 5461 East 19<sup>th</sup> Street,** variance to provide for construction of a carport with a one-foot side setback, and a six-foot aggregate setback, **approved**.

**99-V2-108, 5450 East 18<sup>th</sup> Street,** variance to provide for a 23.9-foot by 25-foot addition to an existing dwelling, **approved**.

**2009-HOV-027, 1756 North Whittier Place,** variance to provide for the construction of 168 square-foot room addition resulting in a 15-foot rear yard setback for the primary structure, **approved**.

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#### 2023-DV3-014; Aerial Map



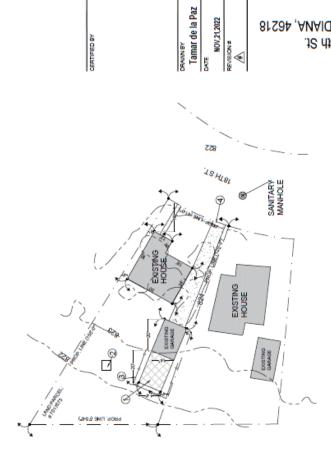
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(1) PROPOSED COVERED SHELTER

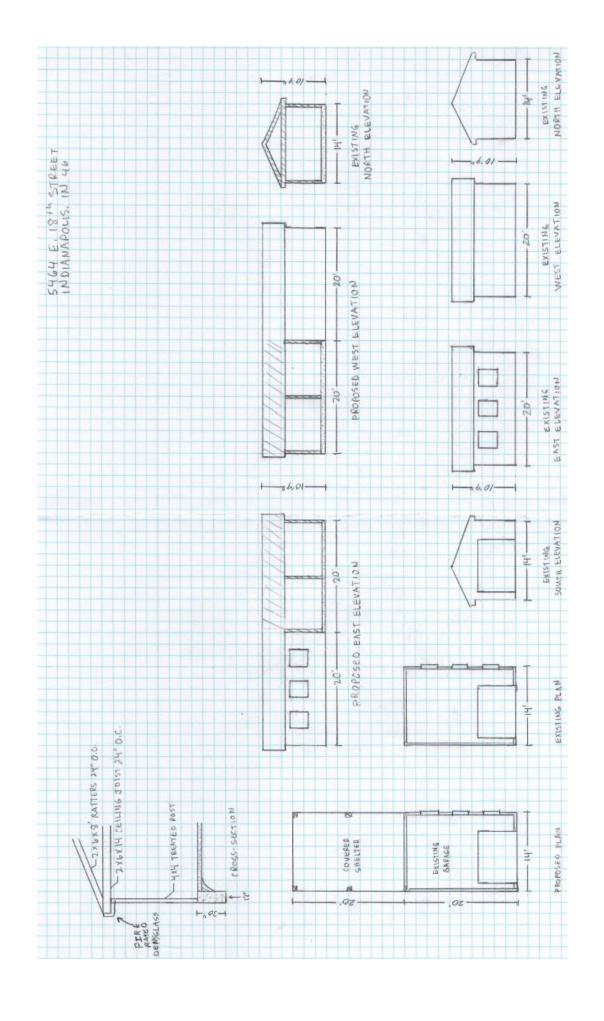
# SITE DATA

7.429 S.F.	816 SQ FT. 280 SQ FT. 639 SQ FT.	280 SQ. FT.	35
LOT AREA (D5) - COMPACT PARCEL SIZE	TOTAL BLDG AREA EXISTING FOOTPRINT AFEA EXISTING GARAGE AFEA EXISTING CONCRETE PATH	PROPOSED COVERED SHELTER AREA	OPEN SPACE PERCENTAGE





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### 2023-DV3-014; Photographs





Existing driveway and detached garage, looking west



Garage addition, looking south. Appliance storage subject to enforcement action VIO22-007020, not part of the request.



Garage addition, looking east