

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS DIVISION II

April 8, 2025

Case Number: 2025-DV2-008

Property Address: 8541 Springview Drive (approximate address)
Location: Washington Township, Council District #2
Petitioner: Kevin & Rochelle Clasen, by Alex Thompson

Current Zoning: D-1

Variance of Development Standards of the Consolidated Zoning and

Subdivision Ordinance to provide for the construction of an attached

garage with a two-foot north side yard setback (eight feet required).

Current Land Use: Residential

Staff

Request:

Recommendations: Staff recommends approval for 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 allow for the construction of an attached garage with a two-foot north side yard setback (eight (8) feet required).
- The subject site is zoned D-1 and the Comprehensive Plan recommends Suburban Neighborhood for the property. The request would allow for a two (2) -foot north side yard setback for a garage addition.
- The site is of sufficient lot width and the lot area is approximately 0.55 acres (23,958 square feet) per the property card, which is just below the D-1 standard of 24,000 square feet. While Staff finds side setbacks to be an important standard to preserve open space, privacy, and reduce potential conflicts, Staff believes there to be a degree of practical difficulty present with regards to setbacks given the slightly reduced lot area.
- Further, with other properties in the area also containing reduced setbacks, Staff finds the proposal to be in accordance with the Infill Housing Guidelines which states that setbacks should reinforce



existing spacing of the surrounding context. Lastly, with the reduced side setback being the only variance requested, Staff finds the proposed reduction to be minor in nature that will have minimal impact on the adjacent property and surrounding area. For these reasons, Staff is unopposed to the request.

GENERAL INFORMATION

| Existing Zoning | D-1 | |
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| Existing Land Use | Residential | |
| Comprehensive Plan | Suburban neighborhood | |
| Surrounding Context | Zoning | Surrounding Context |
| North: | D-1 | North: single-family residential |
| South: | D-1 | South: single-family residential |
| East: | D-1 | East: single-family residential |
| West: | D-P | West: Two-family residential |
| Thoroughfare Plan | | |
| Springview Drive | Local Street | 50 feet of right-of-way existing and 50 feet proposed |
| Context Area | Metro | |
| Floodway / Floodway Fringe | No | |
| Overlay | No | |
| Wellfield Protection Area | No | |
| Site Plan | 2/25/25 | |
| Site Plan (Amended) | N/A | |
| Elevations | N/A | |
| Elevations (Amended) | N/A | |
| Landscape Plan | N/A | |
| Findings of Fact | 2/25/25 | |
| 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 Suburban 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 setbacks, the Infill Housing Guidelines recommends:
 - Reinforce spacing on the surrounding block
 - Limit uncharacteristically large gaps between houses
 - Leave room for maintenance

Indy Moves

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

Not Applicable to the Site.



ZONING HISTORY

ZONING HISTORY - SITE

N/A

ZONING HISTORY - VICINITY

2021ZON100; **8565 Springview Drive (north of site)**, Rezoning of 0.69 acre from the D-P district to the D-1 district, **approved**.

2020DV2042; **8554 Springview Drive (north of site)**, Variance of development standards of the Consolidated Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance to provide for a detached garage within the front yard of 86th Street and within the front setback (accessory structures not permitted within the front yard, 50-foot setback from proposed 56-foot half right-of-way or average setback, whichever is greater, required), **withdrawn**.

2014DV3053; **8536 Oakmont Lane (east of site)**, requested a variance of development standards of the Dwelling Districts Zoning Ordinance to provide for a 10-foot tall opaque fence (maximum six- within a 10-foot wide drainage, utility and sewer easement, **withdrawn**.



EXHIBITS

















