



CITY OF NOME ERKS DEPARTMENTY OF NOME

Variance Application



NCO 5.10.090 (Building Code) – Variances – It is recognized there are special cases where unusual physical features (including small lot size), location within a commercial or historic district, special design features which can be incorporated into the structure, and the limited building season which make strict application of the foregoing regulations unreasonable. Variances are intended to allow a relaxation of the terms of these regulations in such cases. A variance shall not be granted merely for reason of financial hardship or inconvenience. An applicant may request a variance from the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission must meet within fourteen days from the time a completed application is received in the Clerk's Office. Upon receipt of a completed application, the City Clerk shall provide notice of the application and the date of the Planning Commission meeting at which the application will be heard by regular mail to all adjacent property owners.

Denials may be appealed to the Board of Adjustment.

The Planning Commission may impose restrictions and conditions as necessary to assure complete compliance with the foregoing regulations is reasonable.

The Planning Commission may grant a variance only if the Planning Commission believes, based upon the facts placed before the Commission by the applicant, the City, and members of the public, that **all** of the following are true:

- 1) The variance is needed in order to provide the applicant or property owner rights to commonly enjoyed by other similarly situated properties in the same district or neighborhood;
- 2.) The applicant or property owner did not cause the condition that requires the variance;
- 3.) The variance is not requested simply to save the applicant or property owner money;
- 4.) The variance is not requested merely because complying with the regulations is inconvenient;
- 5.) Unusual physical features make strict application of the applicable regulations unreasonable;
- **6.)** The variance requested is the minimal variance needed in order to alleviate the hardship to the applicant or property owner resulting from strict application of the applicable provisions of ordinance or regulation;
- 7.) Granting of the variance will not result in increased flood heights, additional threats to public safety, extraordinary public expense, create nuisances, cause fraud on or victimization of the public or conflict with existing local laws, ordinances or regulations;
- 8.) The variance will not permit a land use in a district in which that use is prohibited.

Subdivisions - General Provisions 70.012 - The following process shall apply to variances.

The City Clerk shall give notice of the public hearing in the following manner:

- a. By publication of a notice in a newspaper of general circulation within the City not less than five (5) days nor more than twenty (20) days prior to the date of hearing
- b. By sending notices by mail at least five (5) days but not more than twenty (20) days prior to the date of hearing to the property owners and residents of property who are not owners of property adjacent to the exterior boundaries of the property involved. The names and addresses of owners as shown in the records of the tax assessor and land use maps of the City will be used for this purpose. Where mailing addresses are not available, the notice will be delivered directly.
- c. Failure to send notices to persons specified in this section or failure of a person to receive a notice shall not invalidate the proceedings.

Applicant:

Phone #: 907 443 2083

O-01-12-1

6-23-2010

am requesting the Planning Commission consider a variance i	n reference to a:
(Please check one)	Preliminary Plat/Subdivision Application
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Block #:52A Lot #:	
For the following reason(s): Set Back from Lot Line Other	om street rother floor 10)
☐ Lot Size	
Off Street Parking	
Permitted Work Suspended	
Proof of notice will be provided to the Planning Commrequest shall be posted in the Office of the City Clerk fountil the variance is acted upon by the Planning Commiss	or public information purposes and shall remain posted
This request will be heard before the Nome Planning Comrepresentative attendance is required.	mission onApplicant or
Planning Commission Additional Variance Restriction	on or Conditions:
A variance hearing on this permit was held by the Plannin	ng Commission at a meeting held
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Date

City Clerk's Office

FEES: REGULAR MEETING: \$200.00

Chairman, Planning Commission

SPECIAL MEETING: \$300.00

BUILDING PERMIT REFERENCE NO: ** 73-

Date Paid: 9 14

Receipt #:_

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Date

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THE UNDERSIGNED OWNERS OF THE REPLAT OF A PORTION OF BLOCK 64 AND BLOCK 52 OF THE ORIGINAL TOWNSITE OF NOME, ALASKA, ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING:

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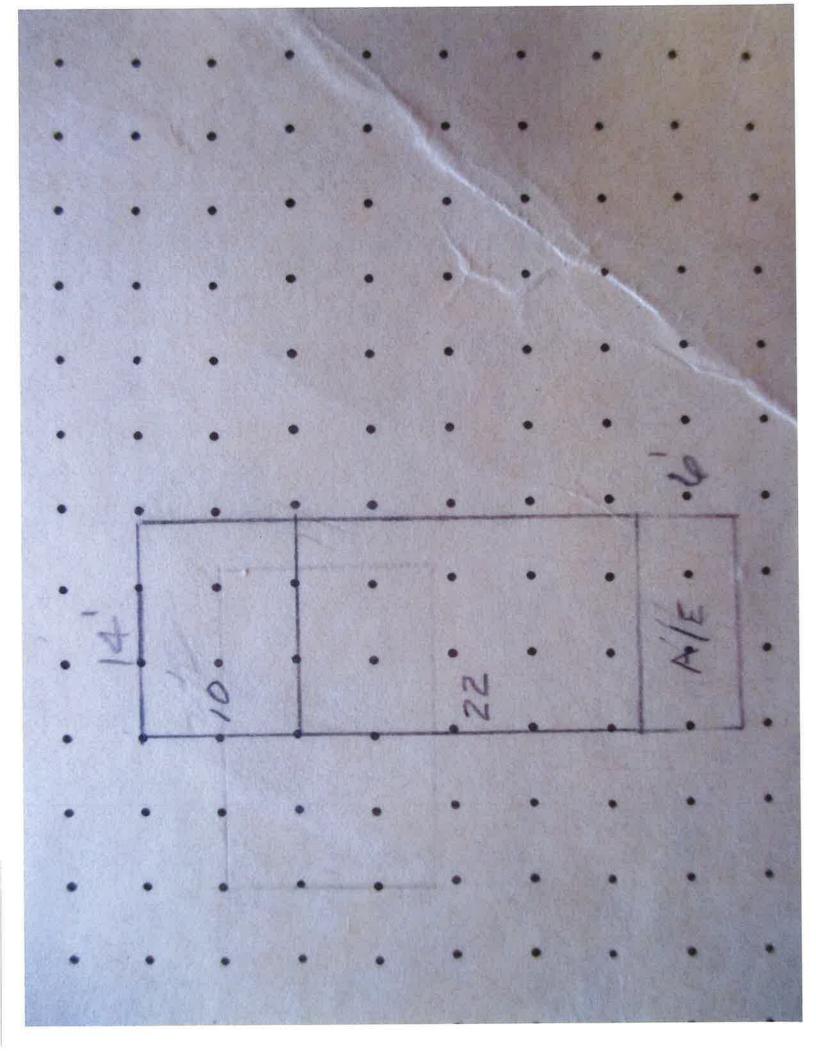
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Payment Entry Form

Result: Payment Authorized Confirmation Number: 142587138

Your payment has been authorized successfully and payment will be processed.

The City of Nome thanks you for your payment. For questions about your account, please call 907-443-6663 Thank you for using our bill payment services.

Please save or print a copy of this receipt for record keeping purposes.

My Bills

Description

Amount

City of Nome Invoice payment of \$300.00 on Invoice Number 2023-2788

\$300.00

Customer Information

Subtotal:

\$300.00

First Name: Cussy Convenience Fee:

\$7.50

Last Name:

Total Payment:

\$307.50

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Address Line 1:

Address Line 2:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Payment Information

Payment Date: 09/14/2023

Card Type:

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By signing this receipt you agree to the terms and conditions of this service.

You will see one line item on your credit or debit card statement indicating the amount you paid and will be identified as City of Nome. If you have any questions about the charges please call 1-888-891-6064.

Mr. Cliff McHenry City of Nome Building Inspector Box 281 Nome, Alaska 99762

RE: Lot 11A, Block 52A, tax lot 001-261-09, potential variance request for 1 foot

Hello Mr. McHenry,

First I wanted to again thank you for your help earlier this summer regarding the outside steps damage/steps landing code issue/arctic entry porch addition to my rental at 301 Division Street. I think the building is better for it.

I think I mentioned in the special planning commission meeting I paid \$300 at which to present the step damage replacement issue, I mentioned and suggested the planning commission look hard at the current building permitting regulations, with emphasis on the core and older section of town where many structures have zero lot lines, lot lines that don't meet setback current requirements, etc. and consider some flexibility in them. I suggested the authority be given to you as the building inspector, to be able to approve the building improvements and repairs, were any to come before you. I also mentioned in the meeting I had one more porch issue to take care of, and this is it.

I was deeded in May of 2005, ten months after my husband walked out the door and abandoned me and the kids this property. I was told by the attorney firm that drew up the deed I was getting it "to help feed the kids". In reality husband had allowed a homeless person in the building with some organization in town paying the rent (similar to what I hear is occurring in Nome now) and I had to get a loan for \$40,000 to make the place livable and rentable. It was back to hot dogs for supper, again. It has been a money pit ever since, and the spring melt coming off the street directly south of Old St. Joe's helped erode the fill under the building, thus ripping the water and sewer line off the building which had to be dug up and replaced. I think in the planning commission meeting I recently attended I also mentioned I'm trying my best to leave behind some maintenance free, code compliant structures with which my inheriting children will not have to struggle.

The project I am trying to undertake is replacing, and enlarging by two feet, the rotting rotten and leaking front porch addition on the north end of the existing structure.

I know in applying for a variance the city wants to see the 4 corners of the property. I have been asking since May for surveyor help. He did come and locate the 2 south end corners. I asked for a full blown survey, and that hasn't happened. I have asked to be on a list for structure leveling. I am still on a list. Regarding the survey, I did take my tape over and walked the lines out.

The lot measures 24.99, or 25' wide by 53.98 or 54' long. The building with all its various additions over time (10' on the south, main building 22', porch addition 6') measures 38' long and 14' wide.

Therefore, 25' wide lot less 14' building = 11', and appears to have ample 5 foot setback on the east and west sides of the building. Length of lot at 54' less 38' length of building = 16 feet. There appears to be ample 5 foot setback on the south end, leaving 11 feet on the north street end.

I would like to enlarge the porch addition from the 6' depth to 8'. I do not want to saw up 8 foot sheets of very expensive plywood and lumber. Since there is a high probability there is 11 feet at the front of the building, and I'd like to add these 2 feet, that makes a 9 foot setback from the street lot line, rather than the current regulation of 10, or a 1 foot variance request. I have discussed with the carpenter doing the work about putting the exiting stairway inside the addition, or running them across the east west building frontage. This would change the setback for steps and railing running that direction, rather than jutting out toward the street as they do now.

I had the lady in the clerk's office pull up in your new system the overhead views to this area to see if we could learn anything more, being as I have been waiting 3 months for a surveyor. There is one version which shows the rooftops, and actually includes the very long Quonset hut to the east, which when looking at the physical survey marker on the south end of Lot 11A, east, we have an almost zero lot line situation with the hut along this line, and I'd guess the setback from the street lot line is in inches, and not feet, and definitely not 10 of them. The lady then pulled up a grayed out version of the structure layout of West 3rd Avenue, and my building, the building to the east (hut) and building to the west (Lot12A) are not on this version.

I recall the main portion of this building existing when I was in high school in 1970. The south and north additions have come later, and in particular the north end is in bad shape, leaking, wood is rotten, and impossible to adequately protect the possessions of any tenant or owner should the property be sold. Please discuss with whomever you need to get the authority for me to proceed with what would be an 8 foot by 14 foot porch replacement, or let me know if I need to again ask for a variance from the planning commission. We are running out of summer construction season time, weather has been a struggle, getting people in the trades to respond has been difficult, but I am lucky to have someone who wants to do the carpentry work and is very capable.

I leave Wednesday July 27 and hope to be back August 5. As you know, I am in the fight for my life, but will be reachable by phone/email at cussy@nome.net. It's not a good idea to try to call for me as you won't know if I'm on the radiation table or where I am. Thanks again for your help.

Sincerely,

Cussy Kauer July 25, 2022 Home phone 443 2083, cell 304 2788

