

SUBJECT: Case No.: V2021-001
MEETING: Board of Adjustment – 11 February 2021
DEPARTMENT: Development Services
STAFF CONTACT: Steve Killen

BACKGROUND:

Applicants Eric and Jamie Hayden are requesting a Subdivision Waiver from Section 154.05.5.(D) to be constructed at Parcel 74232, Lot 1, Block G, of the Lakewood Estates to the City of Stephenville, Erath County, Texas. This property is also known as 932/934 Sundown.

Mr. and Mrs. Hayden are requesting a 9' side setback reduction from 25 ft. to 9 ft. on the north side of the property and a 2' reduction on the setback requirement from 7' to 5' on the south side of the property. The current lot dimensions are 85' x 110' based on GIS data. The intended project is a two-family residential structure. The variance request, if granted, will increase the options available in regards to the footprint and floor plan of the structure.

CURRENT ZONING:

(R-2) One and Two Family

FUTURE LAND USE:

Single Family

WATER:

The property is served by a 6" city water main.

SEWER:

The property is served by an 8" sanitary sewer main.

Sec. 154.05.5. - One- and two-family residential district (R-2).

5.5.A Description. This residential district provides for a neighborhood development of medium density. The primary land use allows for single-family dwellings, along with two family dwelling units. Recreational, religious and educational uses normally appropriate to such a residential neighborhood are also permitted to contribute to the natural elements of a convenient, balanced and attractive neighborhood. Development within this district is intended to be separate from and protected from the encroachment of land activities that do not contribute to the esthetic and functional well being of the intended district environment.

5.5.B Permitted Uses.

- (1) Single-family detached dwelling, limited to occupancy by a family having no more than three individuals who are unrelated by blood, legal adoption, marriage or conservatorship. The owner and any agent of the owner shall be legally responsible for directly or indirectly allowing, permitting, causing or failing to prohibit residential use of a dwelling in this district by more than three unrelated individuals;
- (2) Two-family dwelling units, with each family limited as in division (1) above;
- (3) Accessory buildings;
- (4) Churches, temples, mosques and related facilities;
- (5) Community home;
- (6) Park or playground; and

- (7) SISD school—public.

5.5.C Conditional Uses.

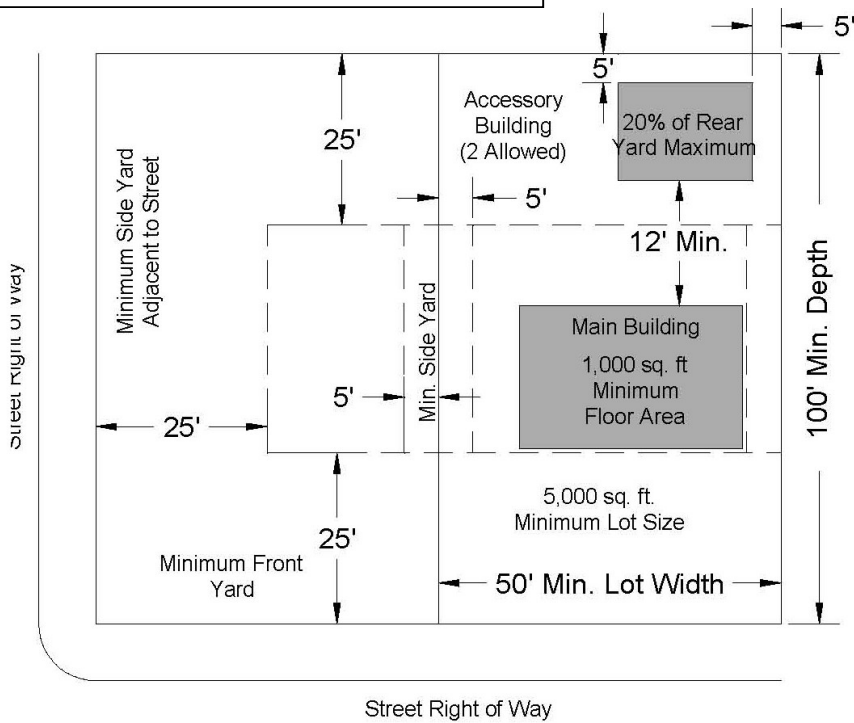
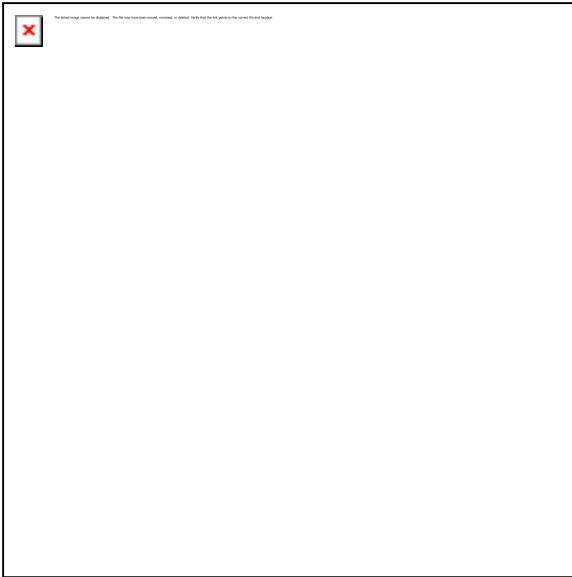
- (1) Home occupation;
- (2) Common facilities as the principal use of one or more platted lots in a subdivision;
- (3) Child care—registered family home and group day care home; and
- (4) Foster group home.

5.5.D Height, Area, Yard and Lot Coverage Requirements.

(A) *Single family.*

- (1) Minimum lot area: 5,000 ft².
- (2) Minimum lot width and lot frontage: 50 feet.
- (3) Minimum lot depth: 100 feet.
- (4) Minimum depth of front setback: 25 feet.
- (5) Minimum depth of rear setback: 25 feet.
- (6) Minimum width of side setback:
 - (a) Internal lot: five feet.
 - (b) Corner lot: 25 feet from intersecting side street.
- (7) Building size:
 - (a) Maximum main building coverage as a percentage of lot area: 40%.
 - (b) Minimum area of main building: 1,000 ft².
- (8) Accessory buildings:
 - (a) Maximum accessory buildings coverage of rear yard: 20%.
 - (b) Maximum number of accessory buildings: one.
 - (c) Minimum depth of side setback: five feet.
 - (d) Minimum depth of rear setback: five feet.
 - (e) Minimum depth from the edge of the main building: 12 feet.
- (9) Maximum height of structures: 35 feet.
- (10) Public, semi-public or public service buildings, hospitals, institutions or schools may not exceed a height of 60 feet. Churches, temples, and mosques may not exceed 75 feet, if the building is set back from each yard line at least one foot for each two feet additional height above the height limit in this district.

Height, Area, Yard and Lot Coverage Requirements
Single-Family Dwelling



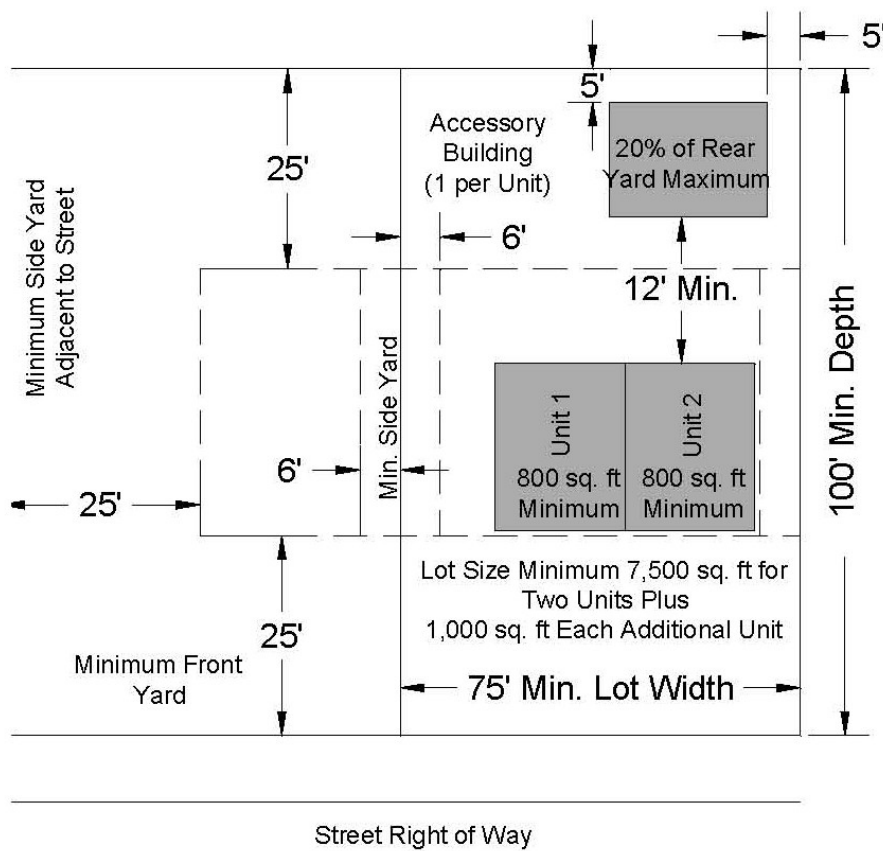
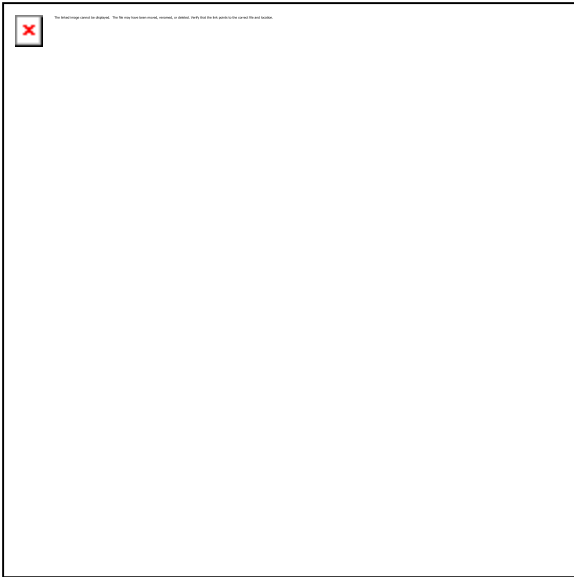
5.5.E Parking Regulations. A Single-Family, R-2 District lot shall provide a minimum of two vehicle parking spaces, with a driveway connecting the parking spaces with a street or alley, and meet all the pertinent requirements contained in this ordinance, Section 11, Parking Regulations of this ordinance.

(B) Two-family.

- (1) Minimum lot area: minimum of 7,500 ft² for two-family dwelling unit.
- (2) Minimum lot width and lot frontage: 75 feet.
- (3) Minimum lot depth: 100 feet.
- (4) Minimum depth of front setback: 25 feet.
- (5) Minimum depth of rear setback: 25 feet.
- (6) Minimum width of side setback:
 - (a) Internal lot: six feet.
 - (b) Corner lot: 25 feet from intersecting side street.
- (7) Building size:

- (a) Maximum main building coverage as a percentage of lot area: 40%.
- (b) Minimum area of each dwelling unit: 800 (two-family unit = 1,600 ft²; two units of 800 ft² each).
- (8) Accessory buildings:
 - (a) Maximum accessory building coverage of rear yard: 20%.
 - (b) Maximum area of each accessory building: 200 ft².
 - (c) Maximum number of accessory buildings: one per unit.
 - (d) Minimum depth of side setback: five feet.
 - (e) Minimum depth of rear setback: five feet.
 - (f) Minimum depth from the edge of the main building: 12 feet.
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*Height, Area, Yard and Lot Coverage Requirements
Two-Family Dwelling*



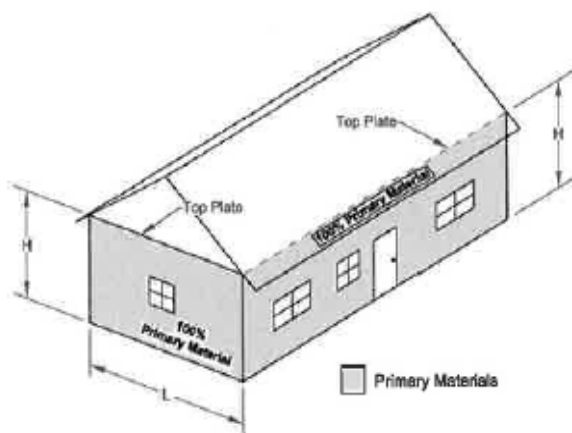
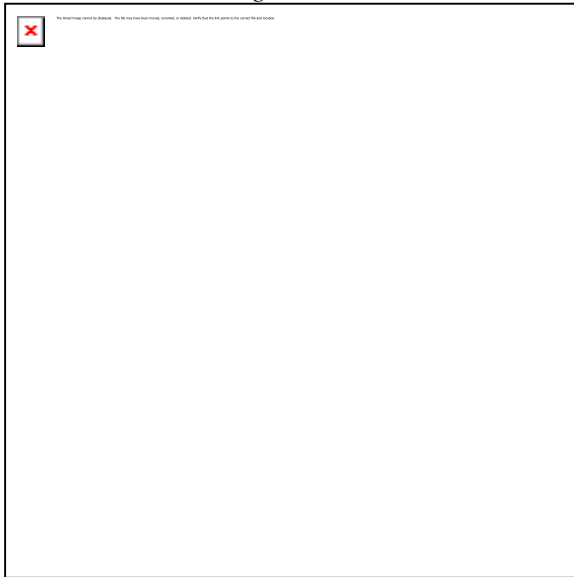
A Two-Family, R-2 District lot shall provide a minimum of two vehicle parking spaces, with a driveway connecting the parking spaces with a street or alley, and meet all the pertinent requirements contained in this ordinance, Section 11, Parking Regulations of this ordinance.

5.5.F Type of Construction.

- (1) The exterior walls of all new dwellings to the top plate, shall be constructed exclusively of primary materials, excluding doors, windows, and porches. See Section 10.E(1): Exterior Building Material Standard—Primary Materials.
- (2) Existing dwellings expanding the total square footage of the building 50% or less, or modifying the exterior walls, may use the same exterior construction material as the existing primary building. If the material is not available, similar material may be used if approved by the Community Development Director.

- (3) Existing dwellings expanding the total square footage of the building by more than 50%, or proposing to use a material consistent with the primary structure for any expansion must use primary materials, Section 10.E(1): Exterior Building Material Standard—Primary Materials, for the expansion area.

5.4.F Exterior Building Material Standards



NEW CONSTRUCTION

Total Exterior Wall shall equal,
100% of Primary Materials.
(Windows & Doors are excluded)

EXISTING STRUCTURES

1. Expanding or modifying the footage of the building 50% or less, may use the same exterior material as the existing primary building. If not available, approval is need from the Community Development Director.
2. Expanding or modifying the footage of the building 50% or more, must use 100% Primary Materials of the exterior wall.
3. Windows and Doors are excluded.

(Ord. 2011-26, passed 12-6-2011)

VARIANCE:

Section 154.21.1.1

1. A variance from the literal enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance in order to achieve a reasonable development of the property. Whenever owing to exceptional and extraordinary conditions, the literal enforcement of the zoning regulations will result in unnecessary hardship in the development of the property, an appeal for a variance may be filed with the Board of Adjustment.

2. When a property owner can show that a strict application of the terms of this ordinance relating to the use, construction or alteration of buildings or structures or the use of land will impose upon him or her practical difficulties or particular hardship, the Board may consider and allow variations of the strict application of the

terms of this ordinance if the variation are in harmony with the general purpose and intent of this ordinance, and the Board is satisfied, under the evidence heard by it, that a granting of the variation will not merely serve as a convenience to the applicant, but will alleviate some demonstrable hardship or difficulty so great as to warrant a variation from the Zoning Regulations.

3. The Board may authorize a variance where by reason of exceptional narrowness, shallowness, or shape of specific piece of property of record at the time of the adoption of this ordinance, or by reason of exceptional situation or condition of a specific piece of property, the strict application of a provision of this ordinance would result in peculiar and exceptional practical difficulties and particular hardship upon the owner of the property and amount to a practical confiscation of the property as distinguished from a mere inconvenience to the owner, provided the variation can be granted without substantial detriment to the public good, and without substantially impairing the general purpose and intent of the comprehensive plan as established by the regulations and provisions contained in this ordinance.

(a) Papers required. An appeal for a variance shall include:

1. A site plan, drawn to scale, showing the location and dimension of the lot and of all existing and proposed improvements:

a. When an appeal is based upon hardship resulting from sharp changes in topography or unusual terrain features, the site plan shall

include topographic information related to known base points of surveys, and profiles of the particular problem involved, including relationship to topographic features of adjoining properties.

b. When an appeal is submitted for variance of side yard or rear yard requirements, the applicant shall provide the same information for

the properties adjoining the common lot line as may be applicable to the appealed requirements.

c. When an appeal is submitted for a variance from front yard setback, or for side yard setback on aside street, the applicant shall furnish a strip map showing the setback of main walls of all buildings on the same side of the street within a distance of 200 feet of the applicant's property.

2. A statement of facts and reasons why the Zoning Regulations should not be applied to the property in question and how the standards governing the Board's action would be satisfied; and

3. A statement by the Enforcing Officer citing the reasons for refusing to issue a permit under the plans submitted.

(b) Basis for action.

(1) Before acting on an appeal for variance the Board shall consider:

a. The facts filed with the application;

b. The testimony presented at the public hearing on the appeal;

c. The City Staff's technical report on the appeal; and d. The Board's findings in its field inspection of the property.

(2) The Board may grant an appeal, subject to such terms and conditions as it may fix, provided

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the Variance Request
2. Approve the Variance Request with modifications
3. Deny the Variance Request

ATTACHMENTS: