### **Notice of Hearing**

Application of 121 Walcott Avenue, LLC whose property is located at 121 Walcott Avenue, Jamestown, RI 02835, and further identified as Tax Assessor's Plat 9, Lot 339 for a Variance granted under Article 3, Special Use Permits and Variances, Section 305, 306, and 307. This application is made pursuant to the provisions of Article 6 section 82-602, Table 6-2, District Dimensional Regulations for the R40 Zoning District of the zoning ordinance. The Applicant seeks an accessory front yard setback of 13.3 feet where 40 feet is required and side yard setback relief of 10.0 feet where 15.0 feet is required in order to construct a small two car garage with living space above. Said property is located in a R40 zone and contains +/- 40,001 square feet.

# TOWN OF JAMESTOWN ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW

## Application for Exception or Variance under the Zoning Ordinance

Zoning Board of Review;

Jamestown, R.I.

Date: 1/30/2025

To Whom it may concern:

The undersigned hereby applies to the Zoning Board of Review for an exception or a variation in the application of the provisions or regulations of the zoning ordinance affecting the following described premises in the manner and on the grounds hereinafter set forth.

Applicant: 121 Walcott Avenue, LLC

121 Walcott Avenue.

Jamestown, RI 02835

Address: c/o Christian Infantolino, Esq.

77 Narragansett Avenue Jamestown, RI 02835

Owner: Same

Lessee: None

- 1. Location of premises: No. 121 Walcott Avenue
- 2. Assessor's Plat 9\_Lot 339
- 3. Dimensions of lot: frontage: +/-221.87 ft. depth: +/-212.98 ft. Area: +/- 40.001 sq. ft.
- 4. Zoning Districts in which premises are located: Use: R40 Area: 40,000 sq. ft. Height: 35 ft.
- 5. How long have you owned the premises? August 30, 2024
- 6. Is there a building on the premises at present? Yes
- 7. Size of existing building: <u>+/- 2570 sq. ft.</u>

Size of proposed building or alteration: <u>+/- 718 sq. ft.</u>

8. Distance of proposed building or alteration from lot lines:

Accessory Required: front: 40' rear: 10' side: 15'

Proposed Accessory: front: 13.3' rear: +/-100 side:10.0'

- 9. Present use of premises: Single family residence
- 10. Proposed use of premises: Single family residence

Location of septic tank & well on lot: No Change

Give extent of proposed alterations: <u>Applicant proposes to construct a small Two car garage</u> with living space on the second story.

- 12. Number of families for which building is to be arranged: 1
- 13. Have you submitted plans for above to Inspector of Buildings? <u>Yes</u>

  Has the Inspector of Buildings refused a permit? <u>Yes</u>
- 14. Provision or regulation of Zoning Ordinance or State Enabling Act under which application for exception or variance is made:

This application also seeks a dimensional variance granted under Article 3 Section 82-305. 82-306, and 82-307 from the following:

- (1) Article 6 Section 82-602, Table 6-2. District Dimensional Regulations for an accessory Front Yard setback of 13.3 feet where 40 feet is required; and
- (2) Article 6 Section 82-602, Table 6-2. District Dimensional Regulations for an accessory Side Yard setback of 10.0 feet where 15 feet is required
- 15. State the grounds for exception or variation in this case:

This property possesses unique characteristics that require the relief requested.

This hardship present is due to the unique characteristics of the subject lot.

The hardship is not the result of any prior action of the applicant.

The granting of the requested variance will not alter the general characteristic of the surrounding area.

The hardship amounts to more than a mere inconvenience without the requested relief.

Respectfully Submitted,

Signature: /s/ christian s. infantolino, esq., attorney for applicants

Address: 77 Narragansett Avenue Jamestown, RI 02835

Phone: 401-423-0400

**NOTE:** A LOCATION PLAN AND SKETCH AND DRAWINGS NECESSARY TO GIVE FULL INFORMATION MUST BE FILED WITH THE APPLICATION

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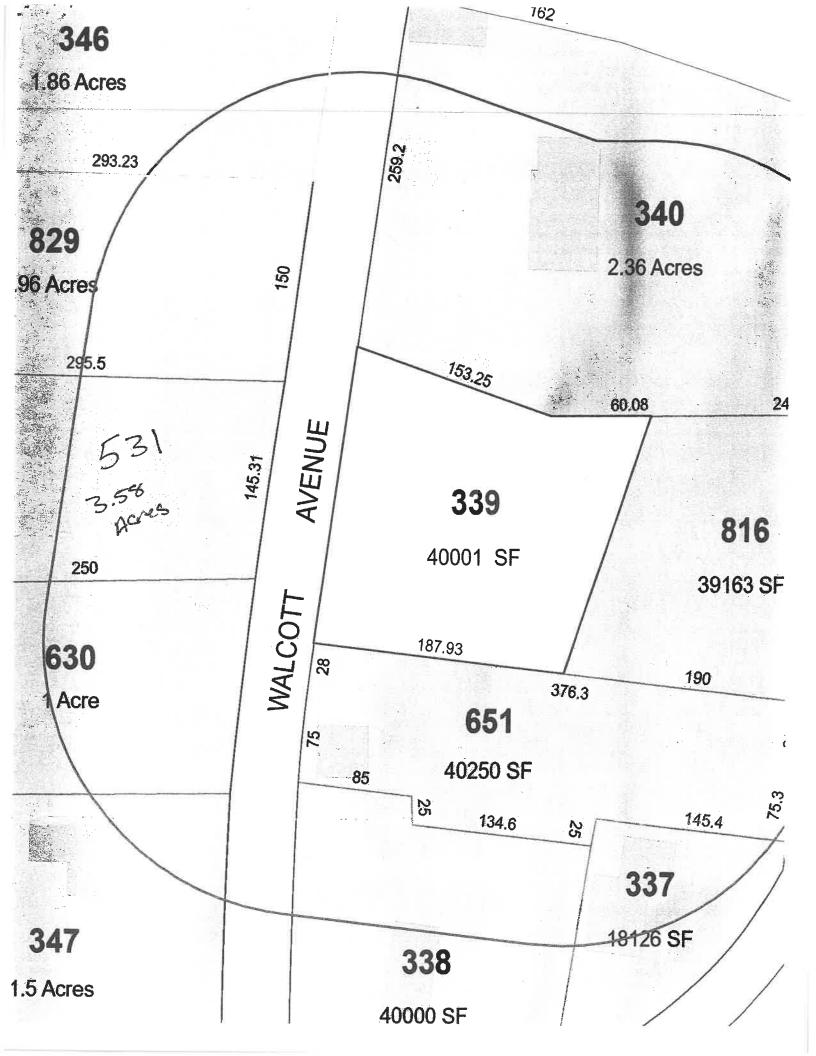
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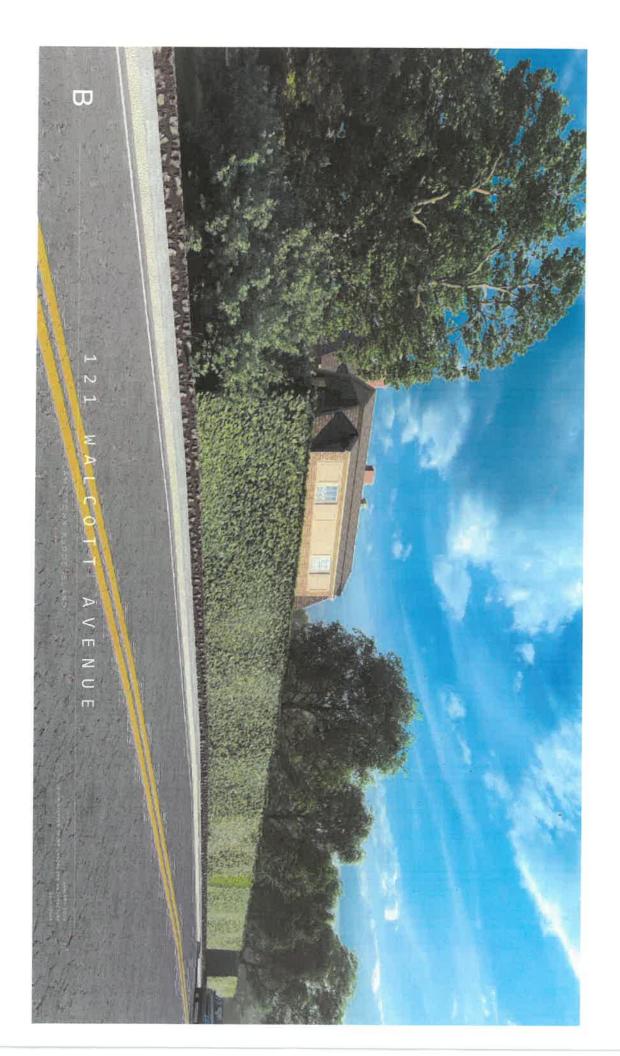
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From: Rod Wright <a href="mailto:rwright113@gmail.com">rwright113@gmail.com</a>
Date: January 12, 2025 at 7:35:34 PM EST
To: Betsy Shiverick <a href="mailto:betsyshiverick@gmail.com">betsyshiverick@gmail.com</a>
Cc: Natalie Wright <a href="mailto:rwright@baincapital.com">rwright@baincapital.com</a>
Subject: Re: Site plan for 121 Walcott Avenue

Hi Betsy,

Thanks for sharing your plans with us. Looks like you guys are doing a massive project! We appreciate that you are keeping the character of the house intact and look forward to seeing the finished product!

We have no objection to your garage/driveway as planned.

Hope everything is going well and let us know if there is anything else we can do.

Best, Rod & Natalie

Sent from my iPhone



1/24/25

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To: Members of the Jamestown Zoning Board of Review

Re: Application of 121 Walcott Avenue LLC

Jeff and I write in support of the Shiverick's plan to add a garage to their property. Our house is located just outside the 200-yard limit, although we are abutting neighbors to the east at 186 Racquet Road. Our home was built by my mother on property that was originally part of the 121 Walcott Avenue plot. My parents owned 121 Walcott during the 1960's and when they sold it, kept the parcel that fronted on Racquet Road. So, we are especially fond of the Shiverick's house and property, and we are thrilled to see they are painstakingly restoring it to its original beauty. We have reviewed the plans and the addition of a small garage makes a lot of sense. Given the Shiverick's long standing dedication to historic preservation, we are confident that this addition will be in keeping with the property and the neighborhood and will be just as it would have been built if cars had been around when this house was conceived. We are indeed very fortunate to have the kind of neighbors, such as the Shiverick's, who value maintaining the classic shingle style "summer cottage" esthetic, that defines the Walcott Avenue/Racquet Road architectural personality.

Sincerely,

Kim and Jeff Westcott 186 Racquet Road Jamestown, RI

January 23, 2025

cc: Betsy Shiverick

Subject:

121 Walcott support letter

Date:

Wednesday, January 22, 2025 at 4:55:32 AM Eastern Standard Time

From:

James King

To:

Christian Infantolino

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Subject: Fwd: Request for support letter for 121 Walcott Avenue

**Date:** January 21, 2025 at 21:59:59 EST **To:** Jamie King <jking@nrkenterprises.com>

Another support letter. Betsy Shiverick (914) 720-7357

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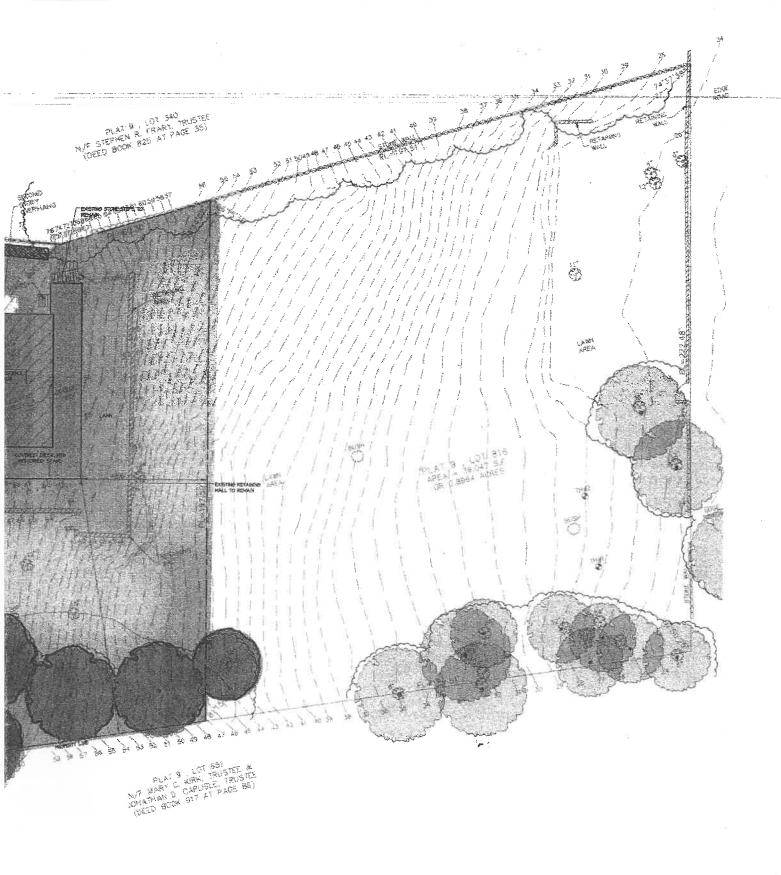
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Subject: Re: Request for support letter for 121 Walcott Avenue

Betsy as your neighbour to the east in "Mist" 210 Racquet Rd we support your plans to restore your home at 121 Walcott including the new garage, landscaping and related curb cut change. I am hopwful the review board will view this favorably.

Best regards Hugh Balloch

On Sun, Jan 12, 2025, 12:19 PM Betsy Shiverick

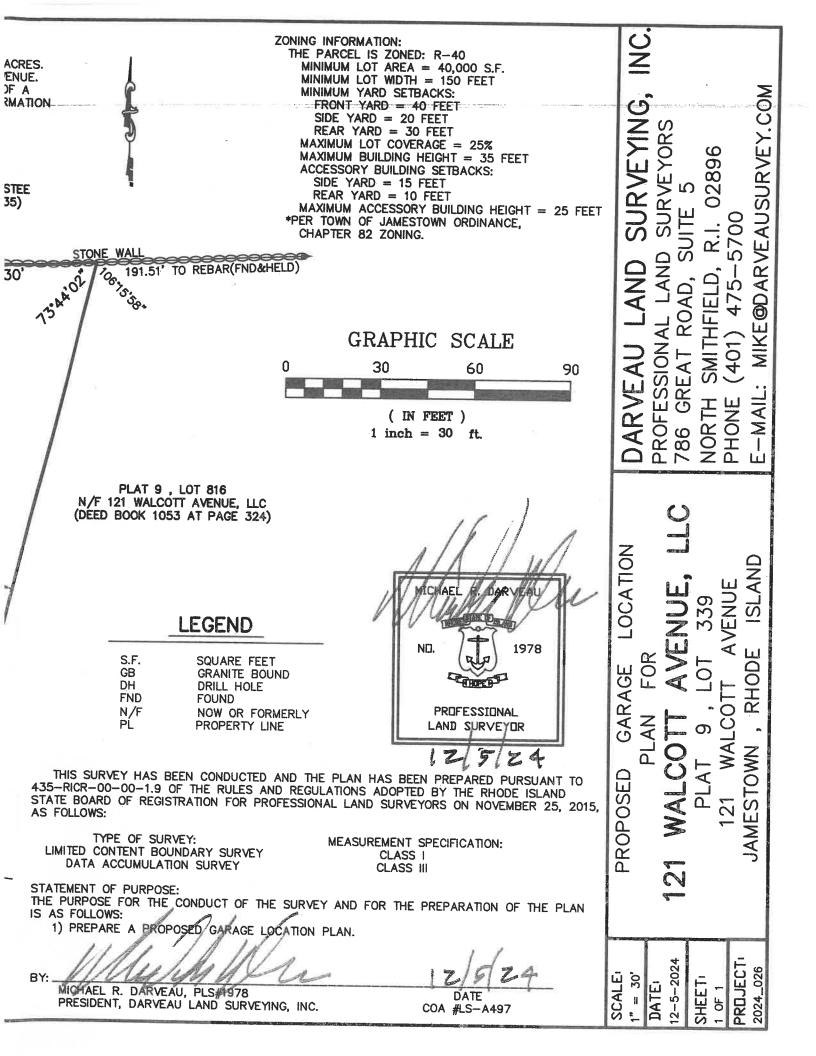


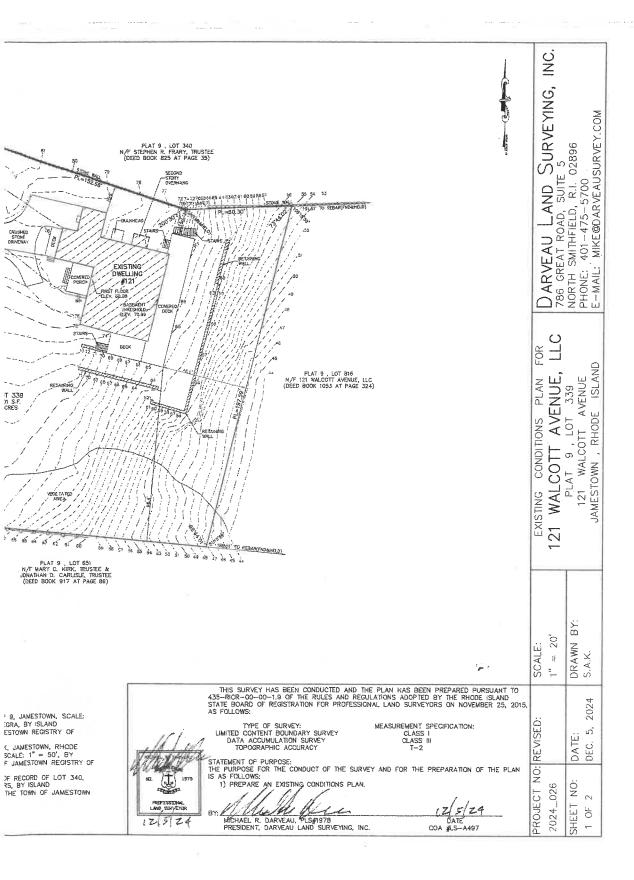
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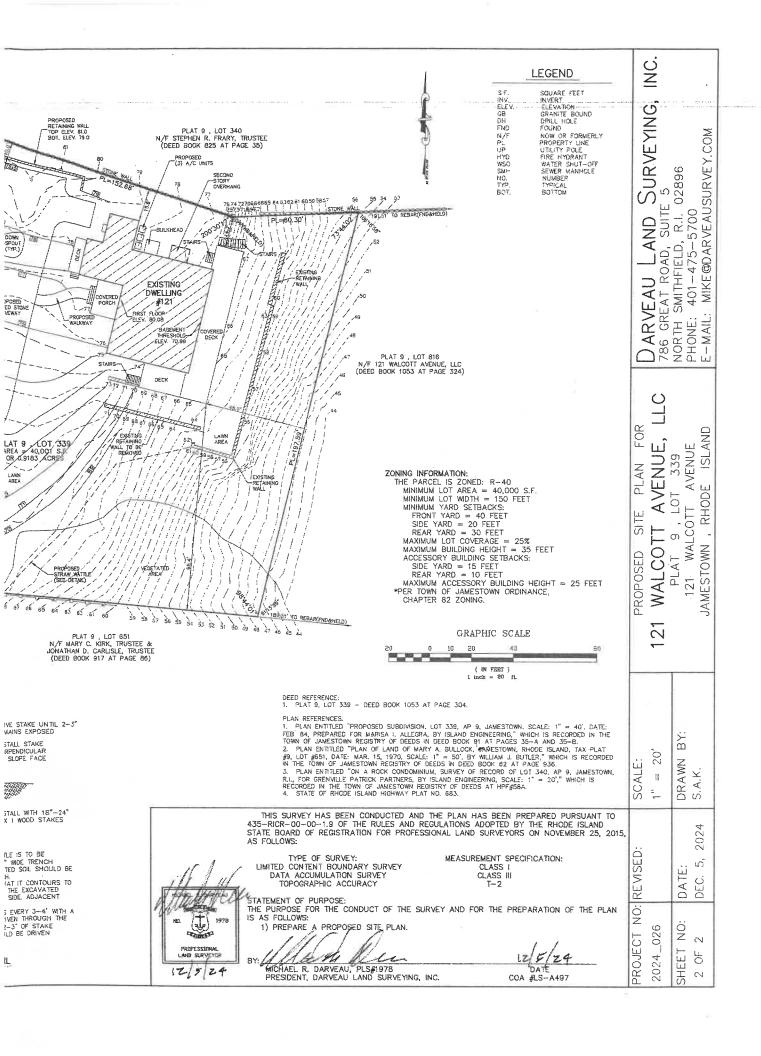
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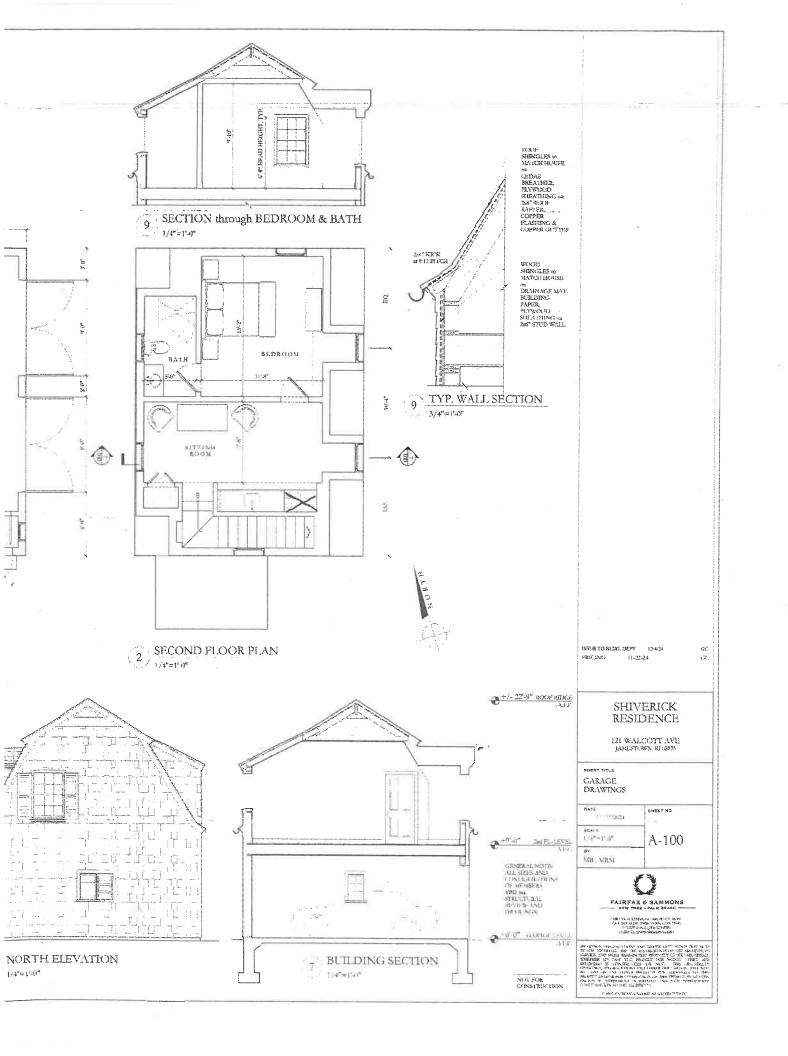
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## **TOWN OF JAMESTOWN**

P.O. Box 377
93 Narragansett Ave.
JAMESTOWN, RHODE ISLAND 02835

February 19, 2025

Planning Office (401) 423-7210

Mr. Christian Infantolino, Esq. Murphy Prior & Infantolino 77 Narragansett Ave. Jamestown RI, 02835

Re: Development Plan Approval for Accessory Structure, Variances required, 121 Walcott Avenue, Plat 9 Lot 339

### Dear Attorney Infantolino:

The Technical Review Committee (TRC) reviewed the building plans at the February 6 TRC meeting for an accessory structure (garage) at the referenced address. It was noted that the representative for the applicant withdrew the request for an ADU previously. The Plans were reviewed and approved as follows for the proposed accessory structure (garage with living space above), which require a Zoning Variance for front and side yard setbacks:

To release the conditional approval based on the resolutions and commitments at this meeting (see TRC Minutes dated 2-6-25) and grant final TRC approval.

The motion was based on the following findings of fact:

- The application was reviewed under Article 7 Misc. Structure and Site Regulations, 82-700 – Accessory Structures, requiring TRC approval and Zoning Board approval;
- 2) The application requires zoning relief for front and side setbacks; front, 13.3 where 40 feet is required (under *other permitted uses* and 82-700 D.), and side yard, 10 feet where 15 feet is required (under 82-602 District Dimensional Regulations, Table 6-2, as an *accessory structure*);
- 3) ADUs are not permitted in the front yard under Section 1201.2 D3: "Except that in no case can an ADU be located in the front yard. ADUs are not eligible for the special permits described in Sec. 82-700.D. Accessory structures";
- 4) The main house is a significant historic structure in Jamestown and the owners interest is to "restore the house to its original historical condition". The applicant's representatives stated that rotating or locating the proposed structure anywhere else on the lot would require extensive filling and grading;
- 5) The front yard variance is significant but due to the topography of the lot, the desire to locate the garage near the functional, "service" entrance and not the main vestibule entrance, to shield the street from the garage door view, and the need for turning radius to enter the garage, it is the best alternative;

- 6) A significant justification of the front variance was that it was in keeping with two other accessory structures in the neighborhood;
- 7) The side setback is not critical but moves the accessory structure further to the north of the main structure;
- 8) The accessory structure is 650 square feet (excluding garage) and 850 square feet of floor area is permitted per 82-700;
- 9) The applicant's representative noted that the owner does not desire to have a full kitchen, which would qualify it as an ADU and it will only be occupied 2 months of the year;
- 10) The applicant's representative noted that they have letters in support of the project from 3 abutters (not provided);
- 11) The landscaping plan is critical to the approval and it was reviewed and approved at the February 6, 2025 TRC meeting. Proper buffering is critical to granting of the variance;
- 12) The public water and sewer connections must be from the main house. The plans were reviewed and acceptable to the Public Works Department and approved at the February 6, 2025 TRC Meeting. and be approved by the Public Works Director prior to building permit approval;
- 13) The RIDOT Physical Alteration Permit has been applied for and its issuance is expected.

Sincerely, Lisa W. Ruje

Lisa W. Bryer, AICP, Town Planner/Administrative Officer

Town of Jamestown

C: Jamestown Zoning Board c/o Suzanne Enser 121 Walcott Avenue, LLC, PO BOX 2589, Palm Beach, FL, 33480 Jamestown Planning Commission Dennis Begin, Building Official and ZEO

Attachment: TRC Minutes, February 6, 2025



## TOWN OF JAMESTOWN

P.O. Box 377 93 Narragansett Ave. JAMESTOWN, RHODE ISLAND 02835

Technical Review Committee Minutes February 6, 2025 10:00 AM Planning Office (401) 423-7210

Town Hall – 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Meeting Room 93 Narragansett Avenue, Jamestown

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 am. Technical Review Committee (TRC) members present:

Dennis Begin, Building Official Jean Lambert, PE, Environmental Scientist Lisa Bryer, AICP, Town Planner

Also Present: Christian Infantolino, Esq, Mike Darveau, PLS, Darveau Land Survey, Jamie King, Builder, Tristan Welch, RLA, Christopher Thorp Landscape Architects.

### I. Old Business

 121 Walcott Avenue, Plat 9 Lot 339, owners 121 Walcott Avenue, LLC. Development Plan Review for Garage/Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) in front yard, per Zoning Ordinance Section 82-700 and 1201, 13 feet from front property line where 40 feet is required. Variance required by Zoning Board. Action and Recommendation to Zoning Board of Review. Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote.

The application was discussed at the January 23, 2024 TRC and then at the January Zoning Board Meeting. The Zoning Board is looking for resolution on the conditions at TRC prior to hearing the application.

The TRC approval was conditional with the conditions that a landscape plan comes back to the TRC for approval, and Sewer and Water plans are approved by Public Works and PAP approved by RIDOT. They have been addressed as follows:

#### Landscaping:

The Landscape Plan was reviewed and explained by Tristan Welch, RLA. They will plant a privet hedge back 2 feet behind the stone wall. The stone wall runs the whole length of Walcott Avenue. The stone wall will be replaced in the area of the existing driveway when the new curb cut is made to the south. Discussion of when the landscaping should be installed and whether it should be a condition of the C.O. They will install the front street landscaping this next growing season, prior to the C.O. and the remainder landscaping, in the area which may be impacted by construction, after construction is completed on the garage. This approval will be tied to the garage construction not the house. This was an acceptable commitment for planting.

Sewer and Water plans to be approved by Public Works Dept:

The utilities, water and sewer plans, have been reviewed by Public Works Department and are acceptable.

Physical Alteration Permit (PAP) to be approved by RIDOT:

Mike Darveau reported that the PAP was submitted to RIDOT before the holidays and they received comments last week. Darveau is addressing the comments. He will send the letter to Lisa Bryer.

Discussion on the generator location, since this was not on the original plan reviewed at the last TRC meeting. Dennis Begin stated that the generator is part of the structure and needs to meet the setbacks of the structure it is serving including HVAC. Bryer noted it should not be located on the street side of the garage. It should be within the setbacks. King noted that they want to "hog out" the area for the generator. If it is on the street side it will be closer than the requested 13' setback variance. It was agreed that they will move it to the landscaped area on the south side of the garage and be physically buffered by building a "vault" around it. Lambert cautioned about the location of the water and sewer lines.

These items above will be confirmed through the building permit process by the Building Official.

Motion by Lisa Bryer to release the conditional approval based on the resolutions and commitments at this meeting (see TRC Minutes dated 2-6-25) and grant final TRC approval.

Seconded by Dennis Begin. All in favor.

#### II. Adjournment

Motion by Bryer, seconded by Begin to adjourn (at 10:20a.m.). All in favor.

Attest: Lisa Bryer



Division of Highway and Bridge Maintenance 360 Lincoln Avenue Warwick, RI 02888

## PHYSICAL ALTERATION PERMIT

**Application Number: PA-25-6** Date: February 12, 2025 **Expiration Date: February 12, 2026** 

James King

(PERMITTEE):

121 Walcott Avenue, LLC

Address:

31 Sextant Lane Narragansett RI 02882

PROPERTY OWNER:

SAME AS APPLICANT

Address:

DEVELOPER:

SAME AS APPLICANT

Address: **ENGINEER:** 

**Phone Number:** 

Phone Number:

Phone Number: 401-440-2705

Address:

Phone Number:

TYPE OF APPLICATION: Single Family Residential

LOCATION OF WORK: 121 Walcott Avenue Jamestown RI 02835

DIRECT TIE-IN TO STATE DRAINAGE SYSTEM?: No

IF YES, provide coordinates: COORDINATE SYSTEM:

PURPOSE OF PERMIT: To relocate an existing driveway to a new location and to remove the existing driveway opening.

This permit is valid for one year from the date the permit is issued and expires on the date noted above, subject to the conditions listed below and/or attached. Extensions may be granted upon request in accordance with Section 4.6, Part E, of the Department's Rules and Regulations regarding Physical Alteration Permits. CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL:

- 1.) Specifications that govern this permit are the Rhode Island Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, August 2024 Edition, with all revisions (RIDOT Std Specifications) and the special provisions included in this permit. Standard Details for this permit are the Rhode Island Standard Details, 1998 Edition (Amended October 2022), with all revisions (RI Std Details). The RIDOT Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) Matrix is incorporated into this permit by reference. All traffic control shall conform to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), 2009 Edition, with
- 10.) This permit's intent is only to give permission for drainage tie-ins & driveway curb cuts. Any other work performed on state property such as gas, water, or sewer lines will require a utility permit from this office @ (401) 734-4835.
- 11a.) Any damage to state property caused by construction shall be repaired or replaced to the satisfaction of the department.
- 11b.) Any damage to state property caused by construction or due to the added runoff to the state's drainage system shall be repaired or replaced to the satisfaction of the department.
- 19.) Applicant/permittee agrees that (a) no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, sex, national origin, age or disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the use of state property; (b) in the furnishing of services on state property, no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, sex, national origin, age or disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination; and (c) the applicant/permittee shall use state property in compliance with all other requirements imposed by or pursuant to 49 C.F.R. Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally-Assisted Programs of the Department of Transportation - Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (the regulations) and as the regulations may be amended.

Special Permit Specific Condition 1.) All sidewalk, driveway and curb construction work shall be ADA compliant and in accordance with the latest ADA Standards/Regulations.

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