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Hours of Operation:
Mon-Thurs. 7AM-5:30PM

Sampson County Inspection and Planning Department

VARIANCE APPLICATION

The Sampson County Zoning Ordinance allows for the Planning Board to grant a variance from Ordinance requirements in certain unique situations. In cases where due to special conditions, a literal enforcement of the Ordinance will result in unnecessary hardship, a variance may be appropriate in order that the spirit of the Ordinance is upheld, and substantial justice has been done. The application fee is **\$300. (PLEASE SEE THE ATTACHED SUBMITTAL SCHEDULE).**

Planning Staff may require a site plan with this application submittal when it is deemed necessary.

The Planning Board may grant a variance only in instances where all following facts receive a vote of “Yes”.

1. Unnecessary hardship would result from the strict application of the Ordinance. It shall not be necessary to demonstrate that, in the absence of the variance, no reasonable use can be made of the property.
2. The hardship results from conditions that are peculiar to the property, such as location, size, or topography. Hardships resulting from personal circumstances, as well as hardships resulting from conditions that are common to the neighborhood or the general public, may not be the basis for granting a variance.
3. The hardship did not result from actions taken by the applicant or the property owner. The act of purchasing property with knowledge that the circumstances exist that may justify the granting of a variance shall not be regarded as a self- created hardship.
4. The requested variance is consistent with the spirit, purpose and intent of the Ordinance such that public safety is secured and substantial justice is achieved.

DATE SUBMITTED: _____

SUBJECT PROPERTY INFORMATION

ADDRESS: _____

PARCEL #: _____

DEED BOOK & PAGE # _____

ZONING DISTRICT: _____

PROPOSED VARIANCE: _____

APPLICANT INFORMATION

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

If the applicant is not the property owner, a written signed statement from the property owner must be included giving consent for the proposed Variance.

PROPERTY OWNER INFORMATION

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

VARIANCE REQUEST

In the space provided below please describe in detail the nature of the variance request and cite all applicable sections of the Ordinance in your explanation. (Attach additional sheets if necessary).

SIGNATURE

I, _____ the undersigned applicant, do hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief all information supplied in and with the application is true and accurate. I agree to adhere to any additional conditions placed on this Variance if approved by the Sampson County Planning Board. I also acknowledge that the \$300 application fee is non-refundable, whether the variance is granted or denied.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

2023 SUBMITTAL SCHEDULE

SUBMITTAL DATE	PLANNING BOARD	BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
December 12 th	January 10 th (Tuesday night)	February 6 th
January 4 th	February 13 th	March 6 th
February 1 st	March 13 th	April 3 rd
March 1 st	April 10 th	May 1 st
April 5 th	May 8 th	June 5 th
May 3 rd	June 12 th	July 10 th
June 7 th	July 11 th	August 7 th
July 5 th	August 14 th	September 11 th
August 2 nd	September 12 th (Tuesday night)	October 2 nd
September 6 th	October 9 th	November 6 th
October 4 th	November 13 th	December 4 th
November 1 st	December 11 th	TBA Pending Release of the 2024 BOC Calendar