

# APPLICATION FOR APPEAL <br> Saint Paul City Council - Legislative Hearings <br> 310 City Hall, 15 W. Kellogg Blvd. <br> Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102 <br> Telephone: (651) 266-8585 

We need the following to process your appeal:
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$\$ 25$ filing fee (non-refundable) (payable to the City of Saint Paul)
(if cash: receipt number

HEARING DATE \& TIME
(provided by Legislative Hearing Office) Tuesday, November 3, 2020

Time $\quad 2$ and 3 pm
Location of Hearing:
VIA TELEPHONE

## Address Being Appealed:

Number \& Street: 1214 St Albans St N City: St Paul State: MN Zip: 55117
Appellant/Applicant: $\qquad$ Email brianbellendorf egmail com

Phone Numbers: Business $\qquad$ Residence $\qquad$ Cell 715-523-3993 Signature: $\qquad$
$\qquad$ BellenM Date: $\qquad$ $10-29-20$ Name of Owner (if other than Appellant): $\qquad$ Same

Mailing Address if Not Appellant's: $\qquad$

Phone Numbers: Business $\qquad$ Residence $\qquad$ Cell $\qquad$

## What Is Being Appealed and Why?

## Attachments Are Acceptable

Vacate Order/Condemnation/
Revocation of Fire C of OSummary/Vehicle Abatement
O Fire C of O Deficiency List/Correction
Comments:
See
attached letter regarding fence variance
O Code Enforcement Correction Notice
O Vacant Building Registration
(ㄷ) Other (Fence Variance, Code Compliance, etc.)

CITY OF ST. PAUL
DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND INSPECTIONS
375 JACKSON STREET, SUITE 220
ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA 55101-1806

REQUEST FOR FENCE VARIANCE
$\$ 78.00$
Visit our Web Site at www.stpaul.gov/dsi

Effective: 02/2020

| ADDRESS OF VARIANCE: 1214 Saint Abans St N |  |  |
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| OWNER ADDRESS: $\quad$ Same |  |  |
| CONTRACTOR ADDRESS: TB |  |  |
| CITY: Saint Paul | STATE: MN | ZIP: 55117 |
| PHONE: $715-523-3993$ | FAX: | EMAIL: brian bellendorf egmail.com |



The property on which the fence is proposed satisfies the variance criteria (underlined in preceding box) for the following reasons):
Check at least one item below and state the reasons) you believe the property qualifies for variance consideration
X
SITE CONDITIONS $\qquad$ TERRAIN CONDITIONS $\qquad$ NUISANCE ANIMAL CONDITIONS REASON FOR VARIANCE REQUEST: $\qquad$ Please see attached sheet
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$\qquad$ Office Use Only Below This Line
INSPECTOR'S OBSERVATIONS: $\qquad$
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INSPECTORS NAME: $\qquad$ Phone: 651 - $\qquad$ $-$
$\qquad$ APPROVED
Date: $\qquad$ Building Official: $\qquad$ Phone: 651- $\qquad$ $-$
$\qquad$ DENIED
(This decision may be appealed to the legislative hearing officer by calling 651-266-8560.)

RETURN SIGNED RECOMMENDATION TO: $\qquad$ AT THE FRONT COUNTER.

Signature of Cardholder (required for all charges):



Description of Project: Privacy Fence

Applicant certifies that all information is correct and that all pertinent state regulations and city ordinances will be complied with in performing the work for which this permit is
issued. issued.


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\text { Date : } 10-27-20
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## Dear Building Official:

I am writing to seek a fence variance for my single family home at 1214 Saint Albans Street North, where my family has lived for over 3 years. Current zoning rules say that fences must be no more than 4 feet tall between house and sidewalk; I respectfully request to install a fence on only one side of the property that is 7 feet tall. My application includes a proposed fence that runs along the property line from the rear of the house to the sidewalk, with uninterrupted height. The fence would be double sided (both sides would be the "attractive" side) and would be stained or painted and regularly maintained.

Reasons for variance request :

1. Objects regularly crossing over property line :

Children playing in driveway adjacent to proposed fence site - basketballs, frisbees, footballs, other games resulting in trespassing on my property to retrieve their items that would not be stopped by a 4 foot fence. Their dog often accompanies them and pauses to defecate in our yard. A tall fence would greatly reduce or eliminate this. Repeated requests to the children are ignored and children are unsupervised.
2. Excessive noise due to proximity to the following :
-Traffic and train noise : the proposed fence site is less than 100 feet from a bus stop on a very busy arterial street (Maryland Ave) and there is a railroad track approximately 800 feet from home.
-Screaming, vehicle noise, etc, from property (duplex) occupied by rental tenants adjacent to our home. The only viable adult bedroom in our home is directly adjacent to and within 7 feet of this property. Mufflerless vehicles, door slams, domestic disputes involving screaming/profanity, and use of a wood chipper and other loud equipment in driveway during city quiet hours have been commonplace over the years. The bedroom wall is 7 feet from their driveway. As a nurse, I often work long shifts and having sleep interrupted by loud noise from neighbors is severely disruptive to our quality of life. Granting this variance would make all the difference for noise abatement as I intend to plant arbor vitae parallel to the fence as well, to further buffer noise pollution and mask the fence.
3. Unattractive piles of garbage, mattresses, etc. regularly sitting near property line

Included, please see photos of the proposed fence site showing proximity of the driveway to the home. Also see the petition signed by my neighbors (all on the same block of my street) stating that they do not object to a 7 foot fence as proposed. I hope you agree that granting this request would produce an aesthetically proper addition if not an enhancement to our neighborhood. Overall, we love our neighborhood and have developed strong supportive relationships with many of our neighbors. We take pride in our home.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 715-523-3993. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of this request.







