## Mini Motorhome Variance Development Standards Section 5.4 K.4

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#### **Development Standards Section 5.4 K.4**

- 4. Recreational Vehicle (RV) and Boat Parking
- K.4 No more than one (1) camping, or travel trailer, or hauling trailer, or recreational vehicle per household shall be permitted on any residential lot, and no more than one (1) boat and its associated trailer, per household shall be parked or stored on any residential lot exclusive of those vehicles entirely stored within a fully enclosed structure. Provided that no trailer, boat, or recreational vehicle shall be parked or stored on the premises for more than a single period not to exceed twenty-four (24) hours in length during any week unless such is located behind the front building line. On corner lots burdened by building lines from two streets, no such vehicle shall be parked or stored unless such is located behind both building lines. The Director or a designee may authorize the parking of Recreational Vehicles in front of building lines for periods of up to three (3) days plus extensions not to exceed ten (10) days cumulative, where temporary special circumstances would justify such a nonrecurring use for visitors to the household, and all streets, sidewalks, and sight triangles remain clear. For the purposes of this section, a week shall be defined as a period of time commencing at 12:00 a.m. Sunday morning, and ending at 11:59 p.m. Saturday evening.



# **Reason for Request**

- I am requesting a variance to Section 5.4 K.4 to allow my mini motorhome to be parked on my driveway in front of my building line.
- This variance is necessary because my property does not have enough space on either side of my house to enable me to adhere to the zoning code by parking my mini motorhome behind the building line.
- This is my primary vehicle.

I utilize my mini motorhome multiple times per week, so storing it offsite is not an option.

# **Other Factors**

- I use the mini motorhome for my sole source of income as a professional photographer.
- I also use this vehicle for personal trips to the grocery store, the dog park and other activities.
- In most instances, my dogs accompany me on these trips.
- Although I have a secondary vehicle, it does not fulfill my needs for security of my photography equipment, safety for myself and my dogs, nor the requirement of having everything I need for my photography work.







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## Six Criteria for Approval of a Variance

1. There are unique physical circumstances or conditions, such as irregularity, narrowness or shallowness of lot, or exceptional topographical or other physical conditions peculiar to the affected property.

- My lot is one of the narrowest lots in the neighborhood at 95 feet.
- There is insufficient width on either side of my house to park behind the building line due to the footprint of my house and its placement on the lot.
- In addition, the hip roof, the extended side wall of house and the air conditioning unit all contribute to the narrowness of the side yard.



# Neighborhood Plat Map



# Plat Map







RV width = 123 inches Side yard width = 133 inches

2. The unusual circumstances or conditions do not exist throughout the neighborhood or district in which the property is located.

- The lots in the neighborhood vary in width from 95 feet to 115 feet wide.
- Footprints of homes in the neighborhood vary due to home style and overall home size.
- Placement of homes within their lots vary, with some centered and others placed closer to one side.
- Some homes in the neighborhood have sufficient space to park a motorhome behind the building line, but others do not.



#### Variation in Spaces Between Homes



Lots 001 f



Lots 003 f



Lots 005 f



Lots 007 f



Lots 009 f



Lots 011 f



Lots 014 f

Lots 016 f



3. Such physical circumstances or conditions were not created by the applicant.

There are no obstacles created by me that affect the situation.

4. Because of such physical circumstances or conditions, the property cannot reasonably be developed in conformity with the provisions of this ordinance.

There is no way the property can reasonably be modified to enable the vehicle to be parked behind the property line.

5. The variance, if granted, will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood or district in which the property is located, nor substantially or permanently impair the appropriate use or development of adjacent property.

- Parking the mini motorhome in the driveway is similar to parking a full size pickup truck in the driveway.
- Other homeowners in the neighborhood frequently park three or four vehicles in their driveways.
- My mini motorhome takes up significantly less space in the driveway than the multiple vehicles commonly parked by other neighbors.
- There is sufficient space in my driveway to park the mini motorhome and as many as three other vehicles there, but I only park the mini motorhome in the driveway.

#### Size Comparison to Ford F250 - Grills lined up



## Length 22' vs. 23'10"





### Multiple Cars in Driveways - My Street



### Multiple Cars in Neighborhood Driveways



004 cf



018 cf

















## Plenty of room in driveway





6. The variance, if granted, is the minimum variance that will afford relief and is the least modification possible of the provisions of this ordinance that are in question.

Only the variance to be able to park a single mini motorhome on the driveway is needed.

