

CITY OF FRANKLIN

Board of Zoning Appeals

May 5, 2021

Variance from Developmental Standards Request

1. General Welfare

In my opinion, this project in no way will be injurious to the public health, safety, morals and general welfare of the community. The structure I am requesting permission to build is intended for my private use for the purpose of housing equipment and working on my personal vehicles. The intended use is not of a commercial nature and will not create obnoxious noise or pose a health risk to the community.

2. Adjacent Property

I do not anticipate that this structure will adversely impact my adjacent neighbors, either from a negative property value impact, or with an impact to their right of quiet enjoyment of their property. In my opinion, my property will be enhanced by being able to contain equipment and vehicles indoors that are currently stored outdoors, making it's visual appearance more pleasing and orderly. There are several similar existing structures on my neighbors' properties. I believe the appearance and practical use of this structure are wholly consistent with the mores of my neighborhood.

3. Practical Difficulty

As I become older and less physically able, I find that my ability to enjoy my hobby of working on antique automobiles is negatively impacted by the lack of an automotive lift to hoist vehicles in the air, rather than laying on my back to service the vehicles or make repairs. My current structure lacks the necessary ceiling height to permit such a lift, and cannot be practically modified to accommodate additional ceiling height. I also have a large enclosed car trailer that cannot be put inside my existing structure, as well as a small bridge crane I use to lift heavy objects from my truck. Both of these items would benefit from inside storage, and in the case of the bridge crane, would enhance my personal safety by enabling me to move heavy objects from my truck to my shop, and aid in changing implements on my small tractor.