

Heather Stouder, AICP
Planning Division

Patrick Anderson, Assistant Zoning Inspector
Department of Planning

Dear Ms. Stouder and Mr. Anderson:

Re: 908 Lawrence Street, garage addition

The primary use of the proposed addition to the 24'x24' garage will be storage for some woodworking tools and for my pick-up truck which has a utility box and a plow.

I no longer do contract work. I am 78 years old and have had 5 total joint replacements. On occasion, I will use the space to build something for my grandchildren or make something for the house with my carpentry tools. Some of these activities could be done in the basement, but my orthopedic situation makes that more challenging. I don't think that this is radically different from a musician bringing an instrument home or an artist storing paintings, etc

The regulation that would permit building an additional 24' x 24' garage but prohibit adding 12 feet to the existing garage, probably also strikes you as illogical.

I built this house and garage in 1970 for Mike (Francis) Gmeinder, who asked us if we wished to buy it when he needed to move and my wife needed a one story house. I have great respect and affection for this neighborhood and would never misuse it.

Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely,

Tony (M.G.) Schmudlach

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