

Board of Zoning Adjustment

DATE: August 29, 2023

TO: Board of Zoning and Adjustments: Delayne Dean, Chair, Brad Townsend, Chester Ayers, George Allen, Michael Maurer, and Mark McCurry

BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT

August 29, 2023 Pre-meeting – 3:30 p.m. (7th Floor)

Meeting – 4:00 p.m. (Council Chambers)

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Minutes July 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT: Delayne Dean, Mr. Brad Townson, Mr. Chester Ayers,

SUPERNUMERARIES: Mr. J. Michael Maurer, Mr. Mark McCurry

COPIED TO: Mr. George Allen

OTHERS PRESENT: Mrs. Ruth Priest, Asst. City Attorney

Mr. Tommie Williams, Planning Department

Mr. Bob Sims, Building Inspector Mrs. Nancy Whiteside. Recorder

Chair, Delayne Dean called the meeting to order at 4:0 p.m. in the council chambers on the first floor at City Hall.

Mr. Bob Sims, Building Department, called the roll.

The minutes from the June 2023 meeting were approved Mr. Chester Ayers motioned to approve the minutes. Mr. Brad Townson seconded the motion. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

CASE NO. 1

Application and appeal of K.L. Enterprises, for a use permitted on appeal, from Section 25-12 of the Zoning Ordinance in order to build an apartment complex located at 2409 Beltline Rd. SW. This request is conditional that the property is approved to be rezoned to an R-4 Multifamily Residential Zoning District.

Mr. Douglas McCullough presented this case to the Board. Mr. McCullough stated K.L Enterprises is wanting to have the zoning changed for the property located at 2409 Beltline Rd SW from a M-1A Expressway Commercial Zoning District to a R-4 Multifamily Zoning District in order to build a hotel.

Chair Dean stated to Mr. McCullogh that this Board cannot rezone property. That is the right of the city council but, this Board can approve the use, if the property is approved to be rezoned. Mr. McCullough understood.

Chair Dean stated to Mr. McCullogh that the property is contingent to annexation by the city council, but must be sub-divided by the county and be assigned a new zoning district to a M-1A by the Planning Department. Mr. McCullough understood.

Chair Dean asked for questions from the Board or the public.

There were no comments.

Mr. Bob Sims, Building Department, had no comment.

Mr. Tommie Williams, Planning Department, stated he approved the motion with the conditions that annexation by the city council is approved and, the property is sub-divided by the county and is assigned a new zoning district to a M-1A by the City Council.

Mr. Chester Ayers motioned to approve this case with the conditions that the property is subdivided by the county, annexation is approved the city council and, assigned a new zoning district to a M-1A by the City Council. Mr. Mark McCurry seconded the motion. On a roll-call vote of 5-0 the motion carried.

CASE NO. 2

Application and appeal of Davenport Family Dentistry and Decatur Family Eye Care for a variance to Sections 25-77(e) (4), 25-77 (e) (5), 25-76 (p), and 25-72 (7) to construct an off premise business center sign in a B-2 General Business District. These properties are located at 2020 Stratford Ct. SE and 2026 6th Ave. SE.

Dr. Paul Bishop presented this case to the Board. Dr. Bishop stated his name was Dr. Paul Bishop and his address is 2034 Stratford Court SE.

Jonathan Davis owner of Decatur Family Eye Care, Matthew 6:22 Properties also presented. Dr. Davis stated his business address was 2026 6th Avenue SE.

Dr. Bishop stated that he and Dr. Davis were requesting to have a 15 foot setback variance to place a joint sign which is presented in the paper work.

Dr. Bishop also stated there were questions about off premise signs and where the property line is located.

Dr. Bishop stated, based on where he and Dr. Davis see the property line that the line goes diagonally as opposed to perpendicular.

Dr. Bishop stated that the sign will sit on each of their properties and therefore the sign would not be an off premises sign.

Dr. Bishop stated the existing Davenport Family Dentistry sign would be taken down, cleaned up, the landscaping updating the look and put in the joint sign.

Ruth Priest, Asst. City Attorney, asked Dr. Davis to sign the application for the variance. Dr. Davenport was the only signer at the time the application was turned in to the office.

Chair Dean asked for questions from the Board.

Chair Dean asked about the hardship and why this request

Dr. Davenport replied if the sign is moved further from where he and Dr. Davis has proposed placing the sign, one of them would not be on their property.

Dr. Davis has previously been granted a zero setback variance and Dr. Davis' sign would be closer to 6th Avenue. Dr. Davis acknowledged this was correct.

Dr. Davenport stated a compromise was trying to be made by putting the signs together, as opposed to having two separate signs having different designs and descriptions.

Chair Dean asked if there was enough space on both properties for signage. Dr. Davenport replied yes.

Chair Dean asked for other questions from the Board.

Chair Dean asked for comments from the public.

Mr. Bob Sims, Building Department, had no comment.

Mr. Tommie Williams, Planning Department, had no comment.

Mrs. Ruth Priest, Legal Department, stated for the city, there needs to be provisions, in a legal document, stating contingencies, in case there is a disagreement over what may happen, if someone buys the property or there is some other type of ownership or receivership.

Mrs. Priest stated, there could be a lot of issues that arise that are not covered in the legal document which was turned in with the application packet.

Mrs. Priest stated there needed to be some type of a more formally drafted legal document. This document would need to be filed with the probate judge.

Chair Dean called for a motion.

Mr. Brad Townsend motioned and Mike Maurer seconded the motion. On a roll-call vote of 4-1 the motion carried. Chair Dean voted negative.

Chair Dean explained to the applicants the motion was approved.

Chair Dean stated, after the vote was complete, that the recommendation from the Legal Department, to obtain the legal agreement between Dr. Davenport and Dr. Davis needed to be followed.

Chair Dean stated that the statement included in the packet was not legally sufficient to cover the future. Dr. Davenport replied in the affirmative.

CASE NO. 3

Application and appeal of Rodney and Cindy Darby, for a 8 foot setback variance from Section 25-10.3 (1) (e) (2) of the Zoning Ordinance in order to construct a residence at 3915 Palomino Dr. SW. This property is located in a R-5 Residential District.

Mr. Richard Humphry with Pugh, Wright, McAnally Inc. presented this case to the Board. Mr. Humphry stated his name was Richard Humphry and address was 310 8th Av NE Decatur.

Mr. Humphry stated he was representing the Mr. and Mrs. Darby.

Mr. Humphry stated the property at 3915 Palomino Dr. SW was plotted with a 28 foot setback and the request is to reduce the set-back to 20 feet in order to construct a new residence.

Mr. Humphry was asked by Chair Dean to amend the application to reflect an 8 foot setback variance. The application shows a 5 foot setback variance, Mr. Humphry made the correction.

Chair Dean asked for questions from the Board or comments from the public, there were no comments.

Mr. Bob Sims, Building Department, had no comments.

Mr. Tommie Williams, Planning Department, had no comments.

Mr. Brad Townsend motioned to approve this case as submitted. Mr. Mike Maurer seconded the motion. On a roll-call vote of 5-0 the motion carried.

CASE NO. 4

Application and appeal of H.M. Nowlin for a 12 foot setback variance from Section 25-10.3 (1) (e) (2) and a variance from Section 25-10.3 (1) (b) of the Zoning Ordinance in order to build a new house and construct a driveway with a cut onto Castle Gate Blvd. SW located at 2201 Sorrento Pl. SW. This property is located in a R-5 Residential Zoning District.

Mr. H.M. Nowlin presented this case to the Board. Mr. Nowlin stated his office address is 118 East Moulton St. and his name is H.M. Nowlin.

Mr. Nowlin stated he was the owner and developer of Almon Place Subdivision.

Mr. Nowlin stated the lot located at 2201 Sorrento Place Lot 32 was platted in 2006 and the original phase was platted in 2001.

Mr. Nowlin stated this lot has a double front yard setback and narrows from front to back making it difficult to put a useable plan together to fit on the lot.

Mr. Nowlin stated the purchasers of the lot has drawn house plans to fit on this lot if a 12-foot side yard setback is approved.

Chair Dean asked for questions from the Board or comments from the public. There were no questions or comments.

Mr. Bob Sims, Building Department, had no comments.

Mr. Tommie Williams, Planning Department, stated that the driveway on Castlegate Boulevard would not change the aesthetics of the neighborhood since there are existing driveways on Castlegate Boulevard already.

Mr. Chester Ayers motioned to approve this case as submitted. Mr. Mike Maurer seconded the motion. On a roll-call vote of 5-0 the motion carried.

Chair asked for any new business. There was no new business.

Motion to adjourn by Mike Maurer. Everyone was in favor. Chair Dean adjourned the meeting.

DeLayne Dean, Chair

Time of adjournment 4:13 p.m.

AGENDA August 2023

The Board of Zoning Adjustment of the City of Decatur will hold a public meeting in the COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF City Hall, 402 Lee Street NE, on Tuesday, August 30, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. And, also broadcast live on City of Decatur You Tube Channel at https://www.youtube.com/c/Cityof DecaturAl for the purpose of hearing the following applications and appeals at which time all interested parties are requested to the be present and will be given an opportunity to be heard. Questions may be submitted via email at bozaquestions@decatur-al.gov.

CASE NO. 1

Application and appeal of Teresa Satchel for a determination as allowed in Section 25-93(d) and as defined in Article IV, as amended and adopted, of the Zoning Ordinance in order to operate a Group Nighttime Care Facility operating The property is located at 514 13th Av. NW in a R-4 Multi-Family Residential District

CASE NO. 2

Application and appeal of Electronic Express for a 104 square foot variance from Section 25-77(e) (2) in order to install a LED lit sign located at 303 Beltline Place SW. The property is located in a M-1A Expressway Commercial District.

CASE NO. 3

Application and appeal of St. James Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America for a 10 foot setback variance from Section 25-78 (d) in order to install a LED lit sign located at 920 West Moulton St. The property is located in an ID Industrial District.

CASE NO. 4

Application and appeal of Dayton L. Spain and Mary M. Spain for a 10 foot setback variance from Section 25-20 in order to build an accessory building located at 2302 Cumberland Ct. SW. The property is located in a R-2 Single Family Residential District.

CASE NO. 5

Application and appeal of Luis Burgos for the following variances in order to build a new home.

- 19 foot setback variance from Section 25-10.10 (2) (c).
- 5 foot side yard setback variance from Section 25-10.10 (2) (e).

The property is located at 415 10th Av NW located in a R-3 Single Residential District.

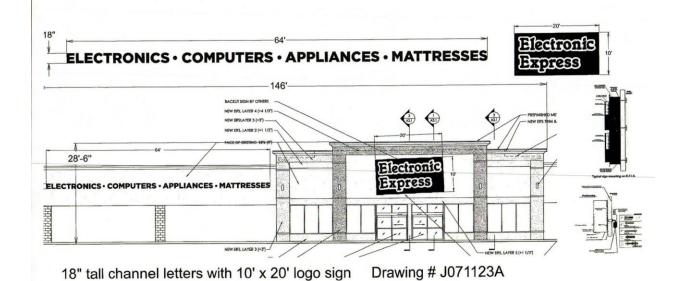
\$50 App Fee Aug. 29, 2023 @ 4:00 p.m In the Council Chambers 1st Floor City CITY OF DECATUR BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT HAVE APPLICATION FOR HOME CHILD CARE FACILITY

APPLICANT: Teresa Satchel MAILING ADDR: PO Box 5294 Decator AL 3560/ CITY STATE ZIP: Decator Al PHONE: (256) 227-5970 PROPERTY OWNER: Mary Ann Reynolds OWNER ADDR: 514 13th Ave. NN Decator AL 3560/ CITY STATE ZIP: Decator AL 3560/	
OWNER PHONE: (256 221 - 8664	
owner home.	
ADDRESS OF APPEAL: 514 13th Ave. NW Decator AZ35601	
MARK CLASS OF DAY CARE YOU DESIRE: (READ ORDINANCE TO DETERMINE CLASSES) DAY CARE (6 OR LESS) GROUP DAY CARE (7 TO 12) GROUP NIGHTTIME CARE (7 TO 12 CHILDREN)	
DESCRIBE HOURS OF OPERATION; PARKING ARRANGEMENTS; PLAY AREA and EQUIPMENT; DO YOU HAVE FENCE, DOG, OR POOL. Parking on gravel trail infront of house fence yes, hours of operation 6am - 6pm pool - No No permanent play ground equipment	
APPLICANT SIGNATURE TEVES Q 7. Satche PRINT NAME DATE:	

The Board of Zoning Adjustment meets the last Tuesday of each month at 4:00 PM in the Council Chambers on first floor of City Hall. Applications must be filed by the 10 of the month to be heard on the last Tuesday. Applicants MUST be present in order for the case to be heard. Request a copy of this application.

CASE NO. 1 51413TH AVE. NW

402 Lee St NE 1st Floor Council Chamber	Board of Zoning Adjustment
APPLICANT: ELECTRONIC EXPRESS	
MAILING ADDR: 418 HARDING INDUSTRIAL DI	₹.
CITY, STATE, ZIP: NASHVILLE, TN 37211	
PHONE: (615) 497-4276	
PROPERTY OWNER: Grand Express, uc	
OWNER ADDR: 418 HARDING INDUSTRIAL DI	R.
CITY, STATE, ZIP: NASHVILLE, TN 37211	PHONE: (615) 497-4276
ADDRESS FOR APPEAL: 303 BELTLINE PLACE S	SW
NATURE OF AP	PEAL:
HOME OCCUPATION SETBACK VARIANCE	SIGN VARIANCE
USE PERMITTED ON APPEAL	APPEAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION
OTHER SURVEY FOR VARIANCES ATTACHED	ORAWINGS FOR VARIANCS ATTACHED
*****Applicants or Duly Appointed Represen	tative MUST be present in order
For the case to be h	eard****
DESCRIBE APPEAL IN DETAIL: (INCLUDE DIMENSIONS, # FT FOR VARIANCE	CES; # FOR PARKING; HARDSHIP; TYPE OF BUSINESS)
INSTALL ONE 10' X 20' (200 SQ FT) LED LIGH	ITED "ELECTRONIC EXPRESS" BUILDING
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296 SQ FT OF TOTAL SIGNAGE FOR BUILDING	FRONT ELEVATION
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Signature	ve for the Zone
Representative Name (print) David Tanolar request both	n signatures Hearing Date
Signature are required	Approved Disapproved



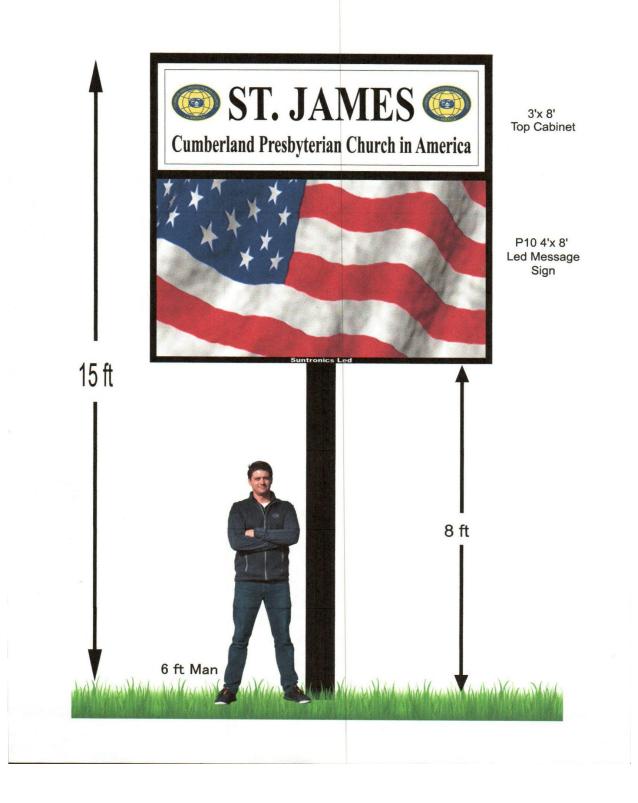




Sign Permit

Job Site Address: 303 BELTLIN	E PLACE SW DECATUR	, AL 35603	
Applicant Name: ELECTRONIC EXPRESS		Property Owner ELECTRONIC EXPRESS	
Address: 303 BELTLINE PLACE	CE SW	Email: david@electronicexpress.com	
City, State, Zip: DECATUR, AL	35603	Phone# (615) 497-4276	
Company Name: ELECTRONIC	CEXPRESS	Owner Contractor Yes No	
****** Attached and D	etached signs are separate per	nits but this form can be used for both**********	
Application to (circle):	Change Faces Maintena	nce Altering	
1. ATTACHED SIGN TYPES (circle 2. Number of signs:2 3. List total square footage of each sign a List all signs that are to remain and new si	nd dimensions: Total Square I	Marquee Awning Projecting (this sign type requires DRA approval in B-5) cootage of all signs: 296.00	
1.10' X 20' - 200 SQ FT	4. Height of building th	at signage is or will be attached: 28' 6".	
2. 18" X 64' - 96 SQ FT	5. Distance sign will ex	tend above roofline: NA .	
3. 4.		footage of building frontage: 146'. r Awning will extend from wall face: NA .	
5.	8. Have plans for Awn	ing been submitted to Building Dent (circle): ves no	
6.	9. Will this sign be an	ED type sign? (circle) e no	
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5.			
4. List the total linear road frontage (in f	eet) that the signs are or will be loc	ated.	
5. Will this be a LED type sign? (circle) Project Cost		1	
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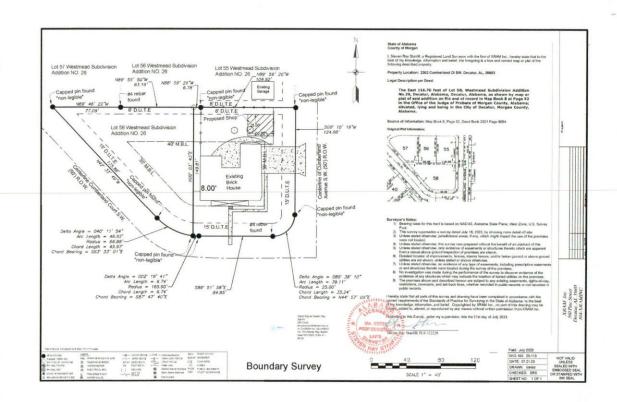
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402 Lee St NE 1st Floor Council Chamber	Board of Zoning Adjustment	
APPLICANT: St. James Cumbers	land Presbyterian Church IN America	ca
MAILING ADDR: 920 West N	loulton St.	
CITY, STATE, ZIP: <u>Decatur</u> , AL	35601	
PHONE: 256-355-0827 /	256-466-0312 (Clerk, Camoli)	
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PROPERTY OWNER: St. James Min	berland Presbyterian Church in Amen	166
OWNER ADDR: 920 W. Moult		· · ·
	256-355-0827 560/ PHONE: 256-466-0312 (Clerk)	
CITY, STATE, ZIP: DECATAL, AC 35	0601 PHUNE: 256-466-0312 (Clerk)	
ADDRESS FOR APPEAL: 920 West	- Moulton St	
NATURE O	DF APPEAL:	
HOME OCCUPATION SETBACK VAR	SIGN VARIANCE	
USE PERMITTED ON APPEAL	APPEAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION	
OTHER SURVEY FOR VARIANCES ATTA	ACHED DRAWINGS FOR VARIANCS ATTACHED	
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For the case to	be heard****	
DESCRIBE APPEAL IN DETAIL: (INCLUDE DIMENSIONS, # FT FOR	VARIANCES; # FOR PARKING; HARDSHIP; TYPE OF BUSINESS)	
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	the church desire to replace exis- fthigh and 56 sq.ft) in the same	ting
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location at 15ft setback instead	1 0	e.
Applicant Name (print) If a	pplicant is using a Office Use Received By:	
Signature rep.	resentative for the Zone	
Representative Namorprint) Leo Carroll req	uest both signatures Hearing Date 8/89/23	
7-70-22	required Approved/Disapproved	
Date		





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402 Lee St NE 1st Floor Council Chamber	Board of Zoning Adjustment
APPLICANT: Dayton L. & Mary M. Spain	
MAILING ADDR: 2302 Cumberland Ct. S	SW
CITY, STATE, ZIP: Decatur, AL 35603	
PHONE:	
PROPERTY OWNER: Dayton L	. & Mary M. Spain
OWNER ADDR: 2302 Cumberland	Ct. SW
CITY, STATE, ZIP:Decatur, AL 35603	PHONE:713-213-0766
ADDRESS FOR APPEAL: 2302 Cum	berland Ct. SW, Decatur, AL 35603
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OTHER SURVEY FOR VARIANCES ATT	
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Request for a variance to Sec. 25-20 - Corner visit an approximate 10-foot encroachment inside the reproposed workshop accessory building. The proposed work	bility in residence and local business districts. to allow equired 35-foot setback for the placement of a proposed shop building will be located where an existing 6-foot tall isting house and accessory garage on the adjacent lot
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Picture 1

Looking North from the southeast corner of the yard which is at the northwest corner of the intersection of Cumberland Ct. SW and Cumberland Ave. SW; which is a tee intersection. Notice the existing house and accessory garage buildings of the neighbors to the north (Lot 55) which we are proposing to align with.



Picture 2

This picture is taken in the same direction as Picture 1, but closer to the neighboring Lot 55. It give a closer view of the adjacent house and accessory garage building as well as DU water and sanitary sewer line locations marking and the drainage pipe between Lots 55 & 58. It also shows the edge of the existing driveway on Lot 58.



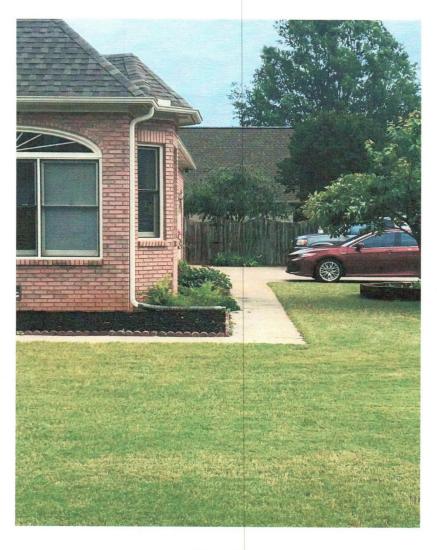
Picture 3

This picture is looking south (opposite of pictures 1 & 2) from just north of the property line between Lots 55 & 58 within the west Right-of-Way on Cumberland Ave. SW toward the intersection with Cumberland Ct. SW; also showing the DU water and sanitary sewer location marking.



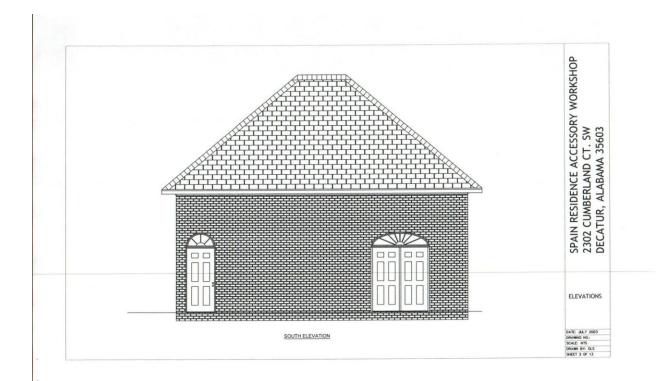
Picture 4

This picture is looking north from the center of the driveway for Lot 58 in line with the existing Lot 58 backyard privacy fence along the Cumberland Ave. and the house and accessory garage on the adjacent Lot 55.

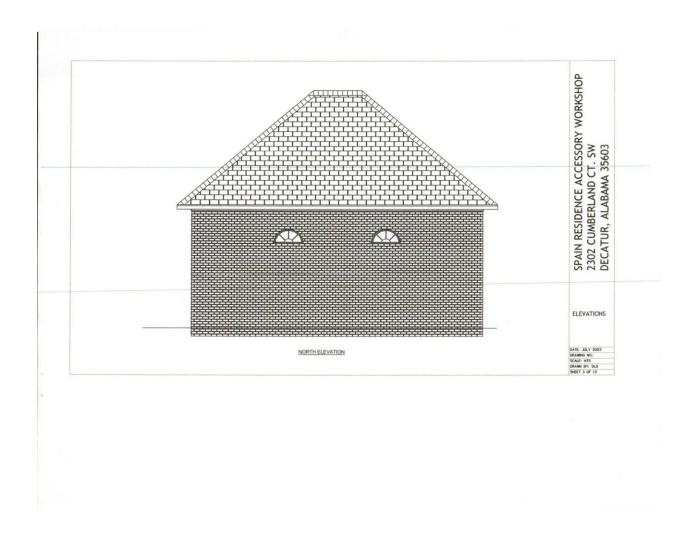


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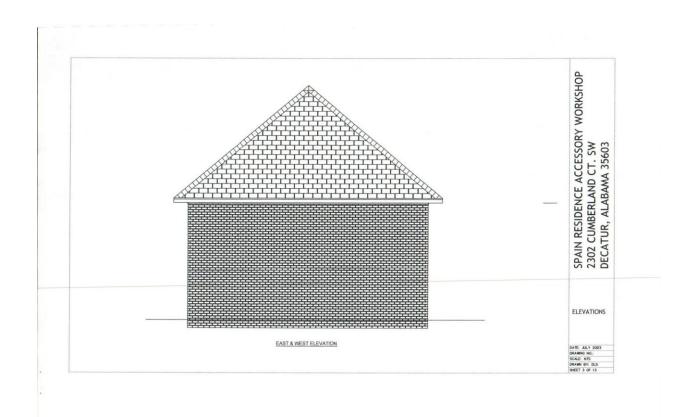
This pictures is looking north along the east side of the existing house on Lot 58 as is currently currently viewed from a vehicle on traveling east on Cumberland Ct. and approaching Cumberland Ave. The proposed workshop will be located behind the existing backyard privacy fence and in front of the existing accessory garage on Lot 55.



SOUTH ELEVATION



NORTH ELEVATION



EAST & NORTH ELEVATION

	42-18.	CHARMING SCALE	
DECATUR Station			
402 Lee St NE 1st Floor Council Chamber		Board of Zoning Adjustment	
APPLICANT: Luis Rurgos			
MAILING ADDR: 213 Selgewic	K Dr owers	Cross Nord	
CITY, STATE, ZIP: ALABARA 357	63		
PHONE: (256) 298- 1846		*	
PROPERTY OWNER: Luis Burgos	Liquero A		
OWNER ADDR: 213 Sedgewick	Dr owers C	owers cross KoAd	
CITY, STATE, ZIP: AL 35763		256) 298-1846	
ADDRESS FOR APPEAL: 415 10 AVE	NW DECOTOR	35601	
NATUR	RE OF APPEAL:		
HOME OCCUPATION SETBAC	K VARIANCE SIGN	VARIANCE	
USE PERMITTED ON APPEAL		STRATIVE DECISION	
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Applicant Name (print) LUIS Burges Ziguerof	TS fence is on m	y Property. Office Use Received By:	
Applicant Name (print) LUIS Burges Zigueron	4 If applicant is using a representative for the	Office Use Received By:Zone _ R 3	

CASE NO. 5 415 10^{TH} AVE NW

