

NOTICE

APPLICATION FOR ZONING VARIANCE

Richard and Rhoda O'Donnell, 611 Magill Road, Swarthmore, PA have applied to the Swarthmore Zoning Hearing Board requesting a variance to install a 5-foot fence within 50 feet of the centerline of Cedar Lane (Route 320) and to install a 5-foot fence in front of the rear building line of their house. The property is located in the RB Residential Zoning District. The matter will be heard by the Swarthmore Zoning Hearing Board on Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Room of Swarthmore Borough Hall, located at 121 Park Avenue in Swarthmore, PA.

The application is available for review at the Borough Office and Swarthmore Public Library and on the Swarthmore Borough website (swarthmorepa.org) under the "Public Meeting Notices" tab.

**Jenny Shulbank, Chair
Swarthmore Zoning Hearing Board**

If you are a person with a disability and wish to attend this meeting and require an auxiliary aid, service, or other accommodation to participate in the proceedings, please contact Borough Manager Jane Billings at (610) 543-4599 or swarthmore2@comcast.net to discuss how the Borough may accommodate your needs.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received _____

Zoning District _____

Parcel Number _____

SWARTHMORE BOROUGH

APPLICATION TO ZONING HEARING BOARD

1. APPLICANT(S) Richard & Rhoda O'Donnell

Address 611 Magill Rd. Swarthmore PA 19081

Telephone (Day) 610-656-1549 (Evening) 610-656-1549

E-mail Rhoda.L.Johnson@gmail.com

2. Attorney (if any) _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____

3. LOCATION OF PROPERTY _____

Owners (if different from above; please see instruction) _____

Address _____

Telephone (Day) _____ (Evening) _____

4. The proposed project is to:

Install a fence due to a
overwhelming amount of traffic both
Cars and people. We are also looking
to cut down on a extremely high noise
problem with cars constantly blowing horns

5. Application is made for a variance from the following ordinance and/or section of ordinance:

1264.05 Fences

6. Please complete the following: 7,021.43

Total lot area: ~~14,810.4~~ sq. ft.

Lot width: _____ ft.

Existing lot coverage: N/A sq. ft. _____ %

Proposed lot coverage: N/A sq. ft. _____ %

Existing hardscape coverage: N/A sq. ft. _____ %

Proposed hardscape coverage: N/A sq. ft. _____ %

Existing front yard setback: N/A ft.

Proposed front yard setback (new construction): N/A ft.

Existing rear yard setback: N/A ft.

Proposed rear yard setback (new construction): N/A ft.

Side 1 Side 2

Existing side yard setbacks: N/A ft. _____ ft.

Proposed side yard setbacks (new construction): N/A ft. _____ ft.

7. State facts and/or basis of support of application. Specify applicable hardship(s). Attach additional pages as necessary.

see letter attached

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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA,)

COUNTY OF DELAWARE,) SS.

Before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, residing in Delaware County, personally appeared _____ who being duly _____ according to law, doth depose and say: that all the above statements and/or drawings and/or attached plans are true.

_____ and subscribed before me,
this _____ day of _____)
A.D. 20 _____)

Applicant signature

Notary Public

8/29/21

To whom it may concern:

We are presenting a variance application for our property on 611 Magill Road in Swarthmore to request a variance to allow a 5' fence to be installed as indicated on the attached drawing.

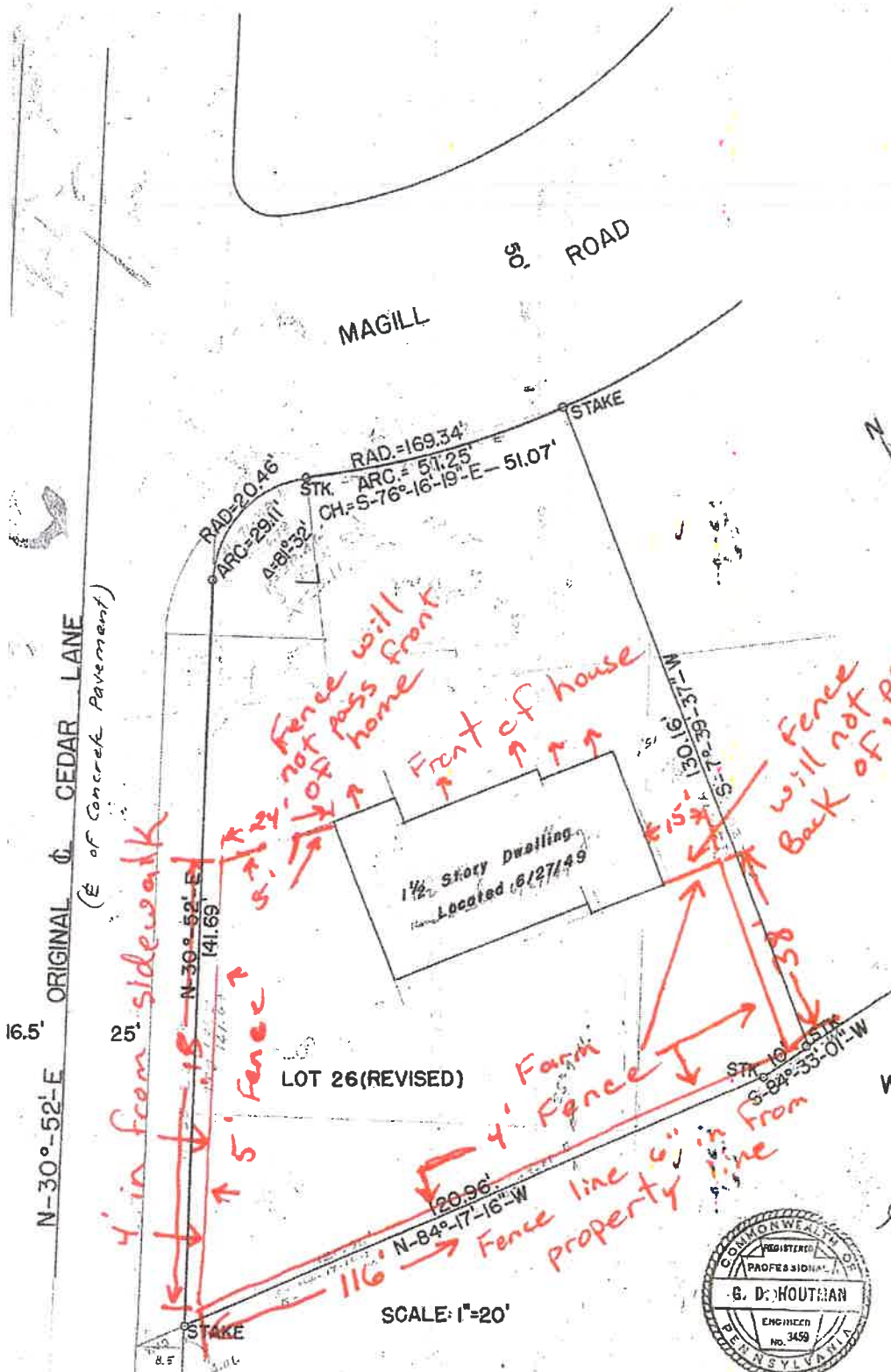
We have two dogs, one West Highland Terrier and one Cane Corso. The Cane Corso is a larger dog that needs a larger fence to keep her safe and enclosed. We are also requesting that the fence be allowed on the side of the house facing the sidewalk on 320 and be permitted to go up to the front of the home and meet the side of the garage.

We are, of course, dog parents, and concerned with the safety and humane treatment of our animals and this requires a fence of appropriate dimensions and coverage. We are also aware that the size of our dog is startling to the pedestrians passing by and have seen already many people jump towards the street when they see her in the yard with us on a leash. Due to the busy nature of 320, it would be dangerous to both animals and humans not to have the proper fencing for our animals. We know that safety of the pedestrians and the dogs is best served by providing the proper 5' fencing that is appropriate to the size of our dog.

Thank you for your consideration.

Richard and Rhoda O'Donnell

611 Magill Road Swarthmore, PA



PROPERTY OF
 W. NED MIKUSINSKI
 SWARTHMORE BOROUGH
 DEL. CO., PA.

G. D. Houtman

CIVIL ENGINEER
 MEDIA, PA.
 MAY 11, 1949.



PLAN OF LOTS FOR W.P JOHNSON BY D&F 9/11/36
 ED TO SHOW EFFECT OF WIDENING EAST SIDE OF
 R LANE. ORIGINAL WIDTH 33'. WIDENING RECORDED 9/24/41 -D.B.1153-198

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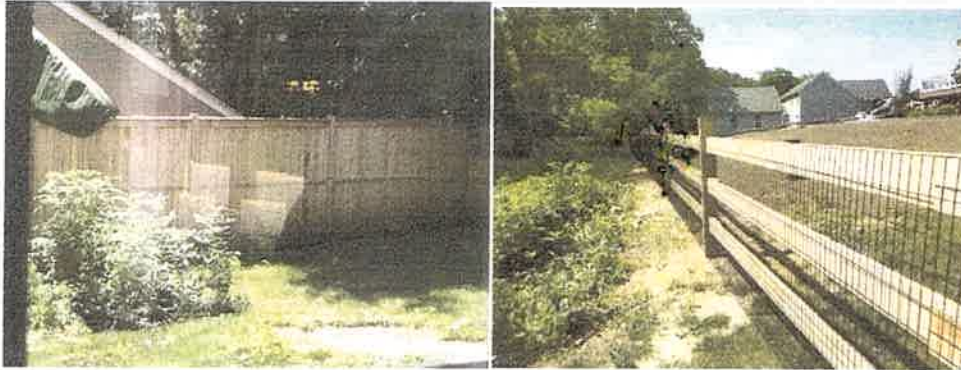
SEC 1503

5' Fence to Match Brand New 6' Fence Permitted

4' Farm Fence for the remainder

by the borough that runs along our back yard

Pictured below.



6 Crest Lane
Swarthmore PA 19081
March 27th 2021

To Whom it May Concern,

As the owner of a property directly across from 611 Magill Road, I am writing to confirm I have no objection to the construction of the proposed fencing at 611 Magill which was the subject of a recent request before the Swarthmore zoning hearing board.

The proposed fence would be in keeping with other properties in the area, would maintain or add value to the property, reduce opportunistic crime and allow for peaceful enjoyment of an enclosed yard area at the natural rear of the property.

I believe the unique shape of the lot, combined with the level of vehicle, animal, and pedestrian traffic passing close to the side of the property mean that a variance is justified and reasonable.

I support the application as submitted to the Borough or any reasonable adjustment to it that might be agreed upon.

Yours,

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Neil J. Young



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MAGILL RD.

BALTIMORE PIKE

PARRISH RD.

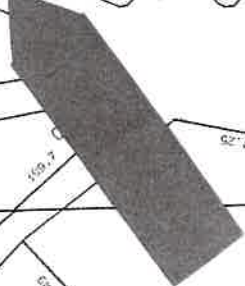
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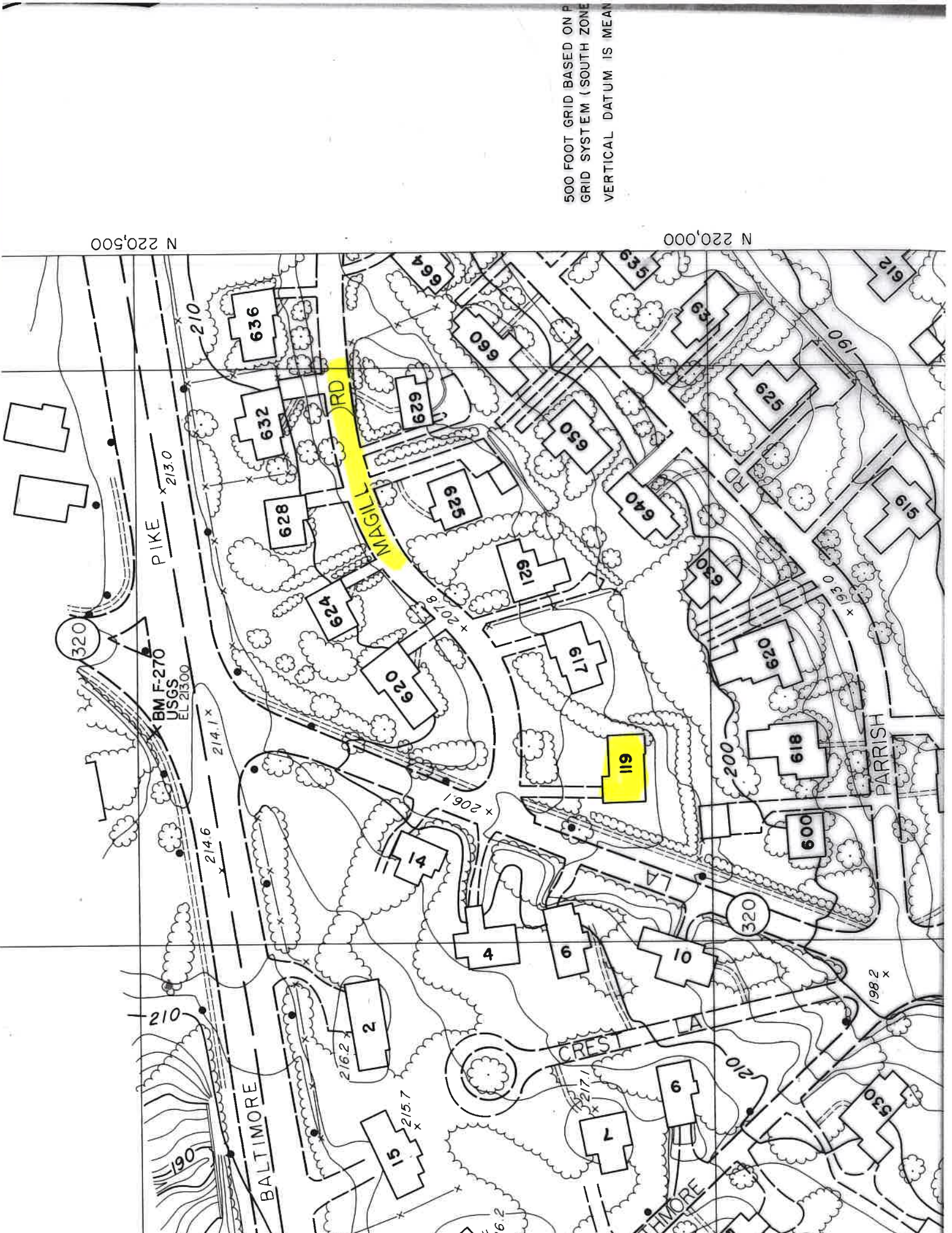
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500 FOOT GRID BASED ON P
GRID SYSTEM (SOUTH ZONE
VERTICAL DATUM IS MEAN

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