

Community Development Code Division

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GORHAM MUNICIPAL CENTER, 75 South Street, Gorham, ME 04038 Tel: 207-222-1605										
BOARD OF APPI APPLICATIO									ment of Non-	Date Paid:
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION		МАР		LOT		LOT SIZE			ZONING DISTRICT	
		PHYSIC	AL LOCATI	ON:						
		Name								
APPLICANT INFORMATION		Phone				N		iling		
		Fax					Address			
		Email								
NAME OF PROPERTY OWNER (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE)		Name								
		Phone					Mailing			
		Fax					Ad	dress		
		Email								
A COPY OF CURRENT DEED TO THE PROPERTY, A CONTRACT TO PURCHASE OR LEASE, OR OTHER FORM OF RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH APPLICATION THE UNDERSIGNED REQUESTS THAT THE BOARD OF APPEALS CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING VARIANCE APPEAL: TYPE OF APPLICATION LAND USE & DEVELOPMENT CODE REFERENCES										
			Ch. 1, 9	Section 4 (B)						
			Ch. I, S	ect. 4, Sub-sect.	B-2					
	VARIANCE FROM ZONING SPACE STANDARDS		<u>CRITERIA:</u>							
			 That the land in question cannot yield a reasonable return unless a variance is granted; 							
			 That the need for a variance is due to the unique circumstances of the property and not to the general conditions in the neighborhood; 							
				• That the granting of a variance will not alter the essential character of the locality;						
SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING			 That the hardship is not the result of action taken by the applicant or a prior owner; Ch. 1, Sect. 4 Sub-sect. B-3 							
SET-BACK VARIANCE		<u>CRITERIA:</u>								
(This subsection applies only to variances from set-back requirements for a single-family dwelling that is the petitioner's			 That the need for a variance is due to the unique circumstances of the property and net to the general equilibrium in the neighborhood 							
			 not to the general conditions in the neighborhood; That the granting of a variance will not alter the essential character of the 							
primary year-round resider may not exceed 20% of the			locality;							
set-back requirements and may not be granted if the variance			 That the hardship is not the result of action taken by the applicant or a prior owner; 							
would cause dwelling to		e the area of the exceed the maximum e lot coverage under		 That the granting of the variance will not substantially reduce or impair the use of abutting property; and 						
					 That the granting of the variance is based upon demonstrated need, not convenience, and no other feasible alternative is available. 					

	ENLARGEMENT OR	Ch. I: Sect. 4 E				
	REPLACEMENT OF NON- CONFORMING USE OR	CRITERIA (Special Exception Standards):				
	STRUCTURE	• The proposed use will not create or aggravate hazards to vehicular or pedestrian traffic on the roads and sidewalks, both off-site and on-site, serving the proposed use as determined by the size and condition of such roads and sidewalks, lighting, drainage, and the visibility afforded to pedestrians and the operators of motor vehicles on such roads.				
		• The proposed use will not cause water pollution, sedimentation, erosion, contaminate any water supply nor reduce the capacity of the land to hold water so that a dangerous or unhealthy condition results.				
		• The proposed use will not create unhealthful conditions because of smoke, dust, or other airborne contaminants.				
		• The proposed use will not create nuisances to neighboring properties because of odors, fumes, glare, hours of operation, noise, vibration or fire hazard or unreasonably restrict access of light and air to neighboring properties.				
		• The proposed waste disposal systems are adequate for all solid and liquid wastes generated by the use.				
		 The proposed use will not result in damage to spawning grounds, fish, aquatic life, bird, or other wildlife habitat, and, if located in a shore land zone, will conserve (a) shore land vegetation; (b) visual points of access to waters as viewed from public facilities; (c) actual points of access to waters; and (d) natural beauty. 				
	CONVERSION OF NON-	Ch. I: Sect. 2-5				
	CONFORMING USE TO	CRITERIA (Nonconformance)				
	ANOTHER NON-CONFORMING USE	 That the existing use was legally established, was made non-conforming by the adoption or amendment of the Land Use and Development Code and is not a home occupation. 				
		• That the proposed use is of the same character or less obnoxious than the current				
		non-conforming use to be changed from. The determination as to whether such a use is of the same character or less obnoxious is to be made by a reference to the most restrictive zoning district where the current non-conforming use is permitted in the Town. Any use permitted in that zone may be substituted for a current non- conforming use as the same or less obnoxious use so long as the Board finds that the conversion meets the other standards thereof.				
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SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING AS APPLICABLE (IF NOT APPLICABLE, PLEASE NOTE N/A) DEED(S) recorded Date: _____, Book _____and Page _ Date of Recordation: in Cumberland Grantor's name: Grantee(s) Name: **County Registry** Maximum lot width: ft PARCEL DATA: Maximum lot depth ____ ft Parcel Lot area square feet EXISTING USE: (Please describe in detail the proposed use of the property and any proposed structures) **PROPOSED USE:** Width: ft Length _____ ft **Existing Structure** Height ft _____ stories STRUCTURE rooms EXTERIOR Width: _____ ft DIMENSIONS Length _____ ft Height _____ ft **Proposed Structure** stories rooms Amount of Variance, Code deviation, Parking Reduction, or additional sign area sought: Is Planning Board Approval or Report Yes <u>No</u> required before Board of Appeals action? If yes, has Planning Board considered the Yes _____ No, but scheduled for ______ application? **Current Type** SEWAGE Proposed Type DISPOSAL SYSTEM: Yes No, Is additional plumbing If yes, please describe contemplated?

A location map and one scaled site plan must accompany this application. The site plan must show dimensions of the property, the location of all buildings, yards, parking spaces and septic systems, and all existing and proposed setbacks.

Upon application submission, an application fee is required.

Note: Any right secured by approval of the Board of Appeals will expire if the work or change involved is not begun within six months of the date on which the appeal is granted, or if the work is not substantially completed within one year of the approval date.

Any decision of the Board of Appeals may be appealed to the Superior Court within forty-five (45) days after the decision.

Note: The applicant or his/her agent should attend the Board of Appeals meeting to explain the appeal and answer any questions the Board may have. If an appeal has to be rescheduled because of failure of the applicant to attend the meeting, the fee for rescheduling is \$500.00.

SUBMIT A COPY OF LEASE, LETTER FROM OWNER GRANTING LEASER PERMISSION TO SEEK THIS APPEAL, OR OWNER'S SIGNATURE ON THIS APPLICATION.

I certify the information contained in this application and its supplements is true and correct

DATE: Applicant's Signature:

Please Print Name: _____

Owner's Signature, if required and other than Applicant: _____

	FOR	OFFICE USE ONLY			
Fee Paid:	_ Date:	Appeal No			
Date of Scheduled Public He	aring	Rescheduled Appeal (\$500.00 fee)			
Land Use and Development Code references(s) specific to this application					
Explanation:					