

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Katie Duncan (Wallace) I am the owner of the property 8677 Darnell Ave My husband and I live on the property. We have placed a fence in our front yard, and as first time home owners we were unaware of the need for said permit for placing a fence. However, we did not place the fence for aesthetic purposes but to protect our property from further damage by our neighbors. After a short while at our new home we realized that the neighbors (property address 8671 Darnell ave) on the west side of our home were driving over our yard beginning at the street end of our yard and were driving over our drainage pipe. We attempted to politely ask them to be cautious of the area of concern because the drain pipe began to become exposed and the neighbors continuously drove over that spot until the pipe was eventually crushed. My husband made the neighbors aware that the pipe was busted and that they needed to stop driving up onto our property, and my husband placed stones as a block. However, after replacing the pipe to avoid and prevent any large amount of structural damage (that could have occurred) to our property the pipe got busted again, and the neighbors were parking onto our grass.

After asking the neighbors to stop parking on our property with no end my husband contacted the city to see what steps we would have to take to avoid this happening again. Due to the city employee not knowing our property line there was nothing that could be done on his part. So we decided to place the fence in our yard. This has stopped the neighbors parking on our property. However, we were not aware of the need for a permit which we would have immediately applied for prior to placing the fence we are asking that you grant our variance to keep the fence we placed in our yard to protect our investment (our home).

The fence has been placed according to code as seen on picture previously sent in courtesy letter, please see attached copy of photo. We have also included photos of said pipe damages and incidences when neighbors are parked onto our property, prior to installation of the fence. Also included in this letter is a copy of our property line that was surveyed, with a diagram of location of fence.

Thank you for taking your time to read our letter and consider our variance request to keep our fence in placed in our front yard to help protect our home. We really hope that we can resolve this matter.

Sincerely,

Katie Duncan
Christopher Duncan

