# Board of Variance Appeal Application Form 

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I hereby declare that the information submitted in support of this application is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct in all aspects, and further that my plans have no conflict with municipal bylaws other than those applied for with/ in this application.


## Office Use Only

Appeal Date 20MoApriloz.
Appeal Number EVa 6220
Required Documents:
Hardship Letter from Applicant
Site Plan of Subject Property
Building Department Referral Letter
Any documents submitted in support of this Board of
Variance Appeal will be made available to the Public

March 08, 2016

Burnaby City Hall

City Clerk's Office
4949 Canada Way,
Burnaby, B.C.
V5G 1M2

Attn: Ms. Eva Prior Administrative Officer
Re: 5635 Oakglen Drive - application for Variance.
Dear Ms. Prior,
We originally applied for a variance for the above noted address. The original request was for a relaxation in height (both front and rear averages) and front yard setback. The height had to do with the slope of the lot and we were supported on that matter. The front yard had to do with a combination of shallow lot, required separation to a garage in the rear yard and a greater than normal front yard average. We were not supported on this request.

We now respectfully resubmit out application having revised our plans to reflect the concerns of the Board. As a result of these changes we are still asking for a relaxation to height but within the same conditions of the original appeal. The front yard setback being requested has been increased to more closely align with the existing streetscape. In this case the house was pulled back a further $2.50^{\prime}$ to where the front yard setback will be 36.25 'to the post of the covered entry and 38.85 ' to the house itself. Please note that the setback to existing house is only $39.3^{\prime}$. As a consequence of these changes we are now asking for a relaxation to the required separation between the principal house and the detached garage at 12.22 feet where $14.8^{\prime}$ is required.

With regard to the concept of front yard averaging; the houses further down the street see a similar setback of $35.3^{\prime}$ for 5625 Oakglen, 39.6' for 5615 Oakglen and app. 26.5' for 5575 Oakglen. The houses on the opposite side of the street have reduced front yards more in keeping with the standard $25^{\prime}$ FYSB for the R4 zone.

We have since had discussions with the Planning department to address certain concerns they had and to clarify our position. We would also like to point out that the neighbour at 5645 Oakglen Dr., who recently built a new home, was able to locate their garage within their building since they were able to access it from the front yard at the lowest level. This option (originally desired by my Client) was denied to us since the relevant bylaw was changed in 2014.

In our case; the need for a detached garage in the rear, coupled with a smailer back yard to start with, compounded our situation. This reason is why we are trying to locate the house further to the front in the first place. There was also a comment regarding the impact of our proposed project with the views of the same address above. This house has clearly designed their living room and deck to the other side of the house to take advantage of the primary views to the east and not to the north-east as was stated in the Planner comments. It is our opinion that the overall project still complies with the general intent of the R4 zoning bylaw.

We are seeking these relaxations due to the hardships encountered on site and for reasons referred to above. We ask for your support and in recognition of the ongoing involvement and co-operation with the Building Department.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions or comments.
Yours truly,

cc. Mr. David Song

BOARD OF VARIANCE REFERRALAL LETETER

| DATE: March 4, 2016 | DEADLINE: March 8, 2016 for the <br> April 7, 2016 hearing | This isnot an <br> application. <br> Please take letter to <br> Board of Variance. <br> (Clerk's office - <br> Ground Floor) <br> NAME OF APPLICANT: Jonathan Ehling |
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| ADDRESS OF APPLICANT: 200-829 w. 15 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ St., North Vancouver B.C. v7P 1M5 |  |  |
| TELEPHONE: 604.770.1380 |  |  |
| PROJECT |  |  |
| DESCRIPTION: New Single Family Dwelling |  |  |
| ADDRESS: 5635 Oakglen Drive |  |  |
| LEGAL: | LOT: 8 | PL: 32 |

The above mentioned application, which includes the attached plan of the proposal, has been refused by the Building Department on the basis of contravention of:

> Zone/Section(s) R4 [6.3.1: 104.9$]$
> of the Burnaby Zoning Bylaw No. 4742

## COMMENTS:

The applicant is proposing to build a new single family dwelling. The following relaxations are being requested.

1) The distance between the principal building and the detached garage is 12.22 feet where a minimum distance of 14.8 feet is required.
2) The principal building height, measured from the rear average elevation will be 29.90 feet where the maximum building height of 29.5 feet is permitted.
3) The principal building height, measured from the front average elevation will be 31.15 feet where the maximum building height of 29.5 feet is permitted.
4) The front yard setback will be 36.25 feet to the post where a minimum front yard setback of 41.48 feet is required based on front yard averaging. The roof overhang will be 1.5 feet beyond the post.

Note: A previous Board of Variance (B.V. 6214) denied an appeal requesting the front yard setback will be 33.75 feet to the post where a minimum front yard setback of 41.48 feet is required. The roof overhang will be 1.5 feet beyond the post; and allowed the principal building height, measured from the rear average elevation to be 29.60 feet and the principal building height, measured from the front average elevation to be 31.30 feet where a maximum building height of 29.5 feet is permitted.

Note: The applicant recognizes that should the project contain additional characteristics in contravention of the zoning by-law a future appeal(s) may be required.
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    Deputy Chief Building Inspector

