



## 2021 Board of Variance Notice of Appeal Form

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#### Applicant

Name of Applicant ALAIR HOMES BURNABY  
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City/Town BURNABY Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_  
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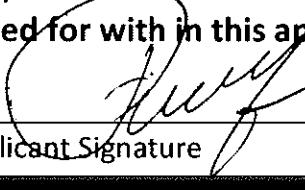
#### Property

Name of Owner WILLIAM & SUSANNA TAM  
Civic Address of Property 5680 EWART ST  
BURNABY

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.

05/11/21

Date

Applicant Signature 

#### Office Use Only

Appeal Date May 11 2021

Appeal Number BV# 6432

#### Required Documents:

- Fee Application Receipt
- Building Department Referral Letter
- Hardship Letter from Applicant
- Site Plan of Subject Property

Any documents submitted in support of this Board of Variance Appeal will be made available to the public



## BOARD OF VARIANCE REFERRAL LETTER

DATE: April 27, 2021	<p><i>This is <u>not</u> an application. Please submit this letter to the Clerk's office (ground floor) when you make your Board of Variance application.</i></p>		
DEADLINE: May 11, 2021 for the June 3, 2021 hearing.			
APPLICANT NAME: Alair Homes Burnaby			
APPLICANT ADDRESS: 35 North Howard Ave, Burnaby			
TELEPHONE: 604-265-6998			
<b>PROJECT</b>			
DESCRIPTION: New single family dwelling with secondary suite and detached garage			
ADDRESS: 5680 Ewart St			
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:	LOT: A	DL: 159	PLAN: NWP14034

Building Permit application BLD19-00878 will be denied by the Building Department because the design is not in compliance with Burnaby Zoning Bylaw No. 4742:

### Zone R2 / Sections 6.14.1(1)

#### COMMENTS:

The applicant is building a single family dwelling with secondary suite and detached garage. In order to allow the Building Permit revision to proceed, the applicant requests that the following variances be granted:

- 1) To vary Section 6.14.1(1) – “Retaining Walls” of the Zoning Bylaw requirement for the maximum retaining wall height from 1.2 m (3.94 ft.) to 1.80 m (5.91 ft.) for retaining wall located on west property line. This retaining wall contains series of retaining wall height up to 1.80m (5.91ft). The applicability of this variance, if granted, is limited to the scope of the proposal shown on the attached plans.
- 2) To vary Section 6.14.1(1) – “Retaining Walls” of the Zoning Bylaw requirement for the maximum retaining wall height from 1.2 m (3.94 ft.) to 2.87 m (9.4 ft.) for the on-site retaining wall located at the south to the house. This retaining wall contains series of retaining wall height up to 2.87m (9.4ft). The applicability of this variance, if granted, is limited to the scope of the proposal shown on the attached plans.
- 3) To vary Section 6.14.1(1) – “Retaining Walls” of the Zoning Bylaw requirement for the maximum retaining wall height from 1.2 m (3.94 ft.) to 2.80 m (9.17 ft.) for retaining wall located on east property line. This retaining wall contains series of retaining wall height up to 2.80m (9.17ft). The applicability of this variance, if granted, is limited to the scope of the proposal shown on the attached plans.

*Note:*

1. *The applicant recognizes that should the project contain additional characteristics in contravention of the Zoning By-law, a future appeal(s) may be required.*
2. *All new principal building projections into the resulting required yards will conform to the requirements of Section 6.12.*
3. *Principal building projection exemptions in the calculations of building depth will conform to the requirements of the Depth, Principal Building definition.*
4. *Guards and fences will conform to the requirements of BCBC 2018.*

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Peter Kushnir  
Deputy Chief Building Inspector

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## Hardship Letter for City of Burnaby Board of Variance

Applicant Name: William Wing Kong Tam and Susanna Maria Tam      03/31/2021  
Project address: 5680 Ewart Street, Burnaby

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to describe the reasons for which a request was submitted for relaxation of the Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 4742 in regards to the following section:

*Section 6.14.1(1) in regards to the retaining walls height: retaining walls shall not exceed 1.2 m (3.94 ft.) in height, as measured at any point along the retaining wall.*

To retain the soil behind the detached garage located at the back of the property, a portion of the retaining wall has to be 10 ft. This will exceed the allowable height as per section 6.14.1(1).

The overall elevation difference between the front (north) and the back (south) property lines is over 20 ft. The elevation difference between the grade at the south side of the house and the south property line is over 13 ft. Two car garage is located at the back of the property facing the back lane. The backyard depth measured between suite entrance porch and the retaining wall in question is 20 ft. The natural grade of the lot was not changed.

If the wall is erected as per bylaw guidelines (Section 6.14.1(3) the “useful” backyard (flat area of the same grade) will be reduced to about 12 ft. Also, we are respectfully asking for the relaxation for only the portion of the retaining wall that is concealed by the garage and therefore, will not create any additional massing at the back alley or impacts to our neighbors.

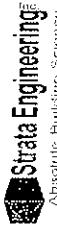
We have owned and lived at this property since 1985. We are rebuilding our home to accommodate our growing family (of three generations), with the intent for this home to be our “forever” home. We are hoping for the positive resolution of our application to maintain a portion of the retaining wall height at 10 ft.

Sincerely,

William Tam and Susanna Tam







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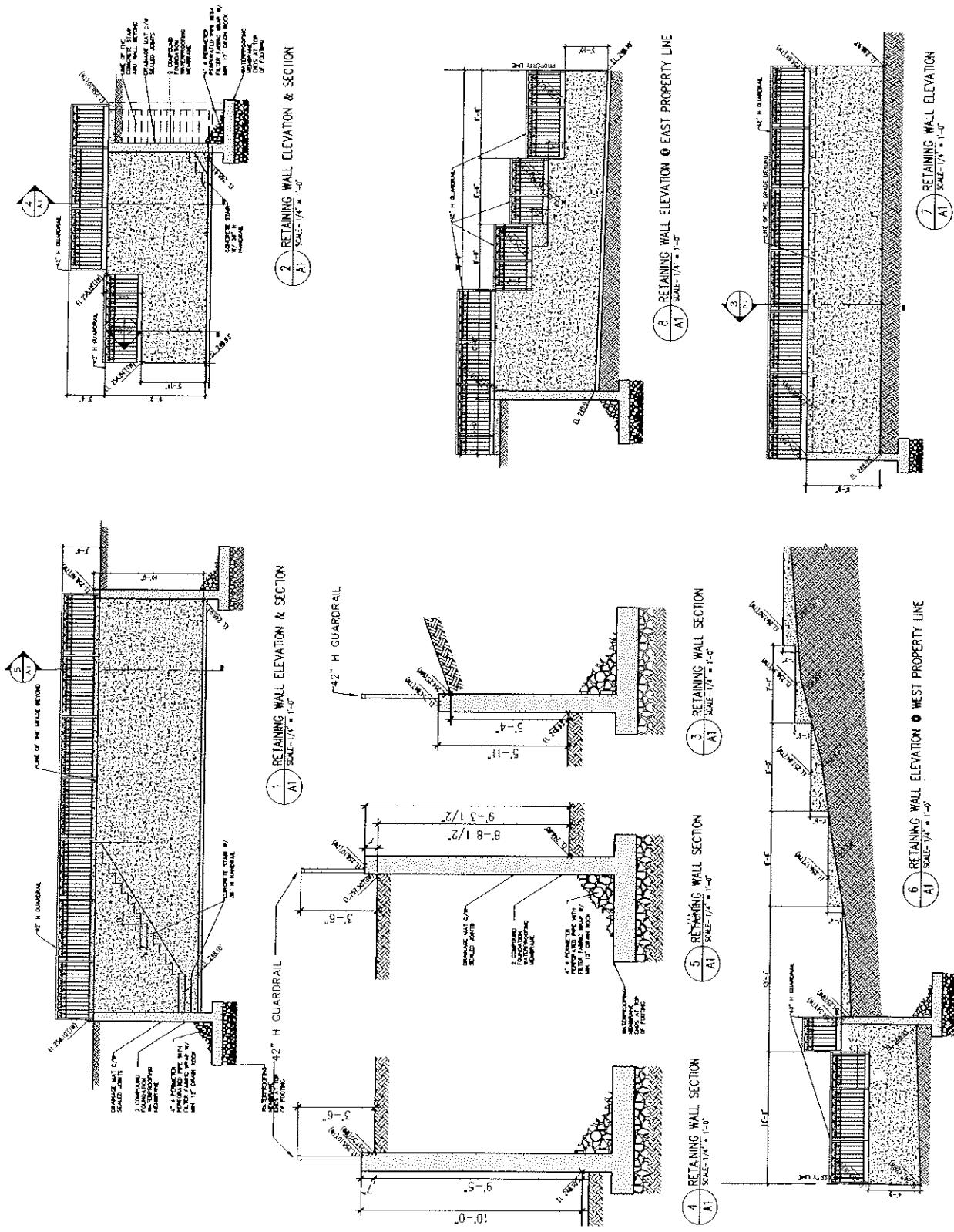
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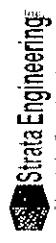
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5	RETAINING WALL ELEVATION & EAST PROPERTY LINE	10/04/19
6	RETAINING WALL ELEVATION & WEST PROPERTY LINE	10/04/19
7	RETAINING WALL ELEVATION	10/04/19

PROPERTY NAME	PROPERTY NUMBER	PROJECT NUMBER	DATE	DRAWN BY	RECHECKED BY	APPROVED BY
5680 EWART STREET, BURNABY, BC	NCD34		SEP. 12, 2019	IV	AC	A1







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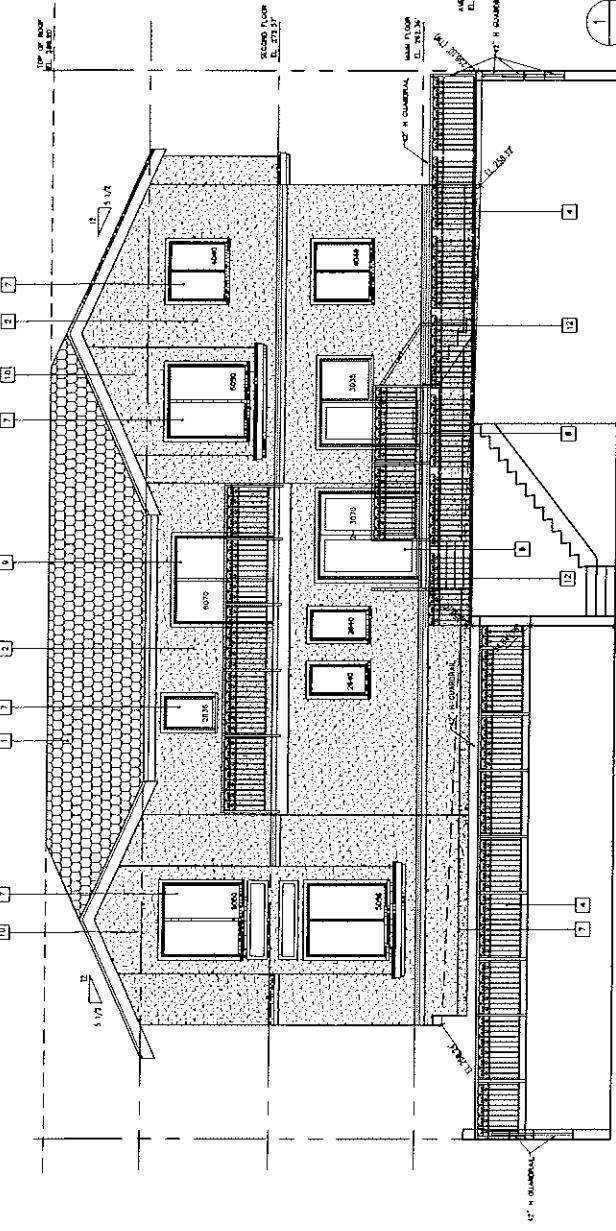
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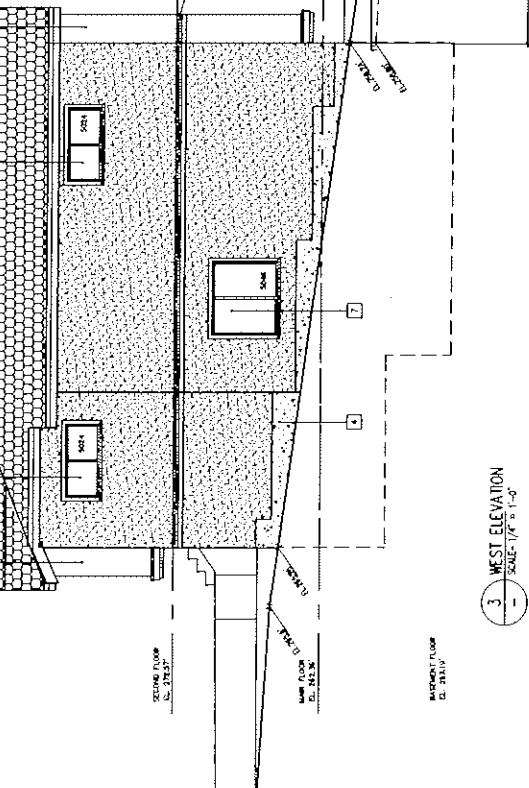
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