APPLICATION #: V-19-122

DATE ACCEPTED 05/15/2019

# **NOTICE TO APPLICANT**

Address of Property:

1159 Cumberland RD NE

City Council District: 6

Neighborhood Planning Unit (NPU): F

Department of City Planning Office of Zoning & Development

Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) Hearing Date:

Thursday, July 11, 2019 at 12:00 p.m.

Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, City Hall 55 Trinity Avenue, S.W.

The contact person for NPU F is:

Debbi Skopczynski 404-874-7483 zoning@npufatlanta.org

Contact info for adjacent NPUs is provided below if necessary:

Additional Contacts:

Please contact the person(s) listed above within five days to find out which meetings you will be required to attend before the next NPU meeting. If you are unable to reach the contact person, please call the city's NPU Coordinator at 404-330-6145.

Signed,

o, for Director, Office of Zoning and

Development

Bonnie Henry

MAY 1 5 2019

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# City of Atlanta Department of City Planning Office of Zoning and Development 55 Trinity Avenue, Suite 3350 Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Atlanta, Georgia 3030. Phone: 404-330-6145

### **REFERRAL CERTIFICATE**

COUNCIL DISTRICT(	O APPLICATION NU	JMBER <u>V-19-122</u>					
NPU F	DATE FILE	D					
Bonnie Henry Name of Applicant							
BUILDING PERMIT AUTHORIZING Accessory Structure							
at _1159 Cumberland Rd.	NE NE	17 <sup>th</sup> /2					
Street Address	Quadrant	District & Land Lot					
to be used for Single famil	Purposes	Purposes					
The property is zoned	R-4	District					
2. The Building Permit Was Denied For The Following Reasons:							
Applicant seeks a variance fro	om the zoning regulation: (1)	) to reduce the required east side yard	<u>d</u>				
setback from 7 feet to 3 feet; (	2) to reduce the rear yard se	etbak from 15 feet to 12 feet for the					
construction of an accessory structure.							
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Applicant seeks no other variances at this time.  1982 ZONING ORDINANCE, AS AMENDED							
Chapter6	Section16-06.008	Paragraph (2) (3)					
Chapter	Section	Paragraph					
Chapter	Section	Paragraph					
Julie Paquin 5/15/19 Plan Reviewer	Date /	Som Kenny 5/1/2 Applicant Date	5//5				

# APPLICATION FOR BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT

Office of Zoning & Development	mark "X" next to the typ	e of application(s)	you are subm	itting:	
	Variance		X	<b>o</b>	
MAY 1 5 2019	Special Exception	Special Exception			
"" T 5 2019	Variance & Special E	xception			
Date Filed Ste. 3350 Affants, GA	)	Appl	ication Numbe	er V-19-122	
Name of Applicant Bon	ne teney	Daytime Ph	one 404.	422.5048	
Company Name (if applicab	ile)	ema	il design	bhebellsouthin	
Address 1200 Cumber	cland Pd NE	Atlanta	GA	30304	
street		city	state	zip code	
Name of Property Owner			hone		
Address 1159 Cumbo street	verland Rd NIE	Atlanta.	GA	30306	
street		city	state	zip code	
Address of Property  Address of Property  Street  Area: 95775F Land La  Property is zoned: P-4	ot: 2 District:	17 . Ful	ton	County, GA.	
TO THE BOARD OF ZON Office of Zoning and Develor that the Board of Zoning Ad	opment prior to seeking a	building permit or	certificate of	ninary plan review from the occupancy, hereby requests	
I hereby authorize the staff described property. I unde according to the instructions I swear that all statements belief.  I hereby authorize the staff described property. I unde according to the instructions I swear that all statements belief.	erstand that it is my respective given to me by the Office herein and attached heret	oonsibility to post e of Zoning and De o are true and con	a public notice velopment upon rect to the best	ce sign on the property on filing this application. st of my knowledge and ent for Owner (Applicant)	
Sworn To And Subscribed P	lefore Me This // Day	Of <u>May</u> , 20 <u>19</u> .			

# **SUMMARY & JUSTIFICATION FOR VARIANCES**

accepte criteria	cd. The space below may be utilized or responses may be submitted as a separate attachment. Specific for Board approval of variances may be found on page 7. The justification must address these a. Please submit a typewritten or legible justification.
Rezoni	whether the property described in this application is subject to a pending application or ordinance for a ng or Special Use Permit. YES NO. (If yes, the variance/special exception request will cheduled to a hearing following the final approval by City Council & the Mayor). Please provide evant zoning number associated with the subject property:  Office of Zoning & Development
Is the p	roposal subject to Inclusionary Zoning? YES NO
<b>criteri</b> a woode	ary of proposed construction changes to buildings or site (shall not replace submittal of written a). (Examples: "Convert a 100' x 200' retail space into a restaurant." "Install a 6=footh high opaque in wall ('privacy fence' with 6-footh high opaque wall gates.").  New Garage at location of existing Garage (Regrest 2 Variances, 5t side setback to Be 3' NS. required 7'.  Left real setback to Be 12 vs. required 15 for wood steps.
Propos comple sidewa	sed Lot Coverage (After Construction): Calculate total amount of lot coverage on entire property, after ation of proposed construction, including existing and proposed buildings and other structures; lks, driveways, parking pads, patios, gravel, etc.; everything except natural planted or undisturbed areas.
•	covered square feet / 9577 total lot square feet = 51.90 % proposed lot coverage
	10 % maximum allowed lot coverage (R-4=50%) (existing is allowed)
Varian	ice Criteria (see page 6 for detailed criteria): (See enclosed letter)
1)	What are the extraordinary and exceptional conditions pertaining to the particular piece of property in question (size, shape or topography)? See enclosed letter
2)	How would the application of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Atlanta to this particular piece of property create an unnecessary hardship? See en closed effective.
3)	What conditions are peculiar to this particular piece of property? <u>See en closed</u>   eHec
4)	Submit facts to show that relief, if granted, would not cause substantial detriment to the public good or impair the purposes and intent of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Atlanta.

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Office of Zoning & Development

May 13, 2019

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To Whom It May Concern:

65 Trinity Ave. S.W. Ste. 3350

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We write in connection with the variance application for our residence at 1159 Cumberland Road NE. We are requesting a variance to the east side and rear setbacks required in the Zoning Ordinance. The variance will allow us to have a garage of a useful size while minimizing disturbances to waterflow and runoff. The requested variances are:

- 1. East side setback from the required 7' to 3'
- 2. Rear setback from the required 15' to 12' for wood steps.

When we purchased the home 6 years ago, we liked the fact that there was a garage onsite. However, we quickly discovered that the garage was unusable for a number of reasons. First, we found that animals had moved into the garage by gnawing a hole through the siding in the back. We resolved the animal situation, then realized that the garage isn't big enough to fit either of our cars. We also found that water gets into the garage, which minimizes its usefulness even for outdoor storage. Finally, late last year we discovered that there were termites inside of the garage. That discovery pushed us to the point that we want to demolish the existing garage more promptly.

Our proposal is to demolish the existing garage, which, as noted above, is too small (19'x 16') to park cars in and is unsafe to use based on termite infestation and water damage, and construct a new garage (22'-10" x 25') in which two cars can be parked and that is free of the termite and water issues. In addition to addressing the issues above, the proposed garage will provide a safe place to park our cars and eliminate them as a target for car break-ins. It also will be nice for our cars to be parked in a garage so that the neighbors do not have to see them in the driveway or on the street. We are not proposing for there to be finished space above the garage, just additional storage over the garage since the existing basement at the house has had water issues. No trees will be affected by building the proposed deeper garage.

We intend to stay in our home long-term, and the proposed garage would bring added benefits to our use of the home – with no detriment to our neighbors or the general public, we believe. We further address the criteria below.

There are extraordinary and exceptional conditions pertaining to the particular piece of property in question because of its size, shape or topography.

Our lot's topography and the location of existing structures on our lot together create an exceptional set of conditions for this project. First, the lot has a substantial grade (20' drop from the back of the lot to the front). With established homes uphill behind the lot, there is substantial water runoff through the existing topography and buried underground pipes. The existing topography restricts moving it over without affecting water flow and more dirt removal. One benefit of the substantial grade of the lot is that it enables the proposed garage to be buried within the hillside, which will ensure that most of the new structure is not visible. The location of the proposed garage has been moved over by 6" to allow for better fire protection. A downside of the topography, as noted below, is that it restricts the ability to move the garage over without affecting water flow and requiring more dirt removal.

Second, the existing garage doesn't meet the required setbacks, and the proposed garage will actually have a slightly larger setback on the east side than the existing garage: the existing garage setback is 2.56' on the east side property line, while the proposed east side setback is 3'-0".

The application of the zoning ordinance of the City of Atlanta to this Particular piece of property would create an unnecessary hardship.

If the garage were to meet the 7' side setback required by the Zoning Ordinance, it would create unnecessary hardship on both the property owners and their neighbors. Meeting the setback would require demolition and relocation of the existing driveway. Doing so would add additional lot impermeable lot coverage and cause additional land to be disturbed. Relocating the garage would also change the topography of the lot. This would require reengineering and redesign existing of water runoff/drainage routes for the owners and their uphill neighbors.

Such conditions are peculiar to the particular piece of property involved.

The substantial elevation change relative to the size of the lot is a peculiar condition to this piece of property. This condition makes moving the location of the garage laterally (i.e., from left to right when facing it from the street) to comply with the Zoning Ordinance a significant effort that impacts waterflow around the building. At the same time, the elevation change also means that the garage can be expanded towards the back of the lot without the structure becoming more visible to neighbors. Further, the existing garage is located within the setback and the driveway was built accordingly. This peculiar condition means that moving the garage to comply would require moving the driveway also.

Relief, if granted, would not cause substantial detriment to the public good or impair the purpose and intent of the zoning ordinance of the City of Atlanta.

The proposed garage project does not detriment the pubic good and is consistent with variances issued for similar projects throughout the neighborhood. The proposed garage will allow for both of our cars to be parked inside the garage and off of the street. This improves safety for us and our neighbors by removing targets for car break-ins. It also means that neighbors will not have to see additional cars parked in the driveway or on the street. Since the majority of the new structure can be buried in the hillside (towards the back of the lot), the project will not create a substantial visual impact and will allow the new structure to be consistent with the character of the neighborhood even with an expanded footprint.

We appreciate your consideration of our request. Please don't hesitate to reach out if any additional information would be helpful.

Sincerely.

/ / Jeff Goran and Kristin Goran

> Department of City Planning Office of Zoning & Development

> > MAY 1 5 2019

55 Trinity Ave. S.W. Ste. 3350 Atlanta, GA

## **AUTHORIZATION BY PROPERTY OWNER**

(Required only if the person filing the application is not the owner of the property subject to the proposed application.)

(Please print clearly. Must be the original document. A copy will not be accepted.)

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		AND AFFIRM THAT I AM
THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY AT 1159 W	mberland Rd NE	PROPERTY (PROPERTY
ADDRESS). AS SHOWN IN THE RECORDS OF _	Fulton	COUNTY, GEORGIA,
WHICH IS THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE	ATTACHED APPLICA	ΓΙΟΝ. Ι AUTHORIZE THE
PERSON NAMED BELOW TO FILE THIS		Lor
APPLICATION AS MY AGENT.		
OWNER'S TELEPHONE NUMBER: 404-379	-2499	Department of City Planning Office of Zoning & Development
Kgorom		MAY 1 5 2019
SIGNATURE OF OWNER		55 Trinity Ave. S.W. Ste. 3350
PRINT NAME OF OWNER		Atlanta, GA
	FIRST NAME BOYN  LIFE ZII	OIE
APPLICANT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER: 404: APPLICANT'S EMAIL ADDRESS: Design		h.net
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#### RECEIPT

CITY OF ATLANTA DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT 55 TRINITY AVE SW, ATLANTA GA 30303 404-330-6070

Application: V-19-122

Application Type: Planning/BZA/Variance/NA

EX OFFICIO MODERAL

REVENUE CONJECTOR Address: 1159 CUMBERLAND RD NE, ATLANTA, GA 30306

Owner Name: BAUER STEPHEN DEREK

Owner Address: **Application Name:** 

Receipt No.

646181

Payment Method Ref Number

**Amount Paid** 

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Comments

Credit Card

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05/15/2019

**ADEDMONDS** 

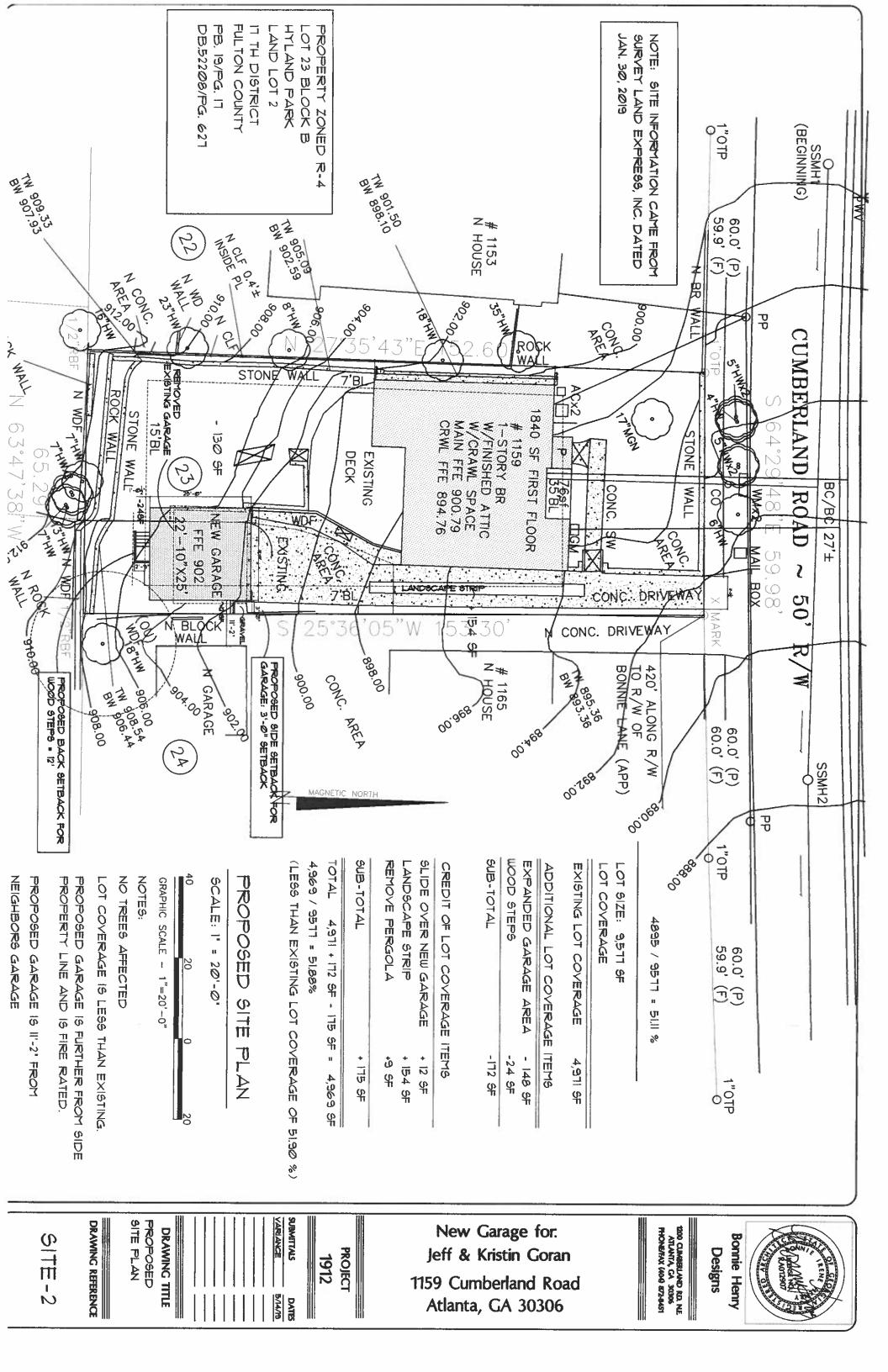
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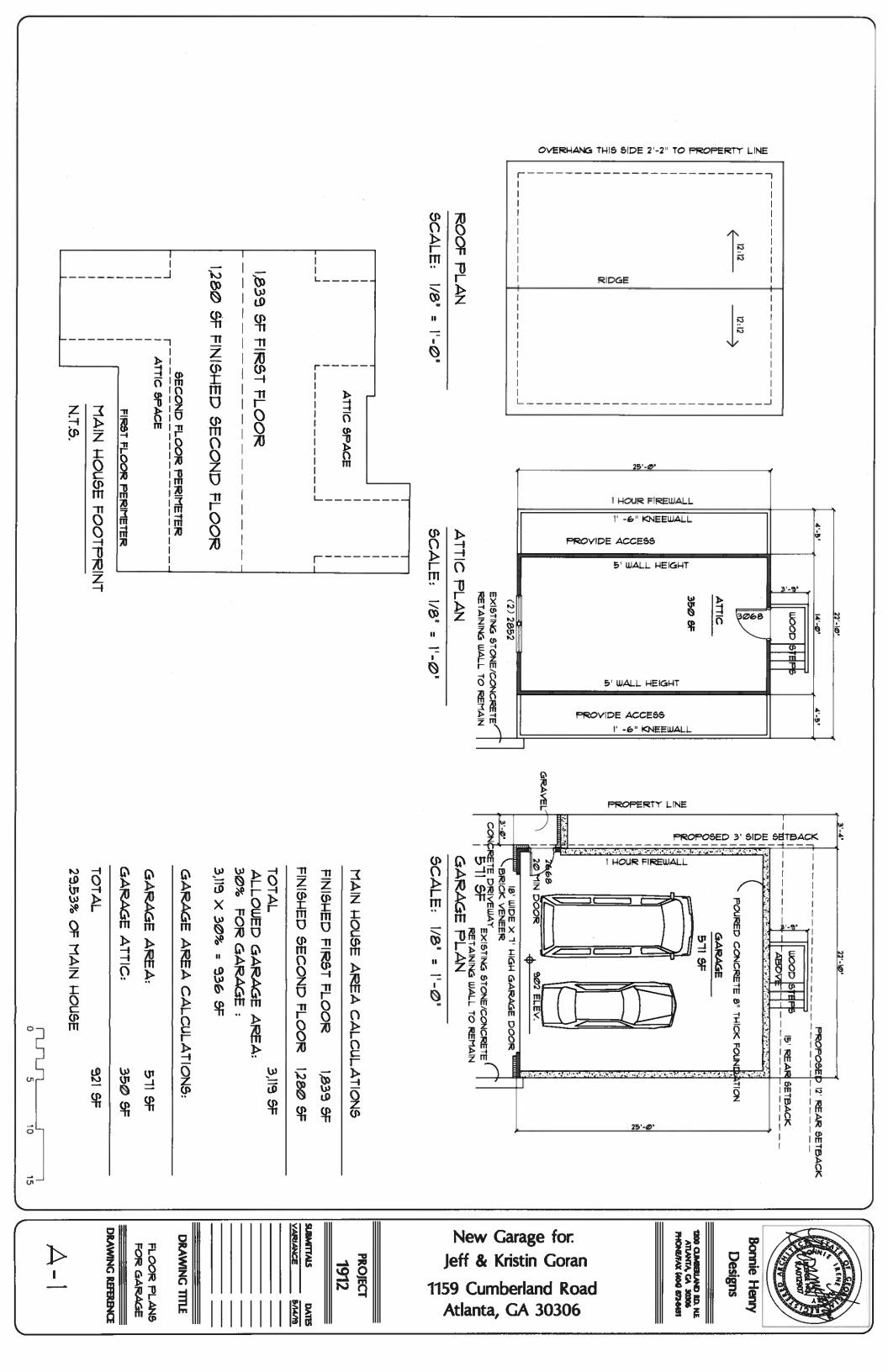
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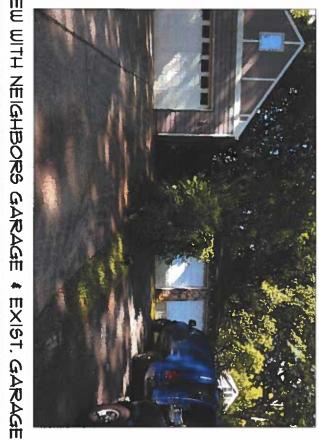
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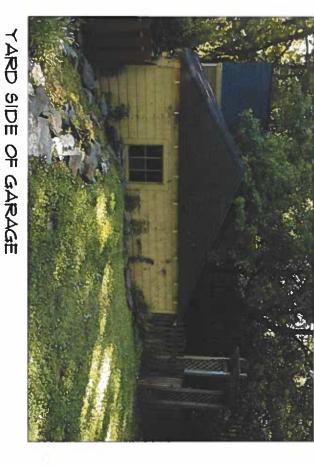
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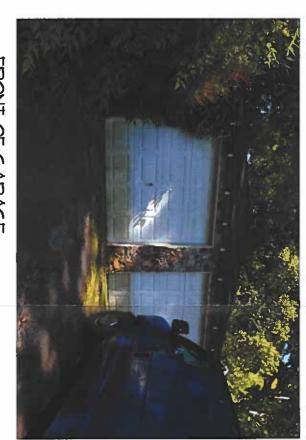


VIEW WITH NEIGHBORS GARAGE . EXIST. GARAGE





FRONT OF GARAGE



BACKYARD VIEW TO EXIST. GARAGE



VARIANCE SIDE OF GARAGE

PROJECT 1912

New Garage for. Jeff & Kristin Goran 1159 Cumberland Road Atlanta, GA 30306



DRAWING REFERENCE

EXISTING CONDITIONS

DRAWING TITLE

