Nathan and Jasmyn Morris Fence Variance Application 5146 Overlook Lane

1) There will be no undesirable change in the neighborhood or detriment to nearby properties, as a result of the area variance. Our neighbors at 5152, 5154, 5126 and 5124 Overlook Ln, all have 6ft full backyard fences backing up to Buffalo St., so the sight of a 6ft backyard fence at 5146 Overlook Ln, would not look out of place or uncharacteristic for the neighborhood. However, we believe having a backyard fence where roughly 2/3 of it is 6ft tall, while the other third is 4ft tall, would look unsightly. This is one reason why we're applying for a variance to be able to build a fence that's consistently 6ft tall.

We also want to address the stop sign at the corner of our lot. The fence will not block visibility of the stop sign, as the fence will be 10 ft back from Overlook Ln. In addition, visibility eastbound on Buffalo st. is already impeded by a large hill. We also plan to install the fence 10ft back from Buffalo St., where this wouldn't be an issue anyway to a car stopped at the stop sign on Overlook Ln.

- 2) No, we cannot achieve this benefit without an area variance. Without it, we would be required to have part of our fence be a different height, at an awkward area of the fence. This, we believe, would result in an undesirable change in appearance to the entrance of the Brookside development, where our corner lot is located.
- 3) No, the requested area is roughly 1/3 of the planned perimeter of the entire fence.
- 4) No, the difference between a 4ft tall fence and a 6ft tall fence, would not have an adverse effect or impact on the physical or environment conditions in the neighborhood or district. The fence is also in the backyard, so it would not prohibit the fire department or other emergency personnel from seeing our house from the main road. The closest fire hydrant is in the front yard as well, which would be unaffected by the fence.
- 5) This was not self-created, the code was in place prior to our purchasing the house. Our goal is to build a fence to protect our dog and child from the traffic on Buffalo St. Ext., and the relatively busy entrance to the housing development. While doing so, we're hoping to be able to build a fence that's beautiful!

What is Currently Allowed by Code:



What we would like to do:





Location to Agricultural Land:

