## MEMORANDUM

To: Zoning Board of Appeals
From: Kariline P. Littlebear, Zoning Administrator
Date: May 15, 2024
Re: ZBA24-10
3024 Central Blvd
11-32-476-031
Applicant: Raymond Blanchet
Owner: Raymond Blanchet

The subject parcel is zoned LV - Lake and Village Residential District. The parcel size is approximately 0.184 acres or 8,015 square feet.

The required setbacks for this parcel are as follows:
Front yard: 38 feet
Rear yard: 38 ft
Side yards: 5 ft for the smallest yard and 15 ft total when both side yards are added together

This request is for a 30 -foot variance from the calculated 38 -foot rear yard setback to 8 -feet provided for the construction of an accessory structure. This request is for a variance from Section 9.02.B.c. of the Zoning Ordinance.

The applicant has provided a scaled site plan and photos of the type of structure. Staff has supplied assessing records, a zoning map, an aerial approximation of the property, and Section 9.02. of the Zoning Ordinance.

## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF HIGHLAND ZONING MAP



3024 central


## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF HIGHLAND ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

| APPLICANT |
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| NAME: Raymond Blanches |
| ADDRESS: $\underline{4775 \text { Rayfore Dr }}$ |
| Commerce Twp, MI 48382 |
| PHONE: $\frac{(248) 613-9180}{\text { rab4775@gmail.com }}$ |


| OWNER |
| :---: |
| NAME: Raymond Planchet |
| ADDRESS: 4775 Rayfore Dr |
| Commerce Twp, MI 48382 |

PHONE: (248) 613-9180
EMAIL: rab4775@gmail.com

PROPERTY ADDRESS:
3024 Central Blvd, Milford, MI 48380
ZONING:


## PROPERTY TAX ID NO: H-11-32-476-031

## ORDINANCE SECTIONS BEING APPEALED:

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variances requested:
setback to 8 ft provided for a detached accessory structure

DESCRIBE THE NATURE OF YOUR PRACTICAL DIFFICULTY:
The issue is with the updated set backs, primarily from the back lot line. The requested set back is 8 feet to accommodate small garage which will avoid any of the septic field. The current 38 feet set back would prevent this improvement. The proposed area on property is the only allowable area to place the garage. We have located septic field and are avoiding this area. Without the requested variance, we could not build the garage to improve the property.


Kelly Makowski
NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF Wayne My Commission expires September 1,2027 My Commission Expires September 1,2027

## CIIARTER TOWNSHIP OF HIGHLAND <br> ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS <br> WORKSHEET

The worksheet is designed to help you understand the appeal process and to help you submit a complete application for review by the Zoning Board of Appeals. If you have any questions after reading this worksheet you may contact the Planning and Zoning Department for assistance.

## HAVE YOU MET ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA?

1) Do the characteristics of the property include exceptional narrowness, shallowness, smallness, irregular shape, topography, vegetation or other similar characteristics? If so, please describe here.

## Yes, this lot is both narrow and shallow.

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2) Can the project be redesigned to meet the zoning requirements without the need for a variance?
No, it cannot. The updated setbacks since purchased prevents building the garage in the desired location without a variance.
3) Is the reason for a variance request of a personal nature? (for example: financial impact, physical and/or mental characteristics of the household members, inconvenience, etc.)
No
4) Has the difficulty been created by the current or previous owner?

No. The difficulty is solely based on the expanded set back from the rear property line when city updated.
5) Will the proposed variance be harmful to or alter the essential character of the area in which the property is located?
No, not at all. In fact, this requested variance will allow the proposed garage to be placed in location that is similar with the neighbors. It will look symmetrical .
6) Will the proposed variance be the minimum necessary?

No. We have asked for 8 feet set backs to allow buffer.
This will be enough to allow a green area around the small garage.


## Sec. 9.02. LV—Lake and Village Residential District.

A. Creation of new lots in the Lake and Village Residential District.

1. No new Lake and Village Residential Districts shall be created. New parcels within the district may be created through land division and combination, subject to the following:
a. Where public sewer and public water service is available the minimum buildable area shall be fourteen thousand $(14,000)$ square feet, provided the lot fronts a street, and twenty thousand $(20,000)$ square feet where the lot fronts a major thoroughfare, and minimum frontage shall be eighty (80) feet:
b. Where public sewer and/or public water is not available the minimum buildable area shall be twenty thousand $(20,000)$ square feet, provided the lot fronts a street and twenty-five thousand $(25,000)$ square feet where the lot fronts a major thoroughfare and minimum frontage shall be one hundred and twenty (120) feet:
2. The lot must satisfy all criteria specified in the Land Division Ordinance.
3. No lot shall be divided in such a way as to create a non-conforming lot or to increase the degree of nonconformity already in existence.
B. Setbacks.
a. Front yard setback.
a. A front yard setback shall be determined to promote consistency with established patterns within a developed neighborhood. The required setback will range from 30 feet to 40 feet based on analysis of existing houses within 200 feet of the subject parcel, located on the same side of the road as the subject parcel. If there are no homes within 200 feet of the subject parcel, the required front yard setback shall be 40 feet.
b. In determining the setback, the following method shall be used, utilizing aerial photography and parcel models provided in the Oakland County Geographic Information System:
1) Determine which existing houses shall be considered in the calculations.
2) Determine the distance from each house to the front property line and record the distance.
3) Subtract 30 feet from each measurement and record the difference. For measurements 30 feet or less, enter zero feet for further calculations. For measurements greater than 40 feet, enter ten feet for further calculations.
4) Determine the average difference of all measurements as recorded in step 3) (e.g. add all recorded differences and divide by the number of samples). Add this calculated average to 30 feet. This is the required setback.
c. The Zoning Administrator may refer any plot plan to the Zoning Board of Appeals for determination of the required setback.
b. Side yard setback.
a. For all principal and accessory buildings and structures, the side yard setbacks are established based on lot width, as follows:

| Lot Width <br> (feet) | Least Side <br> (feet) | Total Both Sides <br> (feet) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 120 or greater | 10 | 30 |


| 90 to119 | 10 | 25 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 70 to 89 | 5 | 20 |
| 40 to 69 | 5 | 15 |

c. Rear yard setback.
a. A rear yard setback shall be determined to promote consistency with established patterns within a developed neighborhood. The required setback will range from 30 feet to 40 feet based on analysis of existing houses within 200 feet of the subject parcel, located on the same side of the road as the subject parcel. If there are no homes within 200 feet of the subject parcel, the required rear yard setback shall be 40 feet.
b. In determining the setback, the following method shall be used, utilizing aerial photography and parcel models provided in the Oakland County Geographic Information System:

1) Determine which existing houses shall be considered in the calculations.
2) Determine the distance from each house to the rear property line and record the distance.
3) Subtract 30 feet from each measurement and record the difference. For measurements 30 feet or less, enter zero feet for further calculations. For measurements greater than 40 feet, enter ten feet for further calculations.
4) Determine the average difference of all measurements as recorded in step 3) (e.g. add all recorded differences and divide by the number of samples). Add this calculated average to 30 feet. This is the required setback.
c. The Zoning Administrator may refer any plot plan to the Zoning Board of Appeals for determination of the required setback.
C. Setback exceptions and height restrictions for accessory structures.
a. One (1) storage shed not greater than one hundred and fifty (150) square feet in area and not greater than ten (10) feet in height may be permitted as close as five (5) feet to side lot line or rear lot line. All sheds must comply with required front yard setback.
b. One (1) accessory structure such as a garage, swimming pool, or play structure not greater than two hundred and forty (240) square feet in area and not greater than fifteen (15) feet in height may be permitted as close as ten (10) feet to the rear lot line provided the structure complies with the required side yard setback.
D. Minimum Setback from the Ordinary High Water Mark.
a. The setback from the ordinary high water mark shall be determined to promote consistency with established patterns within a developed neighborhood, while protecting viewsheds of the lake for neighboring properties.
b. Typically, the setback from the ordinary high water mark is sixty-five (65) feet. The setback may be reduced to as little as thirty (30) feet on lakefront lots, based on an analysis of like structures on parcels within two hundred (200) feet of the subject parcel, located along the lakeshore. This setback reduction may be applied to principle primary structures or to uncovered porches and decks. This setback reduction may not be applied to accessory structures such as garages and boathouses.
c. In determining the setback reduction, the following method shall be used, utilizing aerial photography and parcel models provided in the Oakland County Geographic Information System:
5) Determine which existing primary structures or decks/uncovered porches shall be considered in the calculations. Decks and uncovered porches shall not be used in determining setback reductions for a principle structure, but principle structures may be used in determining setback reductions for decks/uncovered porches.
6) Determine the distance from each structure to the presumed ordinary high water mark and record the distance.
7) For parcels with no structures are closer to the presumed high water mark than sixty-five (65) feet, enter a value of zero for further calculations. For parcels with structures closer to the presumed high water mark than thirty (30) feet, enter a value of thirty-five (35) feet for further calculations. For remaining parcels with structures falling between those two (2) limiting factors, enter the difference between sixty-five (65) feet and the measured distance.
8) Determine the average difference of all measurements as recorded in Step 3 (e.g. add all recorded differences and divide by the number of samples). This result represents the allowable setback reduction.
E. Minimum floor area per residential unit. One thousand $(1,000)$ square feet.
F. Minimum first floor area per residential unit. Seven hundred and fifty (750) square feet.
G. Maximum height for principal structures. Two stories or twenty eight (28) feet.
H. Maximum height for residential accessory structures. Twenty eight (28) feet for all accessory structures which comply with the setback requirements under Section 9.02B, Setbacks. See Section 9.02C, Setback Exceptions and Height Restrictions for Accessory Structures for height restrictions for accessory structures placed under the provisions for setback exceptions.
I. Maximum Lot Coverage. The maximum lot coverage for all building (principal and accessory) is as follows:
a. For lots with net area less than fourteen thousand $(14,000)$ square feet, the maximum lot coverage shall be forty-five (45) percent.
b. For lots with net area of fourteen thousand $(14,000)$ square feet or greater, the maximum lot coverage shall be thirty-five (35) percent.
( Ord. No. Z-006, § 3, 10-14-2015 )

## 3024 Central Blvd



Site Sketch PIN 11-32-476-031
© GPS Well
Septic Area - Site

- Dimension Line - Final
$\square$ OC Tax Parcel
- 2ft Contours (Print Quality)



Proposed Structure


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Charter Township of Highland


2 beds / 2 full baths / 0 half baths / 1543 sq ft

## Residential Property Profile

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