

Dear Santa Clara Planning Department,

I am writing to request a property variance to exempt us from the requirement to provide additional covered parking on our property located at 1277 Jackson Street. We respectfully request that you grant us the variance based on the unique challenges we face in providing the additional covered parking.

Our property faces several obstacles that make it difficult to provide covered parking, including a substandard lot size and the absence of a garage. Additionally, we have an in-ground pool and hot tub that impede where additional parking could be positioned. While we have widened our driveway to accommodate more off-street parking, providing covered parking would be a significant challenge. We are open to other ideas if preferred, but we do not wish to compromise the safety or aesthetics of our property.

We have explored several alternative solutions to address the additional parking issue, including parking off-site, carpooling, and utilizing public transportation. While carpooling has worked for us, the other options do not meet our family's needs. We understand that the zoning regulations require covered parking, but we respectfully request an exemption based on the unique challenges we face.

We assure you that we will take all necessary measures to ensure that our property remains safe and aesthetically pleasing, even without covered parking. We are committed to complying with all other zoning regulations and appreciate the opportunity to work with the board to find a solution that meets everyone's needs. We would also like to emphasize that our in-ground pool and hot tub are essential to our family's quality of life, and we hope to find a solution that allows us to keep them intact.

As long-time residents of Santa Clara and proud homeowners, we hope that you will grant us the variance so that we may continue to enjoy our neighborhood and schools and make our property our forever home. We thank you for your time and consideration and look forward to hearing back from you soon.

Sincerely,

Brandon and Michelle Spencer