

APPLICATION FOR A VARIANCE
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT APPLICATION
CITY OF SOMERSWORTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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Date Received: _____
Fee Paid: \$ _____
Case Number: _____

1. Name of applicant: _____
Address (include City, State, ZIP): _____

Telephone: _____
2. Name of property owner: _____
(if same as applicant, write "same")
Address (include City, State, ZIP): _____

Telephone: _____
3. Location of Property: _____
(number and street)
Assessor's Map: _____ Lot: _____ Zoning District: _____

The Department of Development Services must receive a complete application at least two and a half (2½) weeks prior to the scheduled Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting. The Zoning Board of Adjustment is scheduled to meet the first Wednesday of each month. Please direct any questions to the Department of Development Services, Planning Office, City Hall, One Government Way, Somersworth, NH 03878, 692-9519.

ZBA APPLICATION FEES:

1. FILING FEE: \$75.00
2. ADVERTISING FEE: \$85.00 (for meeting notice in a newspaper of general circulation)
3. ABUTTER NOTIFICATION: Current USPS cost of certified mail with return receipt per direct abutter

Signature of owner (required to file application): _____
Date: _____

Signature of applicant (required to file application if applicant is different from owner): _____

Date: _____

APPLICATION FOR A VARIANCE

A variance is requested from Section: _____ or Table: _____ of the Zoning Ordinance to allow: _____

Facts supporting this request:

1. Explain how the proposal would not diminish surrounding property values:

2. Explain how granting the variance would not be contrary to the public interest:

3.A Explain how literal enforcement of the provisions of the ordinance would result in an unnecessary hardship owing to special conditions of the property that distinguish it from other properties in this area because:

i. no fair and substantial relationship exists between the general public purposes of the ordinance provision and the specific application of that provision to the property:

and,

ii. the proposed use is a reasonable one:

3.B If the criteria in 3.A are not established, please explain how an unnecessary hardship exists if, owing to special conditions of the property that distinguish it from other properties in the area, the property cannot reasonably be used in strict conformance with the ordinance, and a variance is therefore necessary to enable a reasonable use of it:

4. Explain how granting the variance would do substantial justice:

5. Explain how the proposal is not contrary to the spirit of the ordinance:
