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City of Jonesboro
Board of Zoning Adjustment
300 S. Church St.
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Dear Board Members,

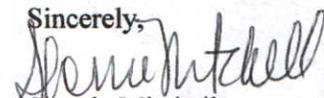
My home is located at 1205 South Madison, on the southwest corner of Madison and Elm. Since I am located on a corner lot, I am told Jonesboro City ordinances consider my property as two front yards that are subject to fence regulations of height, visibility and location. (Fences can only be 4 ft. in height and with 50% visibility) It has been brought to my attention, in order for me to install a 6 ft. privacy fence to create a play area for my grandchildren; I must request a variance from the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA).

My property along Elm extends 200 ft. and is divided by a driveway and a two car garage. It is the area on the west side of the driveway and garage that I would like to enclose with a 6 ft. privacy fence. I have always considered this area my "backyard" and now that I have two grandchildren, Jude and Ruby Rae, I would like to create a private area in my backyard for them to play safely.

This backyard area is on a slight incline with four large trees. The south side of this yard is very shaded and on the incline, so I am limited as to what I can place in that location. On the north side, the ground is level and it receives several hours of sunlight. A few of the plans I had for this area were to build a small water feature such a splash pad for the grandchildren, and a raised garden bed. With the restrictions of the fence location, I would not have enough room to do either of these projects.

I would greatly appreciate the City of Jonesboro's members of the BZA to grant me a variance in order to install a 6 ft. privacy fence in the area that would allow me to create the private play area in the location I desire, for my family. Please find the attached documents illustrating the area which I would like to install a fence.

Sincerely,


Sherrie Mitchell