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To: City of Jonesboro

Project Name: Tractor Supply Company Remodel

A variance request for the proposed Tractor Supply Company located at 2308 S Caraway Road, Jonesboro, Arkansas 72401. One of the variances pertains to the code requirements in Jonesboro Arkansas – Municode Codification / Part II – Land Development Ordinances / Chapter 117 – Zoning / Article VIII – Other Standards and Requirements / Sec. 117-329. Fences (permit required) / (1).

The code states for number 1 “*Maximum height*. Fences shall not exceed six feet in height, unless approved by the planning commission.”

The variance request modifies this code to read as follows:

1. “*Maximum height*. Fences shall not exceed *twelve feet* in height, unless approved by the planning commission.”
  - A. An integral component of Tractor Supply Company’s (TSC) operations is the Fenced Outdoor Display (FOD). As part of this project, TSC proposes to retrofit an existing building and provide an approximately 20,000 SF outdoor display area. The FOD will be enclosed by a screening wall for security purposes.

Depending on the market and location, the outdoor display area is used to showcase a variety of merchandise, including gates, corrals, stock tanks, fencing, bagged rocks, soil, barbed wire, and other outdoor materials such as salt softener, posts, and bale feeders. A substantial portion of these products are stored on racking located along the perimeter of the FOD to support efficient customer access and store operations. TSC’s standard design utilizes racking up to 16 feet in height. To adequately secure this inventory and ensure safe forklift handling around the racking, as well as to deter theft, a 16-foot chain-link screening wall is typically required. However, due to the City of Jonesboro’s maximum fence height restriction of 6 feet, TSC has proposed a reduced configuration. **Specifically, TSC is requesting approval for a 12-foot-high chain-link screening wall as a reasonable alternative that maintains both functionality and security.**

As part of this request, we have included photographs of another store location where black vinyl slats have been inserted into the chain-link mesh to screen operations and merchandise from public view. TSC is willing to incorporate similar vinyl slat screening at the proposed location as part of the variance approval.



**EXAMPLE  
BLACK CHAINLINK FENCE  
WITH FABRIC SCREEN**