



JEFFERSON COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

Departments of Planning and Zoning

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BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS – VARIANCE REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS

Thank you, for the opportunity to assist with your inquiry regarding Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) Variance Request. Please be advised that the following information must be submitted by a predetermined cutoff date that directly relates to each individual monthly meeting. Please contact our Office or visit our website at www.jeffersoncountywv.org to view the submission cutoff dates.

1. Variance Request Form – completed on both sides – originally signed and dated. (*Additional attachments may be included if necessary.)
2. A sketch of the entire property, on a separate sheet of paper (8 ½” x 11”) – originally dated and signed. (Per the instructions on the Variance Request form).
3. A check made out to the Jefferson County Commission in the amount of One Hundred Dollars (\$100) for a preconstruction request or One Hundred-Fifty Dollars (\$150) if the project for which the variance is sought has commenced or is complete.

Upon receipt of a complete submission, the Department of Zoning will process your application, as follows:

1. Staff will review the submission for accuracy and completeness. You may be contacted to correct the application or to provide supplemental information.
2. The second Monday following your submission you will be provided a placard to be posted on your property 15 days prior to your hearing.
3. The second Wednesday following submission your request will be published in the “Spirit of Jefferson County” newspaper.
4. A site inspection will be performed by Staff to confirm placement of the placard. Photos of the subject property may be taken for the Board of Zoning Appeals’ staff report.
5. On the day of the meeting, you (or a Representative on your behalf) will be asked to speak and answer questions by the Board about your Request. The Board of Zoning Appeals Members will then deliberate and make a final determination regarding your matter. All decisions are effective immediately. If an approval is granted, you may apply for a Building Permit, where applicable.

Should you have additional questions, please contact our office.



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File Number: _____

Staff Initials: _____

Fees Paid (\$100 or \$150): _____

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Zoning Variance Request

Variances from the Zoning and Land Development Ordinance must comply with Article 8A-7-11 of the WV State Code. A variance is a deviation from the minimum standards of the ordinance and shall not involve permitting land uses that are otherwise prohibited in the zoning district, nor shall it involve changing the zoning classification of a parcel of land.

Property Owner Information

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Applicant Contact Information

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Applicant Registered Engineer(s), Surveyor(s), or Consultant(s)

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Physical Property Details

Physical Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Tax District: _____ Map No: _____ Parcel No: _____
Parcel Size: _____ Deed Book: _____ Page No: _____

Zoning District (please check one)

- Residential Growth (RG), Industrial Commercial (IC), Rural (R), Residential-Light Industrial-Commercial (R-LI-C), Village (V), Neighborhood Commercial (NC), General Commercial (GC), Highway Commercial (HC), Light Industrial (LI), Major Industrial (MI), Planned Neighborhood Development (PND), Office/Commercial Mixed-Use (OC)

Place Received Date Stamp Here

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I authorize the staff of Department of Planning and Zoning to make necessary revisions to the enclosed submission, if required for processing. I understand that said revisions will be discussed with me prior to content modification.

Applicant PRINTED Name: _____

Applicant Signature: _____

Contact Number: _____

Date: _____