# TOWN OF EAST GREENBUSH ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

TOWN HALL, 225 COLUMBIA TURNPIKE, RENSSELAER, NY 12144 (518)694-4011 FAX (518)477-2386

# MEETING AGENDA TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2020 7:30PM

\*Please note: This meeting will be conducted remotely pursuant to Executive Order No. 202.1, issued by Governor Cuomo on March 12, 2020, and advisories issued by Federal, State and Local officials related to the COVID-19 virus. See the attached Notice for more information, including how to view the proceedings.

# 7:30 PM CALL TO ORDER

# **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

<u>ZBA Appeal #2020-04-Schurrman-46 New York Avenue</u>-Area Variance-Propose construction of single family dwelling that doesn't meet the required frontage

## **SEQR DETERMINATION & RECOMMENDATION:**

<u>ZBA Appeal #2020-04-Schurrman-46 New York Avenue</u>-Area Variance- Propose construction of single family dwelling that doesn't meet the required frontage

## WORKSHOP/DELIBERATION:

<u>ZBA Appeal #2020-04-Schurrman-46 New York Avenue</u>-Area Variance-Propose construction of single family dwelling that doesn't meet the required frontage

## **NEXT MEETING:**

June 23, 2020

<u>STATUS – APPEALS ON JUNE 23, 2020:</u> <u>ZBA Appeal #2020-03-Guay-733 Columbia Turnpike</u>-2 Area Variances- Propose construct of 24' x 22' detached garage in rear yard

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

May 28, 2020

# Notice Regarding Zoning Board Meeting

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 202.1, issued by Governor Cuomo on March 12, 2020, and advisories issued by Federal, State and Local officials related to the COVID-19 virus, the Planning Board will convene its June 9, 2020 Board Meeting remotely as follows:

The Board Meeting will commence at 7:30 PM and will be conducted through the use of Zoom, a webbased video conferencing tool with local, desktop client and smartphone applications that will allow the Planning Board members and those with business before the Board to participate electronically and remotely by audio and with or without a video connection.

In order that members of the public can view the proceedings, the meeting will be live-streamed on the Town's YouTube Channel. To view the Live Steam, go to the Town's YouTube Channel at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzStopZCsgZKn\_GV0i1WalA">https://www.youTube.com/channel/UCzStopZCsgZKn\_GV0i1WalA</a>.

Members of the public with questions and/or comments can send correspondence to <u>info@eastgreenbush.org</u>. Correspondence sent to this email will <u>not</u> be answered in real time.

Please note that this meeting will be conducted remotely only and will not be held at Town Hall, which is currently closed.

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 202.1, this meeting will be recorded and transcribed and posted to the Town's website.

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the ZONING BOARD of the Town of East Greenbush will hold a public hearing on June 9, 2020 beginning at 7:30 pm to consider the following matter:

Appeal number # 2020-04 the appeal of Dave Schuurman of 2609 US Route 20, Nassau, NY 12123. The applicant proposes to construct a single family dwelling on an undersized lot in the R-2 Zoning District with a proposed frontage of 60 feet. The review of the proposed work will not comply with the following provisions of the Town Zoning Law: Section: II 2.5.1A Supplementary Bulk Standards and 2.6.6 Residence District (R-2). The required lot width in the R-2 Zoning District is 75 feet. Therefore the proposed action requires an Area Variance for the property located at 46 New York Avenue, East Greenbush NY. Tax Map # 155.9-6-7

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 202.1, issued by Governor Cuomo on March 12, 2020, and advisories issued by Federal, State and Local officials related to the COVID-19 virus, the ZONING BOARD will convene the public hearing remotely as follows:

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To access the Board's public hearing, you have several options:

1. Go to <u>www.zoom.us</u> and download the free application. Once downloaded, enter 89559026943 as the "Join Meeting" invitation code.

Click on https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89559026943

- 2. With a smartphone, utilize one click id +16468769923, 89559026943# US (New York)
- 3. Call +1 646 876 9923 with your phone, and then enter Meeting ID: 895 5902 6943

**Important notes for voice-only participants**: Please note that when dialing in (voice only) you may experience time on hold until being admitted to the meeting. To protect the privacy of your phone number please call in dialing \*67 before +1 646 876 9923.

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Please note that this public hearing will be conducted remotely only and will not be held at Town Hall, which is currently closed. Please be patient upon joining the meeting. You will be provided instructions on how to deliver your comments once in the meeting.

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Written comment may be submitted to the Zoning Board by email to alovely@eastgreenbush.org or to the Zoning Board, Town of East Greenbush, 225 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer, New York 12144 at any time prior to the hearing.

BY ORDER OF THE ZONING BOARD DATED MAY 29, 2020 JEFF PANGBURN, CHAIRMAN ZONING BOARD TOWN OF EAST GREENBUSH FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING THIS ACTION CONTACT THE EAST GREENBUSH PLANNING & ZONING DEPARTMENT BY EMAIL AT ALOVELY@EASTGREENBUSH.ORG

#### Town of East Greenbush Zoning Board of Appeals

#### AREA VARIANCE

An applicant for a variance will be afforded a public hearing, at which time the applicant will present his/her case to the Zoning Board of Appeals, a board of seven members who will determine the disposition of the appeal by a majority vote. The following information is offered as a guide to assist you in preparation for your hearing. For additional advice, you are encouraged to contact your personal legal counsel.

An Area Variance has been defined as one where: "the owner still must comply with the zoning ordinance's limitations on use of land, but is allowed to build or maintain physical improvements which deviate from the zoning ordinance's nonuse limitations." (Ratherkopf, The Law of Planning and Zoning, (4<sup>th</sup> ed) section 38.01(4). New York State statute dictates that the Zoning Board of Appeals take a "balancing approach" in making its determination on an application for an area variance. The board must weigh two basic things: the benefit to the applicant if the variance is granted versus the detriment to the health, safety and general welfare of the neighborhood or community that would occur if the variance were to be granted.

The statute provides that in balancing the interests of the applicant and those of the neighborhood or community, the board of appeals must consider the following five factors:

- 1. whether an undesirable change will be produced in the character of the neighborhood or a detriment to nearby properties will be created by the granting of the area variance;
- 2. whether the benefit sought by the applicant can be achieved by some method, feasible for the applicant to pursue, other than an area variance;
- 3. whether the requested area variance is substantial;
- 4. whether the proposed variance will have an adverse effect or impact on the physical or environmental condition in the neighborhood or district: and
- 5. whether the alleged difficulty was self-created, which consideration shall be relevant to the decision of the board of appeals, but shall not necessarily preclude the granting of the area variance.

Finally, carrying the "balancing' step further, the statue provides that when granting area variances, the board of appeals shall grant the minimum variance that it shall deem necessary and adequate and at the same time preserve and protect the character of the neighborhood and the health, safety and welfare of the community.

The applicant should be prepared to answer questions from the board related to these factors at the hearing.

Signature

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# Zoning Board of Appeals Town of East Greenbush 225 Columbia Turnpike Rensselaer, New York 12144

All applications must be submitted to the Building Department with:

- 1. Determination by Zoning Enforcement Officer (given to applicant by Building Department) and
- 2. Survey Map or Plot Plan, Site Plan, Sketch, and/or Other Descriptive Detail

The property owner must complete Sections A, B, and C.

A. Property Owner Data Please print or type neatly.	D. For Official Use
1. Name: DAVID Schuurman 2. Address: 46 New Yock 2609 US 20	Appeal Number: 3030-04 Tax Map Number: 155.9-6-7
3. City: Nassav State: NY Zip: 12123	Zoning District:
4. Telephone Number: 518 - 708 - 5424	Appeal Type: Area Vorgence
5. Location of Property: 46 New York 6. Tax Map No.	Fee(s): = 294,90 Potecological Received: 31300
(Can be obtained at Assessors Office) 155.9-6.7	Hearing Date: 4/14/20
7. Email Address: Dave Schurman @ add. con	
8. Representative: Name: <u>DAVID</u> Schurman <sup>Phone</sup> Number: <u>S(8</u> ) (If other than property owner) (Authorization form must be filled out and subr	nitted)
B. Application for (Check as appropriate) Area or Use Variance(s) Special Permit Interpretation	
Reason for Appeal (Please include brief but detailed description of the propose variance(s) or special permit. Attach additional pages as necessary). $\frac{Property Does not Meet the}{7500FFFrontage} \qquad Property detailed description of the propose 7500FFFrontage Cequired$	
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C. Signature of Property Owner: OCM Slum Date: 10 Morch 2020	
Date: 10 March 2020	

# Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 1 - Project Information

#### Instructions for Completing

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Part 1 - Project Information. The applicant or project sponsor is responsible for the completion of Part 1. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification. Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information.

Complete all items in Part 1. You may also provide any additional information which you believe will be needed by or useful to the lead agency; attach additional pages as necessary to supplement any item.

Part 1 - Project and Sponsor Information	
Name of Action or Project:	
Project Location (describe, and attach a location map): 46 NEW LOCK	
Brief Description of Proposed Action:	
Requesting area variance to build	
a Single Family home	
Name of Applicant or Sponsor: Telephone: 518 708 5424	/
Address: B-Mail: DAVE Schurnar a A	
2609 us 20	101
City/PO: State: Zip Code:	
1. Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, local law, ordinance, NO YES	
administrative rule, or regulation? If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and the environmental recourses that	
may be arrected in the municipality and proceed to Part 2. If no, continue to question 2.	
2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any other governmental Agency? NO YES If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval:	
3.a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action?       0.23       acres         b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed?       acres       acres         c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor?       acres	
4. Check all land uses that occur on, adjoining and near the proposed action.	
Urban Rural (non-agriculture) Industrial Commercial Residential (suburban)	
Parkland	

5. Is the proposed action,	NO	YES	N/A
a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations?	$\square$	X	
b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?	一	TA	而
6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural		NO	YES
landscape?		$\square$	X
7. Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Are	a?	NO	YES
If Yes, identify:		X	
8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels?			
prove present revers?		NO.	YES
b. Are public transportation service(s) available at or near the site of the proposed action?			X
c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near site of the proposed action	on?	H	X
9. Does the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements?		NO	YES
. If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies:	ŀ		
	-		X
10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply?		NO	YES
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If No, describe method for providing potable water:			X
11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities?			
· · ·	ŀ	NO	YES
If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment:			X
12. a. Does the site contain a structure that is listed on either the State or National Register of Historic		NO	YES
Places?	• [	X	$\Box$
b. Is the proposed action located in an archeological sensitive area?	F	R	
13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, contain wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency?		NO	YES
b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody?	F	A	
If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres:		A	
14. Identify the typical habitat types that occur on, or are likely to be found on the project site. Check all	that ar	oply:	
☐ Shoreline ☐ Forest ☐ Agricultural/grasslands ☐ Early mid-succession ☐ Wetland ☐ Urban	al		4
15. Does the site of the proposed action contain any species of animal, or associated habitats, listed		NO	1000
by the State or Federal government as threatened or endangered?	·	NO,	YES
16. Is the project site located in the 100 year flood plain?		NO,	YES
	H	X	
17. Will the proposed action create storm water discharge, either from point or non-point sources?	[	NO	YES
a. Will storm water discharges flow to adjacent properties?	•		K
b. Will storm water discharges be directed to established conveyance systems (runoff and storm drains)?	, 1		
If Yes, briefly describe:			
	- ###		
	끐	- Billing	12 House

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18. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that result in the impoundment of water or other liquids (e.g. retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)?	NO	YES
If Yes, explain purpose and size:	-	
	X	
19. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed	NO	YES
solid waste management facility?	INO	ILO
If Yes, describe:	X	
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20. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or completed) for hazardous waste?	NO	YES
If Yes, describe:	NT	
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I AFFIRM THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE INFORMATE ACCURATE ADOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE INFORMATE ADOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE ADOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE ADOVE		
Applicant/sponsor name: DAUID Schurner Date: 10 March	cha	202
Signature:		

The Town of East Greenbush



225 Columbia Turnpike Rensselaer, New York 12144 (518) 477-6225 FAX (518) 477-2386 Building, Zoning and Planning

February 27, 2020

David Schuurman 2609 US Highway 20 Nassau, NY 12123

> RE: Permit Application 46 New York Avenue Tax Map # 155.9-6-7

Dear Mr. Schuurman,

On November 7, 2019 you submitted an application for work at the above property involving: **Proposal to construct a single family home on an undersized lot.** The property is located in an area, which is zoned: **R-2**.

This application has been examined for compliance with the applicable provisions of the Zoning Laws and the Town Code of the Town of East Greenbush.

The review of the proposed work will not comply with the following provisions of the Town Zoning Law: Section(s) II 2.5.1A. Supplementary Bulk Standards and 2.6.6 Residence District (R-2). The required lot width in the R-2 Zone is 75 feet. The proposed building lot has a lot width of 60 feet. The proposed action requires (1) Area Variance(s).

Therefore, your application of November 7, 2019 is hereby DENIED.

This objection may be addressed by filing revised plans reflecting conditions, which comply with the requirements of the Town Code and Zoning Laws. In the alternative, this denial may be appealed to the Zoning Board of Appeals on forms available from the Planning Department, 225 Columbia Turnpike. (518) 694-4011.

Sincerely, Jitchrock

Kevin Hitchcock Building Inspector

Cc: Zoning Board of Appeals



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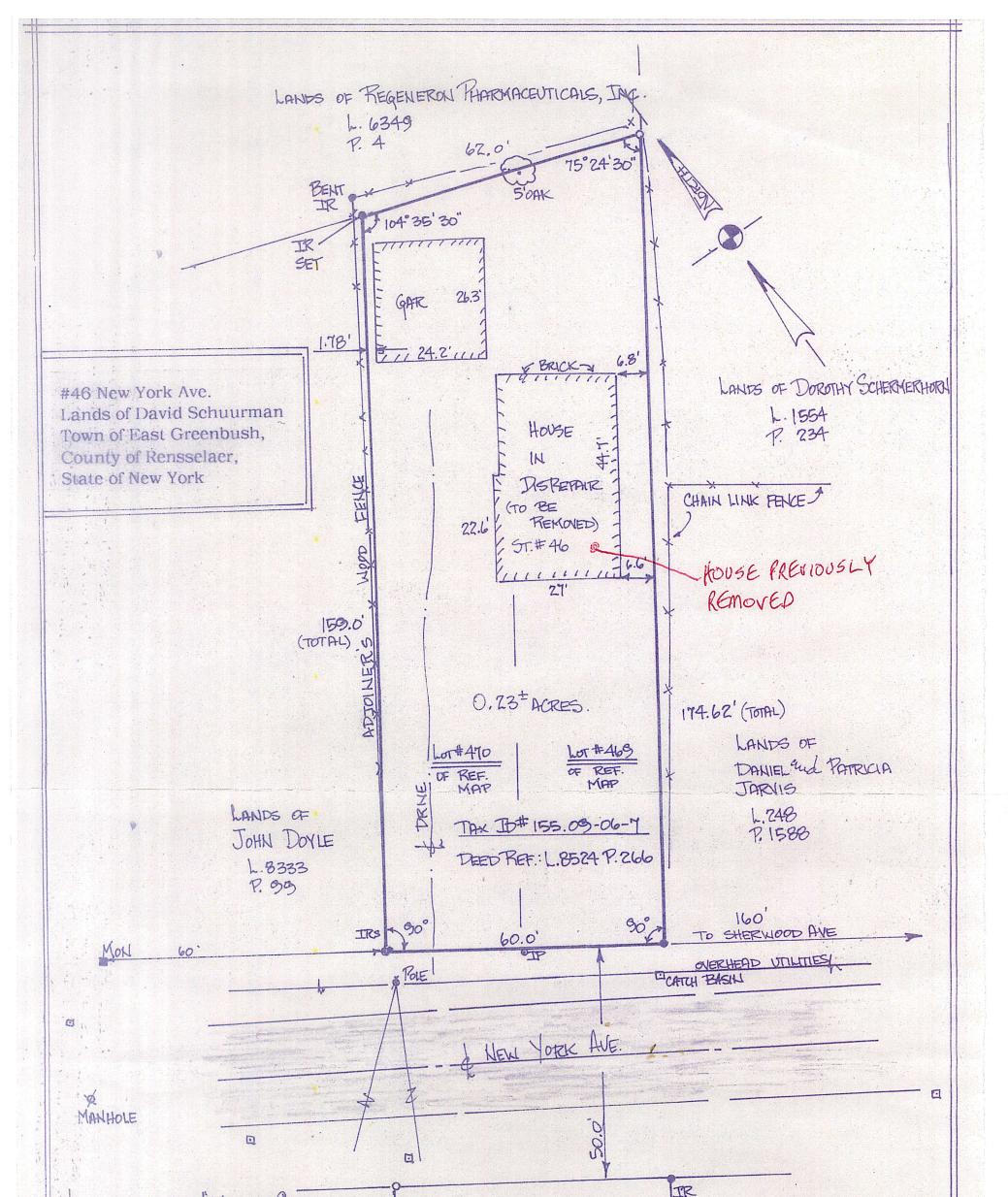
EAST GREENBUSH BUILDING DEPT.

225 Columbia Turnpike Rensselaer, NY 12144	Permit Issued	20
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Office: (518)477-6225; Fax: (518)477-2386	Permit Expires	20
www.eastgreenbush.org	Zoning District	
	Fee (\$)	
BUILDING DEPT. APPLICATION FORM	Approved by:	
24-HR. NOTICE FOR INSPECTIONS		

wetland's area. PRINT ALL INFORMATION CLEARLY:
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The owner of this property is: <u>WAUIDSLAUUMA</u> Phone #Acely#
ENALL LITUIT SCIA IL CARTA
Property Location: 16 New York SBL #: a Yahoo Con
Name of Person/Business Responsible for work: $SelF$ Phone # $Sl87085424$
E-MAIL:
Town of East Greenbush listed as certificate holder on each insurance.
Estimated Value of Work: \$BD
NATURE OF PROPOSED WORK (circle) REQUIREMENTS:
Construction of new building (Describe in NOTE AREA*) <u>A PERMIT MUST BE OBTAINED BEFORE BEGINNING WORK AND</u>
• Alterations to a building (Describe in NOTE AREA*) INSPECTIONS MUST BE CALLED IN BEFORE AND DURING
• Demolition of building <u>CONSTRUCTION.</u>
<ul> <li>Installation of plumbing (Describe in NOTE AREA*)</li> </ul>
• Installation of oil /gas /ac / heating /cooling unit INDICATE ON THE PLOT PLAN: STREET NAMES, LOCATION,
<ul> <li>Fence – 4' high 6'high - Total I.f.</li> <li>SIZE OF PROPERTY; SIZE &amp; SETBACKS OF PROPOSED</li> </ul>
• Swimming Pool – Above or In-ground BUILDINGS AND LOCATION OF ALL EXISTING BUILDINGS.
Size:x Depth SHOW PROPOSED BUILDING(S) IN DOTTED LINE AND
• Driveways – New Resurface Expansion EXISTING BUILDING(S) IN SOLID LINE.
<ul> <li>Shed – Size x Total s/f</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Roof (Circle) New Reroof Repair</li> <li>BEFORE YOU DIG CALL 811 or 1.800.962.7962</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Solar Panels (Circle) Roof Ground OR</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Sign(s) Size:x</li></ul>
• Other (Describe in NOTE AREA)*
*NOTE AREA - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Proposal to construct a
Circuit have a characterizit
Singel Tamily nome on a undersized Lot
The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to do the specified work which will be done in accordance with the description, plans and specifications submitted
and such special conditions as may be indicated on the permit.
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SIGNATURE : Clun Stumm DATE: 1100 2019
SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF THE PERMIT:
BY:
Required upon completion: CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE for alterations; CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY for new
construction/occupancy; THIRD PARTY ELECTRICAL APPROVAL for all electrical work.

PERMIT FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE

Plot plan 62 80' EXT Gorage  $\checkmark$ 30' proposed House 50 1  $\uparrow$ P L I 18 -12'-159 ~7 30 RI 1 V E 40, Wa N 60'-Vork 46 New AVE



NOTE: REFER TO MAP OF CLINITON HEIGHTS, TOWN OF EAST GREENBUSH, RENSEELAER CO., NY, MADE FOR CORLISS REALTY BY E.H. WELLES, FILED IN DRAWER 28 AS MAP 34 IN THE RENSEELAER COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE. LOT HAS PUBLIC SEWER WE WATER SUBJECT TO ANN DEED RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD.

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Unauthorized alteration or addition to a survey map bearing a licensed land surveyor's seal is a glolation of section 7209, sub-division 2 of the NY State Education



Surveyed by Cynthia K. Elliott

Date:08/07/2018

# TOWN OF EAST GREENBUSH ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

TOWN HALL, 225 COLUMBIA TURNPIKE, RENSSELAER, NY 12144 (518) 694-4011 FAX : (518) 477-2386

# June 9, 2020

# MEMO:

In regards to <u>Appeal #2020-04</u>: <u>Dave Schuurman for 46 New</u> <u>York Avenue- Application an Area Variance</u>, the Zoning Board of Appeals has considered this project under SEQR and determines that this project meets the requirements for a <u>Type II</u> <u>Action</u> and no further SEQR review is required.

End of Memo

Town of East Greenbush Zoning Board of Appeals

> In the matter by: Dave Schuurman For an Area Variance

Resolution and Final Decision of Board of Appeals

Appeal No. 2020-04

**Whereas**, An application has been filed by Dave Schuurman of 2609 US Route 20 Nassau, NY, 12123. The applicant proposes to construct a single family dwelling on an undersized lot in the R-2 Zoning District with a proposed frontage of 60 feet. The review of the proposed work will not comply with the following provisions of the Town Zoning Law: Section: II 2.5.1A Supplementary Bulk Standards and 2.6.6 Residence District (R-2). The required lot width in the R-2 Zoning District is 75 feet; and

**Whereas**, The applicant has filed an application requesting an Area Variance at the property located at 46 New York Avenue East Greenbush, NY (Tax Map No. 155.9-6-7); and

**Whereas**, The Board of Appeals has duly published a notice of public hearing regarding this appeal in <u>The Record</u> on June 2, 2020; and

**Whereas**, Notice of the Public Hearing was provided by Certified Mail to the owners of all property within 200 feet of the land involved in the application, to the Town Planning Board, and to the Rensselaer County Bureau of Economic Development and Planning; and

**Whereas**, A Public Hearing was held by the Board of Appeals on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 to consider this appeal; and

**Whereas**, The Planning Board of the Town of East Greenbush at its May 27, 2020 meeting provided a report of the requested an Area Variance with a recommendation; and

**Whereas**, At this hearing, the applicant as well as any and all persons interested in this appeal were heard, their statements recorded, and various written material including exhibits, if any, were entered into the record; and

Whereas, All statements, written material and exhibits submitted in connection with said appeal have been carefully considered; and

Whereas, This appeal has met all the requirements of the SEQR and the TEQR; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved,** with respect to the restriction on pools within the Front Yard, that the Board of Appeals makes the following findings of fact:

- 1. There will (not) be an undesirable change in the character of the neighborhood as
- 2. There is no other method available to the applicant as
- 3. The requested variance is (not) substantial
- 4. The proposed variance will (not) have an adverse effect on the neighborhood
- 5. The alleged difficulty is (not) self-created; however, that shall not necessarily preclude the granting of the area variance.

**Resolved**, that the application for an Area Variance for a proposed frontage of 60 feet and a be \_\_\_\_\_ (GRANTED/DENIED) with \_\_\_ (NO) condition(s):

1.

This resolution was moved by	and seconded by	at a
meeting duly held on June 9, 2020.		

(Discussion)

A vote was taken as follows:

John Conway \_\_\_\_\_ Matt Ostiguy \_\_\_\_\_ Tom Hickey \_\_\_\_\_ Jeff Pangburn \_\_\_\_ Bob Seward III \_\_\_\_ Scot Strevell \_\_\_\_

#### TOWN OF EAST GREENBUSH BOARD OF APPEALS

By:

Jeff Pangburn, Chairperson

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 2020

\*Granting of this variance, does not preclude the applicant from obtaining a building permit

Copy To:

Dave Schuurman 2609 US Route 20 Nassau, NY 12123

Cc: Rensselaer County Planning Town Clerk ZBA File No. 2020-04 Building Inspector Assessor