



Legal Notice of Public Hearing Metropolitan Board of Zoning Appeals

200 East Washington St, Suite 1821, Indianapolis, IN 46204 (317) 327-5155

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

You are receiving this notice of a public hearing as a nearby property owner, or as a representative of a registered neighborhood organization, or as an affected City-County Councillor.

A **Public Hearing** of the Metropolitan Board of Zoning Appeals has been scheduled for **Tuesday, April 5, 2011 at 1:00 p.m.** in the Beurt SerVaas Public Assembly Room on the Second Floor of the City-County Building, 200 East Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana. At this hearing, the Metropolitan Board of Zoning Appeals will consider the following petition(s):

Petition Number:	2011-DV1-008
General Location:	5849 Washington Boulevard (Approximate Address) Indianapolis Washington
Township(s):	Washington
Council District:	3
Zoning District:	D-4
Petitioner/Agent:	Bruce and Rebecca Rougraff, by Cindy Thrasher
Request(s):	Variance of development standards of the Dwelling Districts Zoning Ordinance to provide for the construction of an 648-square foot in-ground pool, a concrete pool patio, a pool house, an outdoor fireplace, an attached garage, a hot tub and porches connecting to the existing single-family dwelling

a) creating an accessory use area of 6,785 square feet or 207.2% of the total floor area of the primary building (99.9% of the total floor area of the primary building or 3,270 square feet permitted), and

b) providing for a 0.7-foot rear setback for a portion of the primary building (20-foot rear setback required for primary dwellings),

c) legally establishing a 0.7-foot rear setback and a 1.6-foot side setback for the 408-square foot detached garage (five-foot rear setback required for accessory buildings, five-foot minimum side setback required),

d) providing for a four-foot rear setback and a 1.5-foot side setback for the pool house (20-foot rear setback required for primary dwellings, five-foot minimum side setback required), and

e) legally establishing an existing patio with a zero-foot rear setback (minimum four-foot setback required).

Vicinity Map (approximate location is marked)



The legal description and the details of the proposal are on file in the Department of Metropolitan Development, Suite 1821, City-County Building. All information may be reviewed between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

All interested persons wishing to speak to this petition, either for or against, will be given an opportunity to be heard, in accordance with the Rules of Procedure. Written comments regarding this proposal may be filed with the Secretary of the Metropolitan Board of Zoning Appeals before the hearing at the above address and such comments will be considered.

The hearing may be continued to a future date from time to time when found necessary. Any change in room location will be posted at the Public Assembly Room. For special accommodations needed by physically challenged individuals planning to attend, please call at least 48 hours prior to the meeting (317) 327-5155, or (317) 327-5186 for the hearing impaired.

To ensure a fair hearing, contacting any member of the Metropolitan Board of Zoning Appeals regarding a pending or future proposal is strictly **PROHIBITED** by the Rules of Procedure and Indiana State statute.

Petitioner Or Agent for Petitioner Contact Information

Signature: _____

Printed Name: Cindy Thrasher

Street Address: 3637 Shelby St

City, State, Zip: Indianapolis, IN 46227

Phone Number: 317-371-6577

FAX: _____

Email: ckthrasher69@yahoo.com

** Please see reverse side for additional information **

General Information about this Legal Notice of the Metropolitan Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA)

Why am I getting this?

You are receiving this formal notice for one of three reasons. You are either a property owner within two properties distance or within 660 feet of the property which is the subject of this petition; or you are a neighborhood representative; or you are a City-County Councillor.

Do I need to do anything or go anywhere?

This notice does not require you to attend the hearing or do anything. This notice simply informs you that a petition has been filed pertaining to property near you and that you have the opportunity to be informed and speak to that petition.

What is the Board of Zoning Appeals?

The Metropolitan Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) is an official decision-making body authorized by State Statute. The BZA consists of five citizens of Marion County who serve without compensation. The BZA members are appointed by the Mayor, City-County Council and the County Commission. There are three Divisions of the BZA. Each Division meets monthly with an alternate swing meeting. The Metropolitan Board of Zoning Appeals has the authority to grant or deny variance petitions.

What is a Variance?

A variance is permission to deviate or depart from the zoning ordinance. The zoning ordinance identifies uses that are permitted in various zoning classifications and the basic standards that development must meet, such as height and setback from property lines. The Metropolitan Board of Zoning Appeals has the authority to grant or deny variance petitions.

What do the Zoning Districts mean?

D-4 is Dwelling District Four, a dwelling district with a typical density of 4.2 residential units per acre. Originally constructed two-family dwellings are permitted on corner lots only.

Consult the zoning code for specific details: www.indygov.org/cp

May I contact the petitioner?

Yes. The petitioner's contact information is on the front side of this notice.

May I contact Department of Metropolitan Development Staff?

Yes. While you cannot contact the BZA directly, you may contact DMD staff. A DMD staff planner is available to discuss questions you may have regarding the hearing process or the basis for the staff recommendation as written in the Staff Report. The Planner assigned to this petition is Melanie Mullens and can be reached at 327-5848 or email at melanie.mullens@indy.gov.

The Mayor's Neighborhood Liaison is Dennis Papenmeier, who can be reached at 327-5647 or by email at Dennis.Papenmeier@indy.gov. Neighborhood Liaisons serve as a bridge between citizens and city government, acting as ombudsmen and providing a communication link between neighborhoods and the City.

What Is a Staff Report?

The planner assigned to the petition prepares a written Staff Report prior to the hearing that includes an objective planning analysis and recommendation. The Staff Report is available to the public and petitioner 6 days prior to the hearing date listed on the front side of this notice.

How do I get a Continuance?

An "automatic" continuance of the petition is allowed (except Supplemental Review petitions), one for the petitioner (those presenting the petition) and one for the remonstrator (those against the petition), as a matter of right, if it is the first request for continuance by that party and is requested in compliance with the Metropolitan Board of Zoning Appeals Rules of Procedure. The Rules of Procedure are available in the City-County Building, 200 East Washington Street, Suite 1821. All automatic continuances move the petition to the next regularly scheduled hearing of the same Division of the BZA that is at least 3 weeks later. The request for an automatic continuance must include the new date of the hearing. The petition will be automatically continued to the hearing date stated in the request unless notice of a different date is subsequently given. The person requesting the continuance shall give notice to everyone required to be served with notice and to attorneys or agents who have entered their appearance or are known by the person requesting the continuance to represent petitioner or remonstrator. However, registered neighborhood organizations are only required to give notice to attorneys, agents, petitioner and remonstrators of record. A request for an automatic continuance must be filed in writing with the Administrator no later than 5 calendar days prior to the day of the scheduled hearing. The BZA decides all other continuance requests. Continuances do not require a fee.

What about Commitments or Conditions?

If the petition is approved, commitments or conditions may be attached to its approval. After the hearing process has been completed, the commitments or conditions may be obtained by mailing a self-addressed, stamped envelope, with the petition number, to the staff planner indicated above at 200 East Washington Street, Suite 1821, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.

Where can I get more information?

In addition to contacting the petitioner or city staff as indicated above, you might also contact your City-County Councillor, your neighborhood organization, the Indianapolis Neighborhood Resource Center, or the public library. Online resources include:

Current Planning (Zoning) office for general information: <http://www.indygov.org/cp>
Determine the Neighborhood organizations in your area: <http://maps.indygov.org/RegOrgs/>
Determine your elected officials, including City-County Councillors: <http://maps.indygov.org/GovtProfile/>