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City of Austin Board of Adjustment 301 West 2nd Street Austin, Texas 78701

Monday, October 13, 2008

Re: Land Development Code Variance Case Number C15-2008-0133

Jonas Tyler and Emily Brooke Van Aken

1704 East 38-1/2 Street Austin, Texas 78722

Dear Members of the Board of Adjustment,

Regarding the referenced Variance Request, the applicant has requested to decrease the minimum front street setback requirement of Section 25-2-492 (D) from 25 feet to 15 feet in order to erect an addition to an existing single-family residence in an "SF-3-NP", Family residence - Neighborhood Plan zoning district.

The Cherrywood Neighborhood Association (CNA) Steering Committee, acting on a unanimous recommendation of its Planning and Zoning Committee, has voted unanimously to support the variance request to allow an Open Sided Carport to infringe into the existing "front" setback on Half Penny to within 15 feet of the property line. Support for this variance request is only for the specific carport that the infringement is being proposed. The CNA Steering Committee is not recommending that there now be two 15 foot setbacks, rather that the 25 foot "front" setback remain on Half Penny, and that a variance be allowed to build 10 feet into that existing setback.

The Cherrywood Neighborhood Association has received a letter from the Van Akens' committing to construct only an open-air carport as indicated in the architectural site plan presented at the CNA Planning and Zoning Committee meeting on Tuesday, October 7, 2008.

Sincerely yours,

Jack Newman

CNA Steering Committee Chair

Martin Barrera

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