

June 24, 2010

Self-Help Community Development Corporation P.O. Box 3619 Durham, NC 27702-3619

RE: ZONING APPROVAL FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE VARIANCE

5108 ROCKWOOD ROAD

TAX PARCEL NUMBER: 039-252-36

CASE NO. 10-26AD

Dear Self-Help Community Development Corporation:

Your request for a seven (7) inch variance from the front setback and a three (3) inch variance from the required side yard to allow a residential structure to remain as constructed has been **granted**. You may obtain a permit to reflect your variance at 700 N. Tryon Street (Hal Marshall Building).

My investigation and review of the request indicates that the following facts warrant approval of the request:

- 1. The physical contours of the street, the land, or some other topographical or geographical feature is the basis for a surveying or other inadvertent error.
 - a. A survey completed in the process of the home construction revealed that the house encroaches into the required 20 foot setback and required three feet side yard.
 - b. The structure encroaches into the front setback by less than one foot.
 - c. Code Section 2.105 of the City of Charlotte Zoning Ordinance allows a fraction of a half or more to be rounded up to the next whole unit and therefore the side yard of 2.7 feet is rounded up to the required 3 feet.
 - d. The lot size is sufficient to accommodate the structure had the stake been located at the required 20 foot setback line.
- 2. The physical layout of the land and the structures upon the land are such that the ordinance requirement cannot be met.
 - a. The structure was built in 2004.
 - b. The home is built on a mono-slab and cannot be moved.
- 3. Because of the nature of the abutting property or intervening topographical or geographical features, the application of the ordinance requirement would not serve a useful purpose.

- a. Removing one foot from the building front and side would have a detrimental effect on the structure.
- b. The amount of the variance is very small in context.
- c. The encroachments are visually undetectable and will not change the characteristics of the neighborhood.

An Administrative approval was granted under Section 4.107(Delegated Authority). Please make sure that the annotation of this section is noted on the permit application.

If I can be of further assistance in this matter, please contact me at (704) 336-3571.

Sincerely,

Katrina J. Young,

Zoning Administrator