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I should add that I will be traveling the day of the meeting and unable to attend in person or virtually, hence my desire to make my opinion known in this email.

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On Wed, Nov 24, 2021 at 2:26 PM John Sauter <jasauter@gmail.com> wrote:

I am writing in support of Chima Ozor's request for variance to the setback requirements. I am a resident of the neighborhood and live just around the corner from their house. I do not know Chima. But I have been at my residence for almost 36 years. We bought our house which was at the dead end of Patricia Ave when the Kelly's still owned the old farm and property that split Patricia Ave in two. I was at the planning meetings that discussed the new development when the Kelly's developed their property and we worked hard to avoid some ugly high density housing in the middle of a single family residence neighborhood. There were compromises made on both sides and one of those compromises was placing single family homes on the south side of Patricia and duplexes on the north side. They also agreed to create Kelly Green Park as an open space. To keep the project economical, and to fit in the constrained spaces, the developer had to create small lots for the single-family homes.

The owner now finds themselves in a house that, through no fault of their own, was placed on a small lot and wishes to create a modest expansion to their home. To the rear of the property is Abbott school yard. So a structure close to the rear property line does not affect the privacy of anyone other than the owner. We appreciate the willingness of the city and the developer to compromise on their original plans and so in return I wish to support Chima's request for a variance on their property which will have no real impact on the neighborhood.

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