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Subject: Zoning board request for Variance on setbacks for 7 Ridgeway street

To: Zoning board members

I am an architect living at 18 Ridgeway and am opposed to any changes to the setback requirements for the lot on 7 Ridgeway.

There are several reasons for my opposition: The lot was subdivided from the original property when bought by the previous owner Margie McKinley. It is an minimal sized lot for the for the Zoning and located to close to the existing house at 3 Ridgeway at the time of the dividing of the property I and others living on Ridgeway were opposed to the creation of the new lot. I believe that the lot at 7 Ridgeway should not be given any special consideration for changing the the Required setback requirements either for the front or back.

Another reason for my opposition is the fact that there is no plans for a home to be built on lot. The changes requested are only to make the property more marketable at a higher price. This in fact makes the buildable area of a small lot larger. If a house was planned for the site by a new owner and changes were requested to the Zoning Board. The people living on Ridgeway could evaluate the proposed new residence and there would be a basis for support or opposition of such a request. This would be the normal form for such a request to your Board.

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