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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING (VARIANCES, SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS, APPEALS OF ADMINISTRATIVE DECISIONS)

Applicant and/or Authorized Representative: Maksim Saitga	zin	
Mailing Address: 1957 Regency Cove Ct	t	
City/State/Zip Code: Atlanta, GA, 30341		
Email: maksim.saitgazin@gmail.com		
Telephone Home: 320-279-2900	Business:	
	RECORD OF SUBJECT PROPERTY	
Owner: Maksim Saitgazin		
Address (Mailing): 1957 Regency Cove (Ct, Atlanta, GA, 30341	
Email: maksim.saitgazin@gmail.com	Telephone Home: 320-279-2900	_ Business:
ADDRESS/LC	OCATION OF SUBJECT PROPERTY	
Address: 3526 E Ponce De Leon Ave	City: Scottdale	State: GA Zip: 3007
	Block:	
Zoning Classification: R-75	Commission District & Super Distr	ict: 18 064 02 084
CHECK TYPE OF HEARING REQUESTED:		
X VARIANCE (From Development Stand	ards causing undue hardship upon owne	rs of property.)
SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS (To reduce or	waive off-street parking or loading space	e requirements.)
OFFICIAL APPEAL OF ADMINISTRAT	ΓΙVE DECISIONS.	

PLEASE REVIEW THE FILING GUIDELINES ON PAGE 4. FAILURE TO FOLLOW GUIDELINES MAY RESULT IN SCHEDULING DELAYS.

Email plansustain@dekalbcountyga.gov with any questions.

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS APPLICATION

AUTHORIZATION OF THE PROPERTY OWNER

I hereby authorize the staff and members of the Zoning Board of Appeals to inspect the premises of the Subject Property.

I hereby certify that the information provided in the application is true and correct.

I hereby certify that I am the owner of the property subject to the application.

Thereby certify that I am the owner of the	le property subject to the application.
1/13/2025 DATE:	Maksim Saitgazin
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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS APPLICATION

AUTHORIZATION TO REPRESENT THE PROPERTY OWNER

I hereby authorize the staff and members of the Zoning Board of Appeals to inspect the premises of the Subject Property.

I hereby certify that the information provided in the application is true and correct.

I hereby certify that I am the owner of the property and that I authorize the applicant/agent to apply for a hearing to the ZoningBoard of Appeals for the requests as shown in this application.

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1/13/2025 DATE:	Ma Applicant/Agent Signature:	ksim Saitgazin
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:		
(I)/ (WE): (Name of Owners)		
being (owner/owners) of the proper signed agent/applicant.	rty described below o	or attached hereby delegate authority to the above
Notary Public		Owner Signature
Notary Public		Owner Signature
Notary Public		Owner Signature

Subject: Variance Request for Rear Yard Setback Reduction - Section 27-2.2.1 – Enclosure of Carport

Dear Members of the Zoning Board of Appeals,

My name is Maksim Saitgazin, and I am requesting a variance from Section 27-2.2.1 of the DeKalb County Zoning Ordinance. Specifically, I am requesting a reduction of the yard setback requirement from 7'5" feet to 5" feet for my property at 3526 E Ponce De Leon Ave, Scottdale, GA 30079. The purpose of this variance is to enclose carport to create heated floor space. This project will also increase the square footage of housing, thereby contributing to the overall availability of housing in the community.

1. Physical Conditions of the Site

The unique physical conditions of my property present a special case that warrants this variance. The home, built in 1954, predates modern building codes. As a result, complying with the 7'5" foot side yard setback is particularly challenging. These conditions are inherent to the property and not the result of actions taken by me or previous owners.

2. Minimum Variance Necessary

I assure you that this request is for the minimum variance necessary to allow for a reasonable use of my property. I plan to enclose the carport within the existing footprint, which will increase the livable space while preserving the functional aspects of the home. The 5" foot setback will allow for a practical and reasonable enclosure of the carport without seeking any advantages beyond those available to other property owners in the same zoning district. In addition, the enclosure of the carport matches the neighborhood's housing frontage.

3. Public Welfare

The proposed addition will have a positive impact on the neighborhood and community. The reduced setback will not harm public welfare or neighboring properties. In fact, the enclosure of the carport will be a modest and tasteful improvement that enhances my property without imposing negative effects on the surrounding area. I have received a letter of support from my neighbor, Real Gustavo, who owns 3520 and 3530 E Ponce De Leon Ave, Scottdale, GA 30079. He has expressed that he does not feel the proposed addition will intrude on his privacy or disrupt the character of the neighborhood.

4. Ordinance Hardship

A strict interpretation of the zoning laws in this case would create undue hardship. Adhering to the 7'5" foot setback would severely limit my ability to make meaningful improvements to the property. Without this variance, no further development would be feasible. This variance is essential to allow for the reasonable use of my property and prevent unnecessary hardship.

5. Alignment with the Spirit of the Law

I believe my request is in alignment with the spirit of the law as outlined in the DeKalb County Comprehensive Plan. The proposed carport enclosure supports the goals of maintaining traditional suburban land use patterns while fostering increased connectivity and accessibility. In addition, this project increases the total livable area, alleviating housing shortage. Additionally, the project will enhance and blend seamlessly with the surrounding area, positively contributing to the overall quality of the neighborhood.

In conclusion, I appreciate your time and consideration of my variance request. I am committed to working collaboratively with the Zoning

Board to ensure that this project aligns with the broader goals and policies of DeKalb County.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely, Maksim Saitgazin

Real Gustavo

3520 and 3530 E Ponce De Leon Ave, Scottdale, GA 30079

1/13/2025

Zoning Board or Planning Commission

Dear Members of the Zoning Board,

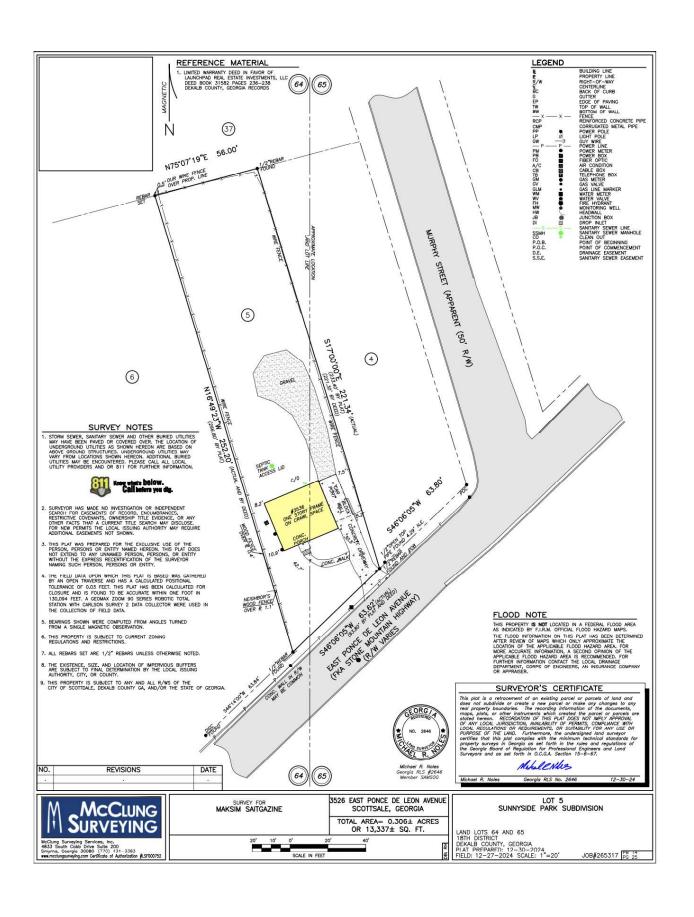
I, Real Gustavo, owner of the properties located at 3520 and 3530 E Ponce De Leon Ave, Scottdale, GA 30079, am writing to express my support for the variance request submitted by my neighbor, Maksim Saitgazin, for the property at 3526 E Ponce De Leon Ave, Scottdale, GA 30079.

I understand that the request involves enclosing the carport, and after discussing the matter with Mr. Saitgazin, I have no objections to the proposed change. I believe that this request will not have a negative impact on my properties or the surrounding neighborhood.

Thank you for considering this letter of support.

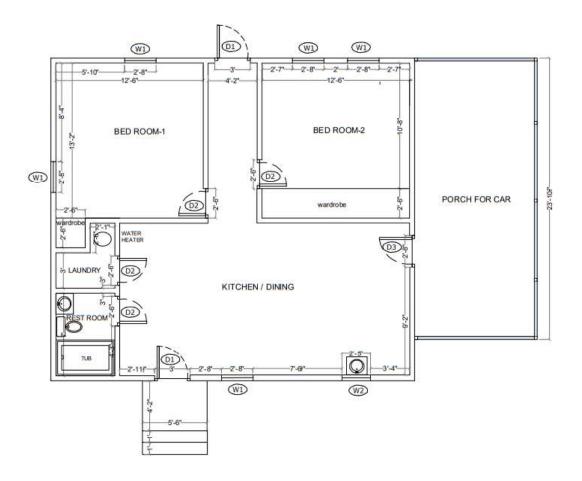
Sincerely,

Real Gustavo





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Proposed layout

