



City of North St. Paul
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ZONING & LAND USE APPLICATION

Escrow:
 Residential \$500 min. Non-Res. \$1000 min. (code 1.2044)

Application Fee:
 Residential \$250.00 Non-Res \$500 (code 1.3290)

APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE

The variance process must be scheduled through the Community Development Planning and Zoning Department. The lead-time for submittals shown on this application is necessary to allow City staff and consultants time to review and comment on documents provided. Additional lead-time will be required if the City determines that the potential impacts require more detailed study, or if review by other agencies is required. Incomplete application submittals will not be forwarded to the appropriate Commission or Council until all required information has been provided.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant Name: _____
 Company (if applicable): _____
 Address: _____
 City, State, Zip: _____
 Phone Number: _____
 Email: _____

Owner Name: _____
 Company (if applicable): _____
 Address: _____
 City, State, Zip: _____
 Phone Number: _____
 Email: _____

Are you the owner of the property? YES NO
 (If no, you must supply property owner information)

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Street location of property (address): _____
 Parcel Identification Number (PID) (see Ramsey County website): _____
 Legal description of property: _____
 Present zoning of property (see City website): _____
 Size of property (acreage): _____
 Title information: Abstract Torrens
 Property Description: Residential Commercial Industrial Institutional

PROPOSAL INFORMATION

The request(s) which we desire for our property is/are in conflict with the following section(s) of the City of North St. Paul Zoning Code (reference Zoning Code, see City website): _____

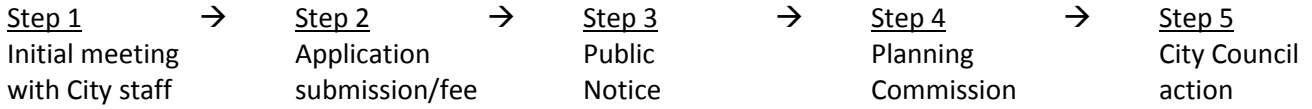
Proposed non-conformance(s): _____

On a separate sheet of paper, please answer the following questions in full detail:

1. Provide a project description.
2. Is the variance in harmony and consistent with the general purposes and intent of the Comprehensive Plan and Chapter 154?
3. Will the variance adversely affect the health, safety, or general welfare of the City?
4. Is the variance necessary due to special conditions applying to the structures or land in question that are particular to the property and do not apply generally to other land or structures in the district or vicinity in which the land is located?
5. Is the variance requested, the minimum variance necessary to alleviate the practical difficulty? Practical Difficulties are caused from the strict application of the Zoning Code as outlined below:
 - The property owner proposes to use the property in a reasonable manner not permitted by the Zoning Code.
 - The plight of the landowner is due to circumstances unique to the property not created by the landowner.
 - The variance, if granted, will not alter the essential character of the locality.
 - Economic considerations alone do not constitute practical difficulties.
 - The variance is consistent with officially adopted City plans and overlays.

LAND USE PROCESS

Review Process



	MONTH:					MONTH:				
App Submittal										
Design Review										
EAC										
Parks & Rec										
Planning Commission										
City Council										
WEEKS:	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5

Regular Scheduled City Meetings:

PLANNING COMMISSION

1st Thursday of the month (6:15 p.m.)

DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION

4th Thursday of the month (5:00 p.m.)

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMISSION

4th Monday of the month (6:00 p.m.)

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

4th Wednesday of the month (6:30 p.m.)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

2nd Tuesday of every odd month (4:00 p.m.)

CITY COUNCIL

1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month (6:30 p.m.)

APPLICATION SUBMITTALS

Required	Completed	
_____	_____	Completed Application
_____	_____	Application Fee: Residential \$200; Non-Res. \$500. Escrow: Residential \$500 min.; Non-Res. \$1,000 min.
_____	_____	Certificate of Survey including the following items: Scale of drawing, legal description, dimensions of lot and north point, dimensions of front, rear and side yards, indicate buildable area, dimensions of proposed driveway(s), location of all existing buildings on the lot, location of the proposed building or construction, location of stakes established by the surveyor along each side lot line, location of all recorded and platted easements, two-foot contours and spot elevations, all encroachments, proposed drainage patterns, locate ponds, lakes, rivers, or other water features bordering on or running through the subject property, locate and depict all "significant tree(s)" to be removed on the property.
_____	_____	Site plan including the following items: Name and address of developer/owner, date of plan preparation, dates and descriptions of all revisions, name of project. Proposed front, rear and side yard setbacks. Location, setback, and dimensions of all proposed buildings and structures. Location of all adjacent buildings located within 100 feet of the exterior boundaries of the property. Location, number, and dimensions of proposed parking and loading spaces. Identify sidewalks, trails and walkways, and location of recreation and service areas. Location of rooftop equipment and proposed screening. Provisions of storage and disposal of waste, garbage and recyclables, including details for screening exterior trash/recycling. Location, size and type of water and sewer system mains, fire hydrants and proposed service connections.
_____	_____	Location map showing the general location of the proposed use within the city.
_____	_____	Map showing all principal land uses within 350 feet of the parcel for which the application is being made.
_____	_____	Proof of ownership of the property.
_____	_____	Map or plat showing the lands proposed to be changed and all lands within at least 350 feet of the boundaries of the property.
_____	_____	Names and addresses of the owners of the lands within 350 feet as appear on the records of the County Auditor of Ramsey County, which shall be provided by the petitioner (City can provide this for the applicant).
_____	_____	Other submittals as required by specific zoning district.
_____	_____	Any additional data requested by the city: _____

NOTE TO APPLICANT

All completed application and accompanying materials are due 30 days prior to the scheduled Planning Commission meeting (if applicable). The purpose of this submittal requirement is to allow for:

1. Plan distribution to the City staff, consultants, and applicable government entities.
2. Project review time and generation of staff reports.
3. Project meetings between City staff and applicants.
4. Meeting materials preparation and distribution.

The North St. Paul City Codes guide and enable development activities within the City by ensuring proper and well-coordinated projects. The land use application is the mechanism that allows the City to examine proposed land uses to ensure compatibility with the City Codes, design and development standards, and the surrounding land uses and natural environments. The review is intended to ensure positive growth for the community. All applications are reviewed individually and are evaluated based on their own merit. Each land use request has an associated checklist of required items. Applicants are encouraged to participate in an initial meeting with City staff prior to submitting a formal land use application. The initial meeting is an opportunity to informally discuss the conceptual idea of the proposed project in an effort to reduce delays. Participation in the initial meeting does not provide approval, or guarantee approval of the project. The City shall not accept plans, drawings, or other information related to the project except upon submittal of a formal application. The City reserves the right to reject an incomplete application.

APPLICATION FEE STATEMENT

There may be additional expenses pertaining to project review that is the responsibility of the applicant. All applicable fees must be paid when submitting land use applications and accompanying materials. All fees, which are set annually by City Ordinance, help cover costs incurred by the City to review the application. The City of North St. Paul often uses consulting firms to assist in the review of projects. Please refer to the City's Fee Schedule for information on planning review fees and other applicable costs.

REVIEW REQUIREMENTS

Minnesota State Statute 15.99 requires local governments to review an application within 15 business days of submission to determine if an application is complete and/or if additional information is required to complete the review. Once complete, a formal 60-day review period begins. The City has the ability to extend the review period for an additional 60 days, if necessary, due to insufficient information or scheduling difficulties. Please review the corresponding checklist that goes with the request. All applications must be received by the deadline(s) attached hereto. Failure to submit by the date given may result in a delay of the review by the Planning Commission and City Council.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I certify that all information submitted is true and correct and I fully understand that all information and a complete application must be submitted at least 30 days prior to a Planning Commission meeting to ensure review by the Planning commission on that date. By signing this form, I hereby acknowledge the receipt of the checklist and procedure for the project to be submitted for consideration. It is my responsibility to check all applicable ordinances pertaining to the application, comply with all ordinance requirements, and submit all required materials. All permit requests should be submitted in a timely manner so as not to cause project delays.

Applicant signature: _____ Date: _____

Owner Signature: _____ Date: _____

PROPOSED MEETING DATES:

Design Review Commission: _____ Planning Commission _____ Parks & Rec Commission _____
Environmental Advisory Commission _____ City Council _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Date submitted: _____ Date complete: _____ If incomplete, date letter sent to applicant: _____
Date of public hearing: _____ Publication date: _____ Date notice sent to adjoining properties: _____
Amount fee paid: _____ Date fee paid: _____ Receipt #: _____ File #: _____

Planning Commission action: _____ Recommend approval: _____ Recommend denial: _____
Date applicant/property owner notified of Planning Commission action: _____

City Council action: _____ Recommend approval: _____ Recommend denial: _____
Date applicant/property owner notified of City Council action: _____

Date filed with Ramsey County Recorder office: _____