

Meaghan and Samuel Creydt  
■ Elizabeth Lane  
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866  
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Zoning Board of Appeals  
Saratoga Springs  
474 Broadway  
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

Dear Zoning Board of Appeals:

We are writing to voice our concerns over the proposed area variance for a front entry and porch to 21 Elizabeth Lane, the house directly across the street from us. The property is identified as Tax Parcel # 166.10-2-37 on Saratoga Springs Assessment Map.

The area variance being requested is a decrease to 13.2', less than half the minimum front yard setback of 30'. The homes in the neighborhood are close to each other and the street as it is (currently the house has a setback of 20.7'), and further decreasing this setback will change the aesthetic of the street and make it feel more densely populated.

When we introduced ourselves to the owner, the home was described as "the bachelor pad" of the neighborhood. There is unfinished work happening to the front of the home, trash cans always visible at the front of the home, some building debris in the driveway, and a general look of it not being well cared for. It is concerning that whatever work is approved will not be completed in a timely fashion or well-kept over time.

Finally, Christine Rowe Button applied for the area variance (her signature is the only one on the application), yet she doesn't live in the home.

Thank you for your consideration of our disapproval.

Sincerely,

Meaghan and Samuel Creydt