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RE: 53 Woodbridge Street, South Hadley, MA
Andy and Karen Buscemi
Breezeway Between House and Garage

Dear Anne and Planning Board Members,

Andy and Karen Buscemi, being in their early 60s, are starting the planning process for aging in place at 53 Woodbridge Street. Colonial Carpentry Innovations, Inc. is seeking a waiver on behalf of Andy and Karen as the property is non-conforming. The proposed addition will not make the property any more non-conforming as it does not go past existing non-conforming structures.

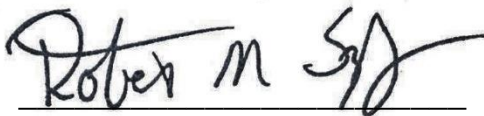
Karen's profession, as a nurse practitioner, has put her in a position to know how fast life can change as we get older. Andy and Karen both agree the travel path from their garage can become a bit slick during the winter months and know as they get older, this will most likely pose a problem for one of them.

The current plans call for a mud room filling the 10ft space between the garage and house. Depth of the mudroom is 15'-6" with a 6'0" platform deck off the back. The deck will stop approximately 2' from back of garage. The request for the deck space stems from the location of the current dining room which is located right off the mudroom location.

After great discussion, it has been determined that the dining room would be used as a bedroom. During construction, the floor for the mudroom will be made level with existing house floor for ease of mobility. The deck attachment will make it much easier to get out and get some fresh air if one or both of them become unable to walk.

Andy & Karen have resided at their home for 26 years, and they have made it theirs in so many ways and love living in the town of South Hadley.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.



Robert Szklarz

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