



APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE

City of Battle Lake

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Application Fee: \$325

Receipt/Check # _____

Date Received: _____

APPLICANT OR A REPRESENTATIVE MUST BE PRESENT AT BOTH THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING AND THE VARIANCE HEARING.

Property Owner: _____ Daytime Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

PARCEL NUMBER:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION (A copy of your Deed may be requested to ensure adequate description for recording or if lengthy, please attach a copy):

Section: _____ Township _____ Range _____

EXPLAIN YOUR REQUEST *This is the text that will be used for notification to property owners and for publication. Please be concise in your request. Use the space below or attach your request.*

I understand that I have applied for a variance from the requirements of the Land Use Ordinances of the City of Battle Lake. I also understand that it is my responsibility to obtain any other permits that may be required.

Signature of Property Owner

Date

STAFF REVIEW/REPORT FROM CITY ZONING OFFICER

City Zoning Officer

In order for your request to be fairly evaluated, please provide as much supplementary information as possible such as: maps, drawings, information about surrounding property, etc.

Criteria for granting variances may only be in accordance with M.S Chapter 462, as it may be amended from time to time, as applicable. A variance to the provision of the zoning ordinance may be issued to provide relief to the landowner in those zones where the Chapter imposes.

A landowner must meet the following requirements in order to be granted a variance. Please indicate how you meet the following criteria:

1. Reasonableness – the property owner wants to use the property in a reasonable way but cannot do so under the requirements of this ordinance. (Variance requests should only be considered reasonable when no other alternatives exist, particularly if public water is impaired or at risk of being impaired. How substantial is the request related to the standard?)

2. Unique Circumstances – the difficulty is created by unique circumstances of the property. What distinguishes this property from other properties subject to the shoreland regulations to justify deviation from the requirements when others must comply?

3. Essential Character – if granted, the variance will not alter the essential character of the locality. (Does the size and location compare to structures in the vicinity? To what extent does the structure encroach into sensitive natural areas such as bluffs or shores?)

4. *If granted, the variance is in harmony with the general purpose of this ordinance? (Will deviating from the required standard on this property undermine the purposes and intent? Why or why not?) A copy of the zoning ordinance is available on-line or by request.*

5. *Would granting the variance be consistent with the Comprehensive Plan? (Which goals and policies apply? Is allowing deviation from the ordinance consistent with these goals and policies?) A copy of the Comprehensive Plan is available on-line or by request.*

6. Will the variance request have an adverse impact on government services such as street usage, snow removal, stormwater runoff, emergency services, etc?

7. What portion of the variance request is based upon economic considerations? (economic considerations alone should not be a reason for granting a variance)

8. Does existing sewage treatment need upgrading?

9. Are there any conditions that should be imposed in granting the variance? **Office Use Only**