



OFFICE OF PLANNING

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR

May 21st, 2015

Ian M. Comerford, Chairman
Zoning Board of Appeals
133 William Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

Re: Case #4183
Petitioner: David and Lisa Amaral
652 West Rodney French Boulevard
New Bedford, MA 02744

Location: 652 West Rodney French Blvd (Map: 5, Lot: 96)

Dear Mr. Comerford:

Please be advised that I have reviewed the petition, and submit the following for consideration by the Board.

The petitioner is proposing to make alterations to the front porch on the first and second floors. The project is located in a Residential-A Zoned District. The current use of the property is a two-family dwelling. The petitioner requires a Variance for front yard setbacks. The petitioner proposes a 12.4 foot setback, which appears to be in character with the neighborhood.

The Board should identify the circumstances relating to the land or structure as well as the hardship faced by the petitioners in this case. The Board should take into consideration any input from abutters and any impacts to the public good in the neighborhood before determining whether or not to grant this variance.

Sincerely,

Jill Maclean
City Planner

Cc: Danny Romanowicz, Building Commissioner
Joseph Lopes, Ward 6 City Councilor