

# APPLICATION TO BOARD OF APPEALS

Tel. No. \_\_\_\_\_

Appeal No. 2019-55

Date 8/8/19

TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS, WEST SENECA, NEW YORK:

I (we) Thomas Zimmerman of 4805 Seneca St

West Seneca, NY, 14224, HEREBY APPEAL TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS FROM THE

DECISION OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR ON AN APPLICATION FOR A BUILDING PERMIT NO. \_\_\_\_\_,

DATED \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, WHEREBY THE BUILDING INSPECTOR DID DENY TO

- A PERMIT FOR USE
- A PERMIT FOR OCCUPANCY
- A TEMPORARY PERMIT OR EXTENSION THEREOF
- A CERTIFICATE OF EXISTING USE
- A CERTIFICATE OF ZONING COMPLIANCE
- AREA PERMIT

1. Applicant is the  PROPERTY OWNER  
 CONTRACTOR FOR THE WORK CONCERNED HEREIN  
 PROSPECTIVE TENANT  
 OTHER (Describe) \_\_\_\_\_

2. LOCATION OF THE PROPERTY 4805 Seneca St

3. State in general the exact nature of the permission required, Requesting raising 4-6 chickens

4. PREVIOUS APPEAL. No previous appeal has been made with respect to this decision of the Building Inspector or with respect to this property, except the appeal made in Appeal No. \_\_\_\_\_, dated \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

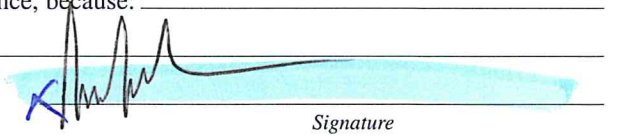
5. REASON FOR APPEAL.

A. A Variance to the Zoning Ordinance is requested because strict application of the ordinance would produce undue hardship, or the hardship created is unique and is not shared by all properties alike in the immediate vicinity of this property and in this use district, or the variance would observe the spirit of the ordinance and would not change the character of the district because: \_\_\_\_\_

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B. Interpretation of the Zoning Ordinance is requested because: \_\_\_\_\_

C. A Special or Temporary Permit or an Extension thereof Under the Zoning Ordinance is requested pursuant to Article \_\_\_\_\_, Section \_\_\_\_\_, Subsection \_\_\_\_\_, Paragraph \_\_\_\_\_ of the Zoning Ordinance, because: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Signature

### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

1. Provision(s) of the Zoning Ordinance Appealed, including article, section, subsection or paragraph of the Zoning Ordinance 120 - 17 A (c) Raising of chickens not permitted.

2. Zoning Classification of the property concerned in this appeal ~~RS-A~~ R75 A

3. Type of Appeal:
- Variance to the Zoning Ordinance.
  - Interpretation of the Zoning Ordinance or Zoning Map
  - Special or Temporary Permit or an extension thereof under the Zoning Ordinance.

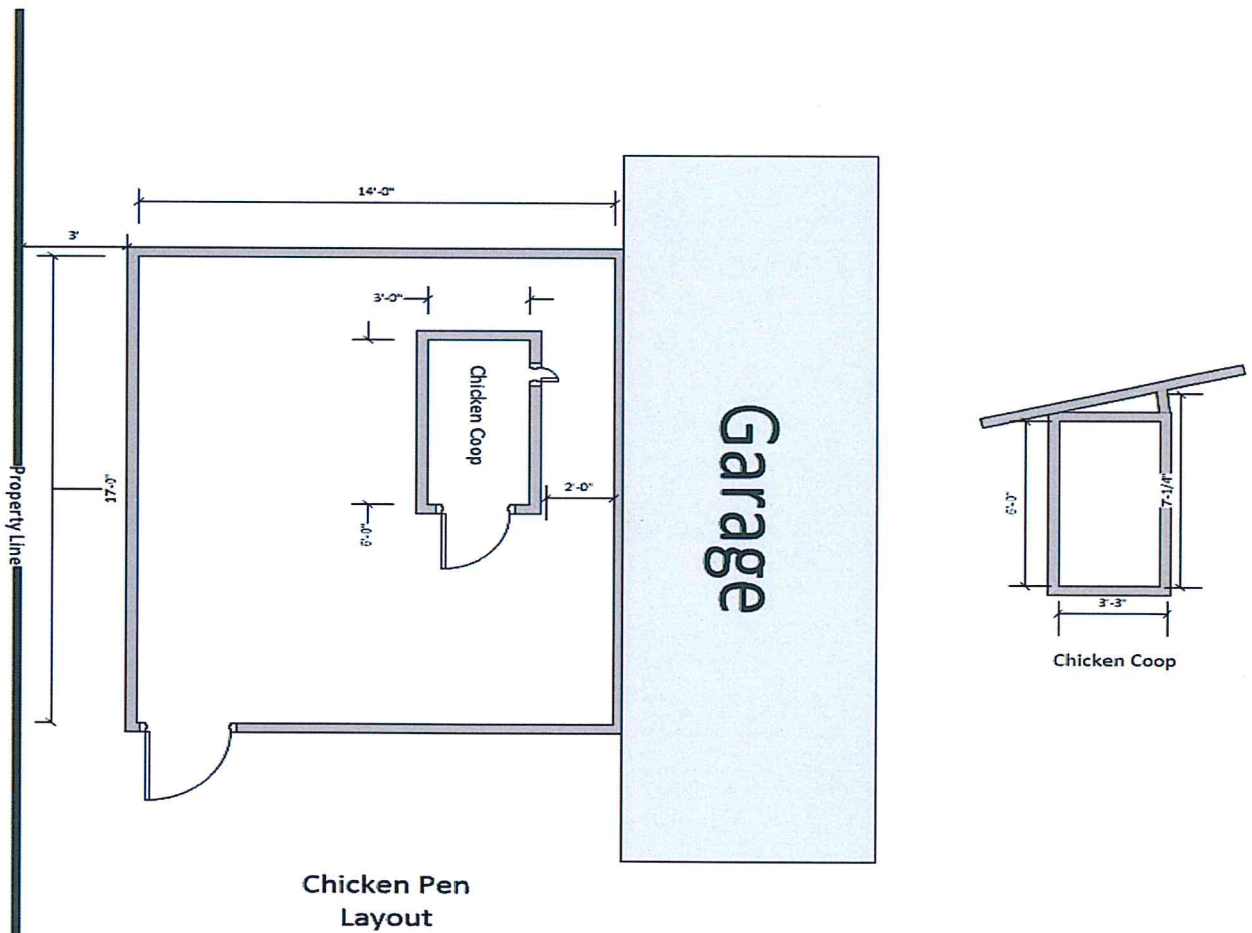


4. A statement of any other facts or data which should be considered in this appeal. \_\_\_\_\_

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My Name is Thomas Zimmerman and my daughter Amelia would like to raise between 4 and 6 chickens on our property located at 4805 Seneca Street. There will be only hens and we will not raise any roosters. We will be raising the hens as pets and for their eggs.

The pen will be located on the east side of our garage (See diagram below) beginning at the front edge of the garage and going to the back wall of the garage. It will extend from the garage to the east by 13 feet. The Pen will have 6' tall chicken wire fence secured to posts and plastic bird netting across the top to keep the hens in and predators out.



The chicken coop has already been built and is 6' long and 3' wide. It is a repurposed wooden shipping container that has been upgraded with an exterior T111 sheathing (painted) 2 windows for light and ventilation. The windows are covered with hardware cloth to ensure that the hens are protected at night during the warmer months from nocturnal predators. The coop has double walls for warmth and is protected from the wind by the garage. In the winter we will provide water via a UL listed pet water dish. We will provide additional light throughout the winter and we already have remote monitoring of the coop enabled.

The hens will be fed by a method similar to the picture below. This method will help to keep food waste and rodent access to a minimum.



The coop will have pine shavings for waste collection and liquid absorption. It will be cleaned weekly during spring, summer and fall. In the winter we will use the deep litter method. This method entails the layering of pine shavings on throughout the winter period and removal when spring arrives. This provides an additional layer of insulation for the chickens. The waste will be either composted with our grass clippings or in the community refuse system.