

Submitted To: El Paso County Board of Adjustment

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Security, CO. 80911

Dear El Paso County Board of Adjustment,

I am requesting a variance on an existing fence in the front yard between lots 1 and lot 2 on block 8 in Security, CO. This fence was built on the property of 105 Esther Dr. The fence in question was built on June 18, 2018 by Boos & Sons, Inc. The fence dimensions are found on the attached site map.

Due to the hazardous living conditions of the tenants of 101 Esther Dr. (tenants), I was forced to build a fence to ensure my health and safety. The decision to build this fence did not come without attempts to rectify the situation with the property owner and renter at 101 Esther Dr. Security, CO prior to building the fence. Over the course of 5 years, I have made multiple requests to the property owner and tenants to ensure a clean yard and limit odor pollution. In addition to attempting to work with the property owner and tenants, I have made a minimum of three (3) complaints with El Paso County on the following dates: 11/15/2016, 3/27/2017, 1/27/2020. Due to no action taken by the property owner, tenants and El Paso County, I have been left with no other option but to build a fence between my property and 101 Esther Dr. Please note that prior to the fence installation the property owner of 101 Esther Dr was notified of the intended action. He verbally agreed to this action and offered to trim the trees to make room for the fence.

Over the course of the past 5 years, I have been exposed to the following living conditions due to the tenants of 101 Esther Dr.

- Excessive dog feces in the front yard, resulting in a constant foul odor coming from their yard at all times.
- Excessive trash and rubbish left in front and back yard at all times.
- Numerous police visits and arrests of the tenants
- Many verbal attacks by the tenants (using threats and foul language)
- Aggressive dogs

As a result of the above actions of the tenant, it is in the best interest of my well-being and health to ensure that the fence that I built stays in place. The above has resulted in a decline of my health due to diagnosed COPD. My doctor has advised that the odor coming from 101 Esther Dr inflames my bronchial and respiratory system, making it difficult to breathe. Please see the attached letter from my physician. In addition to diagnosed COPD, I also suffer from benign concentric angular dystrophy, which means that I am legally blind. Due to my visual limitations, it is essential that my surrounding living conditions are safe. Rubbish and violent dogs create a un-safe living condition for me. To ensure that I am able to maintain a healthy lifestyle, it is essential for my health that you grant a variance to keep the fence in my front yard in place.

I believe that it is important to notate that within the direct neighborhood of my residence (105 Esther Dr), there are 23 homes with similar privacy fences in the front yard, please see attached photos. Building privacy fences in the front yard is a common practice among all of my direct neighbors. I have spoken with many of these neighbors and they have never experienced any adverse action in regards to the fences that they own, which I am being called into question.

Please consider my request on the variance on my existing fence in the front yard between lots 1 and lot 2 on block 8 in Security, CO (105 Esther Dr.). Thank you for preserving my health and well-being in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Teddy D. Clutter". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Teddy D. Clutter