

Division of Development Administration and Review

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ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Date of Hearing: August 21, 2025
Date of Decision: September 19, 2025

Zone Case: 97 of 2025

Address: 4624 Penn Avenue

Lot and Block: 50-J-130
Zoning Districts: LNC

Ward: 9

Neighborhood: Bloomfield

Request: Use of front yard parking pad

Application: BDA-2025-03251

Variance	Section 912.04.L.3	Front yard parking is
		prohibited

Appearances:

Applicant: Ilnar Akh

Findings of Fact:

- 1. The Subject Property is located at 4624 Penn Avenue in an LNC (Local Neighborhood Commercial) District in Bloomfield.
- 2. The two-unit residential structure on the Subject Property extends to the rear and interior side property lines with 0' setbacks. It is set back approximately 50' from Penn Avenue.
- 3. The Applicant explained that a two-car 18' by 18' parking pad, with access from a curb cut on Penn Avenue, has been on the Subject Property for a significant period of time.
- 4. The Applicant asserted that the location of the structure, with a 50' front setback and a 0' rear setback, is a unique characteristic that precludes the development of off-site parking in strict compliance with the Code.
 - 5. No one appeared at the hearing to oppose the request.

Conclusions of Law:

1. The Applicant requests a variance from Section 912.04.3, which prohibits residential accessory parking located in front of a house.

- 2. The Applicant presented credible evidence that the location of the structure at the rear of the parcel, with an extensive front yard setback, is a unique characteristic that precludes the development of off-street parking in compliance with the Code. The parking pad has been on the property for a significant period of time and has not had a significant impact on surrounding properties.
- 3. Consistent with the evidence and testimony presented, and the applicable legal standards governing variances, the Board concludes that approval of the request is appropriate.

Decision: The Applicant's request for a variance from Section 912.04.3 to allow for the continued use of a front yard parking pad is hereby APPROVED, subject to the condition that the curb cut shall be reviewed and approved by the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure.

s/Alice B. Mitinger
Alice B. Mitinger, Chair

s/Lashawn Burton-Faulk
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s/ John J. Richardson John J. Richardson

Note: Decision issued with electronic signatures, with the Board members' review and approval.