

COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

BACKGROUND AND PERSONAL DATA OUTLINE

Please list the name of the board, commission, or committee this application is being submitted for consideration:

If necessary, use an additional sheet of paper when filling out the answers to the questions below.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Mailing address (if different than above):

Cell Phone: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

What is the best time to contact you? _____

1. Applicants must be eighteen years of age or older to serve on any board, commission, or committee, except for members appointed to the Youth Commissioner position. Do you meet the minimum age requirement? YES - NO -

2. Have you been a Fountain Hills resident for at least one year? YES - NO -
If not, please explain:

3. Are you registered to vote in Town elections? YES - NO -

4. Are you a graduate of the Civic Association Town sponsored "Our Town" series? YES - NO -

5. Will you be able to commit to the interview schedule as publicized? YES - NO -

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

(Supplemental questionnaire continued - Please use additional lines on last page or add additional pages if necessary.)

Following is a hypothetical case regarding an application for a variance.

Jean Smith wants to build her dream home on a lot she recently purchased. This neighborhood was almost entirely built-out in the 1970's except for a few remaining vacant lots. A new zoning ordinance was adopted for our town in the early 1990's, which changed the setback requirements and height limit applicable to Jean's neighborhood. Approximately 60% of the existing older homes do not conform to the new setback and height restrictions.

Jean Smith wants a variance so that she can build in conformance with the old setback requirements as 60% of her neighbors did. Jean also wants a height variance so that she can have additional sleeping quarters for many orphans she cares for.

The following issues arise at the Board of Adjustment hearing:

1. Assuming Jean's lot and her neighbors' lots are similar, would you vote to grant the setback variance? Please explain.

2. Will the fact that Jean is performing a tremendous public service justify the height variance? Why or why not?

3. There are a number of lots, due to their topography, that are much more expensive to build on when conformance to the strict terms of the code is enforced. Do you believe that economics should be a factor in considering a variance? If so, to what degree?

4. A resident has applied to build an addition onto their home, which would encroach into the rear yard setback area as established in the Zoning Ordinance. The Homeowners' Association has approved a variance from the restrictive covenants and the resident has applied for a variance from the Zoning Ordinance. None of the neighbors object, but no special circumstances exist. The resident wants the addition to serve as a storage room and a bathroom for the swimming pool. The Zoning Ordinance allows the resident to build a detached building to accomplish his needs, but they feel that the detached building is much less desirable and less aesthetically pleasing than the addition. Should a variance be granted because there is no neighborhood objection and the proposal is more aesthetically pleasing than the limits of other parts of the code will to allow? Please explain.

6. Our current Code regulates development of hillsides. A number of people build large homes and change the grade to nearly the maximum extent possible when setting their homes. After they are in their home, they desire to do further grading to install a swimming pool with an accessory cool deck and patio. This further grading will require them to go beyond the limits established in the Zoning Ordinance, so they seek a variance. Do you believe that a variance should be granted to permit grading or disturbance of a hillside beyond the current limits so these people can have a swimming pool?



TOWN OF FOUNTAIN HILLS

**CONSENT TO
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

This letter shall serve as written notice, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(1), to participate in an executive session with members of the Town Council Subcommittee, for the purposes of discussion and consideration of appointment to the **Board of Adjustment** by the Town Council of Fountain Hills.

The Council will discuss this matter in executive session with and without your presence. Any discussions in executive session shall be kept confidential except from those persons who attended the executive session.

However, pursuant to ARIZ. REV. STAT. § 38-431.03(A)(1), you may demand that your interview be conducted in a public meeting. If you desire to have your interview held in public, please notify me prior to the time of your interview. If you consent to the Council holding your interview in executive session, please countersign this letter in the space indicated below and return a copy to the Town of Fountain Hills.

Please call if you have questions (480-816-5122).

Sincerely,

Paula Woodward, Executive Assistant

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I, the undersigned, hereby (i) acknowledge receipt of this letter more than 24 hours prior to the executive session conducted for my interview and (ii) waive my rights to have such interview held in a public meeting:

Printed Name

Signature

Date