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Dear Members of the Board,

I am writing to respectfully request approval for two proposed modifications to our property:

1. Installation of an open-style fence — 4 feet in height at the front of the property and approximately 4 feet along the sides, with the remainder of the fencing at the back being of a closed style for privacy and security purposes.
2. Installation of paver bricks — in the front yard and along one side of our home.

These changes are being proposed due to ongoing concerns regarding safety, health, and accessibility.

Our house sits on a narrow lot, making landscaping and regular maintenance especially challenging. Over time, overgrown grass and vegetation in these confined areas have caused significant water pooling and basement leakage during heavy rainfalls. This has raised concerns about potential long-term damage to the foundation.

Additionally, persistent growth of grass and plants in these areas has led to increased allergen exposure. I have experienced serious health effects, including frequent asthma attacks triggered by mold, pollen, and damp conditions. Replacing the grass with paver bricks would help eliminate these hazards and create a cleaner, more breathable environment.

As elderly homeowners, we are physically unable to maintain the yard effectively. The narrow spaces are particularly difficult to access, especially in wet or icy weather. I also suffer from limited mobility due to poor circulation, making uneven or muddy ground dangerous to navigate. The addition of level, non-slip paver bricks will improve safety and allow for better mobility.

The open-style fencing at the front will maintain a visually welcoming appearance while defining the property boundary. The partial side fencing and closed fencing at the rear will provide privacy and security without disrupting the aesthetics of the neighborhood.

I hope the Board will understand that these proposed modifications are not only practical but essential to ensuring the safety, health, and accessibility of our home.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,

Charitee Francois