MEMORANDUM OF STAFF COMMENTS

TO: Zoning Board of Appeals

FROM: Adam Levitus, ZEO DATE: January 21, 2021

RE: #2021-01 – Variance for 6-foot Tall Fence in a Residential Front Yard

APPLICANT: David Lallier (property owner)

ADDRESS: 12 Simms Road

Map 2-3 Block 9 Lot 1A

ZONE: R-15

Proposal and Background

David Lallier (property owner) is requesting a variance for a 6-foot-tall fence in a residential front yard when up to 3 feet tall is permitted in a residential front yard per Berlin Zoning Regulations §IV.B.7. The property is on a corner lot, with the requested variance along Lincoln Street.

Staff Comments

The existing house was built in approximately 2001 on the corner of Lincoln Street and Simms Road. From available survey data, the property has an easement with CL&P/Eversource in the rear of the property electrical transmission lines and tower run in this easement across multiple properties. Based on Google Streetview data, arbor vitaes that appeared to be over 6 feet tall had existed in the front yard between Lincoln Street and the rear of the house at 12 Simms.

Staff's understanding is that the Arbor Vitaes along Lincoln were recently removed by Eversource as a part of maintenance or similar work beneath the transmission lines. Based on information and emails from the owner, it is staff's further understanding that Eversource is proposing to replace the Arbor Vitaes with a 6ft tall fence to re-establish the barrier/visual screening to the back of the house.

Note, that because it is a corner lot, the yards abutting both Lincoln St and Simms Rd are 'front' yards. Therefore the variance is required to exceed the 3ft tall front-yard fence limit along either road.

Zoning Requirements:

§IV.B.7 Exceptions to yard requirements – Walls and Fences

Maximum (in a front yard): 3ft

Proposed (in a front yard): 6ft

The Town of Berlin Plan of Conservation and Development, Section II, Strategic Outline for Implementation, Strategy 1: Coordinate the Regulatory Structure to Support the Plan, 3) states: Any variance granted by the Zoning Board of Appeals should be consistent with the standards imposed by Connecticut General Statutes in which a hardship exists owing to conditions affecting a specific parcel of land, and the variance which is granted should be consistent with the goals and policies of this plan and the intent of the zoning regulations.



Town of Berlin

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Planning and Zoning Department

240 Kensington Road Berlin, Connecticut 06037 www.town.berlin.ct.us Town of Berlin Received

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Planning & Zoning Department ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS APPLICATION Berlin, Connecticut ☐ Special Permit ✓ Variance ☐ Appeal of ZEO ☐ Motor Vehicle Location ☐ Alcohol Uses Location ☐ Other / Determination Property Owner(s): DAVID & CHRISTINE LAILIER Project Address*: 12 Simms RD. KENSINGTON Lot: 9-14 Zone(s): R-15 Lot Area: 0.44 Block: 3 AOL Map: Dased on GIS Please select all relevant items below: ☐ Supplemental Information Is Required For: ZBA Special Permit / Sale of Alcoholic Beverages Location /Motor Vehicle Uses Location ☐ Inland Wetlands and Water Course Commission review needed ☐ Planning and Zoning Commission review needed ☐ Property is within 500 feet of a Municipal Boundary of ☐ Previous Zoning Board of Appeals actions on this property: Date(s) & Purpose(s): **Applicant Information** Name: DAJID LALIER Firm Name: Street Address: 12 SIMMS RS. City: KENSINGTON ST. CT Zip: 06037 Email: CANE AlliER & MAHOO COMPhone: 860, 202.0143 CnO Date: 1/5/2021 **Property Owner(s) Information (If Not the Applicant)** Principal: City: _____ ST: ___ Zip: Street Address: Phone: *Letter of Authorization Required

*Any town official and/or employee who the town deems necessary may enter the property to verify

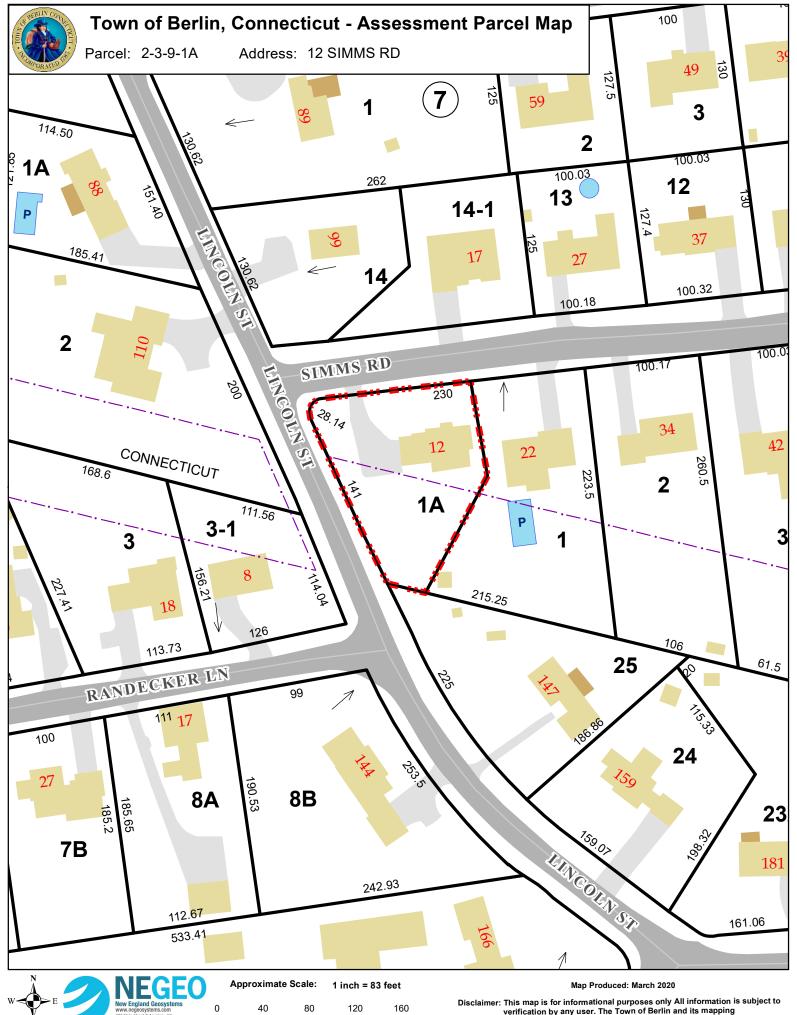
ZBA action is requested pursuant to Berlin Zoning Regulations Section(s):

information submitted with this application.

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Brief description of the proposal: CH	ANGE HEIGHT OF FRONT YARD
Requested requirement:	ED): requirement. ED): EVERSOURCE CUT BOWN WHICH PROVIDED ENTIRE BACK SOURCE WILL PAY FOR FENCING TOWN OF BERLIN.
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Type of State Liquor Permit: ☐ On -Premises Permit: Type ☐ Off-Premises: Type	LOCATION-1 pplication is required to be submitted with this application
To be completed by P&Z staff only: Fee Paid \$ 210	zBA # Zozl _ ol ze Schedule) ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS DECISION:
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Property Location 12 SIMMS RD Map ID 2-3/9/1A// **Bldg Name** State Use 1010 Sec # 1 of 1 Vision ID 5155 Account # 1053301 Blda # 1 Card # 1 of 1 Print Date 1/13/2021 10:22:59 A **CURRENT OWNER** TOPO UTILITIES STRT / ROAD LOCATION CURRENT ASSESSMENT 1 All Public Appraised Value | Assessed Value Description 1 Level 1 Paved Code LALLIER DAVID J & CHRISTINE A 6007 **RES LAND** 1-1 102.800 72.000 **DWELLING** 1-3 175.700 123.000 SUPPLEMENTAL DATA BERLIN, CT 12 SIMMS RD **RES OUTBL** 1-4 1.400 1.000 02-3 0009 00001A Alt Prcl ID CENSUS 4003 Section: W (not used) Medium KENSINGTON CT 06037 Incomeexp dc VISION CB Letter GIS ID 2-3-9-1A Assoc Pid# 279.900 196.000 Total RECORD OF OWNERSHIP **BK-VOL/PAGE** SALE DATE SALE PRICE PREVIOUS ASSESSMENTS (HISTORY) Q/U V/I VC Year Code Assessed Year Code Assessed Year Code Assessed LALLIER DAVID J & CHRISTINE A 0495 0750 03-31-2003 Q 255.000 2019 72 000 2018 72.000 2017 1-1 10-04-2000 1-1 1-1 72.000 PERZAN JOHN E 0438 0702 37,000 **RAWLINGS ROBERT D & THELMA J** 0170 0447 09-22-1972 U 1-3 123,000 123,000 1-3 123,000 1-3 1-4 1,000 1-4 1,000 1-4 1,000 196000 196000 196000 Total Total Total **EXEMPTIONS** OTHER ASSESSMENTS This signature acknowledges a visit by a Data Collector or Assessor Year Code Description Amount Code Description Number Amount Comm Int APPRAISED VALUE SUMMARY 175.700 Appraised Bldg. Value (Card) 0.00 Total ASSESSING NEIGHBORHOOD Appraised Xf (B) Value (Bldg) Nbhd Nbhd Name Batch В Tracing Appraised Ob (B) Value (Bldg) 1.400 1021 Appraised Land Value (Bldg) 102.800 NOTES 2ND FL DEN OPEN TO FOYER Special Land Value POWER LINES/TOWERS IN REAR YRD Total Appraised Parcel Value 279.900 5%ECONOMIC DEP NO CLOSET С 2002 VACANT KIT(HW/FORMICA) Valuation Method 9'CEILINGS 1ST FL GL16 ADD WDK 2STY LR/FOYER CORRECT FOP 2 FT IS STAIRS SOME CROWN/MBR JACUZZI Total Appraised Parcel Value 279.900 **BUILDING PERMIT RECORD VISIT / CHANGE HISTORY** Type Is Permit Id Issue Date Description Insp Date % Comp Date Comp Comments Date Cd Purpost/Result Type Amount 4500 09-22-2003 RS Residential 1.200 100 12 X 12 SHED 05-19-2016 JH 1 01 Measur+1Visit 03-25-2003 NC BP Inspected Int and Ext 5197 New Construct 06-03-2003 100 C.O. 11-01-2004 AC 50 1110 10-12-2001 CV Permit 100 GAS FHA HEAT 06-03-2003 AC Measur+Listed 7,500 00 10-01-2001 CV 986 Permit 7,500 100 PLUMBING 2.5 BA 06-10-2002 PD Data Conv Data Conver 1661 07-09-2001 CV Permit 4,800 100 WIRE NEW DWELLI 04-09-2001 CV Permit 126,600 100 NEW SF 33 X35 2633 LAND LINE VALUATION SECTION Special Pricing B Use Code Zone D Front Dept Land Units Unit Price S Adi Adi. Unit Land Value Description I Factor SA Cond. ST.Idx Adi. Notes Spec Use | Spec Cal 1010 R-15 1 0.440 AC 136.400 1.91853 5 0.85 9 1.050 POWER LINE TOWERS I 1.000 102.800 Single Family Parcel Total Land Area 0.4400 Total Land Value 102.800 **Total Card Land Units** 0.4400 AC

Property Location 12 SIMMS RD Vision ID 5155 Bldg Name Sec # 1 of 1 Map ID 2-3/9/1A// State Use 1010 Print Date 1/13/2021 10:23:00 A Blda # 1 Account # 1053301 Card # 1 of 1

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Basement

Cathedral Ceiling

Garage, Attached

Porch, Open, Finished

Upper Story, Finished Deck, Wood

Ttl Gross Liv / Lease Area

BSM

СТН

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In accordance with Connecticut General Statues:

Town of Berlin

Planning and Zoning Department

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CERTIFICATE OF ZONING COMPLIANCE FOR RESIDENTIAL FENCING (including REQUIRED POOL FENCING)

Notice is hereby given to the applicant that under CGS 8-3(f). [No building permit or occupancy shall be issued for a building, use or structure subject to the zoning regulations of a municipality without certification in writing by the official charged with the enforcement of such regulations that such building, use or structure is in conformity with such regulations or is a valid nonconforming use under such regulations. Such official shall inform the applicant for any such certification that such applicant may provide notice of such certification by either (1) publication in a newspaper having substantial circulation in such municipality stating that the certification has been issued, or (2) any other method provided for by local ordinance. Any such notice shall contain (A) a description of the building, use or structure, (B) the location of the building, use or structure, (C) the identity of the applicant, and (D) a statement that an aggrieved person may appeal to the zoning board of appeals in accordance with the provisions of section 8-7. And CGS 8-7 🖽 ...An Appeal may be taken to the zoning board of appeals by any person aggrieved or by any officer, department, board or bureau of any municipality aggrieved and shall be taken within such time as is prescribed by a rule adopted by said board, or, if no such rule is adopted by the board, within thirty days, by filing with the zoning commission or the officer from whom the appeal has been taken and with said board a notice of appeal specifying the grounds thereof. Such appeal period shall commence for an aggrieved person at the earliest of the following: (1) Upon receipt of the order, requirement or decision from which such person may appeal, (2) upon the publication of a notice in accordance with subsection (f) of section 8-3, or (3) upon actual or constructive notice of such order, requirement or decision \[\subseteq \ldots \] Property Owner(s)*: Project Address: 1.2 **Applicant Information** Firm Name: Street Address: 12 5 mm5 City: _____ ST:___ Zip: ___ Email: LAUE LALIER & YAHOO-COM Phone: Date: Property Owner(s) Information (If Not the Applicant) Name: Principal: Street Address: City: ST: Zip: Email: Phone: *Letter of Authorization Required *Any town official and/or employee that the town deems necessary may enter the property to verify information submitted with this application. SIDE YARD ABUTTING LINCOLD ST GOFT OF FENCING TO REPLACE ABORDITAES CUT DOWN BY EVERSOURCE, EVER SOURCE IS PAYING FOR FENCE & INSTALLATION, FENCING WILL STOP APPROXIMATELY HOFF FROM AGE OF LINCOLD & SIMMS

ADDRESS: 12 Simms RS.

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It is the responsibility of the property owner to locate the property lines. IF a location survey or staking of the structure has been waived for this proposal, and a subsequent survey shows the regulations have not been met; the owner is responsible to remove or relocate the fence in conformance with the requirements and approval.

	REQUIRED/ALLOWED	PROPOSED	Dept. Initials Staff use only
Distance from property line(s)		3 FEET	
Length along right side of lot		90 FEET	-
Length along rear of lot		10	
Length along left side of lot			
Length along front			

Height of fencing in required front yard	3 feet		
Height in required side & rear yard	6 feet	6 FEET	

Is the property a corner lot?	Yes	No	
Easement or right-of-way on the property? ¹	Yes	No	
Wetlands on the property or within 50??	Yes	No	
Septic system and/or well on the property?	Yes	No	

- 1. By initialing this statement, you are certifying that all applicable records, including Town Land Records, have been checked and to the best of your knowledge no rights-of-way, easements or other encumbrances are identified that would prevent the location as shown on this application and attached plan. Should an encumbrance be identified after construction, I will hold harmless the Town of Berlin and remove/relocate the structure to remedy the situation.

 (applicant/owner initial)
- 2. All municipal property taxes are paid in full at this location in accordance with Article 5, §4-40 local ordinance of the Town of Berlin.

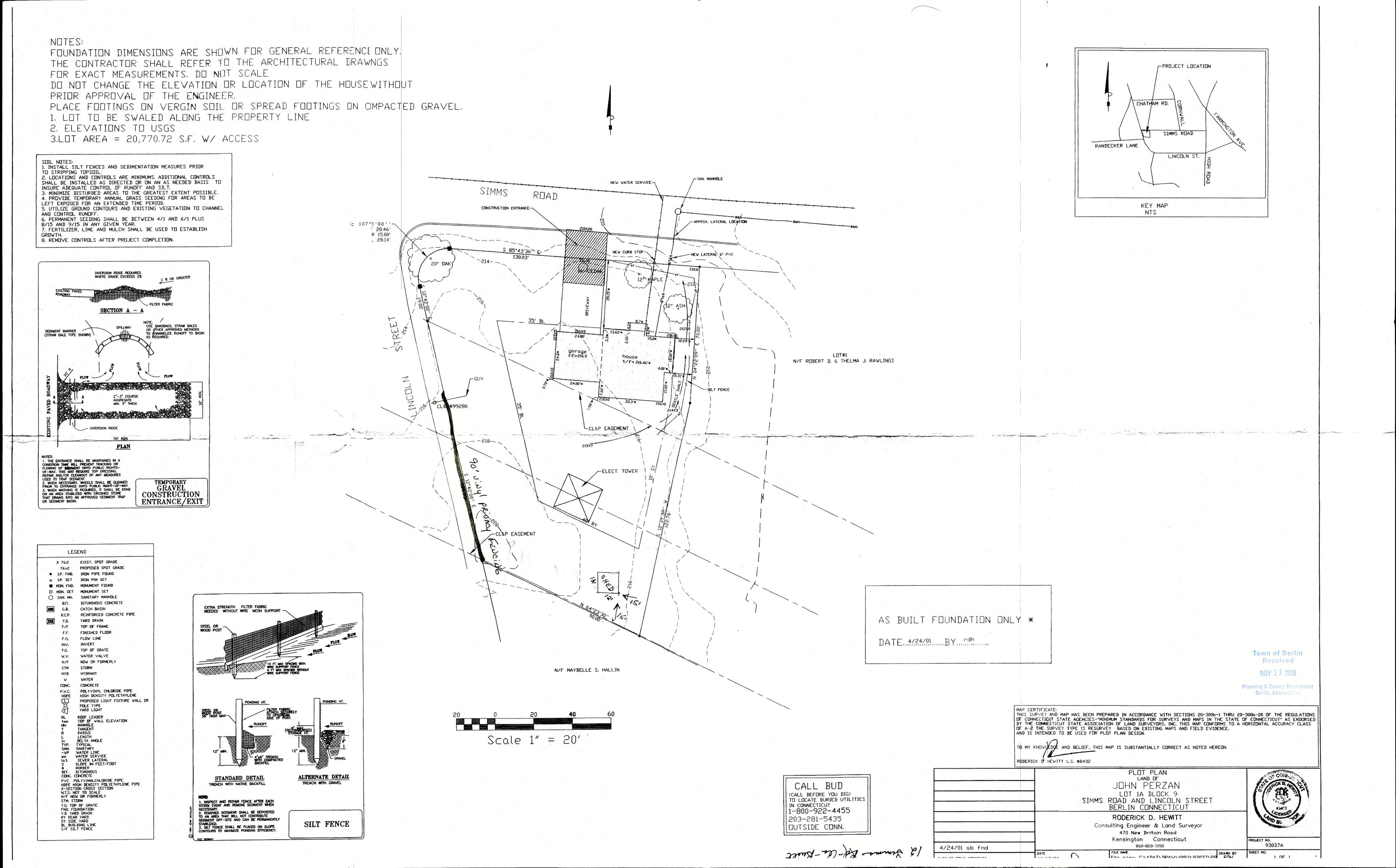
Ok per S. P. eng. 1 12/3/20
Collector of Revenue Date

NOTE: This form is for zoning compliance ONLY. The owner &/or applicant is responsible to obtain any other agency is authorization in relation to the proposal.

To be completed by P&Z staff only:

This application is approved for compliance with the Berlin Zoning Regulations as proposed; the applicant is responsible to obtain any other approvals necessary for its installation and install the fencing as approved.

	Approved By:	Date:
Fee Paid \$ 50	(Refer to current Fee Schedule)	Town of Berlin Received
Received by: fmS		NOV 23 2020



Adam Levitus

From: David Lallier <davelallier@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 14, 2021 10:16 PM

To: Adam Levitus

Subject: Fw: Eversource Fence Commitment- 12 Simms Road, Berlin

Just received this letter this evening Adam .

Thanks.

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

---- Forwarded Message -----

From: "Cyr, Paul" < PCyr@trccompanies.com>

To: "davelallier@yahoo.com" <davelallier@yahoo.com>, "clallier51@gmail.com" <clallier51@gmail.com>

Sent: Thu, Jan 14, 2021 at 7:22 PM

Subject: Eversource Fence Commitment- 12 Simms Road, Berlin

Mr. and Mrs. Lallier,

As previously discussed, Eversource has agreed to install a fence in place of compatible vegetation where incompatible vegetation was removed along the west property line of 12 Simms Rd, Berlin, Connecticut. The proposed fence will be installed on your property, parallel with Lincoln Street relatively perpendicular to the Eversource easement. See aerial view below with an orange line indicating the proposed fence installation location. The provided view is not to scale and the proposed location is approximate.

Installation will be contingent upon you receiving Town of Berlin approval, requesting and acquiring the appropriate town permits (if required by the Town Building and Zoning Department), and the survey/identification of your property line as well as identification of any private property subsurface hazards such as but not limited to irrigation lines, invisible dog fence wires, buried outdoor lighting wires and/or conduits located within the proposed fence installation area. The installation contractor will be responsible for preclearing for public utilities through Call Before You Dig (CBYD) and the installation of the agreed upon fence design per the general construction details below.

Proposed Fence construction detail:

6' HIGH EASTERN ILLUSIONS V300 SOLID VINYL TONGUE AND GROOVE BOARD FENCE
WITH CONCRETE POST FOOTINGS AND CLEARING OF BRUSH AS NEEDED TO INSTALL
FENCE (88LF total).

12 Simms Rd, Berlin



Regards,

Paul Cyr

Paul Cyr

Project Closeout Coordinator – Vegetation Management

Contractor for Eversource Energy

888-673-9943 - <u>CTVegMaintenance@eversource.com</u>