

CITY OF UNIVERSITY PARK  
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT APPLICATION

SITE INFORMATION:	DATE: <u>8-12-16</u>
ADDRESS: <u>3320 Lovers Lane</u>	
SUBDIVISION <u>University Heights</u> LOT # <u>4</u> BLOCK # <u>E</u>	
LOT DIMENSION <u>133.65' x 60.0'</u> ZONING DISTRICT <u>University Park</u>	

PROPERTY OWNER: <u>Thomas M. Collins</u>			
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CITY: <u>Dallas</u>	STATE: <u>TX</u>	ZIP: <u>75225</u>	
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REQUEST IS FOR:

\_\_\_\_\_ A VARIANCE TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE DUE TO A PROPERTY HARDSHIP\*    ☒ A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE    \_\_\_\_\_ A SIGN VARIANCE

NOTE: A VARIANCE TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE CAN ONLY BE REQUESTED FOR A PROPERTY HARDSHIP, NOT A SELF-IMPOSED OR ECONOMIC HARDSHIP.

TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT:

THIS IS TO AFFIRM THAT AN APPLICATION HAS BEEN MADE FOR A PERMIT TO:

obtain permission for installation of a  
decorative, period accurate wrought  
iron 3' fence.

CH# 715

THE PERMIT APPLIED FOR HAS BEEN DENIED BY THE BUILDING INSPECTION DEPARTMENT, AS IT WAS DEEMED CONTRARY TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PARK. THEREFORE, AN APPEAL IS NOW MADE TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT FOR:

Please see attached.

AND THAT A PROPERTY HARDSHIP WILL RESULT FROM THE LITERAL INTERPRETATION AND APPLICATION OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE AS DESCRIBED ABOVE.

BY THE SIGNATURE BELOW, I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE READ THE ATTACHED INSTRUCTION SHEET, ACKNOWLEDGE THE REQUIREMENTS STIPULATED THEREIN, AND THAT THIS APPLICATION TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT IS NOT A RESULT OF SELF-IMPOSED OR ECONOMIC REASONS:

SIGNATURE OF PROPERTY OWNER (Sign and Print or Type Name)

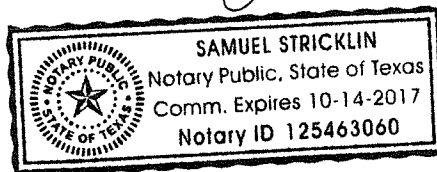
Signature *Thomas M. Collins*

Print or Type Name: Thomas M. Collins  
(letter of authorization required if signature is other than the property owner)

Known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the above and foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the purposes and consideration expressed and in the capacity therein stated.

Given under my hand and seal at office on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of August 20 16

*Samuel Stricklin*



Notary Public

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Total Paid: \_\_\_\_\_ Payment Method: \_\_\_\_\_ Accepted By: \_\_\_\_\_

I have lived in University Park since 1993. I raised my kids in the Highland Park school district and have been an active member of the community. I have a great appreciation for the quality of life in the Park Cities.

When my children were grown and moved away to college I sold my house on Daniel Court and bought a house on Lovers Lane. The house on Lovers (3320) was a 1926 circa duplex and was more or less advertised as a "tear down." I purchased the house but rather than tear it down I decided to restore it as close to original as possible. I have done much of the work myself. I have always been interested in a period accurate fence for the front of the house. However, I know the city code does not allow a short yard fence and so did not try to find one.

Then one day while walking on Villanova and Baltimore on the southeast corner I saw a fence leaning against a house. I knocked on the door and was introduced to Mr. and Mrs. West who are also long-time residents of University Park. As it turns out, the fence is circa early 1900s wrought iron and was originally located at 3301 Amherst which is located on the same block as my house. It belonged to their aunt who taught several years at SMU. When she sold the house, Mr. West decided to salvage the fence and would love to see it back in front of a period accurate house, like mine, or in this case, mine.

I am requesting an exception so that I may install a period accurate fence in front of my mostly period restored house on 3320 Lovers Lane. I will have the fence sand blasted and powder coated so it will look as it day it was made. It is only 3 feet high and it creates no visual impairment nor does it serve as a security fence.

I would be willing to participate in the tour of homes and give it a historical designation. I have no intention of ever selling this house and would commit to keeping it period accurate and attractive.

Thank you.

Tom Collins