TOWNOFTOTTHOM Please send this form with Plot Plan and List of Abutters to the Town of Durham, 15, Newmarket Rd., Durham, NH 03824, Attn: Zoning Board of Adjustment (1997) DEC 21 2012 Toulug & Cod Servorcewent **Appeal for Applicant** State of New Hampshire To: Zoning Board of Adjustment, Town of Durham NH 03824 Name of Applicant: HARRIET FORKEY & DERE LUNDHOLM \$235 Address: 104 PiscATAQUA RD Phone # 868-2283 861 Email: LUNDY-NH@ COMCAST. NET Owner of Property Concerned: Same Same "Same" Address: SAME (If same as above, write "Same") Location of Property: 104 PiscataQua RD (Street & Number, Subdivision and Lot number) Description of Property (Give Tax Map number, length of frontage, side and rear lines and other pertinent descriptive information) Tax Map 11, Lot 33-0 FRONTAGE 296 FEET, RIVER 380 FEET, WEST SIDE 332 FEET SINGLE FAMILY HOUSE ON 1.42 ACRES (SEE PAGE 2) Fill in Section 1, 2, 3 or 4 below as appropriate. Do not fill in more than one section. This application is not acceptable unless all required statements have been made. Additional information may be supplied on separate sheets if the space provided is inadequate. SECTION 1: APPEAL FROM AN ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION Appeal must be filed no later than 30 days from the date of the original decision. Relating to the interpretation and enforcement of the provision of the Zoning Ordinance. Decision of the enforcement officer to be reviewed: Number Date Article Section of the Zoning Ordinance in question.

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Map 11

PROPERTY MAP

DURHAM NEW HAMPSHIRE

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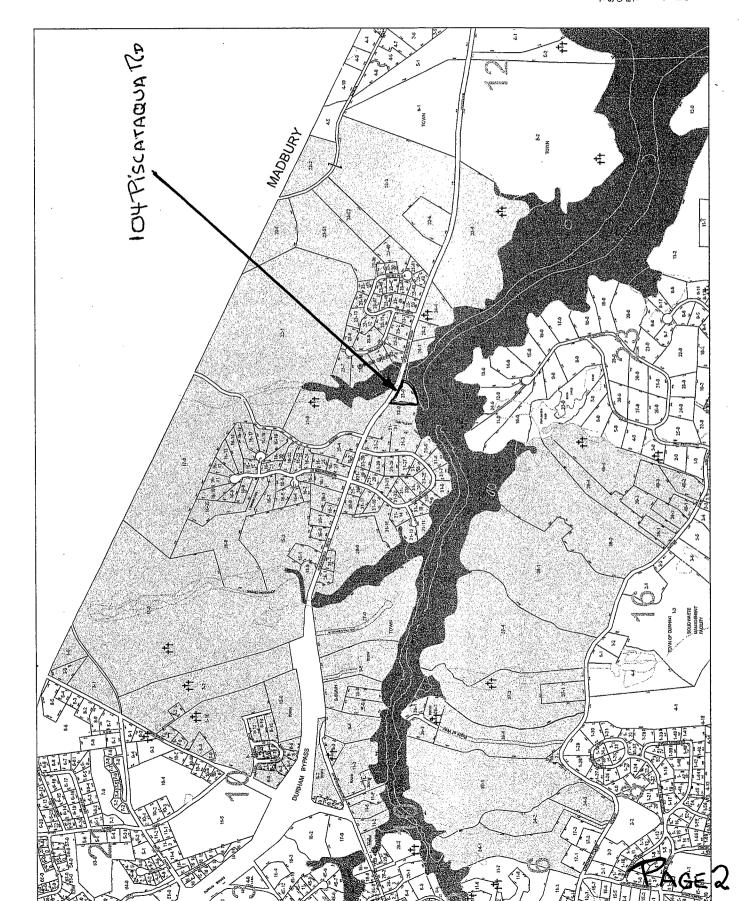
Adjacent Map Sheets

Cemetery

1 inch = 995 feet

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SECTION 2: APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION

Description of proposed use showing justification for a Special Exception as specified in the Zoning Ordinance ArticleSection
SECTION 3: APPLICATION FOR EQUITABLE WAIVER
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The undersigned hereby requests an Equitable Waiver of Dimensional Requirements as provided in RSA 674:33-A of the New Hampshire Planning and Land Use Regulations.
Please give a brief description of the situation:
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SECTION 4: APPLICATION FOR A VARIANCE
STANDADD OF DEVIEW. The New Hampshire I originature has declared that
STANDARD OF REVIEW: The New Hampshire Legislature has declared that each of the following conditions must be found in order for a variance to be legally
granted. Prior to seeking a variance, the property owner must have been DENIED a building permit by the Building Inspector or approval by the Planning Board.
 No decrease in value of surrounding properties would be suffered; Granting the variance would not be contrary to the public interest;
 Granting the variance would not be contrary to the public interest; Denial of the variance would result in unnecessary hardship to the owner seeking
it;4. By granting the variance substantial justice would be done;
5. The use must not be contrary to the spirit and intent of the ordinance.
A Variance is requested from Article Section of the Zonin Ordinance to permit
Ordinance to permit (SEE PAGE 4)
(SEE PAGE 4)

Appeal for Applicant Section 4: Application for a Variance Variance request

1) A Variance is requested from Article XIV Section 175-74A of the Zoning Ordinance and the shoreland setback to permit the demolition of an existing garage and the rebuilding with a 200 square foot larger footprint and with master bedroom above.

Reference Attachments A-1 (plot plan), A-3 to 5 (photos of house), and A-6 to 8 (conceptual drawings)

2) A Variance is requested from Article XII Section 175-54 and Article XIV Section 175-74B of the Zoning Ordinance and the property line and shoreland setbacks, respectively, to permit the replacement of an existing septic system, if and when it fails.

Reference Attachments A-1 (plot plan) and A-2 (septic tank)

Fac	ts supporting this request: (SEE PAGES 7,8 AND 9)
	1. No decrease in value of surrounding properties would be suffered because:
•	2. Granting the variance would not be contrary to the public interest because:
vari dim	rent law requires the existence of unnecessary hardship for the granting of any ance, whether that is for a use not allowed in a particular zone or a deviation from a tensional requirement.
	3(A). Owing to special conditions of the property that distinguish it from other properties in the area, denial of the variance would result in unnecessary hardship
	because: a. no fair and substantial relationship exists between the general public purpose of the ordinance provision and the specific application of that provision to the property because:
and	
	b. the proposed use is a reasonable one because:
Or	
	3(B). Owing to special conditions of the property that distinguishes it from other properties in the area, the property cannot be reasonably used in strict conformance with the ordinance, and a variance is therefore necessary to enable a reasonable use of it.

4.	By granting the variance substantial justice would be done because:		
5.	The use will not be contrary to the spirit and intent of the ordinance because:		

Appeal for Applicant Section 4: Application for a Variance Facts supporting request

1) Construction of Master Bedroom over Garage

1. No decrease in the value of surrounding property would be suffered:

The construction would have no impact on our abutters, all of whom cannot see our house because of an earth berm, stone wall and landscaping, except for abutters at great distance away on the opposite side of Oyster River. The only abutter on our property line is Peter and Margie Smith, with whom we share an artesian well and standby power by mutual easements. The construction would not conflict with the required property line setback. The Smiths did an expansion about 17 years ago similar to but larger than the one we are proposing. They support our proposal.

Construction would preserve the Cape architecture of our home and not impact negatively on the character of the neighborhood or value of surrounding properties.

2. Granting the variance would not be contrary to the public interest:

The construction would impose no further burden on public services. It would also enhance the beauty and the tax value of the house.

3. Denial of a variance would result in unnecessary hardship:

Our Cape has three bedrooms on the second floor (one medium size and two small), two tiny bathrooms and very little closet space. We currently have to store off-season clothing in an attic above the garage with access through a 2x3 foot opening, which is restricted by the garage roofline. The new master bedroom over the garage with a large bathroom and walk-in closet will facilitate easier access in and around the bed, bathroom and closet.

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Appeal for Applicant Section 4: Application for a Variance Facts supporting this request

1) Construction of Master Bedroom over Garage (continued)

The smallest existing bedroom has been used as an office for the last 30 years. It has an area of about 70 square feet with a built-in bunk and shared closet with an adjacent bedroom. It would be eliminated, and converted to an entry area for the new master bedroom.

We are in our eighties and would like to live out our lives in our home. That goal would be inhibited without a larger and more easily accessible bedroom, bath and closet. The existing space is inadequate to allow the use of a walker or wheelchair. The new master bedroom and bath would be designed to accommodate that potential need. The expanded space would also make the second floor of our Cape more convenient for family visits, which are now restrained because of the limited space.

3. By granting the variance substantial justice would be done:

The new construction would hopefully allow us to remain for our lifetime in our home, a home that has been in our family since it was built in 1937.

4. The use will not be contrary to the spirit and intent of the ordinance:

The construction, although within the shore land protection zone, would not encroach any further on Oyster River than what has existed since it was built, and will still remain about eight feet further back than the setback of the main house. It also will not impact negatively on the environment, wildlife habitat or the scenic Oyster River.

Appeal for Applicant Section 4: Application for a Variance Facts supporting this request

2) Septic System Design

1. No decrease in the value of surrounding property would be suffered:

Every landowner in the area has a well and septic system. Replacements are not uncommon and have not decreased surrounding property values.

2. Granting the variance would not be contrary to the public interest:

The proposed replacement septic system design has a greater setback than the existing system, is an improvement, and is therefore in the public interest.

3. Denial of a variance would result in unnecessary hardship:

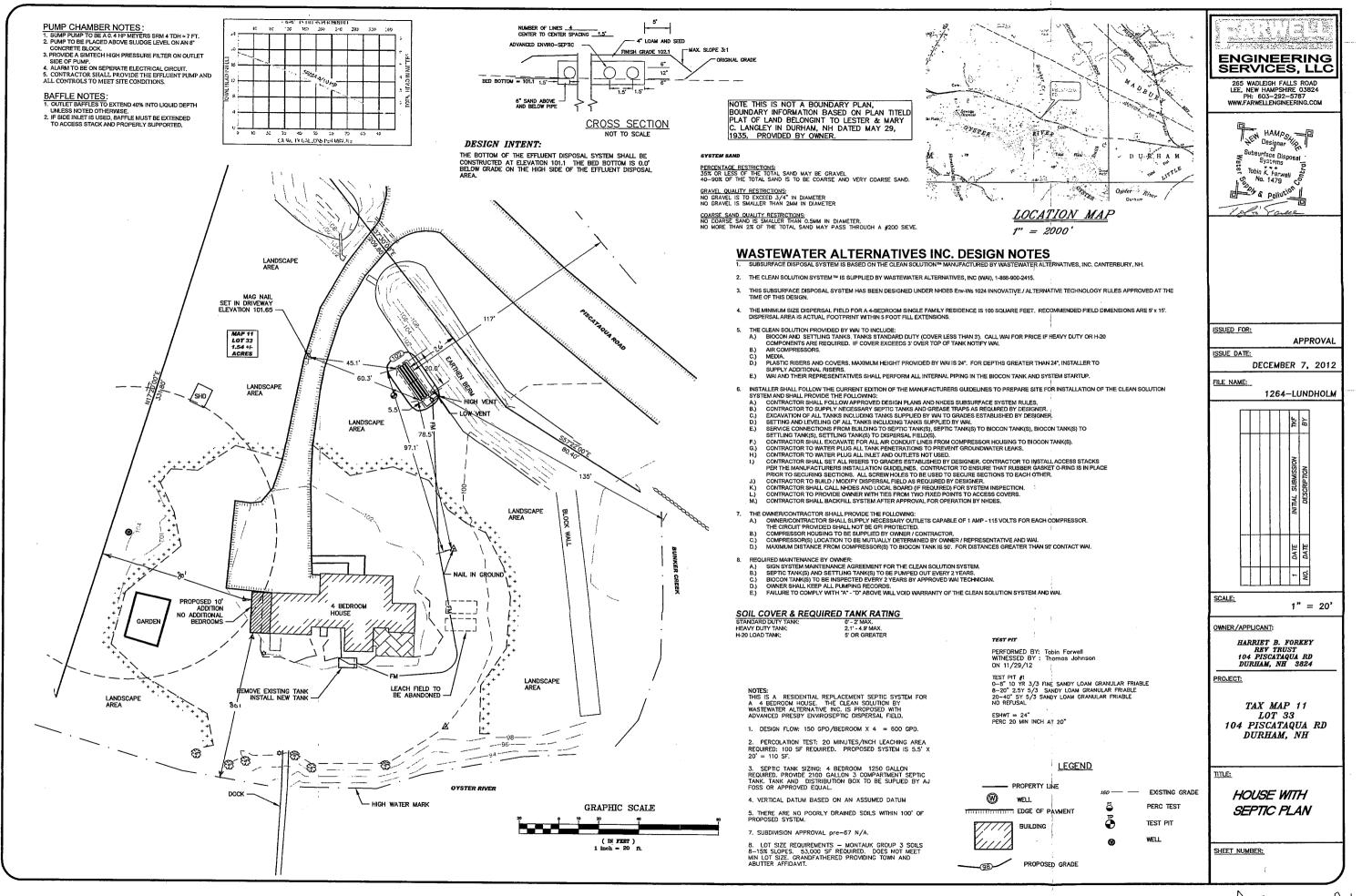
The existing septic system was installed in the 30's with a setback from Oyster River of about 70 feet, the same as the house. The proposed replacement design is in the most feasible location given soil conditions and setback requirements. If the existing system were to fail, and a variance were not granted, disposing of waste water on the property would not be possible.

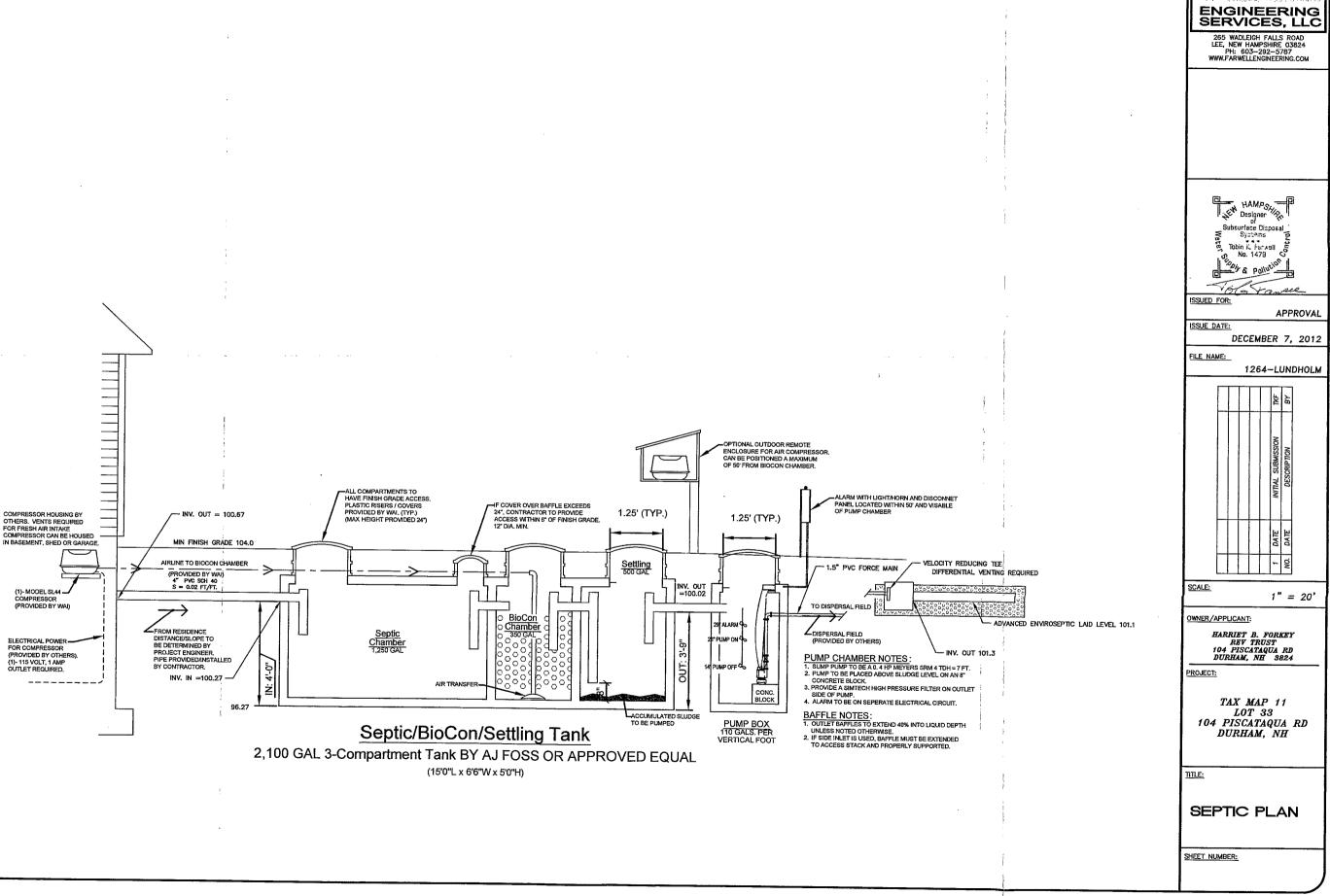
4. By granting the variance substantial justice would be done:

It allows replacement of the existing system if and when it fails.

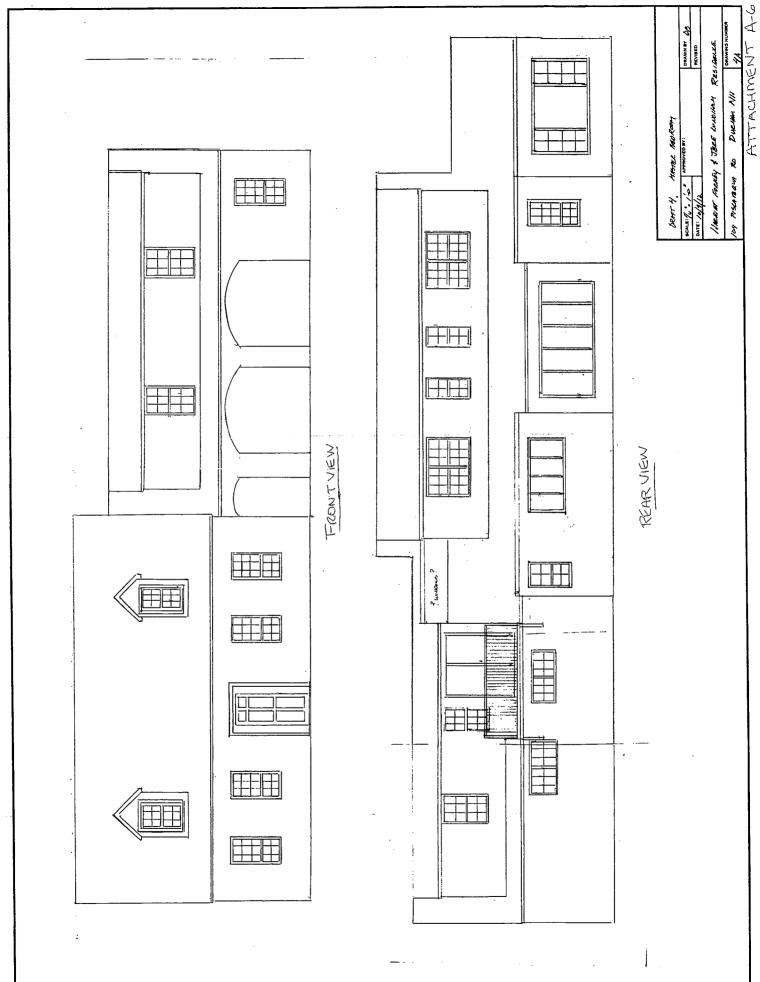
5. The use will not be contrary to the spirit and intent of the ordinance:

The proposed septic system is an improvement over the existing system, has a greater setback, and is therefore not contrary to the spirit and intent of the ordinance. It uses state of the art technology with much cleaner effluent from the septic tank than conventional systems. The effluent disposal field is in an optimal location given soil conditions, the contour of the land, and existing vegetation. The relatively tight soil on the property, and especially the very compacted earth of the highway to the north, prevents any leakage of the effluent into tidal waters.

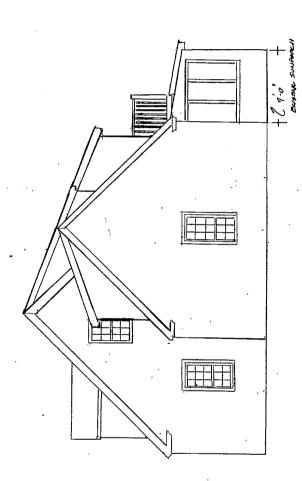




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SIDE VIEW

