

We are respectfully requesting zoning approval to expand the garage at our residence located at 807 S. Emerald Drive, McHenry, IL 60051. Our current garage measures approximately 20 feet in width and 17 feet 6 inches in depth. This size does not provide sufficient space to accommodate both of our vehicles. Due to the limited parking available on our property, an expanded garage would greatly improve the functionality and safety of our home for our family. The proposed garage will extend the depth of the garage by 5 feet. After the garage addition, the street-side setback would be 19'4". This is less than the current 30' street side setback requirement, but it will equal many of the current homes on South Emerald Drive.

In addition to extending the existing garage, we will also add a garage bay on the north side of our home. This addition would increase our vehicle capacity and provide much-needed storage space. Storage within the home is significantly limited because of its size and the fact that it is built over a crawl space. This additional bay would also be 19' 4" off the street-side lot line.

Approval of the requested variances for the street-side garage additions would greatly enhance the practical use of our home and better support the needs of our family. We sincerely appreciate your consideration of this request.