

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD
MONTGOMERY COUNTY
1510 PAPER MILL ROAD
WYNDMOOR, PA 19038

NO. _____

DATE: _____

PETITION

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP ZONING HEARING BOARD

We _____
(Name of Applicant)

Of (Address) _____

(Telephone No.) _____

do hereby make application before the Springfield Township Zoning Hearing Board to request:

_____ An **appeal** from the decision of the Zoning/Building Official.

_____ A **special exception** as provided for in Article _____, Section _____,
Subsection _____, of the Springfield Township Zoning Code.

_____ A **variance** from the requirements set forth in Article _____, Section _____,
Subsection _____, of the Springfield Township Zoning Code.

_____ Other (please specify) _____

The property concerned is located at _____

Petitioner's Interest in the property is _____

Present use of property _____

Explanation of Petition: Variance and Special Exception Requests must meet the statutory guidelines Outlined in Section 114-165 of the Township Zoning Code. The following explanation should indicate Compliance with those guidelines.

APPLICANT NOTE: Petition must be accompanied by eight (8) sets of scaled drawings or plans, Application Fee and a copy of the property deed.

Applicant's Signature

Owner's Signature

Do not write in this space.

Petition granted.

Petition refused.

The following special conditions are imposed.

By Order of the Zoning Hearing Board

**TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
ZONING INFORMATION AND FEE SCHEDULE**

**NOTICE TO APPLICANTS WHO WISH TO APPEAR BEFORE
THE ZONING HEARING BOARD OF SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP**

Application Procedures

Applicants must complete the standard Petition form **TYPED** and signed in **TRIPLICATE** and file same with the Zoning Officer by the **last day** of the month preceding the public hearing date. The Zoning Board Hearings are normally held on the **fourth Monday** of each month with the exception of a chosen

summer month.

Applications **must** be accompanied by eight (**8**) copies of **scaled** drawings including sketches, or drawings indicating lot lines, building dimensions, yard distances, and any other illustrative data relating to the Petition. Pertinent photographs and letters from immediate neighbors are also helpful for the record but need not be filed unless required by the Zoning Hearing Board.

A copy of the property deed must accompany all applications. **No applications will be accepted without the deed.**

An explanation of the Petition must be provided with specific details on the nature of the Petition, relief being requested, pertinent code sections, lot and setback criteria, etc.

In order for the Zoning Board to grant a special exception and/or variance request, the statutory guidelines outlined in Section 114-165 of the Township Zoning Code must be met. The explanation of the petition should indicate compliance with those guidelines. It is the applicant's responsibility to provide all necessary information pertaining to the petition.

It is required that the Applicant, or in the case of an organization to have one of its corporate officers, be present to testify at the hearing. Applicants have the right to be represented by an attorney.

Petitions are listed on the Zoning Hearing Board Agenda in the date order in which they are received.

In accordance with the **Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, Act 247, Section 908**, it will be necessary for Springfield Township to post notice of this Hearing. Such posting is to be conspicuously displayed on the affected tract of land or building.

Filing Fees and Costs

Each applicant must pay the requisite application fee when filing a Petition to the Zoning Hearing Board:

1. A filing fee of **\$500.00** shall be required with respect to any Petition dealing exclusively with single or two-family residential property and the residential use, including accessory use thereof. Such a Petition may involve an appeal from a decision of the Zoning Officer, an application for a Special Exception, and/or a Variance or any other appeal the Board is empowered to hear.
2. A filing fee of **\$1,200.00** shall be required with respect to any petition to the Zoning Hearing Board for any matter dealing with non-residential property or the non-residential use thereof, and/or multi-family use.
3. A continuance fee equal to 50% of the application fee will be charged for each continuance that is requested by the applicant.

Filing fees are applied to clerical, advertising, mailing, administrative, legal and stenographic costs associated with the Hearing and are not refundable to Applicant. The filing fee has been established to pay the costs associated with one hearing. In those instances where hearings are continued and the original filing fee and/or continuance fee does not cover the additional costs incurred by the Township, the costs will be assessed upon the Applicant.

Should a written record, including a stenographic transcript, of the proceedings before the Zoning Hearing Board, be appropriate or required, the Applicant or the Appellant, as the case may be, will be billed and required to pay for the costs of preparing such a written record. In such a case there shall not be any credit granted to anyone as a result of the filing fee initially paid.

The Zoning Hearing Board may deem it appropriate to have a stenographic transcript of the proceedings in any matter before it in order that a decision and opinion may be made. In such a case the cost thereof shall be borne initially by the Applicant and thereafter by the Appellant, upon appeal as a part of the cost of the entire written record of the proceedings.

I have read the Application Procedure and the Schedule of Filing Fees and Costs and agree to be bound by the provisions thereof.

Printed Name of Applicant

Applicant's Signature and Date