## Ann Machado - 75 Westminster Ave Garage 201500867

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To Ann Machado

We have an existing 14 x 24 foot garage that is falling in and needs replacement.

We would like to replace it with a 18 x 24 foot similar structure on the same spot as the existing garage with the expanded square footage built toward the bulk of our yard (as depicted in the initial plot plan submitted). One possible issue with this plan is that a portion of the expanded square footage is outside of the buildable zone of our property. If we were to move the garage forward in the lot so that the expanded square footage is within the buildable zone, the building becomes too close to our neighbors house. The existing garage was built with the original house in, I believe, the 1940's. Its narrow size has become too small for the use as a modern single car garage as well as storage for modern amenities (i.e. lawn mower, snow blower, bycycles, etc.)

We would like you to consider, pursuant to the City of Portland Building/Zoning Code 14-433, allowing us to rebuild our garage as depicted in the initial permit application. This would maintain the current set backs from the nearest neighbors property (15 feet from the back property line and 3 feet from the northerly line), allow us a more usable garage, and increased property value.

I truly appreciate your consideration of this matter.

If you have any questions or requests please let me know; email, text, or call at any time.

Thank you.

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