

CITY OF GRAND MARAIS, MINNESOTA  
CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2017-30

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND MARAIS,  
MINNESOTA APPROVING THE REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE FOR ISD 166 TO  
CONSTRUCT A BUS GARAGE WITHIN THE REQUIRED SETBACK

WHEREAS, the applicant, ISD 166, seeks a variance lot line setbacks to construct a bus garage at their property, zoned SC Community Services; and,

WHEREAS, the bus garage will be 5' from the east lot line, short of the required 20'; and,

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on June 7, 2017, and received public testimony regarding the proposed Variance; and

WHEREAS, all required notices regarding the public hearing were properly made; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has reviewed the request and recommended approval of the Variance: and

WHEREAS, the City Council reviewed the requested Variance and Planning Commission recommendation at its meeting of June 14, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND MARAIS, MINNESOTA, that it adopts the following findings of fact related to the requested Variance:

Criteria #1     **The variance is in harmony with the purpose and intent of the ordinance.**

Finding #1     The existing bus garage is substantially in this location.

Criteria #2     **The variance is consistent with the comprehensive plan.**

Finding #2     The SC zone is designated for public uses such as the bus garage.

Criteria #3     **The proposal seeks to use the property in a reasonable manner not permitted by the zoning ordinance.**

Finding #3     Moving the bus garage entirely on to school property is an improvement over the existing setback and right of way encroachment.

Criteria #4     **The plight of the landowner is due to circumstances unique to the property not created by the landowner**

Finding #4     There are topographic drainage constraints that prevent the bus garage from moving further west to comply with the setback requirements

Criteria #5     **The variance, if granted, will not alter the essential character of the locality.**

Finding #5     The existing bus garage is substantially in this location

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Variance to allow ISD 166 to construct a bus garage 5’ from the east lot line is hereby approved.

Passed by the City Council of the City of Grand Marais, Minnesota this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017.

(SEAL)

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Mayor Jay Arrowsmith DeCoux

ATTEST:

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Michael J. Roth  
City Administrator

Exhibit A

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: