# **CITY OF PROVIDENCE** ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW

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# APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE OR SPECIAL USE PERMIT

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Check Each Type Zoning Relief Sought: ↓ Variance – Use* ↓ Variance – Dimensional* ↓ Special Use Permit** * At	JUN 02 20 tach APPENDIX A to apply for a Use or Dimensional Variance ** <u>Attach APPENDIX B to apply for a Special Use Permit</u>
	licable, please indicate this by using N/A in that field.
Applicant: Deborah A Waldman	Applicant Mailing Address
Email: debbiew@walcokip.com	Street: 11 Winfield Court
Phone: 401 640 7181	City, State, Zip: Providence, RI, 02906
owner: see applicant above	Owner Mailing Address
Email:	Street:
Phone:	City, State, Zip:
Lessee: n/a	Lessee Mailing Address
Email:	Street:
Phone:	City, State, Zip:
Attorney: n/a	Attorney Mailing Address
Email:	Street:
Phone:	City, State, Zip:
Does the proposal require review by any of th Downtown Design Review Com I-195 Redevelopment District C Capital Center Commission Historic District Commission	imittee Commission
1. Street Address of Subject Property:	Winfield Court
Plat and Lot Numbers of Subject Property:	92 // 246

2.	<b>Base Zoning Distri</b>	ct(s): <u>R1-A</u>			
	Overlay District(s)				
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3a.	Date owner purch	ased the Property: <u>6-</u> 2	23-2006		
3b.	Month/year of les	see's occupancy: <u>n/a</u>			
4.	Dimensions of eac		201	0500	
	Lot # <u>246</u>		Depth <u>82'</u>	Total area <u>8538</u>	
	Lot #	Width	Depth	Total area	
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5a.	Size of existing stru	icture(s) located on the	e Property:		
	Principal Structure: <u>Accessory Structure</u> :				
		2833	Area of Footprint n/a		
	Overall Height <u>+/- 1</u>		Overall Height <u>n/a</u>		
			# of Stories <u>n/a</u>		
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5b.	Size of proposed st	tructure(s) located on	the Property:		
	Principal Structure:		Accessory Structure:		
	Area of Footprint _	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Area of Footprint 192		
	Overall Height		Overall Height <u>+/- 28"</u>		
	# of Stories		# of Stories <u>n/a</u>		
6a.	Existing Lot Covera	ee:			
		area of all roofed struc	tures) _2833		
			Il roofed structures and i	mpervious surfaces)	3513
Rear Yard Impervious Coverage (area of structures and impervious surface in rear yard) <u>98</u> Front Yard Impervious Coverage (area of structures and impervious surface in front yard)					
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	Proposed Lot Cover	rage: area of all roofed struc	turac) 2833		
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7a.	Present Zoning Use	of the Property: <u>resid</u>	ential single family		
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7b.	egal Zoning Use of the Property as recorded in the Dept. of Inspection & Standards: residential single family				
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8.	Proposed Zoning U	se of the Property: <u>res</u>	idential single family		
	Number of Parking				
	# of existing spaces	4	# of proposed spaces 4	L	
10	Aro thoro autotoral	ing violations concorri	ng the Drenarty under a	w of the following:	
	NO Zoning Ordina	-	ng the Property under ar e Building or Property Ma		
		ince <u>ive</u> ki stat	e building of Property Ma	antenance Coue(s)	

11a. List all Zoning Ordinance Sections from which a variance is sought:

Section Number	Section Title + Quantity of relief, if applicable (eg. 4' setback where 6' required)			
1303	(deck 24'-6" into rear yard vs 8' allowed)	PERMitten	ENCROACHMENTS	
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11b. Identify the section(s) of the Zoning Ordinance that provide for the special use permit, and list all section(s) which provide Use Standards for the proposed Special Use(s):

Section Number	Section Title
N/A	N/A

12. Summarize any changes proposed for the Property (use, construction/renovation, site alteration): proposed change is to add a deck off rear of structure per site plan

The undersigned acknowledge(s) and agree(s) that members of the Zoning Board of Review and its staff may enter upon the exterior of the Property in order to view the Property prior to any hearing on the application.

The undersigned further acknowledge(s) that the statements herein and in any attachments or appendices are true and accurate, and that providing a false statement in this application may be subject to criminal and/or civil penalties as provided by law, including prosecution under the State and Municipal False Claims Acts. Owner(s)/Applicant(s) are jointly responsible with their attorneys for any false statements. As indicated on the instructions page, this application may not be signed by an attorney on behalf of their client(s).

Owner(s):	Applicant(s):
Туре Name	Type Name
Deborah A Waldman	Deborah A Waldman
Signature Debore hau aluma	Signature Labore/au lour
Type Name	Type Name
Signature	Signature
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# **APPENDIX A**

### **APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE(S)**

Rhode Island General Laws § 45-24-41(d) and (e) require that the Applicant for a variance demonstrate:

- That the hardship from which the applicant seeks relief is due to the unique characteristics of the subject land or structure and not to the general characteristics of the surrounding area; and is not due to a physical or economic disability of the applicant, excepting those physical disabilities addressed in § 45-24-30(a)(16);
- 2. That the hardship is not the result of any prior action of the applicant;
- 3. That the granting of the requested variance will not alter the general character of the surrounding area or impair the intent or purpose of the zoning ordinance or the comprehensive plan upon which the ordinance is based; and
- 4. (a) For a **use variance**: That the land or structure cannot yield any beneficial use if it is required to conform to the provisions of the zoning ordinance;
  - (b) For a dimensional variance: That the hardship suffered by the owner of the subject property if the dimensional variance is not granted amounts to more than a mere inconvenience, meaning that the relief sought is minimal to a reasonable enjoyment of the permitted use to which the property is proposed to be devoted.

### Please provide the following information:

- 1. What is the specific hardship from which the applicant seeks relief? impossible to put a deck off rear of structure without a variance
- 2. Specify all unique characteristics of the land or structure that cause the hardship:

extremely small rear yard with an extremely large rear setback, typical of many of the neighboring houses on the street.

3.	(a)	Is the hardship caused by an economic disability?
	(b)	Is the hardship caused by a physical disability?

Yes	No <u>×</u>
Yes	No <u>X</u>

(c) If the response to subsection (b) is "yes," is the physical disability covered by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), 42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq.? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

4. Did the owner/applicant take any prior action with respect to the Property that resulted in the need for the variance requested? (Examples include, but are not limited to, any changes the owner/applicant made to the structure(s), lot lines, or land, or changes in use of the Property)? Yes X No X

If "yes," describe any and all such prior action(s) and state the month/year taken: see attachment A

5. If you are seeking a USE VARIANCE, set forth all facts that demonstrate that the Property cannot have any beneficial use if you are required to use it in a manner allowed in the zoning district:

6. If you are seeking a DIMENSIONAL VARIANCE, set forth all facts that indicate that if the variance is not granted, the hardship the owner/applicant will suffer is more than a mere inconvenience: see attachment A

IF MORE ROOM IS NEEDED TO ANSWER ANY OF THE ABOVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE SUBMIT AN ADDENDUM TO THIS APPENDIX WITH COMPLETE RESPONSES.

# Attachment A

## Item (4)

The owners did have a raised concrete patio off the existing dining room door that they removed in 2008 or 2009, (a few years after they moved in) because it was in disrepair and dangerous. Had they realized then that zoning requires new items to be built to compliance if destroyed by owner, they would have requested a variance to install a new deck in its location back when they removed it. So either way, a variance was going to be needed, then or now.

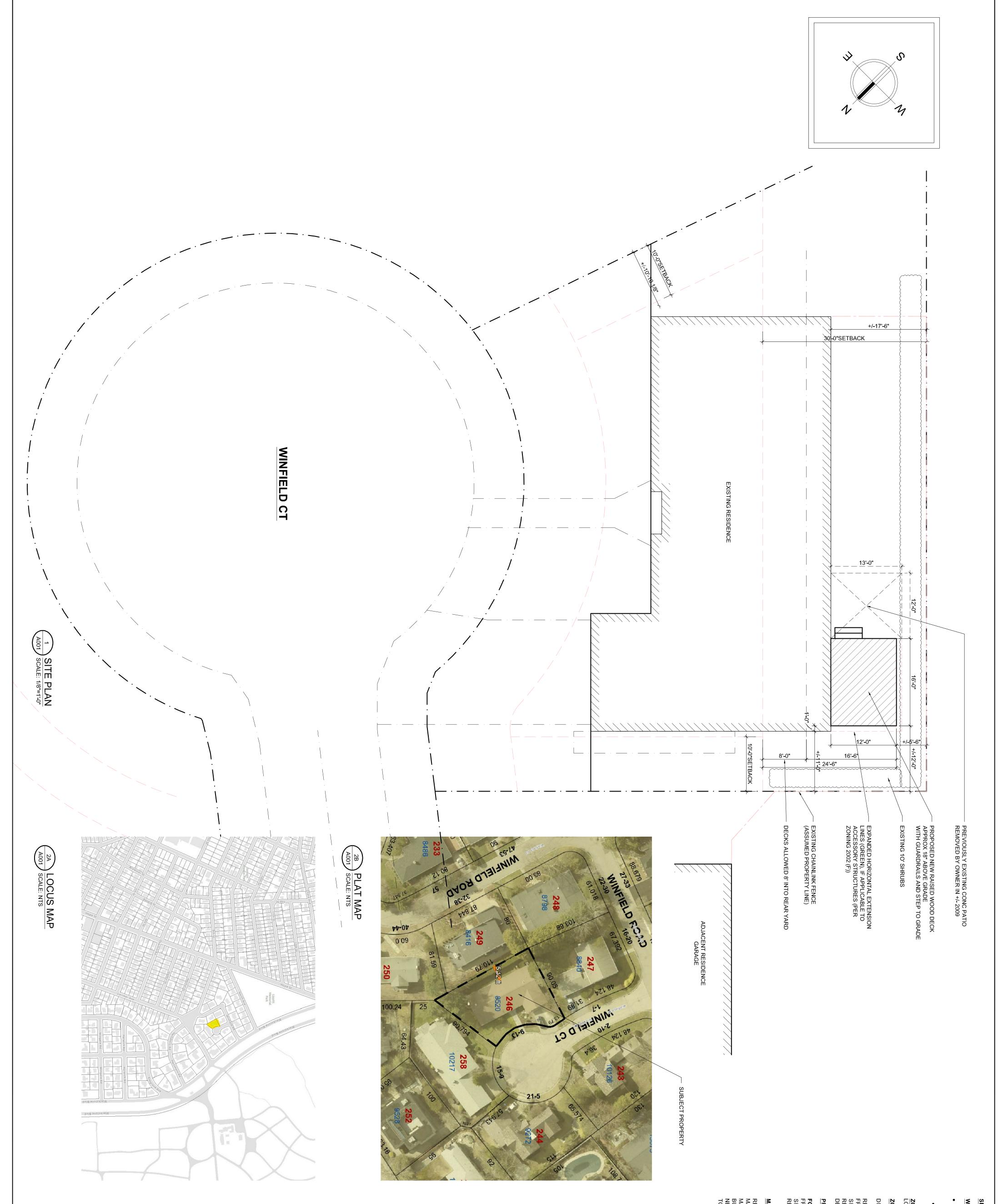
# Item (6)

The owners enjoyed the direct access to the rear yard when the "dangerous" patio was in place but now wish to re-establish that convenience. They do wish to age-in-place at this residence, and the current access to the rear yard, (down a hall, out a side door, up a brick walkway, and finally through a gate) it getting more and more difficult and annoying as time passes.

We do not believe this request, if approved, will alter the characteristics of the surrounding neighborhood in any way.

It can barely be seen from the street and there are 12' high shrubs along the rear lot line. There was a raised patio there previously so if anything, a deck is bringing back an altered aspect of the neighborhood. Also, the requested deck is less close to the rear property line than the concrete patio preceded it.

It is not excessively sized so as to be out-of-place... simply enough for some seating and a grill.



# SITE NOTES

WINDZONE: SEE TITLE BLOCK

- DIMENSIONS SHOWN ARE APPROXIMATE BASED ON FIELD MEASUREMENTS AND AVAILABLE PLAT INFORMATION. DIMENSIONS ARE NOT BASED ON A PROPERTY SURVEY BY A REGISTERED LAND SURVEYOR.
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ZONING SUMMARY LOT ID: SEE TITLE BLOCK

# ZONING REGULATIONS

DISTRICT/ZONE R-1A

REQUIRED SETBACKS/REGULATIONS FRONT (FT) AVG SIDE (FT) 10' REAR (FT) 30' DECKS MAX 8' INTO REAR YARD/ 4' FROM PROP

# PROPOSED ADDITION CALCULATIONS

FOR NEW DECK: FRONT (FT) SIDE (FT) REAR (FT) V/A +/-4' FROM PROP OVER 8' INTO REAR YARD

REAR YARD SF 3522 MAX COVER 50% = 1761 MAX COVER PROPOSED BUILDING 990 NEW DECK 170 TOTAL 1160 MAXIMUM REAR YARD COVERAGE:

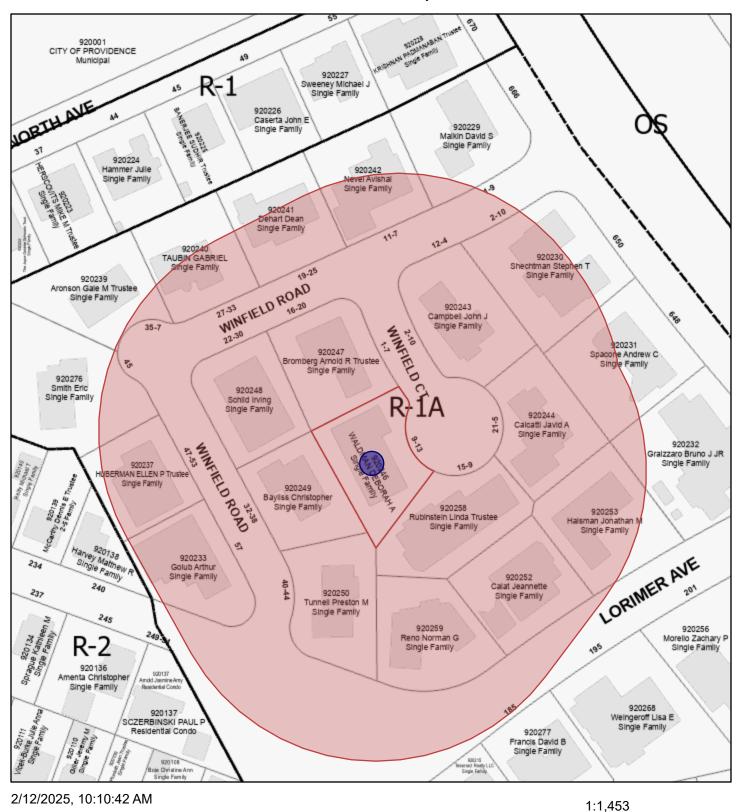
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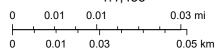
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TITLE SITE PLAN

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# **Radius Map**





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# VIEW TOWARD PROPOSED DECK (REAR YARD)



# VIEW TO PROPOSED DECK FROM SIDE



# VIEW FRONT OF PROPERTY



VIEW TO PROPOSED DECK FROM STREET

