

Dear Mayor and Council

May 24 2017

Please accept our application for rezoning on our property at 229 Government St to allow us to build a "Carriage House"

We started our planning in October of 2016 to build a garage to accommodate covered parking including a small work shop with over head storage. This could be built with a simple application for a building permit.

Our friends and some of our neighbors suggested we should put a small suite above our garage. We took this idea to a designer and over the next few months came up with several ideas on how to best accommodate this concept.

Our goal is to build a structure that complements our existing home, makes use of some of our land on our 9200 Sq.Ft. R2 zoned lot, and to provide a long term 1 bedroom rental unit of approximately 532 sq.ft.as shown in our application drawings.

We live on the ground floor of our existing up and down legal duplex with long term tenants upstairs, a young family and their new child.

Our proposal will not reduce any of our garden space where we currently grow enough vegetables to provide ourselves, our tenant, and a nearby relative with a variety of produce including garlic, onions, green beans, herbs, potatoes, spinach, arugula, cucumbers, tomatoes and more.

We feel this application has merit based on better land use; it will create a long term rental suite which on size alone will put it in the lower rental price range. We also feel this application will set a good example of what can be done tastefully, to provide a variety of housing options for our city and our neighborhood.

We appreciate Mayor and Council's input and guidance on this matter.

Sincerely

Chuck and Jacquie Meagher

