# 2709 Schooner

### Zoning Board of Adjustment — December 9, 2024

CASE NUMBER: PZBA24-00085

CASE MANAGER: Blanca Perez, (915) 212-1561, PerezBM@elpasotexas.gov

PROPERTY OWNER:Luz Elena Gardea TerrazasREPRESENTATIVE:Luz Elena Gardea TerrazasLOCATION:2709 Schooner (District 6)

**ZONING:** R-3 (Residential)

**REQUEST:** Special Exception C (Rear Yard Setback, Single-Family Residence)

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None received as of December 4, 2024

**SUMMARY OF REQUEST:** Applicant requests a Special Exception under Section 2.16.050 C (Rear Yard Setback, Single-Family Residence) to permit a proposed home addition in an R-3 (Residential) zone district.

**SUMMARY OF STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends **APPROVAL** of the special exception request as the requested area of encroachment is less than the maximum permitted.

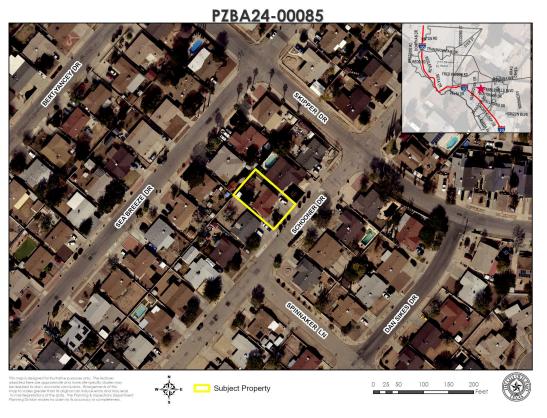


Figure A. Aerial of Subject Property & Immediate Surroundings

**DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST:** The applicant is requesting a special exception to permit the construction of a proposed home addition, 13.2 feet of which would extend into the rear yard setback for a 198 square foot area of total encroachment.

**BACKGROUND:** The minimum rear setback is 20 feet in the R-3 (Residential) zone district. The required rear setback for the subject property is 23.2 feet to meet the cumulative front and rear setback of 50 feet in the R-3 (Residential) zone district.

SETBACKS	REQUIRED SETBACK	REQUESTED SETBACK
Front	26.8 feet	No Change
Rear	23.2 feet	10 feet
Cumulative Front & Rear	50 feet	36.8 feet
Side (Left)	5 feet	No Change
Side (Right)	5 feet	No Change

#### **CALCULATIONS:**

	TOTAL	CALCULATION
Maximum Permitted Area of Encroachment	301.6 square	21.6' (65' average lot width ÷ 3) X
	feet	13.92' (3/5 of 23.2' required rear yard setback)
Requested Area of Encroachment	198 square feet	

CC	COMPLIANCE WITH SPECIAL EXCEPTION 2.16.050.C CRITERIA			
The	The Zoning Board of Adjustment is empowered under Section 2.16.050.C to:			
	Permit an extension of a single-family residential structure into the required rear yard setback, which shall be measured to the rear property line, provided the following criteria is met:			
Crit	teria	Does the Request Comply?		
1.	The residence has been in existence with a valid certificate of occupancy for one continuous year;	Yes. The residence has a valid certificate of occupancy for one continuous year.		
2.	The maximum square footage allowed shall not	Yes. The maximum permitted area of encroachment is		
	exceed the result of multiplying one-third of the	301.6 square feet, which is more than the requested		
	average width of the lot by three-fifths of the	area of encroachment of 198 square feet.		
	required rear yard setback;			
3.	A minimum ten-foot rear yard setback shall be	Yes. The subject property will have a 10-foot rear yard		
	required;	setback.		
4.	The minimum side and side street yard setbacks	Yes. The minimum side yard setbacks are not reduced.		
	shall not be reduced;			
5.	Unless otherwise provided in this section, all	Yes. With the exception of any existing structures,		
	remaining areas of the required rear yard shall be	remaining areas shall be permanent open space		
	permanent open space.			

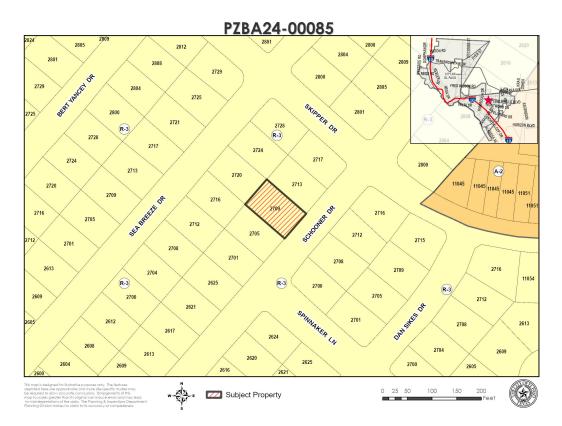
**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Public notice was sent on November, 26, 2024 to all property owners within 300 feet of subject property. The Planning Division has not received any communications in support or opposition to the special exception request.

#### **ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT OPTIONS:**

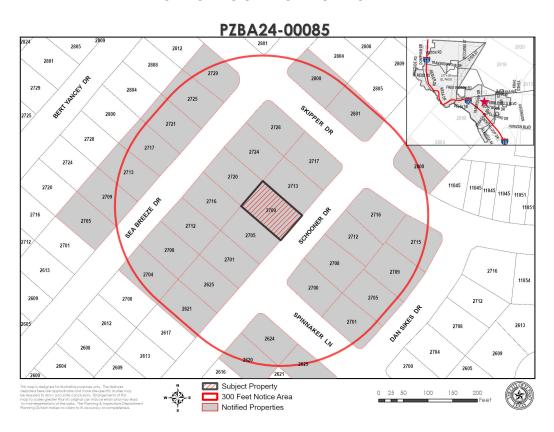
The purpose of the Zoning Ordinance is to promote the health, safety, morals and general welfare of the City. The Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) has the authority to grant a special exception to the zoning code only as provided in El Paso City Code Titles 2 and 20. In evaluating the request, the ZBA may take any of the following actions:

- 1. **Approval** of the special exception request, finding that the request is in harmony with the spirit and purposes of Titles 2 and 20, including the preservation of the essential character of the district in which the property is located, that the public convenience and welfare will be substantially served, and that the use of neighboring property will not be substantially injured. (Staff Recommendation)
- 2. **Approval with Modifications** of the special exception request to bring the request into conformance as provided in El Paso City Code Titles 2 and 20 as the board deems appropriate.
- 3. **Denial** of the special exception request, finding that the request does not conform to the review criteria as provided in El Paso City Code Titles 2 and 20.

### **ZONING MAP**



## **NEIGHBORHOOD NOTIFICATION MAP**



### SITE PLAN

