

PLANNING & INSPECTIONS DEPARTMENT CITY REVIEW COMMITTEE STAFF REPORT

Case No: PLRG25-00008
CRC Hearing Date: October 29, 2025
Case Manager: Jose Beltran, 915-212-1607, BeltranJV@elpasotexas.gov
Location: 1219 Rim Road
Legal Description: A portion of Lots 6 and 7, Block 3, of Supplemental Map of Kern Place Addition, an Addition to the City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas
Acreage: 0.18 acres
Zoning District: R-3/NCO (Residential/Neighborhood Conservancy Overlay)
Existing Use: Single-family residence
Project Description: Installation of solar panels on roof of main home and rear accessory structure
Property Owner: Margaret Servin
Representative: Freedom Forever

Recommended Action:

Recommend **Approval**. The recommendation is based on compliance with the relevant Rim-University Neighborhood Plan Design Standards, as described in the analysis section of this report.

Application Description:

The applicant is proposing the installation of solar panels on the roof of the main home and rear accessory structure. The proposed solar panels will be screened from public view.

Analysis:

The Rim-University Neighborhood Plan includes design standards that are mandatory requirements that must be met by persons who are proposing new construction, reconstruction, or renovation of the exterior of existing buildings. These design standards are considered in the context of surrounding properties, and with an emphasis on promoting visual harmony and maintaining the unique character of the neighborhood.

The following Rim-University Neighborhood Plan Design Standards (Residential Uses) apply:

1. Roofs
 - (a) Mechanical equipment and utility hardware on new construction shall be screened from public view.
The installation of the solar panel modules and accompanying equipment will be screened from view. In addition, the solar panels will sit 10 inches above the roof and be flushed with the roof pitch.
 - (b) The following roof forms may not be used on new construction: Mansard, Gambrel and Dome.
No new construction is proposed. The roof form of the structures will remain unchanged.
2. Paint and Color
 - (a) Metallic and fluorescent colors are not permitted.

Solar panel modules and the accompanying system equipment will be black, dark grey and light grey, maintaining a neutral color finish

Other Considerations: Review and approval by the City Review Committee will be only for the solar panel installation. There is an existing carport located on the northeasterly side of the property. Further review and approval by the City Review Committee will be required for the carport and any additional structures on the subject property.

Attachment 1: Location Map

Attachment 2: Proposed Work

Attachment 3: Proposed Materials

Attachment 4: Subject Property

Attachment 1 - Location Map



Attachment 3 - Proposed Materials

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Attachment 4 - Subject Property

