

**Request to the Portsmouth Zoning Board of Adjustment  
for a One-Year Extension of Variance #LU-20-14**

**January 24, 2022**

Matthew Beal and Heidi Medlyn received approval from the Portsmouth Zoning Board of Adjustment on 24 February 2020 for a Variance from Dimensional Standards at their residence at 242 Leslie Drive in Portsmouth, NH. Matt and Heidi would like to increase the living space in the home by constructing an addition and the variance would allow them to do so. The two-year approval period for obtaining a Building Permit for this project is scheduled to expire on February 24, 2022.

Matt & Heidi are requesting that the BOA grant them a one-year extension of the approval period, to allow them to continue to schedule their construction project. Over the past two years COVID 19 and the current construction market boom have created multiple delays to their project, including:

- Due to his workload, their house designer was not able to complete Working Drawings for the addition until 18 months after the BOA approval.
- They have not been able to find a General Contractor to build the addition due to the current market. Most are too busy to quote the project or even look at it.
- They do have a Foundation Contractor lined up but they are still working on retaining an Excavation Contractor.

Matthew & Heidi request that the BOA grant a One-Year Extension to the Variance, until February 24, 2023, to provide them with the time they need to retain contractors, obtain a Building Permit, and start the construction.

Respectfully Submitted,



Carl V. Beal, P.E.