## TOWN OF ESSEX LAND USE APPLICATION PART ONE

ZBA # 21-42

## PLEASE CHECK THE APPROPRIATE LINE(S) AND ATTACH THE APPROPRIATE APPLICATION(S):

SPECIAL EXCEPTION	 VARIANCE/ APPEAL	х
SITE PLAN REVIEW	 APPROVAL OF LOCATION	
INLAND WETLANDS PERMIT	 REGULATION TEXT AMENDMENT	
INLAND WETLANDS PERMIT - AGENT APPROVAL	 ZONE CHANGE	
	 COASTAL SITE PLAN REVIEW	
WETLAND PERMIT TRANSFER	 MODIFICATION OF PRIOR APPROVAL	
SUBDIVISION / RESUBDIVISION	 SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREA PERMIT	

### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

At 26 S. Main Street, the construction of a wood pergola with approximate dimensions of 10'-6" width by 42' length by 8' 11 ½" in height located within 5ft of the abutting property line between 26 S. Main Street and 9 Evans Lane.

The pergola's height is approximately 8' 11 ½ ", which is approximately 12 inches above the 8' threshold that would have allowed the pergola to be built within 5ft of the abutting property of 9 Evans Lane.

The abutting property closest to the pergola is 9 Evan Lane which is owned by 9 Evans Lane LLC. 9 Evans Lane LLC is owned by Brad Tully, owner of 26 S. Main St.

Variance/appeal requested for zoning sections 40C, 40D, 40I.1 and 60B of the Essex Zoning Regulations.

STREET ADDRESS OF PROPERTY 26 S. Main Street, Essex, CT 06426

ASSESSOR'S MAP 46 LOT 004 LOT SIZE 2.3 Acres DISTRICT VR

APPLICANT Brad Tully PHONE (917) 363-5846

APPLICANT'S AGENT (if any) N/A

ENGINEER.SURVEYOR/ARCHITECT Jack Franzen / Franzen Associates PHONE (203) 259-0529

Note:

1) TO BE ACCEPTED BY THE LAND USE OFFICE. THIS APPLICATION MUST BE COMPLETED, SIGNED, AND SUBMITTED WITH THE REQUIRED FEE(S) AND MAP(S) PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPLICABLE REGULATIONS.

2) THE SUBMITTAL OF THIS APPLICATION CONSTITUTES THE PROPERTY OWNER'S PERMISSION FOR THE COMMISSION OR ITS STAFF TO ENTER THE PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF INSPECTION

# **Town of Essex Zoning Board of Appeals** 29 West Avenue, Essex, CT 06426

P	RCEIVE	Application
	AUG 2 7 ,2021	

Date received by office

\_\_\_\_\_ Application fee - \$40 + State fee - \$60 = \$100 Application # \_ 21 - 42 \_\_\_\_

/ cash

Variance Appeal of a Decision by ZEO **Certificate of Location** 

**APPLICANT** (please print) ADDRESS

**BRAD TULLY** 26 S. Main St. Essex, CT 06426

26 S. Main St. Essex, CT 06426

Telephone

(917) 363-58466

**Brad and Lindsey Tully** 

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**OWNER OF PROPERTY** ADDRESS

Telephone

(917) 363-5846

Book \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_ **Deed Reference:** 

Current use of the property **RESIDENTIAL** 

Is any portion of property within 500' of another Town? NO

Is the property within the Gateway Conservation District? YES

If this application is for a variance(s) please complete the following section:

Variance(s) requested of the zoning regulations

Variance requested for zoning sections 40C, 40D, 40I.1 and 60B of the Essex Zoning Regulations.

The pergola is within a side yard setback, to a point 5 feet from the property line (9 Evans Lane) where 25 feet is required

To the extent the pergola was 12 inches shorter in height than built, there would be not violation and no variance required.

State the hardship on which the variance(s) are based. The hardship MUST be based on *physical* constraints of the land only.

Topography of 26 S. Main Street creates a hardship in the sloping conditions of the property severely limiting appropriate site locations for the pergola.

Have previous applications been made for this property? Yes

Previous application #s and dates Around February 2020

If this application is to APPEAL an order of the Zoning Enforcement Official, please describe the nature of the order and basis for the appeal. Attach a copy of the ZEO's order.

Attached notice of the ZEO

Pergola, as built, is within a side yard setback, to a point 5 feet from the property line (9 Evans Lane) where 25 feet is required.

Variance requested for zoning sections 40C, 40D, 40I.1 and 60B of the Essex Zoning Regulations on the basis of a topography hardship.

To the extent the pergola was 12 inches shorter in height than built, there would be not violation and no variance required.

The abutting property closest to the pergola is 9 Evan Lane which is owned by 9 Evans Lane LLC. 9 Evans Lane LLC is owned by Brad Tully, owner of 26 S. Main St.

Attached letters of support from several nearby or abutting property owners.

If this application is for a Certificate of Location for Motor Vehicles Sales or Repair, please describe proposed business.

N/A

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The following items must be included as part of this application:

a. Fee of \$40, plus \$60 State Fee...payable to the Town of Essex b. 15 copies of the application, site plan (with setback lines) and

sketch of the proposal.

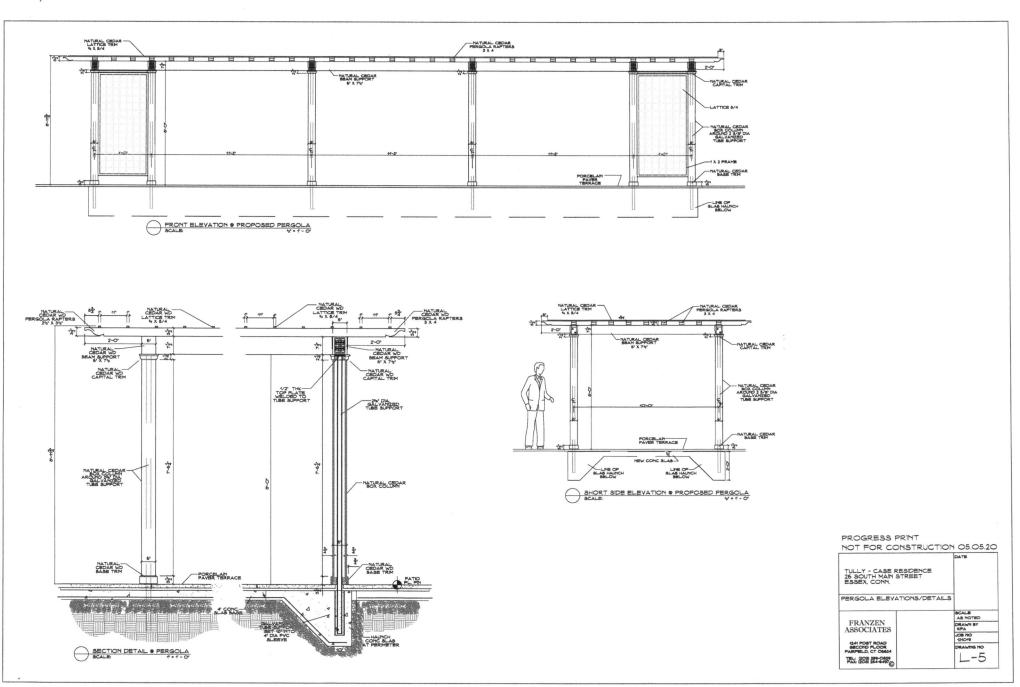
X N/A c. Copy of property deed
d. Copy of ZEO's order (if applicable)
e. K-7 Certificate (if applicable) No public hearing required.

e 8/27/2021 Signature of applicant Date: Signature of property owner-Date: 8/27/2021

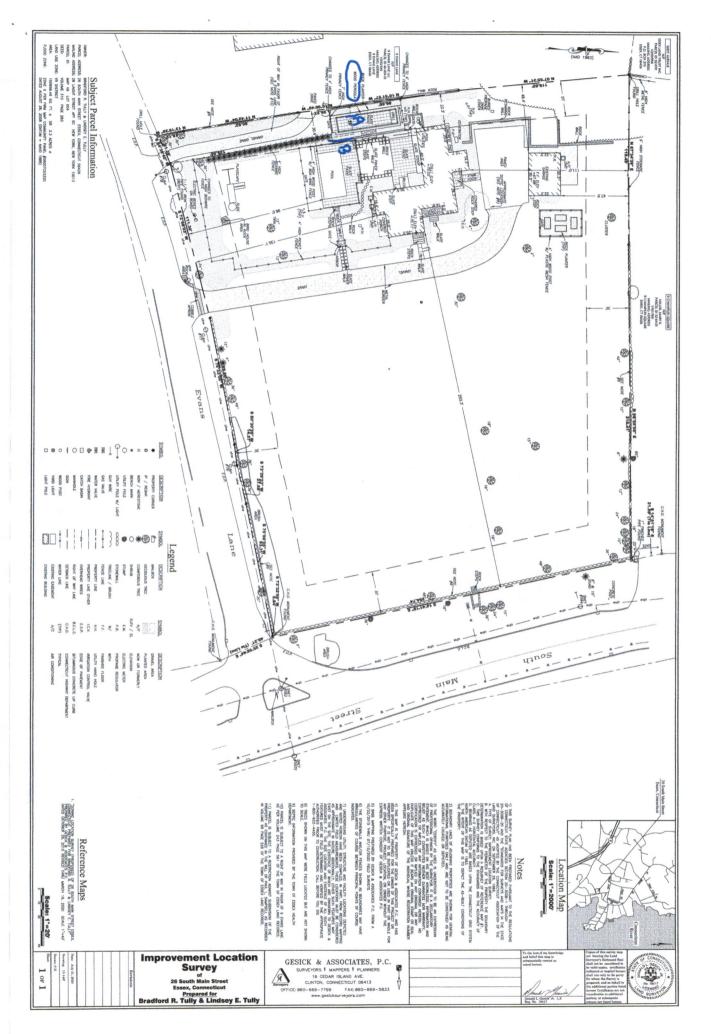
-55	Applicant must provide a current list of all names and addresses of abutting property owners.
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NAME	ADDRESS	TOWN	ZIP CODE
1. 9 Evans Lane LLC	9 Evans Lane	Essex	06426
2. Mary K Miller	9 Champlin Square	Essex	06426
3. Essex Land Trust Inc	Cross Lots / West Avenue	Essex	06426

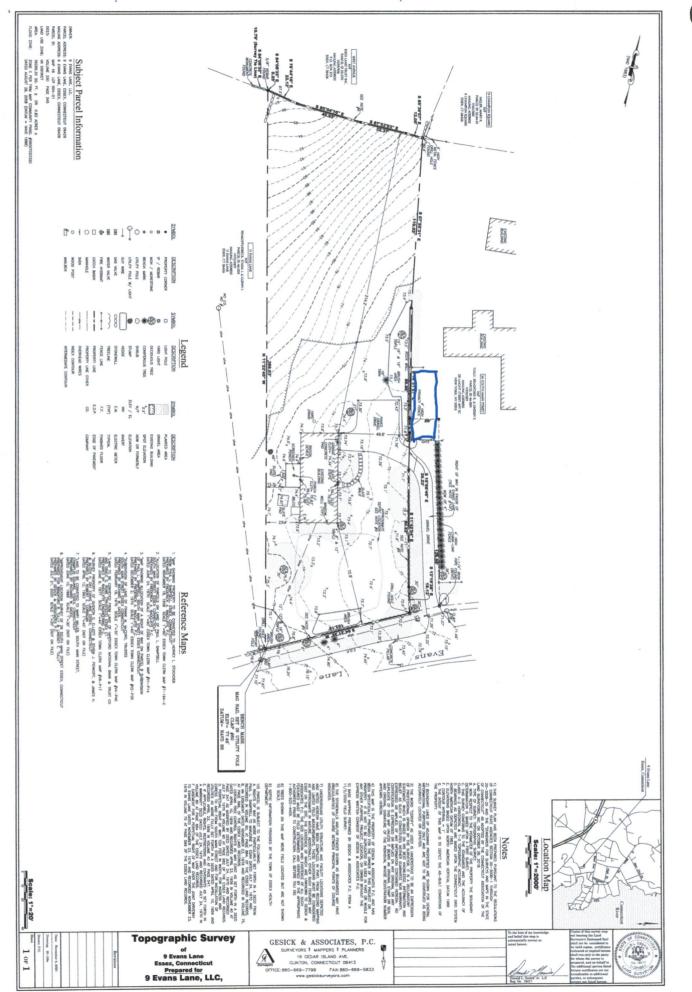
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## TOWN OF ESSEX ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL

29 West Avenue, Essex, CT 06426

### NOTICE OF VIOLATION CERTIFIED and REGULAR MAIL

November 9, 2020

Bradford R. and Lindsay A. Tully 28 Laight Street, Apartment 5C New York, NY 10013

Re: Pergola at 26 Main Street, SX

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Tully,

Upon a site visit to inspect a newly installed pergola it was determined that the pergola appears to be a zoning violation to Sections 40C, 40D, 40I.1 and 60B of the Essex Zoning Regulations. The pergola is within a side yard setback, to a point 5 feet from a property line where 25 feet is required.

Prior to the submission of a zoning permit application, I met John Franzen on January 22, 2020, to discuss the permitting for a pergola at the location it is now located. The key for the pergola to be allowed 5 feet from that side property line was that the structure could not be over 8 feet in height. Being over eight feet would define the pergola as a building and thus the setback area would have to be avoided. The submitted zoning permit showed a pergola at 7 feet, 11.75". The zoning permit was approved.

During my site visit to see the pergola it measured approximately 9.5 feet in height. Such a structure is not allowed within the side yard setback.

At this time there are some options:

- Relocate the pergola to a location that conforms to the zoning regulations.
- Shorten the height to be 8 feet or less.
- Request a Variance for the setback encroachment. This is not an assumed approval.

Please call me within ten (10) days of receiving this letter at 860-767-4340, extension 115 with any comments or questions.

Respectfully,

Joseph Budrow, CZEO Certified Zoning Enforcement Official Town of Essex

CC: Lisa Fasulo, Director of Health David Deleeuw File