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**BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
APPEAL**

Note: The Board of Adjustment will not hear cases where the proceedings can have no effect, where events have placed it beyond the Board's powers and duties, or where the question is purely academic or has no practical significance. Appellants must be able to demonstrate a sufficient connection to and/or harm from the ordinance. Finally, appeals cannot rest upon contingent future events that may not occur as anticipated, or indeed may not occur at all.

Appellant(s): _____

Mailing Address: _____

The appellant respectfully requests that a determination be made by the Board of Adjustment on the following decision made by the Enforcing Officer on _____ 20__.

Brief description of the decision being appealed:

The appellant respectfully requests that the Board of Adjustment exercise its power under Chapter 165.10.02 of the Van Meter Municipal Code and consider granting the following:

Please check one:

_____ An interpretation.

_____ An exception.

_____ A variance.

Is Requested to Section _____ of
the Zoning Ordinance.

For all appeals, fill out this section and follow these instructions:

- 1) Has any previous application or appeal been filed in connection with these premises?
_____ Yes/No
- 2) What is the applicant's interest in the premises affected? _____
- 3) What is the approximate cost of the work involved? \$ _____
- 4) Explain the intended purpose or use of the property:

- 1) If possible, attach a site plan to this application.
- 2) If possible, attach a ground plan or elevations map.
- 3) Provide an Abstractors plat and a list of names, addresses, and lot numbers for those property owners within 250 feet of the exterior limits of the property involved.

I (we) the undersigned appellant will proceed with applying for a building permit within _____ months of approval of this appeal; that I am able from a financial, legal and physical basis to complete said construction; and that I have completed this application packet to the best of my knowledge and abilities.

Date: _____

Signature(s) of Appellant(s)

Note: As per Chapter 165.10.01 of the Van Meter Municipal Code the applicant must pay a fee of \$15.00 to be submitted with the application.

Office Use Only:

Date Hearing Advertised: _____
Date of Hearing: _____
Fee Receipt Number: _____

For Interpretations, fill out this section:

The appellant needs direction on following discrepancy, incongruity, ambiguity, or otherwise unclear section of the Zoning Ordinance.

Section(s) _____ of the Zoning Ordinance creates the following conundrum:

For Exceptions, fill out this section:

Please provide a brief description of the proposed exception:

- 1) As it relates to the occupants of adjoining and surrounding property, does the proposed exception adequately safeguard:
 - a. Health? _____ Yes/No
 - b. Safety? _____ Yes/No
 - c. Welfare? _____ Yes/No
- 2) Does the proposed exception increase congestion in the public streets? _____ Yes/No
- 3) Does the proposed exception increase public danger of fire or diminish safety? _____ Yes/No
- 4) Does the proposed exception diminish or impair established property values in surrounding areas? _____ Yes/No
- 5) Is the appellant a public service corporation? _____ Yes/No
- 6) Is the exception for public utility purposes or for purposes of public communication? _____ Yes/No
- 7) Does the boundary line of a zoning district divide a lot in single ownership? _____ Yes/No
- 8) Does the proposed exception extend the zoning district boundary line by more than forty (40) feet in any direction? _____ Yes/No

For Variances, fill out this section:

- 1) Is there limitation on the use of the property due to physical topographical and geologic features? _____ Yes/No If yes, please explain.

- 2) Will this variance grant any special privilege to you? _____ Yes/No If yes, please explain.

- 3) Can you demonstrate that without a variance there can be no reasonable use of the property? _____ Yes/No If yes, please explain.

- 4) Is the request for a variance being based solely on economic reasons? _____ Yes/No If no, please explain.

- 5) Is the necessity for a variance created by you? _____ Yes/No If yes, please explain.

- 6) Is the variance request the minimum variance necessary to allow reasonable use of the property? _____ Yes/No If yes, please explain.

7) Will granting the variance be injurious to the public's health safety or welfare? _____
Yes/No If yes, please explain.

8) Does the property possess one or more unique characteristics generally not applicable to similarly situated properties? _____ Yes/No If yes, please explain.
