

JUSTIFICATION

the following criteria. Please answer **all** the following items. Use additional sheets if needed. Responses of **yes, no, or n/a** will **not** be accepted.

Explain how the variance will not adversely affect the public health, safety, or welfare.

The Superadobe Earthdome is a secure structure built from classes taken from Cal Earth institute. It is earthquake, tornado, hurricane, flood, and fire resistant. It will be a symbol that signifies an autism safe environment for my business and property.

Explain how the variance will not alter the essential character of the general vicinity.

The dimensions of the Earthdome will be aesthetically pleasing with the property and surrounding properties. It will be a symbol that creates inclusivity of the autism community, and culture with the surrounding environment. The Earthdome will symbolically promote diversity in the community.

Explain how the variance will not cause a hazard or a nuisance to the public.

The earthdome is located in a secure space and is a secure structure. There will be no electrical, or plumbing used in the dome. It will not block any type of community construction needs.

Explain how the variance will not allow an unreasonable circumvention of the requirements of the zoning regulations.

The earthdome will not be stationed over water lines, and will not interfere with electrical power sources. The earthdome does not visually block any kind of pathways for safety.

Explain how the variance arises from special circumstances, which do not generally apply to land in the general vicinity (please specify/identify).

My business provides treatment for families with Autism spectrum disorder. The business needs a symbol that reflects a safe environment for people with autism to express themselves. The community at large needs more autism environments to improve quality of life.

Explain how the strict application of the provisions of the regulation would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land or would create unnecessary hardship.

People with Autism need these earthdomes as a treatment tool. The Earthdome represents a free and protected space for people suffering from autism because of the stressors within neurotypical environments.

Are the circumstances the result of actions of the applicant taken *after* the adoption of the regulation from which relief is sought?

No construction has taken place. Once the variance ordinance has been accepted, construction will proceed.

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Waiver Justification

criteria. Please answer **all** the following items. Use additional sheets if needed. Responses of **yes, no, or N/A** will **not** be accepted.

1. Will the waiver adversely affect adjacent property owners?

No. The structure will be secure and is highly weather resistant. It is designed to be complimentary to the landscape and will be a natural looking addition to the space.

2. Will the waiver violate the Comprehensive Plan?

No. The comprehensive plan only involves the construction of the single earthdome in the front yard space.

3. Is extent of waiver of the regulation the minimum necessary to afford relief to the applicant?

The structure will not use electricity or plumbing. The structure will be less than 120 square feet. The structure is resistant to flood, fire, hurricane, tornado, and earthquakes.

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4. Has either (a) the applicant incorporated other design measures that exceed the minimums of the district and compensate for non-compliance with the requirements to be waived (net beneficial effect) or would (b) the strict application of the provisions of the regulation deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land or would create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant?

Not being able to build the earthdome flows from the strict application of the ordinance and is peculiar to the property because the earthdome will be located in the front yard. The earthdome is an integrated component of the business of treating autism spectrum disorder. It symbolizes safety for visitors with autism spectrum disorder and the surrounding community.