

Legal Notice



**Town of Reading**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Reading:

Please take notice that the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Reading will hold a public hearing on April 14, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room, 16 Lowell Street, Reading, Massachusetts on a driveway variance at 74 Edgemont Avenue.

A copy of the proposed document regarding this topic is available in the Town Manager's office, 16 Lowell Street, Reading, MA, M-W-Thurs from 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., Tues from 7:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. and is attached to the hearing notice on the website at [www.reading.ma.gov](http://www.reading.ma.gov).

All interested parties are invited to attend the hearing, or may submit their comments in writing or by email prior to 6:00 p.m. on April 14, 2015 to [townmanager@ci.reading.ma.us](mailto:townmanager@ci.reading.ma.us)

By order of  
**Robert W. LeLach ur**  
Town Manager

4.7.15

## LeLacheur, Bob

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**From:** Segalla, Mark  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 17, 2015 9:50 AM  
**To:** LeLacheur, Bob  
**Cc:** Cormier, James; Zager, Jeff; ~~Huggins, Joe~~; Savio, David  
**Subject:** Re: Driveway Variance for 74 Edgemont Ave

Bob,

We have reviewed the request. There are no concerns from the Police standpoint.

Mark

Sent from my iPhone

- > On Mar 16, 2015, at 2:52 PM, LeLacheur, Bob <[blelacheur@ci.reading.ma.us](mailto:blelacheur@ci.reading.ma.us)> wrote:
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- > Would you kindly look this over and let me know if your department has any concerns?
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- > The request is going to the Selectmen in mid-April, so I'd like feedback from you in ten days, in case something minor can be modified.
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- > Thanks,
- > Bob
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- > Robert W. LeLacheur, Jr. CFA
- > Town Manager, Town of Reading
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**Lelacheur, Bob**

**From:** Zager, Jeff  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 17, 2015 10:04 AM  
**To:** Lelacheur, Bob; Cormier, James; Segalla, Mark; Huggins, Joe  
**Subject:** RE: Driveway Variance for 74 Edgemont Ave

Bob;  
Reviewed at my weekly supervisors staff meeting this morning.  
There are no concerns form DPW for the variance as requested.

Thanks,

Jeff

Jeffrey T. Zager  
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Reading MA 01867

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**From:** Lelacheur, Bob  
**Sent:** Monday, March 16, 2015 2:52 PM  
**To:** Cormier, James; Segalla, Mark; Zager, Jeff; Huggins, Joe  
**Subject:** FW: Driveway Variance for 74 Edgemont Ave

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**From:** Segalla, Mark  
**Sent:** Monday, April 06, 2015 8:23 AM  
**To:** LeLacheur, Bob; Cormier, James  
**Cc:** Zambouras, George  
**Subject:** RE: Driveway Variance for 74 Edgemont Ave

Bob,

We have no issues with the additional driveway.

MARK

Deputy Chief Mark D. Segalla  
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**From:** LeLacheur, Bob  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 02, 2015 5:06 PM  
**To:** Cormier, James; Segalla, Mark  
**Subject:** FW: Driveway Variance for 74 Edgemont Ave

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**From:** Zambouras, George  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 02, 2015 5:05 PM  
**To:** Zager, Jeff; LeLacheur, Bob  
**Subject:** RE: Driveway Variance for 74 Edgemont Ave

## Ron Ranere

74 Edgemont Ave

Reading MA

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3.11.15

Reading Selectmen

c/o Robert LeLacheur, Jr Town Manager

Town of Reading

16 Lowell ST

Reading MA 01867

Re: Driveway Variance from board of Selectmen Policy

Dear Selectmen:

I have lived at 74 Edgemont ave for 29 years and plan to stay here and age in place. My wife and I decided to add a garage to our house to make life easier as we get older.

Our house is on the corner of Edgemont and Arcadia Ave (see plan attached). Since we have lived here we have had a driveway entrance from each street. With the addition of our garage onto the Arcadia ave side of the house we need a new driveway to enter the garage. We do not plan to leave the cars in this driveway, just use it as an entrance to the garage and still keep our cars in the existing driveway during good weather.

I have had our plans approved by the building department, fire department and engineering. While at engineering they explained to me the policy of not having 2 driveways less than 125' on the same lot and advised me to seek a variance from the Selectmen to keep the existing Arcadia Ave driveway and add the new driveway to Arcadia Ave. The new driveway will be less than 125' apart from the existing driveway therefore we need relief from this policy.

As you probably know, the Barrows School is on Edgemont Ave. In the morning and afternoon the corner of Edgemont and Arcadia are totally full with cars to bring the children to school (See the photos attached). If we have to remove the driveway that currently exist on Arcadia Ave to accommodate the driveway policy we will have to back onto Edgemont Ave when leaving for work. This poses a very dangerous situation since there are many children walking by my driveway and a street full with cars. As you can see from the attached photos, our lot is well landscaped and the driveways not very obvious.

Please review all the attachments and I hope that you will understand the hardship removal of the Arcadia Ave driveway poses. I respectfully request that you allow us to keep the existing driveway on Arcadia after we complete the new driveway that is the entrance to the new garage on Arcadia.

I would be happy to appear at a meeting to further explain the issues surrounding removal of the Arcadia ave driveway.

Sincerely



Ron Ranere



# Driveway variance application to Reading Selectmen driveway policy

74 Edgemont Ave

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 Reading Architects, Inc.  
 100 Main Street  
 Reading, MA 01067  
 T: 617.542.2111

DATE: 01/12/19  
 SCALE: AS SHOWN  
 PROJECT: 74 Edgemont Ave Reading MA  
 SHEET: SITE PLAN  
 OF: 1 OF 1  
**C1**

Site Diagram with addition and driveways shown

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Aerial view with existing house and driveway shown

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Edgemont Ave during school day start

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Edgemont Ave during school day start

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Arcadia Ave during school day start

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