



**Board of Commissioners of Cook County**

**Zoning and Building Committee**

**Wednesday, January 14, 2026**

**9:30 AM**

**Cook County Building, Board Room,  
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

**Issued on: 01/08/2026**

**NOTICE AND AGENDA**

There will be a meeting of the Committee or Subcommittee of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County at the date, time and location listed above to consider the following:

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Authorization as a public speaker shall only be granted to those individuals who have registered to speak, with the Secretary, 24 hours in advance of the meeting. To register as a public speaker, go to the meeting details page for this meeting at <https://cook-county.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx> to find a registration link. Duly authorized public speakers may speak live from the County Board Room at 118 N. Clark Street, 5th Floor, Chicago, IL or be sent a link to virtually attend the meeting and will be called upon to deliver testimony at a time specified in the meeting agenda. Authorized public speakers who are not present during the specified time for public testimony will forfeit their allotted time to speak at the meeting. Public testimony must not exceed three minutes; the Secretary will keep track of the time and advise when the time for public testimony has expired. After each virtual speaker has completed their statement, they will be removed from the meeting. Once removed, you will still be able to follow the proceedings for that day at:

<https://www.cookcountyil.gov/service/watch-live-board-proceedings> or in a viewing area at 69 W. Washington Street, 22nd Floor Collaborative Room 2, Chicago, IL. Persons authorized to provide public testimony are encouraged to speak to an item that is germane to the meeting and shall not use vulgar, abusive, discriminatory, profane, or otherwise inappropriate language when addressing the Board; failure to act appropriately, or failure to adhere to the time requirements may result in expulsion from the meeting and/or disqualify the person from providing future testimony. Written comments will not be read aloud at the meeting, but will be posted on the meeting page and made a part of the meeting record.

**26-0621**

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 12/17/2025.

[26-0438](#)

**Presented by:** JAMES WILSON, Secretary, Zoning Board of Appeals

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

**Request:** Variation VA 25-0060

**Township:** Northfield

**County District:** 14

**Property Address:** 3475 Whirlaway Drive, Northbrook, IL. 60062.

**Property Description:** The Subject Property is 1.2 acres located on the west side of Whirlaway Drive approximately 680 feet north of Cornflower Lane in Section 17.

**Owner:** George Madappallil, 8345 W. Maynard Rd., Niles, IL 60714

**Agent/Attorney:** Same as above.

**Current Zoning:** R-4 Single Family Residence District

**Intended use:** Applicant seeks a variance to increase the height of the fence in the front yard setback from the maximum allowed 3 feet to proposed 3.66 feet (44”) for an ornamental fence located between the 5’4 feet (64”) tall masonry columns with limestone caps.

**Recommendation:** ZBA Recommendation is that the application be granted.

**Conditions:** None

**Objectors:** Eileen Gamerdino, 3483 Whirlaway Dr., Northbrook, IL 60062

**History:**

Zoning Board Hearing: 12/3/2025

Zoning Board Recommendation date: 12/3/2025

County Board extension granted: N/A

*Lynne M. Turner*

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Secretary

Chair: Aguilar

Vice-Chair: S. Morrison

Members: Committee of the Whole