Hello Layne, Ted,

Good points, clarification needed.

- The site plan submitted today matches the site plan on file (7.8.91). The area designated as above ground pool is now listed as gravel (23′X25′=575′).
- The path was misidentified as a sidewalk on the 7.8.91 site plan. It was never a sidewalk and has been a path (3′x90′=270′) for 30+ years.
- Adding the former pool location/gravel area (575′) & path (270′) to total lot coverage: 845′ + 4,405 = 5,250/4,405 X 100 = 11.7% lot coverage. [handwritten: 21.6% prev updated site plan]
- Bedrooms are on the same floor as shown. We are not a B&B/ AirBnB, we do not serve meals. We provide bedrooms. We do however, pay state and local rooms & meals taxes. B&B is a Burlington city designation to describe short term rentals. The term B&B implies that meals are served. That is not true. We are an owner occupied residence that for 30+ years has periodically leased rooms thereby continuing the practice of previous owners going back to the early 1950′s.

Hope this explains things.

(attachment)
October 26, 2020

Hello Burlington DRB board members,

I am writing at the request of my neighbors Bill Reilly and Cyn Secondi. I understand from Bill that, because of city regulations, they must document their long-standing practice of renting rooms.

Our kids grew up together and I can confirm they have rented portions of their home for as long as I lived in the South Union Street neighborhood (since 1989).

Sincerely,

Andrea Gray
153 Howard Street
Burlington
Hello Ryan,

Thanks for the guidance.

Attached please find:

- Updated site plan highlighting the parking area
- 3 letters from neighbors confirming room rental going back more than 15 years.
  - Marc Jacobs
  - Andrea Grey
  - Polly Thompson

That should be the documentation needed. Comments and questions welcomed.

Be well, take care,
Polly Thompson

20 Westminster Terrace  Bellows Falls, VT 05101

October 23, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

In September 1980, my husband Julian Thompson and I rented an apartment from William and Cyndie Reilly. The apartment was located in their residence at 254 S. Union St.
William Reilly  
254 South Union Guest House  
Burlington, VT 05401  
802-522-0031

Dear Mr. May,

I am writing to express my concern regarding the recent increase in the cost of renting rooms. As I am sure you are aware, the cost of renting rooms has been steadily increasing, and it has become increasingly difficult for young families to find affordable housing in this neighborhood.

In 1992, when I purchased 260 South Union Street, it was not at all unusual for young families to rent rooms in this area. At least until 1999, when I purchased 260 South Union Street, my rent for rooms was still relatively affordable. I have always paid my rent on time, and I have never received any complaints from my landlord.

I have lived at 260 South Union Street since 1994, and I can confirm that my rent has been consistently affordable since then. I have been a good neighbor, and I have always paid my rent on time. I believe that the recent increase in the cost of renting rooms is unfair, and I urge you to take action to ensure that young families can continue to afford to live in this neighborhood.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

October 31, 2020