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Rocky River, OH 44116

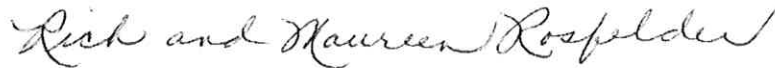
August 5, 2026

Ray Reich, Commissioner
City of Rocky River Building Dept.
21012 Hilliard Blvd.
Rocky River, OH 44116

Dear Mr. Reich and Staff,

Our neighbors, Shannon Perkins and Jesse Gutnick, M.D., would like to build a pavilion in the Northeast corner of their back yard. They have our support in doing so, as well as with the variance needed for the project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rich and Maureen Rosfelder".

Rich and Maureen Rosfelder

Melissa Reitz
21375 Maplewood Ave.
Rocky River, OH 44116

August 5, 2026

City of Rocky River
Board of Zoning Appeals
21012 Hilliard Boulevard
Rocky River, OH 44116

Re: Support for Variance Request by Shannon Perkins and Jesse Gutnick

Dear Members of the Board of Zoning Appeals:

I am the homeowner of 21375 Maplewood Ave. in Rocky River, Ohio. I understand that my neighbors directly behind me, Shannon Perkins and Jesse Gutnick, are seeking a variance from the City of Rocky River to allow them to construct a pergola in their backyard.

I am writing to express my full support for approval of their variance request. Based on my understanding of the proposed project, I do not have any objection to the construction of the pergola and believe it would be an appropriate and attractive addition to their backyard. As the neighbor whose property is directly behind theirs, I do not anticipate that the pergola will negatively affect my property, privacy, use, enjoyment, or the character of the surrounding neighborhood.

Shannon and Jesse have been considerate neighbors, and I appreciate their efforts to proceed through the proper City process. I respectfully ask that the City approve their variance request and allow them to move forward with construction of the pergola.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Melissa D. Reitz".

Melissa Reitz

From: Sheila Dollaske <sheila.dollaske@gmail.com>

Date: August 7, 2026 at 7:35:15 PM EDT

To: SMPERKINS23@gmail.com

Subject: Pavilion

To whom it may concern:

Our neighbors have informed us they are building a pavilion, and we have no objections.

Best,

Sheila Dollaske

Sheila Dollaske, Ed.D.

phone: 440.554.3168

sheila.dollaske@gmail.com

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$$30 \cdot 29 = 870$$

$$12 \cdot 14 = 168$$

$$10 \cdot 9 = 90$$

$$8 \cdot 9 = 72$$

$$10 \cdot 5 = 50$$

$$20 \cdot 22 = 440$$

1,454sf existing home

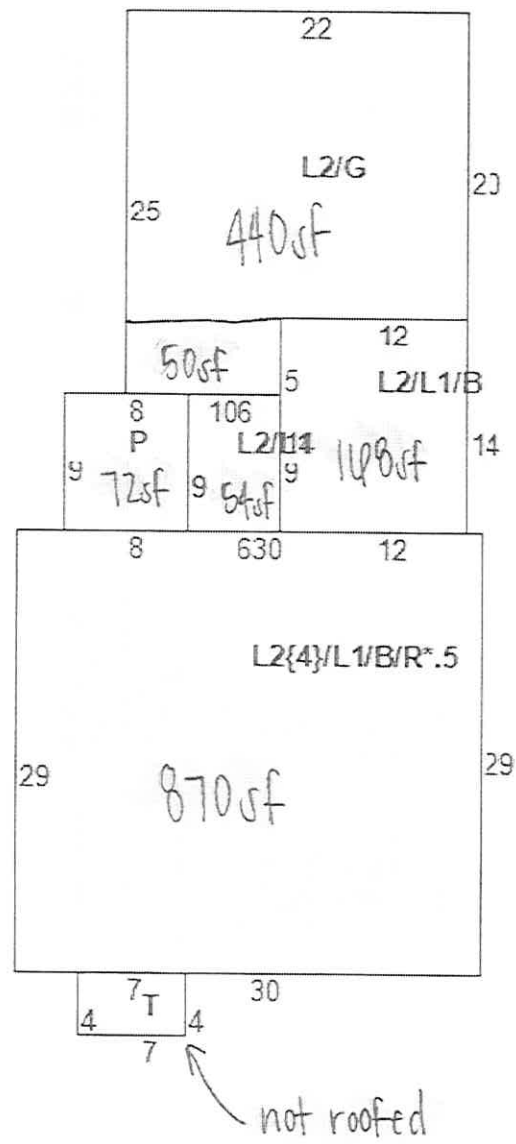
+ 314sf pavilion

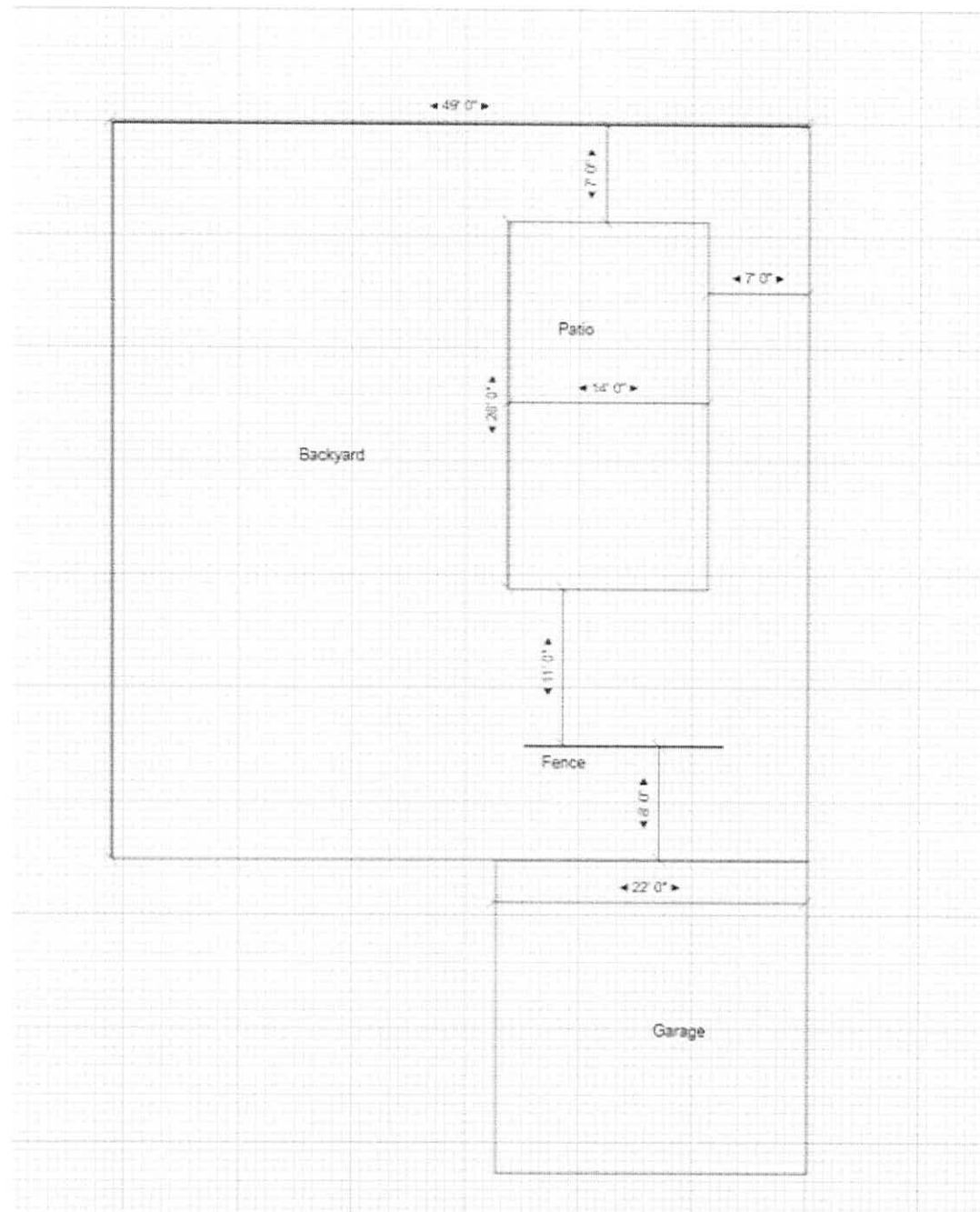
1,970sf existing home +
Proposed pavilion

7,405sf lot size

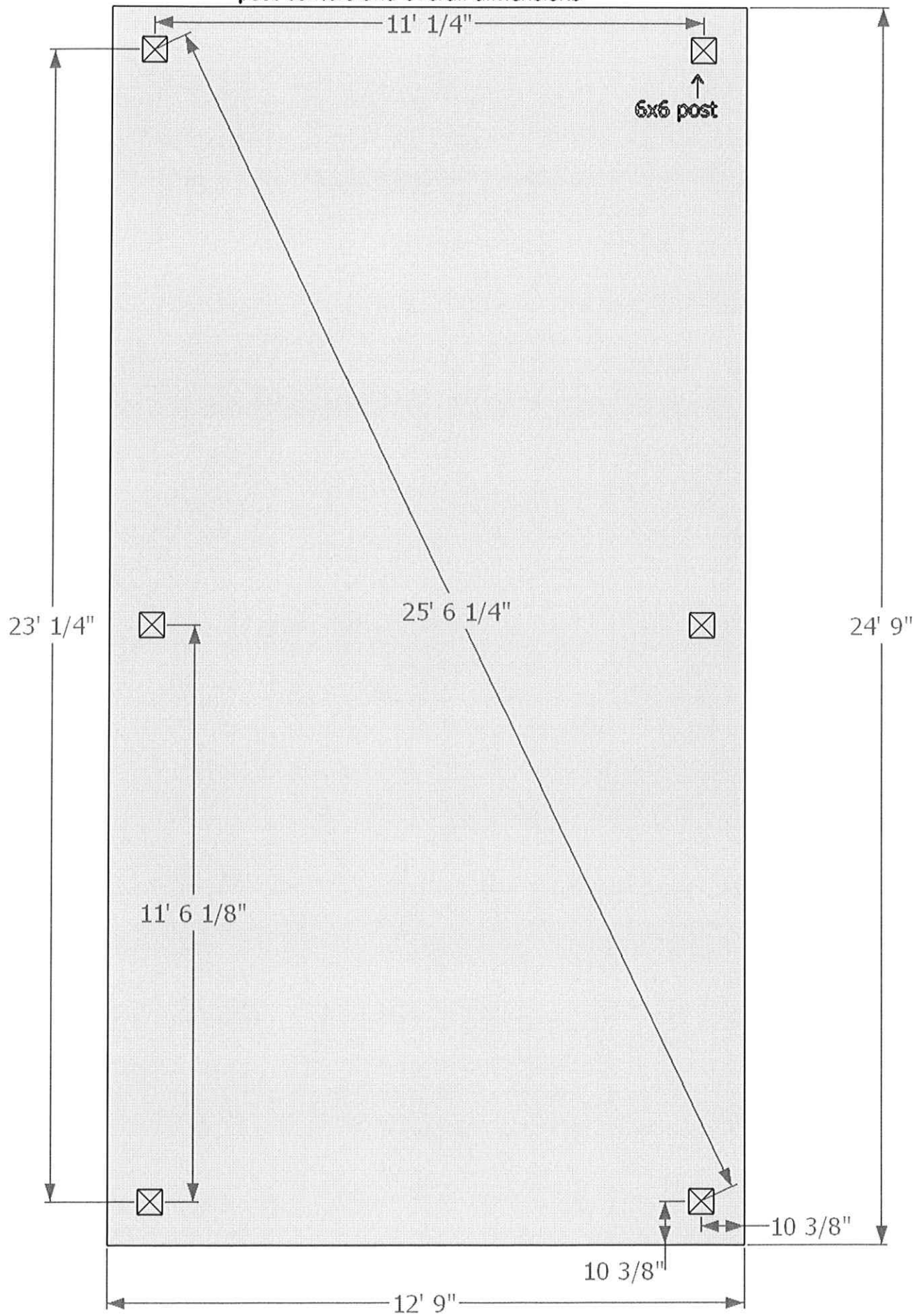
$$1,970sf \div 7,405sf = \underline{24.6\% \text{ lot coverage}}$$

Building 1





12' x 24' pavilion
post centers and overall dimensions

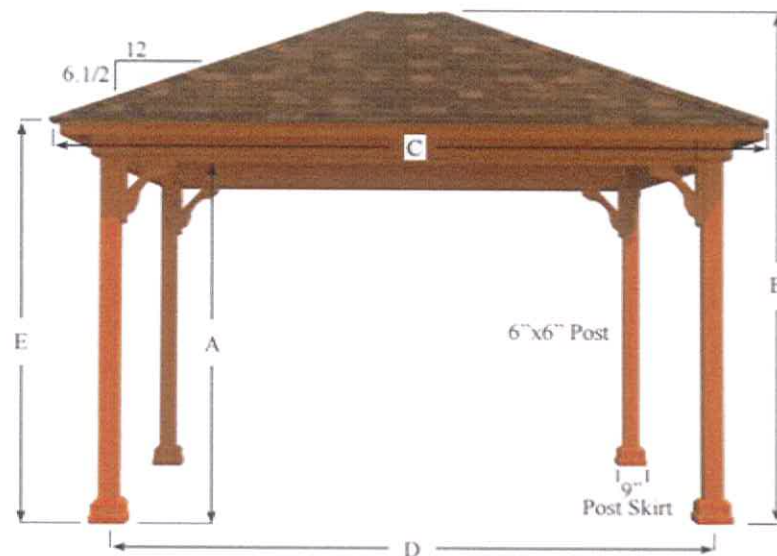








Wood Pavilion Elevation



	10'	12'	14'	16'	18'	20'
A	7'-2.5/8"	7'-2.5/8"	7'-2.5/8"	7'-2.5/8"	7'-2.5/8"	7'-2.5/8"
B	10'-11.1/4"	11'-5.3/4"	12'-0.1/4"	12'-7.3/4"	13'-2.1/4"	13'-8.3/4"
C	10'-9"	12'-9"	14'-9"	17'-0.1/2"	19'-0.1/2"	21'-0.1/2"
D	9'-0.1/4"	11'-0.1/4"	13'-0.1/4"	15'-0.1/4"	17'-0.1/4"	19'-0.1/4"
E	8"	8"	8"	8"	8"	8"

A = Under side of Header Measurement
 B = Over all Height Measurement
 C = Over all Roof Length Measurement
 D = Center to Center of Post Measurement
 E = Height of Roof Edge



Rocky River Zoning and Building Committee,

My husband and I would like to have an enclosed pavilion in our backyard. Currently, there is no outdoor shade in the backyard or place to have family time. We are asking for a variance to put up a pavilion that is over the allotted square footage. We are planning on having an outdoor dining space that will accommodate our immediate family plus my sister's family that lives in Lakewood. We have family dinner together most Sunday evenings. We also want to place outdoor couch and chairs with a table so we can have space to play games and relax.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best,

Shannon Perkins and Jesse Gutnick