

### Statement of Hardship

The applicant, Evergreen Cemetery Association, seeks a council variance to permit a use not permitted in the zoning classification of the subject property. The property is zoned I, Institutional, and R-3, Residential, in the City of Columbus. The Franklin County Auditor specifies the use of the property as vacant commercial land and vacant land respectively. The applicant would like to develop approximately 3.1± acres of the site, as indicated on the attached GIS map from the Franklin County Auditor's office, with an expansion of the adjacent cemetery ground. The proposed use will not adversely affect the surrounding property or surrounding neighborhood, the cemetery use is a well-established use at this location. The grant of the requested variance will not impair an adequate supply of light and air to the adjacent properties, unreasonably increase the congestion of public streets, increase the danger of fires, endanger the public safety, unreasonably diminish or impair the public health, safety, comfort, morals, or welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Columbus.

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