

STAFF REPORT DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ZONING MEETING CITY OF COLUMBUS, OHIO APRIL 8, 2021

9. **APPLICATION**: **Z19-038** 

**Location:** 3553 REFUGEE RD. (43232), being 1.87± acres located on the

south side of Refugee Road, 550± feet east of Weyburn Road

(530-158222; Mideast Area Commission).

**Existing Zoning:** R, Rural District and C-2, Commercial District. **Request:** L-C-4, Limited Commercial District (H-35).

**Proposed Use:** commercial development.

**Applicant(s):** Jeanne Cabral; 2939 Bexley Park Road; Columbus, OH 43209. **Property Owner(s):** 1414 Property Unlimited LLC; c/o Wael Abdullah; 3553 Refugee

Road; Columbus, OH 43232.

Planner: Shannon Pine; 614-645-2208; <a href="mailto:spine@columbus.gov">spine@columbus.gov</a>

## **BACKGROUND:**

The 1.87± acre site consists of single split zoned parcel being utilized for automobile sales, without zoning clearance, in the C-2, Commercial and R, Rural districts. Order number 19470-01296 has been filed by Code Enforcement for not being a permitted use, parking or keeping inoperable motor vehicles, and not having a Certificate of Zoning Clearance. The applicant requests the L-C-4, Limited Commercial District in order to allow a variety of general commercial uses as well as automobile sales on the lot.

- North across Refugee Road is undeveloped land in the RRR, Restricted Rural Residential District. To the east is a small strip shopping plaza and other commercial buildings in the L-C-4, Limited Commercial District. To the south is a single-unit subdivision in the R-2, Residential District. To the west is an automobile sales lot in the L-C-4, Limited Commercial District.
- The site is not located within a planning area, but is subject to the recommendations of Columbus Citywide Planning Policies (C2P2) Design Guidelines (2018).
- o The site is located within the boundaries of the Mideast Area Commission, whose recommendation is pending their April 20, 2021 meeting. The request was previously considered as an unrestricted C-4 district by the Mideast Area Community Collaborative in 2019 with a recommendation of disapproval.
- The limitation text contains use restrictions and includes setback, landscaping, screening, and tree preservation provisions. A site plan commitment is included in the limitation text which demonstrates removal of pavement within the required parking setback area with landscaping installed.
- The Columbus Multimodal Plan identifies Refugee Road as a Suburban Commuter Corridor requiring 160 feet of right-of-way.

## **<u>CITY DEPARTMENTS' RECOMMENDATION</u>**: Approval.

The requested L-C-4, Limited Commercial District will secure proper zoning for an automobile sales lot. The limitation text contains use restrictions and includes setback, landscaping screening, and tree preservation provisions. The request is consistent with the established development pattern along Refugee Road, and includes appropriate buffering from the residential development that abuts the site to the south.



Z19-038 3553 Refugee Rd" Approximately 1.87 acres R & C-2 to @C-4



Z19-038 "3553 Refugee Rd" Approximately 1.87 acres R & C-2 to @C-4



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FOR USE BY: AREA COMMISSION / COMMUNITY GROUP / HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW (PLEASE PRINT) Z19-038 Case Number: 3553 REFUGEE RD Address: MIDEAST AREA COMMISSION **Group Name: Meeting Date: Specify Case Type: BZA** Variance / Special Permit **Council Variance** Rezoning Graphics Variance / Plan / Special Permit Recommendation: (Check only one and list basis Disapproval for recommendation below) Owners to erect new fencing per Conversation at site meeting NOTES: business name is to be displayed - not the Vote: Signature of Authorized Representative: SIGNATURE

Please e-mail this form to the assigned planner within 48 hours of your meeting day; or MAIL to: Assigned Planner, City of MAIL to: Columbus, Department of Building & Zoning Services, 111 N. Front St, Columbus, OH 43215.



## **Rezoning Application**

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Parties having a 5% or more interest in the project that is the sul	bject of this application.	
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STATE OF OHIO COUNTY OF FRANKLIN		
Being first duly cautioned and sworn (NAME) JEANNE M.	CABRAL	
of (COMPLETE ADDRESS) 2939 BELXEY	Y PARK RD. COLUMBUS, OH 432	09
deposes and states that (he/she) is the APPLICANT, AGENT, OI a list of all persons, other partnerships, corporations or entities application in the following format:		
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ABDULLAH, 614-804-4737 3553 REFUGEE RD.		
COLUMBUS, OH 43232 2 EMPLOYEES		
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This Project Disclosure Statement expires six (6) months after date of notarization.