



## CITY COUNCIL – ZONING COMMITTEE STAFF REPORT COUNCIL VARIANCE

APPLICATION: CV25-023

**Location:** 2111 SAGAMORE RD. (43219), being 0.21± acres located on

the south side of Sagamore Road, 61± feet east of Woodland

Avenue (010-167453; North Central Area Commission).

**Existing Zoning:** R, Rural District. **Proposed Use:** Two-unit dwelling.

Applicant(s): Josh Tomey; 1286 East Fulton Street; Columbus, OH 43205.

Property Owner(s): Shakeyrah Elmore; 2488 Holt Avenue; Columbus, OH 43219.

Planner: Eastman Johnson; 614-645-7979; roejohnson@columbus.gov

## BACKGROUND:

- The site consists of one undeveloped parcel in the R, Rural District. The requested Council variance will allow a two-unit dwelling. Variances to required parking from four required spaces to two provided spaces, reduced area requirements from five acres to 0.21± acres, and a reduced minimum side yard from 7.5 feet to 5.5 feet along the western property line are also included in this request.
- o A Council variance is required because the R district does not allow two-unit dwellings.
- To the north, south, and east of the site are single-unit dwellings and an undeveloped parcel in the R, Rural District. To the west are single-unit dwellings in the R-2, Residential District.
- o The site is located within the planning boundaries of the *North Central Plan* (2002), which recommends "Single-Family Residential" land uses at this location.
- The site is located within the boundaries of the North Central Area Commission, whose recommendation is for approval.
- Practical difficulties were not considered since only a use variance is proposed with this request.

## **CITY DEPARTMENTS' RECOMMENDATION:** Approval

Although the proposed development exceeds the Plan's recommendation, Staff supports the proposal as it is consistent with the Plan's objectives of providing appropriate housing and a variety of housing opportunities, and also promoting and supporting the development of housing for all economic levels, and will not add an incompatible use to the area. Additionally, the proposed two-unit dwelling is consistent with residential uses in the area.



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### STATEMENT OF HARDSHIP

Columbus City Code Section 3307.10 - Variances by City Council.

City council may grant the following zoning variances:

- A. Permit a variation in the yard, height or parking requirements of any district only in conjunction with a change in zoning or a use variance and only where there are unusual and practical difficulties in the carrying out of the zoning district provisions due to an irregular shape of lot, topography, or other conditions, providing such variance will not seriously affect any adjoining property or the general welfare.
- Permit a use of the property not permitted by the zoning district established on the property if such use will not adversely affect the surrounding property or surrounding neighborhood and if council is satisfied that the granting of such variance will alleviate some hardship or difficulty which warrants a variance from the comprehensive plan.

Before authorizing any variance from the Zoning Code in a specific case, city council shall first determine that such variance will not impair an adequate supply of light and air to the adjacent property, unreasonably increase the congestion of public streets, increase the danger of fires, endanger the public safety, unreasonably diminish or impair established property values within the surrounding area, or in any other respect impair the public health, safety, comfort, morals or welfare of the inhabitants of the city.

In granting a variance pursuant to this section, council may impose such requirements and conditions regarding the location, character, duration, and other features of the variance proposal as council deems necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of this Zoning Code and to otherwise safeguard the public safety and welfare.

The following factors shall be used in determining whether the applicant has encountered practical difficulties in the use of the property. Respond to the following statements:

<ul> <li>1. Whether the property in question will yield a reasonable return or whether there can be any beneficial use of the property without a variance.</li> <li>✓ Yes  \sum No</li> </ul>
Yes, the property could be used without a zoning variance
2. Whether the variance is substantial.  ☐ Yes ✓ No
No, the variance would allow for the construction of a residential scale building in a residential area
3. Whether the essential character of the neighborhood would be substantially altered or whether adjoining properties would suffer a substantial detriment as a result of the variance.  ☐ Yes ✔ No
No, the new construction homes will enhance the appearance and the value of the existing area.

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4. Whether the variance would adversely affect the delivery of governmental services (e.g., water, sewer, refuse service)  Yes No
No, it will not impact governmental services.
5. Whether the property owner purchased the property with knowledge of the zoning restriction.  Yes \sum No
Yes, the existing zoning was known.
6. Whether the property owner's predicament feasibly can be obviated through some method other than a variance.  ☐ Yes ✔ No
No, only a variance can allow for this construction.
<ul> <li>7. Whether the spirit and intent behind the zoning requirement would be observed and substantial justice done by granting the variance.</li> <li>✓ Yes  \sum No</li> </ul>
Yes, the zoning district intends for low density residential development similar to a small duplex
List all sections of Code to be varied and explain your reasoning as to why this request should be granted.  NOTE: It is the applicant's responsibility to identify all variances required for the project. If any necessary variances are not included, a new application (and applicable fees) will be required.
I have read the foregoing and believe my application for relief from the requirements of the Zoning Code contains the necessary hardship, will not adversely affect surrounding property owners, and will comply with the variance(s) requested as detailed below (use separate page if needed or desired):
Please see the accompanying sheet of variances requested.
Signature of Applicant Sullus Stany Date 03.12.2025

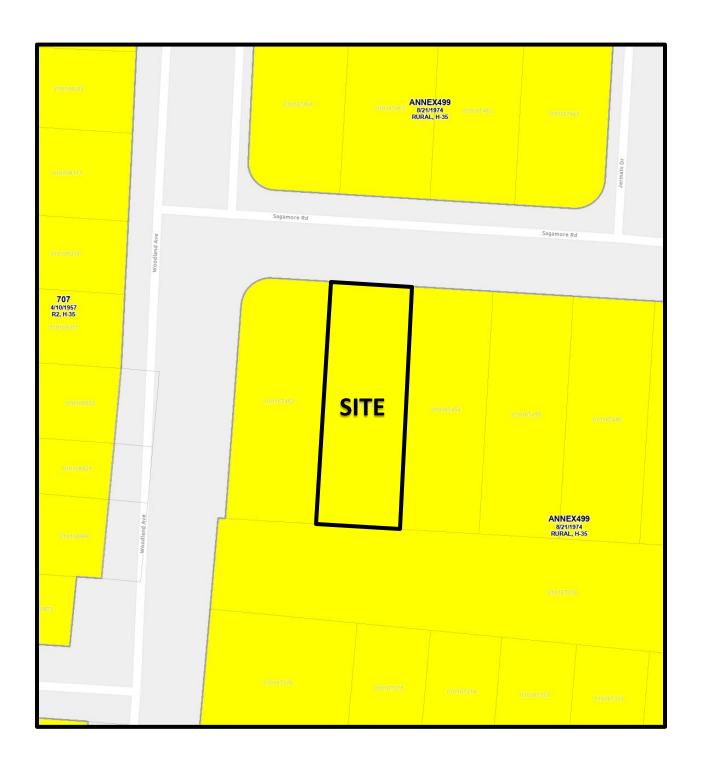
## **ZONING VARIANCES REQUESTED**

3312.49 - REQUIRED PARKING - VARIANCE TO ALLOW FOR 02 PARKING SPACES WHERE AS 04 PARKING SPACES WOULD TYPICALLYBE REQUIRED.

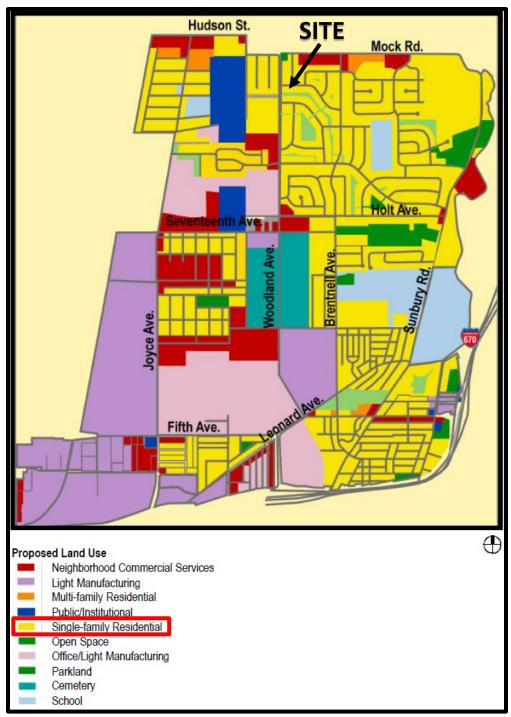
3332.02 - R-RURAL DISTRICT - VARIANCE TO ALLOW FOR A TWO-FAMILY DWELLING IN A R-RURAL DISTRICT WHERE AS ONLY A ONE-FAMILY DWELLING WOULD TYPICALLY BE ALLOWED.

3332.06 - R-RURAL AREA DISTRICT REQUIREMENTS - VARIANCE TO ALLOW FOR 2 UNITS ON A LOT SIZE OF 0.2083 ACRES WHERE AS THE MIN. DENSITY ALLOW IS CURRENTLY 1 UNIT PER 5 ACRES.

3332.26 - MINIMUM SIDE YARD PERMITTED - VARIANCE TO ALLOW FOR A MINIMUM SIDE YARD OF 5'-6" ALONG THE WESTERN PROPERTY LINE, WHERE AS 7'-6" WOULD TYPICALLY BE REQUIRED IN A R-RURAL DISTRICT.



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North Central Plan (2002)

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## **Standardized Recommendation Form**

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND ZONING SERVICES

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Case Number	CV25-023
Address	2111 SAGAMORE RD
<b>Group Name</b>	NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMISSION
<b>Meeting Date</b>	May 1, 2025

FOR USE BY: AREA COMMISSION / NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP

Specify Case Type B

□ BZA Variance / Special Permit☑ Council Variance

Rezoning

Graphics Variance / Plan / Special Permit

Recommendation (Check only one)

✓ Approval☐ Disapproval

### LIST BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATION:

3309.148 - AREA DISTRICT - VARIANCE TO ALLOW FOR 2 UNITS ON A LOT SIZE OF 0.2083 ACRES WHERE AS THE MAX. DENSITY ALLOW IS CURRENTLY 1 UNIT PER 5 ACRES. 3312.49 - REQUIRED PARKING - VARIANCE TO ALLOW FOR 02 PARKING SPACES WHERE AS 04 PARKING SPACES WOULD TYPICALLYBE REQUIRED.

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Vote	6-0
Signature of Authorized Representative	(Axmara Dellaces)
<b>Recommending Group Title</b>	North Central Area Commission
Daytime Phone Number	614 570 5369

Please e-mail this form to the assigned planner within 48 hours of meeting day; OR MAIL to: Zoning, City of Columbus, Department of Building & Zoning Services, 111 N Front Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.



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PROJECT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT	APPLICATION #:	CV25-023			
Parties having a 5% or more interest in the project that is the subject of this application.  THIS PAGE MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY AND NOTARIZED. Do not indicate 'NONE' in the space provided.					
STATE OF OHIO COUNTY OF FRANKLIN  Being first duly cautioned and sworn (NAME) Joshua Tomey					
of (COMPLETE ADDRESS) 1286 E Fulton Street., Columbus OH 43205 deposes and states that they are the APPLICANT, AGENT, OR DULY AUTHORIZED ATTORNEY FOR SAME and the following is a list of all persons, other partnerships, corporations or entities having a 5% or more interest in the project which is the subject of this application in the following format:					
Con Bus	ne of Business or individual tact name and number iness or individual's address; City, State, Zip nber of Columbus-based employees	Code			
1. Shakeyrah Elmore 614.483.8644 2488 Holt Ave., Columbus OH 43219	2.				
3.	4.				
Check here if listing additional parties on a separate page.					
SWORN TO DEFORE ME AND SWORN TO DEFORE ME AND SWORN TO DEFORE ME AND SIGNATURE OF NOTARY PUBLIC	of March, in the year 300  9-36-3637  My Commission Expires	Notary Seal Here			

This Project Disclosure Statement expires six (6) months after date of notarization ATE OF