STAFF REPORT DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ZONING MEETING CITY OF COLUMBUS, OHIO SEPTEMBER 11, 2014

3. APPLICATION: Z14-030 (14335-00000-00465)

**Location:** 1774 NORTH HIGH STREET (43202), being 0.58± acres located

on the east wide of North High Street, 73± feet south of Fourteenth Avenue (010-037011 & two others; University Area Commission).

**Existing Zoning:** CPD, Commercial Planned Development District. **Request:** CPD, Commercial Planned Development District.

Proposed Use: Commercial development.

**Applicant(s):** Black Wilshire Ridgely LLC; c/o David Hodge; Smith & Hale LLC;

37 West Broad Street, Suite 460; Columbus, Ohio 43215.

**Property Owner(s):** The Applicant.

Planner: Tori Proehl, 645-2749, viproehl@columbus.gov

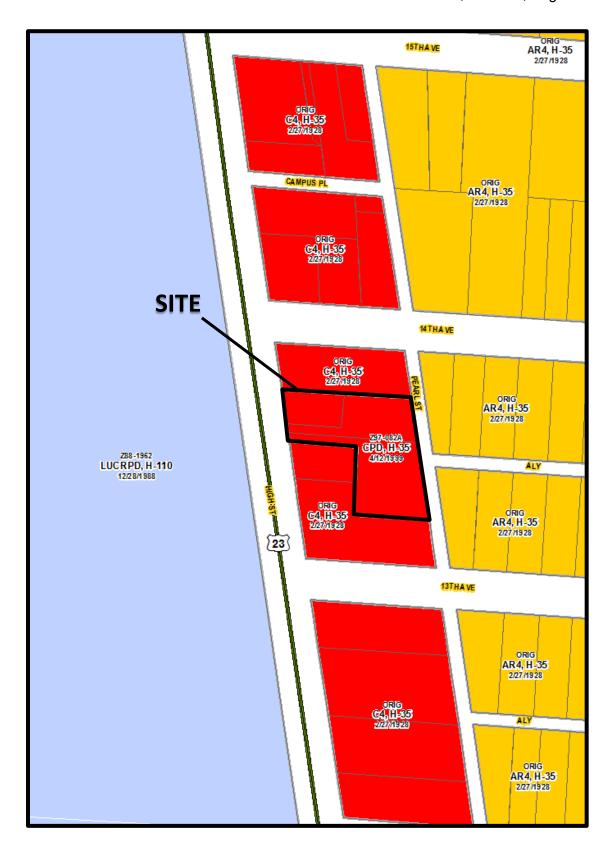
#### BACKGROUND:

 The 0.38± acre site is developed with a college book store and zoned in the CPD, Commercial Planned Development District. When rezoned in 1998, the text listed the book store as the principle tenant. The applicant requests a rezoning to the CPD, Commercial Planned Development District to expand the permitted uses on the site.

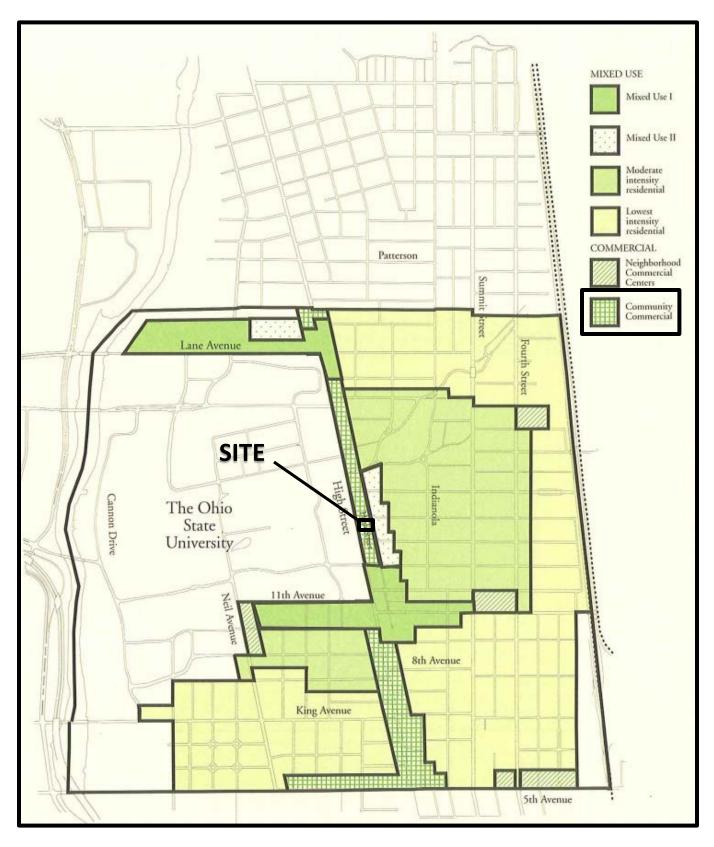
- Surrounding the site is commercial development to the north and south in the C-4,
   Commercial District. To the east is multi-unit residential development in the AR-4,
   Apartment Residential District. To the west is development associated with The Ohio State University zoned in the LUCRPD, University-College Research Park Development District.
- The site is located within the boundaries of the *University Neighborhoods Revitalization Plan* (1996), which recommends commercial/mixed use for this location. The *University/High Street Development & Design Guidelines* (2002) also contain relevant recommendations for this site, including building designs that contribute to a pedestrian-friendly frontage.
- The site is located within the boundaries of the University Area Commission, who
  recommended approval of this application, with a condition that the applicant will provide all
  code required bicycle parking. The applicant agreed to this condition.
- The proposed CPD text includes permitted uses, access, and commits to a site plan.
   Variances for minimum number of parking spaces required and parking space are also requested.

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

The requested CPD, Commercial Planned Development District will update the list of permitted uses in the CPD text. Staff supports the intended use of the property, as well as the expanded list of allowable uses. The request is consistent with the recommendations of the *University Neighborhoods Revitalization Plan* (1996) and the *University/High Street Development & Design Guidelines* (2002) and with the zoning and development patterns of the area.



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University Neighborhoods Revitalization Plan

# Zone 4

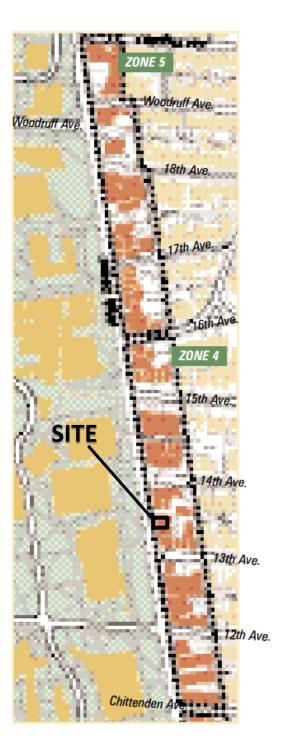
Chittenden Avenue to 16th Avenue

Character: Traditional commercial buildings with many active street-level uses form a campus edge. A mixture of traditional retail uses, entertainment and dining establishments, and residential uses enliven this zone. Buildings such as the courtyard apartments, which are unique to High Street, and the Newport are significant to the history of the area and contribute to its character. Some residential buildings, particularly at ground-floor level, have been converted to retail uses to meet the need for a variety of businesses. The corner of 15th and High, long considered the epicenter of this area, is strategically located for intense development. Several one-story buildings also present opportunities for redevelopment.

#### Goals:

- Foster a variety of new commercial uses through the redevelopment of underutilized properties.
- Provide uses and building designs that contribute to a pedestrian-friendly frontage







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City of Columbus Mayor Michael B. Coleman

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August 22, 2014

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RE: 1774 N. High Street,

Rezoning Z14-030/14335-00000-00465

Dear Ms. Proehl:

This letter is to inform you that on August 20, 2014 the UAC voted to support the request for a rezoning to expand the current list of permitted uses in the CDP text for the existing property located at 1774 N. High Street and zoned Regional Mixed Use. The current CPD allows only a college book store as the permitted use for this site. The requested list of permitted uses includes those permitted in Section 3356 (C4, Commercial) of the code. The following uses are <u>not</u> permitted: public/private hospital, radio or TV studio, communication towers, automotive sale, leasing & rental & automotive maintenance & repair.

The Commission had a lengthy debate about variance requests – which they felt should be about restorative justice rather than mere inconvenience or diminished profit. It also debated the prospects of this space becoming a potential large bar/drinking establishment which only adds to the growing number of bars that are appearing throughout the district. The applicant did provide additional details at the meeting that the property in question was a single-story space, not a 2-story space with mezzanine as previously reported. This information helped assuage concerns about a large-scale 'mega bar' being developed at the property in question. In the end, the Commission felt that the current zoning is unfairly hampering the owner from renting his property. They voted in favor of the applicant's rezoning request.

The vote to approve the above request, <u>with the condition</u> that bicycle parking will be provided on site per Section 3312.49, was as follows: For – 11; Against – 2; Abstentions – 0. We ask that this condition be incorporated into and made a part of the revised CPD text for this property.

Respectfully Submitted, Susan LM Keeny

Susan Keeny UAC Zoning Committee Chair C: 937-479-0201



# REZONING APPLICATION

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<ol> <li>Black Wilshire Ridgely LLC</li> <li>464 E. Main St., Suite 100</li> <li>Columbus, OH 43215</li> <li>Zero Columbus employees</li> <li>Andrew D. Madison / 464-1002</li> </ol>	2.
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Subscribed to me in my presence and before me this	day of July, in the year 2014
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My Commission Expires:	7/4/10
This Project Disclosure Statement expires six months after date of notarization.  Natalie C. Timmons  Notary Public, State of Ohio  My Commission Expires 09-04-2015	