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Mr. Mark Dravillas, Administrator
Department of Development, Planning Division
111 N. Front Street, 3rd Floor
Columbus, OH 43215

Dear Mr. Dravillas:

It has been an honor to be a member of the Downtown Commission and participate in the City's ongoing commitment to excellence in urban development. My term ends in June, and it would be a privilege to continue to serve the City of Columbus in this capacity.

I have been a downtown resident for nearly thirty-two years, choosing to work and raise my family here. We have witnessed enormous growth and dynamism in the past few decades, particularly through the City's dedicated implementation of the 2010 Downtown Columbus Strategic Plan and the current preparation for a second phase. Projects including the Scioto Mile, Columbus Commons, Arena District (with the recent Lower.com Field) and an extensive investment in residential development have transformed downtown into a vibrant, inclusive environment. It has been very meaningful for me to support this process, especially the City's concerted effort to create a unique and progressive identity through quality planning, design, and construction.

Professionally, I am a licensed architect with a background in urban design and planning. My experience includes large scale development, as well as commercial and residential design and construction. I have participated on several design advisory committees, and I am currently developing a mentoring program to introduce underrepresented children to the building and design profession.

During the past two years, our City—as well as the world—has witnessed unprecedented hardship. Yet, Columbus has proved itself resilient, continuing to push forward and envision a strong and bright community for ourselves and future generations. It would be a privilege to advocate for Columbus's continued successful development through serving on the Downtown Commission.

Sincerely,

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Vice-chair, Columbus Downtown Commission

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EXPERIENCE

- 2002-present **Architect, *Jana Maniace, AIA, NCARB***
- Principal, solo architectural practice.
 - Select projects: Lager Residence, Columbus, OH; Lemmon Residence, Columbus, OH; Jones Residence, Scituate, MA.
- 1999-2001 **Project Architect, *NBBJ, Columbus, OH***
- Responsibilities: project coordination, code analysis and review, planning, schematic design, design development, contract documents, construction administration for architectural firm.
 - Select projects: Abercrombie & Fitch Corporate Headquarters, New Albany, OH; The Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH.
- 1997-1999 **Project Architect, *Burgess & Niple, Columbus, OH***
- Responsibilities: project coordination, code review, master planning, schematic design, design development, contract documents, construction administration, architectural rendering for architectural/engineering firm.
 - Select projects: West Virginia State College Master Plan; OSU Life Science Laboratory Building, Columbus, OH; Honda Corporate Headquarters' Showroom, Marysville, OH.
- 1990-1997 **Senior Architectural Staff, *Karlsberger Co., Columbus, OH***
- Responsibilities: schematic design, design development, contract documents, construction administration for architectural firm.
 - Select projects: Community Hospital, Springfield, OH; Mount Carmel West, Columbus, OH; Women and Children's Hospital of Rhode Island, Providence, RI.

EDUCATION

- 1988 **Bachelor of Architecture (1985); Master of Architecture, *University of Illinois, Champaign/Urbana, Champaign, IL***
(*summa cum laude*)
- 1983 **Bachelor of Arts, *Wellesley College, Wellesley, MA***

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Institute of Architects (AIA)
- City of Columbus Downtown Commission, Commissioner 1997-2021; Vice-chair 2021-present
- Franklin County Veterans' Memorial Board of Trustees 2010-2013
- National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB)
- Registered Architect, Ohio
- City of Columbus Streetscape Master-plan Advisory Committee