

THE CITY OF ANDREW J. GINTHER, MAYOF

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND ZONING SERVICES

Council Variance Application

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STATEMENT OF HARDSHIP

Columbus City Code Section 3307.10 - Variances by City Council.

CV21-095

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.
- B. 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.

List all sections of Code to be varied and explain your reasoning as to why this request should be granted.

PLEASE 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):

See Exhibit B

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Attorney

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Date $\frac{B/23/202}{Date E/23/21}$

Exhibit B Statement of Hardship CV21-095

200 E 5th Avenue, Columbus, OH 43201

The 0.57 +/- acre site is located at the northwest corner of E. 5th Avenue and N. 4th Street. The site is zoned C-4, Commercial, H-60 and is in the University District Zoning Overlay NC, Neighborhood Commercial Subarea. Applicant proposes a mixed use building with residential and commercial (restaurant) uses and structured parking. The existing building will be razed. A four (4) story building (60') with 48 dwelling units, 4,500 SF of restaurant, 900 SF restaurant patio and a 59 space parking garage is planned.

The <u>University District Plan</u> (2015) recommends "Neighborhood Mixed Use" for the site and notes "this classification is intended for corridors and nodes that support a mix of land uses, including retail, office, multifamily residential, and institutional" as with this site at two major corridors (N. 4th Street and E 5th Avenue) connecting downtown/Clintonville and crosstown access with E. Fifth Avenue.

Applicant has a hardship as well as a practical difficulty with complete compliance with the referenced code sections because of the mixed site uses. Proposed site development is a huge investment in the area. Many urban developments have had similar variances for ground level residential use. The requested variances are not substantial, will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood, will not affect the delivery of government services, the variances are required for reasonable use of the property and are consistent with the spirit of the zoning requirement.

Applicant requests the following variances:

1). Section 3356.03, C-4 Permitted Uses, to permit ground level residential use.

2). Section 3312.25, Maneuvering, to reduce maneuvering from 20' to 0' for four (4) interior spaces with stacked spaces behind the interior spaces on the upper level of the parking garage, and to reduce maneuvering area for the west pair of stack spaces from 20' to 8' for part of the west side of the maneuvering area, as depicted on the Site Plan.

3). Section 3312.29, Parking Space, to reduce the length of eight (8) parking spaces with stacking (4 spaces with 4 spaces behind the interior spaces) from 18 feet to 15.75 - 16.0' on Level 01.5 of the parking garage,

4). Section 3312.49, Minimum Numbers of Parking Spaces Required, to reduce required parking from 64 spaces to 59 spaces.

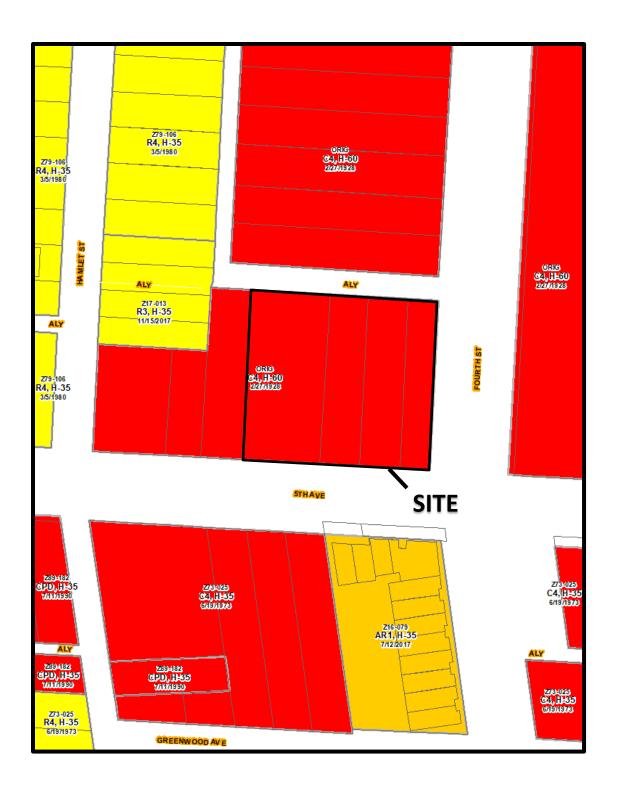
5). Section 3321.05(B)(1), Vision Clearance, to permit an open railing (42" tall) along both sides of the 10'x10' clear vision triangle at the alley intersection with N 4th Street, (northeast corner of site) or to permit a wall in the same location, with the wall subject to approval of the Public Service Department in conjunction with the Site Compliance Plan process.

6). Section 3325.213, FAR Standards, to increase Floor Area Ratio (FAR) from 1.4 to 2.40.

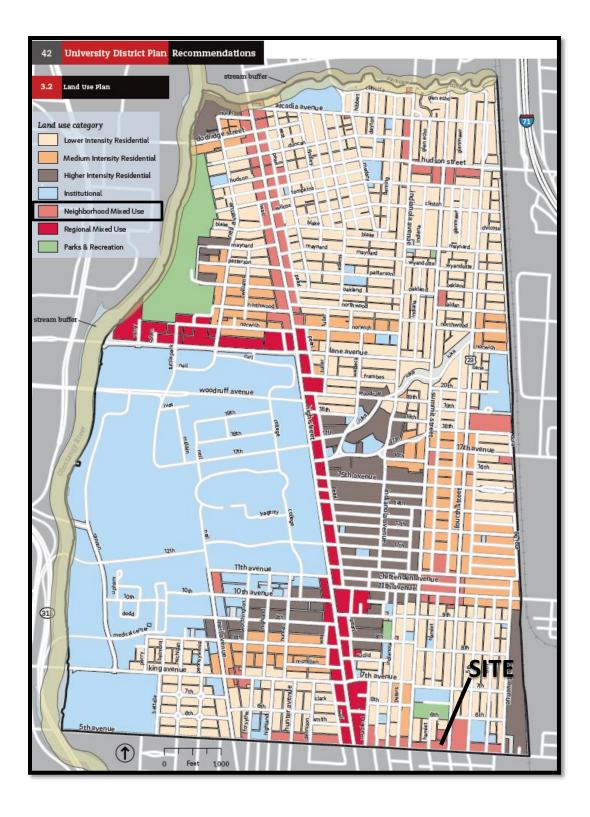
7). Section 3325.223, Building Height Standard, to increase permitted height from 45 feet to 60 feet.

8). Section 3325.241(D), Building Design Standards, to reduce the percentage of glass between two (2) feet and ten (10) feet above sidewalk grade from 60% to 35% (south elevation, E 5th Avenue) and from 60% to 50% (east elevation, N 4th Street) and to permit 80% of the south elevation glass (E. 5th Avenue) glass to be frosted rather than clear/non-tinted glass to screen parking garage.

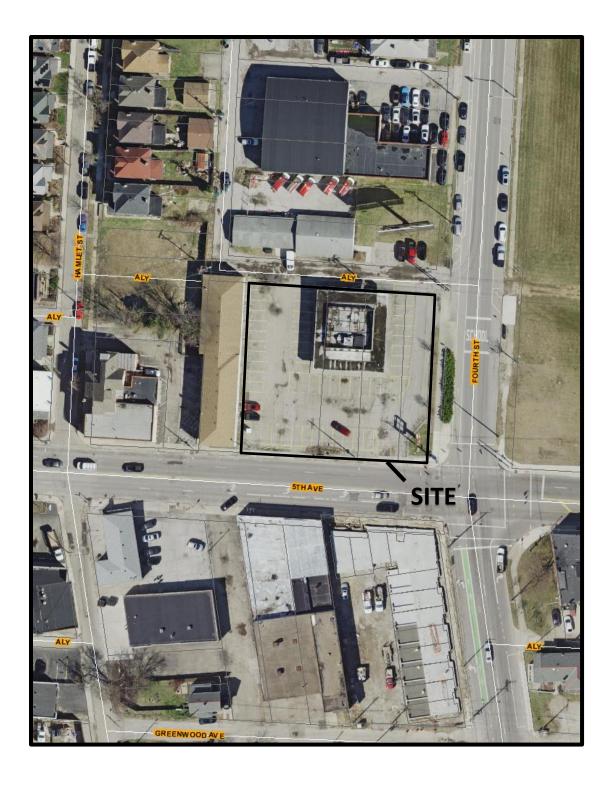
9). Section 3356.05(F)(2), C-4 District Development Limitations, which permits dwelling units located over a parking garage subject to commercial uses occupying the entire length of at least one property frontage, while applicant proposes ground level commercial use on both the E. 5th Avenue frontage and N. 4th Street frontage, but not for the entire frontage of either street, as depicted on the Site Plan.



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