



Council Variance Application

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND ZONING SERVICES

111 N Front Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215 Phone: 614-645-4522 ZoningInfo@columbus.gov www.columbus.gov/bzs

STATEMENT OF HARDSHIP

CV21- 054

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.
- 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

Date 4-26-2021

Date 1/26/2(

Exhibit B

Statement of Hardship

CV21-054, 1444 N. High Street, Columbus, OH 43201

The subject property is 0.312 +/- acres located on the east side of N. High Street, between Euclid Avenue and E. Eighth Avenue. The site is zoned AR-O, Apartment Residential-Office from 1963 and is developed with two (2) apartment buildings containing a total of 45 dwelling units. The apartment use is a conforming use of the AR-O district. The site is unusual for N High Street in that most of North High Street is zoned C-4, Commercial or CPD, Commercial Planned Development and many building setbacks are zero (0) or very close to the N High Street property line. In this case, the two (2) apartment buildings have slightly staggered setbacks, but range from 36' to 46' setback from the west property line (N High Street right of way).

By application CV17-084 (Ordinance 1658-2018, passed July 12, 2018), applicant proposed to develop the N. High Street setback with a new three (3) story building with 2,900 +/- SF of ground level commercial (restaurant) use and five (5) townhouse apartments with the second and third floors. The new building proposed with CV17-084 didn't include a lot split for the area of new construction, so the new building was treated as part of the site with the two (2) existing apartment buildings.

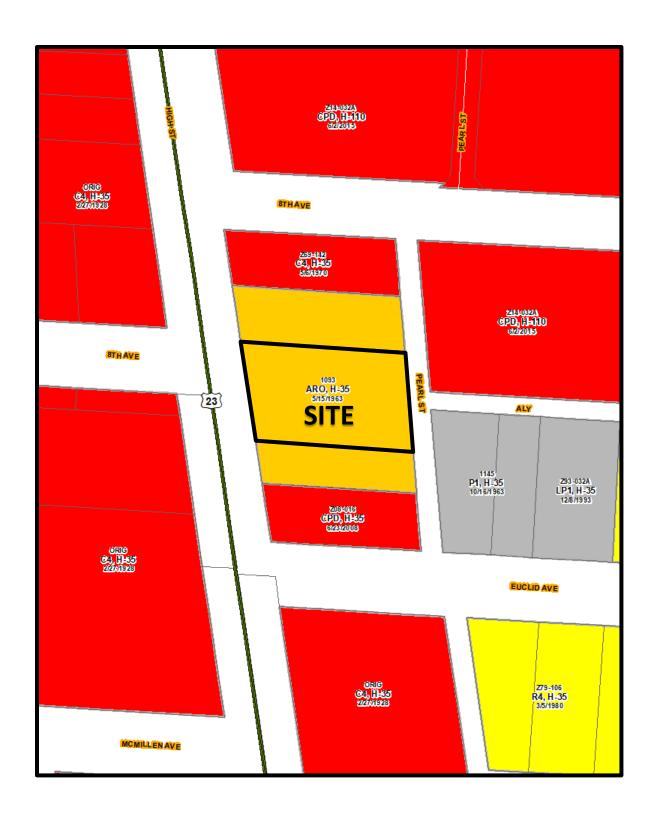
The site is within the Regional Commercial subarea of the University District Zoning Overlay, the University Impact District, and is subject to review by the University Impact District Review Board (UIDRB). The site is within the planning area of the University District Plan (2015), which recommends "Regional Mixed Uses" at this location. The proposed development is designed to integrate well with the surrounding High Street corridor.

With this application, Applicant proposes a lot split of the N. High Street setback area (0.073 +/-ac, 3,193 +/- SF) for a new parcel for financing of the new construction separate from the two (2) existing apartment buildings. The new construction proposal is the same as with CV17-084: 2,900 +/- SF of ground level commercial (restaurant) use and five (5) townhouse apartments with the second and third floors, but with a lot split. The proposed building will provide ground level commercial uses to engage pedestrians and have the upper level dwelling units, as is consistent with existing and many proposed N High Street development projects. The fronting building will substantially improve the N High Street façade of the property. A site plan ("Site Plan – Lantern Square, 1444 N High Street", dated 06/16/2021, is submitted with this application.

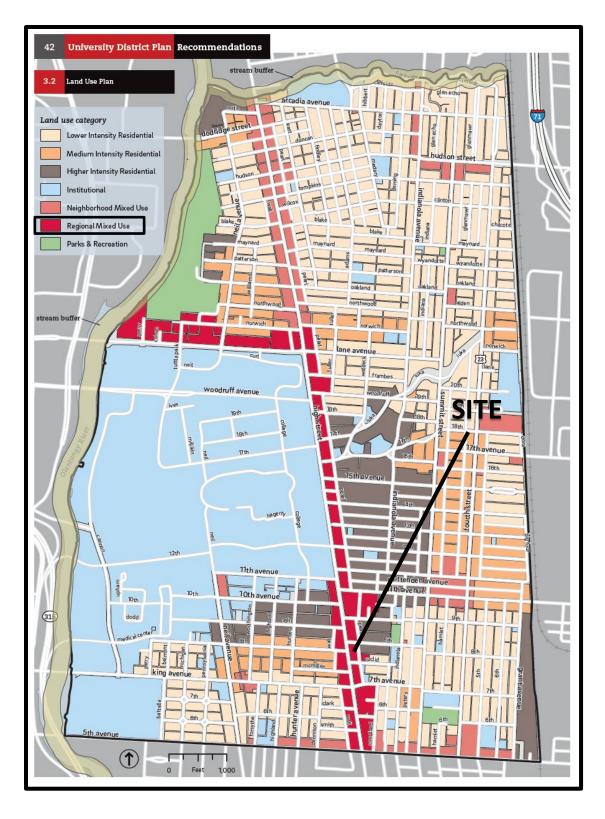
Applicant has a hardship warranting a variance in that there is no zoning district to which the site could be rezoned without also requiring variances and rezoning to a commercial district would render the two (2) existing apartment buildings non-conforming uses.

Applicant requests the following variances:

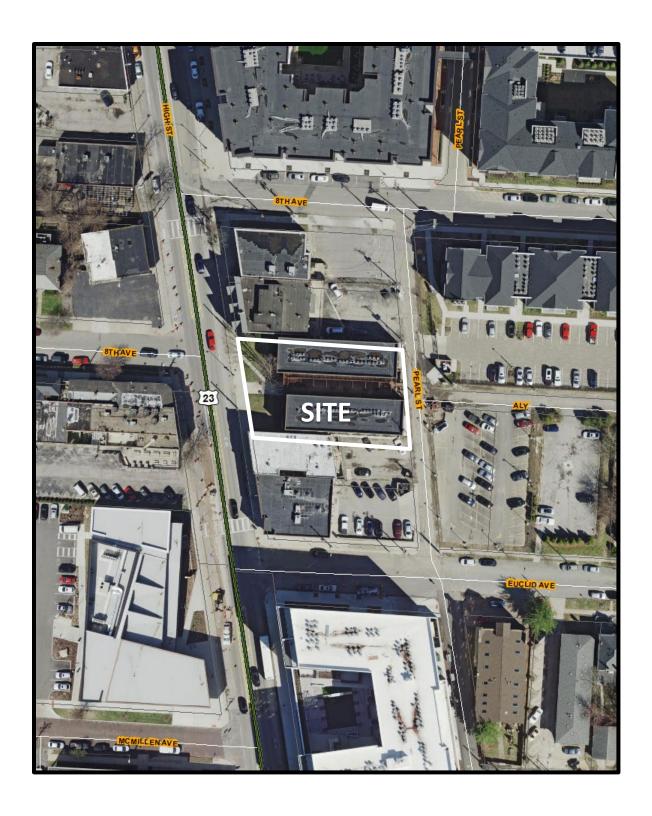
- 1). Section 3333.04, Permitted Uses in AR-O Apartment Office District, to permit 2,900 square feet of ground level retail, office and/or restaurant uses (west parcel).
- 2). Section 3312.49, Minimum Number of Parking Spaces Required, to reduce parking for 2,900 square feet of commercial use (retail, office, restaurant) at the restaurant rate and five (5) two (2) bedroom dwelling units from 20 and 5, respectively, as reduced by Section 3325.381, Parking and Circulation (Regional Commercial Subarea, University District Zoning Overlay) to zero (0) parking spaces for the proposed new building (west parcel), and to reduce parking for the existing two (2) apartment buildings (45 dwelling units/48 bedrooms) from 24 (0.50 space/bedroom) to zero (0) (east parcel). There is no parking on the parcel.
- 3). Section 3321.07(B), Landscaping, to reduce additional trees at the rate of one (1) tree per 10 dwelling units from one (1) tree to zero (0) new trees for the proposed five (5) new dwelling units and to reduce trees for the existing 24 dwelling units from 3 to 0 (west parcel).
- 4). Section 3333.15(C), Basis of Computing Area, to increase permitted lot coverage (building coverage) from 50% to 75% and 90% for the east and west parcels.
- 5). Section 3333.16, Fronting, to permit the east parcel to not front on a public street.
- 6). Section 3333.24, Rear Yard to reduce the Rear Yard of the west parcel from 25% (798 SF) to 5.5% (180 +/- SF).
- 7). Section 3333.255, Perimeter Yard, to reduce the north, east, south and west perimeter yards for the east parcel from 9.3' to 2.5', 0', 2' and 0', respectively.



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UNIVERSITY IMPACT DISTRICT REVIEW BOARD

111 North Front Street, Third Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215 (614) 645-8062



RECOMMENDATION

Council Variance

case no. **CV-21-054**

property address
hearing date
applicant

1444 N. High St.
February 15, 2018
Rhythm Architecture

issue date May 19, 2021

This is a recommendation to the appropriate regulatory body as identified per City Code. It is not a zoning clearance or a building permit. This document does <u>not</u> relieve the applicant from the responsibility of filing for and obtaining any required zoning clearance and/or building permit from the City of Columbus Department of Building & Zoning Services (614-645-4522 / 111 North Front Street, First Floor) and following all other applicable codes and ordinances of the City of Columbus.

The University Impact District Review Board hereby certifies that the application for the above referenced property and a copy of this Recommendation are on file with the City of Columbus Planning Division within the Development of Department. The Board has reviewed the application and taken the following action(s) in accordance with <u>Columbus City Code 3325.115</u>.

Variance or Zoning Change Request

	Rezoning		Graphics
\boxtimes	Parking Variance		Special permit
	Change of Use		Setbacks
	Lot Split	\boxtimes	Other

TYPE(S) OF ACTION(S) REQUESTED:

Variances include:

- 1). Section 3333.04, Permitted Uses in AR-O Apartment Office District, to permit 2,900 square feet of ground level retail, office and/or restaurant uses.
- 2). Section 3312.49, Minimum Number of Parking Spaces Required, to reduce parking for 2,900 square feet of commercial use {retail, office, restaurant) at the restaurant rate and five (5) two {2) bedroom dwelling units from 20 and 5, respectively, as reduced by Section 3325.381, Parking and Circulation {Regional Commercial Subarea, University District Zoning Overlay) to zero {0) parking spaces for the proposed new building, and to reduce parking for the existing two {2) apartment buildings (24 dwelling units) from 24 {0.50 space/bedroom) to zero {0}. There is no parking on the parcel.
- 3). Section 3321.07(8), Landscaping, to reduce additional trees at the rate of one {1) tree per 10 dwelling units from one {1) tree to zero {O} new trees for the proposed five (5) new dwelling units and to reduce trees for the existing 24 dwelling units from 3 to 0.
- 4). Section 3333.15((), Basis of Computing Area, to increase permitted lot coverage {building coverage} from 50% to 75% and 90% for the east and west parcels.
- 5). Section 3333.16, Fronting, to permit the east parcel to not front on a public street.
- 6). Section 3333.24, Rear Yard to reduce the Rear Yard of the east parcel from 25% {2,595 SF) to 1.4% {144 +/- SF) (existing condition) and to reduce the Rear Yard of the west parcel from 25% {798 SF) to 5.5% {180 +/- SF).

parcel with existing buildings to zero (0') east, two (2') north and south for existing building setbacks and zero (0') along the proposed west lot split line, respectively.
RECOMMENDATION:
SUPPORT REQUESTED VARIANCES OR ZONING CHANGE DO NOT SUPPORT REQUESTED NO ACTION TAKEN VARIANCE OR ZONING CHANGE
THIS RECOMMENDATION IS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE DESIGNATED REGULATORY AUTHORITY FOR THE ACTION(S) REQUESTED AS INDICATED.
Patrick Holland
Patrick Holland University Impact District Review Board, Staff

7). Section 3333.255, Perimeter Yard, to reduce the north, south and east perimeter yard for the east

This Certificate is issued with a good faith understanding that the work to be performed was represented completely, accurately, and truthfully. Before performing any work for which this Certificate has been issued, all other clearances and permits must be obtained from the Building Services Division at 757 Carolyn Avenue. This Certificate of Approval should accompany your application for a zoning clearance, registration certificate, building permit, or installation permit.

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Standardized Recommendation Form

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AND ZONING SERVICES	
PROJECT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT	APPLICATION #: CV21-054
Parties having a 5% or more interest in the project that is the subjec	t of this application.
THIS PAGE MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY AND NO	OTARIZED. Do not indicate 'NONE' in the space provided.
STATE OF OHIO COUNTY OF FRANKLIN	
Being first duly cautioned and sworn (NAME) Donald Plank	
	own Street, Floor 2, Columbus, OH 43215
deposes and states that (<u>he</u> /she) is the <u>APPLICANT, AGENT, OR Di</u> a list of all persons, other partnerships, corporations or entities have application in the following format:	_
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1444 N High St, LLC; 222 E 11th Ave, Cols, OH	
43201; # Cols based emps: 0; Contacts: Todd Dillon, (614)228-1651; Tom Heilman, (614)228-1651	
3.	4.
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MaryAlice Wolf Notary Public, State of Ohio My Commission Expires October 24, 2023	

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