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DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND ZONING SERVICES

Council Variance Application

111 North Front Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215
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STATEMENT OF HARDSHIP

Chapter 3307 of the Columbus Zoning Code

Section 3307.10 Variances by City Council

- A. Permit a variance in the yard, height, or parking requirements of any district only in conjuction with a change in zoning or a use variance and only where there are unusual and practical difficulties or unusual hardships 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 the public health, safety, comfort, morals, or welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Columbus.

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 discovered after your application is approved, a new application 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 Attorney / Muld / Muld / Mull Date 12/7/2020

Exhibit B

Statement of Hardship

CV20-121, 980 E Rich Street, Columbus, OH 43203

The site is 0.35 +/- ac (15,246 SF +/-) located on the north side of E. Rich Street adjacent to S 20th Street (33') on the west side of the parcel. The site consists of two (2) parcels: PID: 010-020650, 010-028010). Both parcels are zoned R-3, Residential from a 1993 area rezoning. There are many non-single family uses in the area and the Near East Area Commission area is characterized by a broad range of housing types as well as commercial uses.

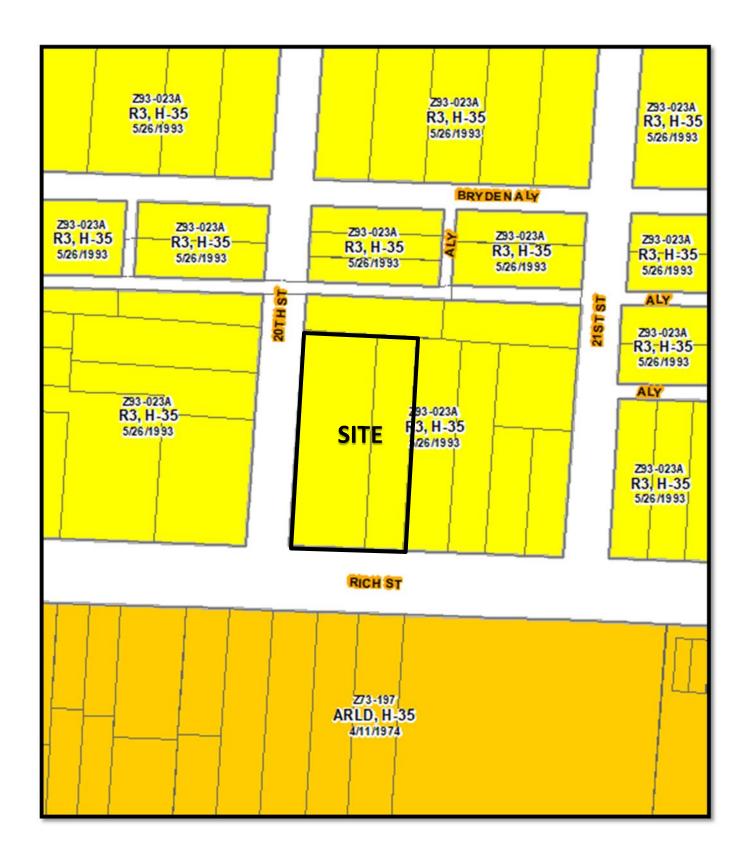
Applicant proposes to develop the site with a 19 (max.) dwelling unit apartment building. The two (2) parcels are vacant so there no demolition of existing structures is proposed. Applicant has submitted rezoning application Z20-107 to rezone from the R-3 district to the AR-3 district for the proposed multi-family use. This zoning variance application is submitted for applicable variances for the proposed site development. As is common with most urban development projects, certain zoning variances are required. The site plan titled "980 E Rich Street", dated 6/11/2021, is submitted as the site development plan. Parking is reduced from 1.5 spaces/DU to one (1) space/DU. The 19 (max.) dwelling units will be one (1) bedroom units with 565 – 600 SF per unit.

The site is located in the Near East Area Commission and is part of the Near East Area Plan ("Plan") area. The Plan encourages a mix of land uses, development of new housing and redevelopment of vacant land.

Applicant has a hardship as well as a practical difficulty with compliance with the referenced code sections. There are many forms of residential uses in the area. The proposed use is appropriate for the area and is one block from the E. Main Street commercial corridor. The requested variances are not substantial, are characteristic of urban development, will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood, will not affect the delivery of government services, require the variances as noted for reasonable use of the property and are consistent with the spirit of the zoning requirement.

Applicant requests variances from the following sections of the Columbus Zoning Code:

- 1). Section 3312.21(A)(2)(D)(1), Landscaping and Screening, to reduce the area and radius of two (2) parking lot islands from 145 SF to 94 SF and 85 SF and 4 foot radius to 3' and 2.5' radius, respectively; and to reduce the landscaped setback along the property line from 4' wide.
- 2). Section 3312.49, Minimum Numbers of Parking Spaces Required, to reduce required parking from 29 spaces (19 DU at 1.5 spaces/DU = 28.5 spaces) to 19 spaces at 1 space/DU.



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Standardized Recommendation Form

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FOR USE BY: AREA COMMISSION	/ COMMUNITY GROUP	/ HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL 1	REVIEW
(PLEASE PRINT)	•		

Application Number	Z20-107 / CV20-121		
Address	980 E. Rich Street		
Group Name	Near East Area Commission		
Meeting Date	February 11, 2021		
Specify Case Type	 □ BZA Variance / Special Permit ☑ Council Variance ☑ Rezoning □ Graphics Variance / Plan / Special Permit 		
Recommendation (Check only one)	Approval Disapproval		
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Please **e-mail** this form to **the assigned planner within 48 hours of meeting day**; OR **FAX** to Zoning at (614) 645-2463; 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

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All parties having a 5% or more interest in the project that is THIS PAGE MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY	the subject of this application should be listed. AND NOTARIZED. Do not indicate 'NONE' in the space provided.
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STATE OF OHIO COUNTY OF FRANKLIN	
deposes and states that (he/she) is the APPLICANT, AGENT	Plank Ist Town Street, Floor 2, Columbus, OH 43215 For DULY AUTHORIZED ATTORNEY FOR SAME and the ions or entities having a 5% or more interest in the project which
	Name of business or individual (include contact name and number) Business or individual's address; City, State Zip Code Number of Columbus based emloyees (Limited to 3 lines per box)
1. Blue Chip Homes, LLC, 5000 Arlington Cntr Blvd, Ste # 2212, Cols, OH 43220; # Cols based emps: 0 Contact: Lonnie Freeman, (614) 571-0910	2. City of Columbus - Land Bank, c/o John Turner 845 Parsons Avenue, Columbus, OH 43206; # Cols. based employees: 10,000+, Contact: John Turner, (614) 645-2551
3.	4.
Check here if listing additional parties on a se	parate page.
SIGNATURE OF AFFIANT	nald Plank
Subscribed to me in my presence and before me this	day of, in the year
SIGNATURE OF NOTARY PUBLIC	ryalice Wolf
My Commission Expires:	U
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MaryAlice Wolf Notary Public, State of Ohio My Commission Expires October 24, 2023