

Legislation Text

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Council Variance Application: CV12-015

APPLICANT: Joseph Paul Mayer III; 24 East Frankfort Street; Columbus, OH 43206.

PROPOSED USE: Two-unit dwelling.

BREWERY DISTRICT COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: Approval.

CITY DEPARTMENTS' RECOMMENDATION: Approval. The requested variance will conform an existing twounit dwelling in the C-4, Commercial District. A Council variance is necessary because dwellings are only permitted above specified commercial uses in the C-4, Commercial District. The site is located within the High Street Corridor Subarea of the Southern Tier of the *Brewery District Plan* (1992), which states that the current zoning does not accurately represent the existing residential uses, and emphasizes the residential character of the area. A hardship exists because the non-conforming nature of the site precludes financing options and prevents the owner from making improvements to the structure. The dwelling has been long established on this lot, and is consistent with the residential uses that are prevalent in the surrounding neighborhood. Approval of this request will not add a new or incompatible use to the area.

To grant a Variance from the provisions of Sections 3356.03, C-4, permitted uses; 3312.49, Minimum number of parking spaces required; and 3356.11, C-4 district setback lines, of the Columbus City Codes; for the property located at **22-24 EAST FRANKFORT STREET (43206)**, to conform an existing two-unit dwelling in the C-4, Commercial District with reduced development standards **and to declare an emergency** (Council Variance # CV12-015).

WHEREAS, by application No. CV12-015, the owner of property at 22-24 EAST FRANKFORT STREET (43206) is requesting a Council variance to conform an existing two-unit dwelling in the C-4, Commercial District with reduced development standards; and

WHEREAS, Section 3356.03, C-4 Permitted Uses, permits dwelling units only above specified commercial uses, while the applicant proposes to maintain an existing two-unit dwelling; and

WHEREAS, Section 3312.49, Minimum number of parking spaces required, requires two (2) parking spaces per dwelling unit, while the applicant proposes to maintain zero (0) parking spaces; and

WHEREAS, Section 3356.11, C-4 district setback lines, requires a 10-foot building setback line along East Frankfort Street, while the applicant proposes to maintain a building setback line of 0 feet; and

WHEREAS, The Brewery District Commission recommends approval; and

WHEREAS, The City Departments recommend approval because this request will not add a new or incompatible use to the area. The requested variance will conform an existing two-unit dwelling in the C-4, Commercial District, and the *Brewery District Plan* recognizes that the current zoning does not accurately represent the existing residential uses, and emphasizes the residential character of the area; and

WHEREAS, said variance will not adversely affect the surrounding property or surrounding neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, the granting of said 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 of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, the granting of said variance will alleviate the difficulties encountered by the owner of the property located at 22-24 EAST FRANKFORT STREET (43206), in using said property as desired; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation in the City of Columbus in that it is immediately necessary to pass this ordinance to begin construction as soon as possible for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health and safety; now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

SECTION 1. Variance from the provisions of Sections 3356.03, C-4, permitted uses; 3312.49, Minimum number of parking spaces required; and 3356.11, C-4 district setback lines, of the Columbus City Codes, are hereby granted for the property located at **22-24 EAST FRANKFORT STREET (43206)**, in that said sections prohibit a two-unit dwelling in the C-4, Commercial District with zero (0) parking spaces, and a building setback of zero (0) feet along East Frankfort Street; said property being more particularly described as follows:

22-24 EAST FRANKFORT STREET (43206), being 0.05± acres located at the northwest corner of East Frankfort Street and South Pearl Street, and being more particularly described as follows:

Situated in the State of Ohio, County of Franklin and City of Columbus:

Being the southeastern part (32.5' wide by 68.5' deep) of Lot Number Four (4) of C.F. JAEGER'S ADDITION, as the same is numbered and delineated upon the recorded plat thereof, of record in Plat Book 33, Page 11, Recorder's Office, Franklin County.

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SECTION 2. That this ordinance is conditioned on and shall remain in effect only for so long as said property is used for a two-unit dwelling.

SECTION 3. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor or 10 days after its passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.