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## Legislation Text

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Council Variance Application: CV20-001

APPLICANT: Jeffrey Rabe and Filiz Yucebay; 798 Neil Avenue; Columbus, OH 43215.

**PROPOSED USE:** Two single-unit dwellings on one lot.

NEAR EAST AREA COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: Approval.

CITY DEPARTMENTS' RECOMMENDATION: Approval. The site is developed with a single-unit dwelling zoned in the R-2F, Residential District. The requested Council variance will permit the addition of a carriage house on the rear of the property. The variance is necessary because while the R-2F district permits two dwellings in one building, two separate single-unit dwellings on the same lot are prohibited. Variances for reduced number of parking spaces, lot area, fronting, and rear yard are included in this request. The site is located within the boundaries of the *Near East Area Plan* (2005), which does not contain a land use recommendation for this location. However, the Plan does include design recommendations, and Planning Division Staff is in support of the proposed elevations, as the request has design elements that are compatible with surrounding structures.

To grant a Variance from the provisions of Sections 3332.037, R-2F, residential district; 3312.49, Minimum numbers of parking spaces required; 3332.14, R-2F area district requirements; 3332.19, Fronting on a public street; and 3332.27, Rear yard, for the property located at **1271 E. LONG ST. (43203)**, to permit two single-unit dwellings on one lot with reduced development standards in the R-2F, Residential District (Council Variance #CV20-001).

WHEREAS, by application #CV20-001, the owner of property at 1271 E. LONG ST. (43203), is requesting a Council variance to permit a single-unit dwelling (a carriage house) on the rear of a lot developed with a single-unit dwelling with reduced development standards in the R-2F, Residential District; and

WHEREAS, Section 3332.037, R-2F, residential district, permits a maximum of two units in one building, but prohibits two single-unit dwellings on one lot, while the applicant proposes to develop a dwelling unit above a garage (carriage house) on a lot developed with a single-unit dwelling; and

WHEREAS, Section 3312.49, Minimum numbers of parking spaces required, requires two parking spaces per dwelling unit, or four spaces total for two units, while the applicant proposes two parking spaces; and

WHEREAS, Section 3332.14, R-2F area district requirements, requires a single-unit dwelling or other principal building to be situated on a lot of no less than 6,000 square feet in area, while the applicant proposes two separate single-unit dwellings on a lot that contains 3,675 square feet (pursuant to lot area calculation in 3332.18(C)) totaling 1,838 square feet of lot area per dwelling unit; and

WHEREAS, Section 3332.19, Fronting on a public street, requires a dwelling unit to have frontage on a public street, while the applicant proposes no frontage for the rear carriage house dwelling; and

WHEREAS, Section 3332.27, Rear yard, requires a rear yard totaling no less than 25 percent of the total lot area, while

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the applicant proposes no rear yard for the rear carriage house dwelling; and

WHEREAS, the Near East Area Commission recommends approval of said zoning change; and

WHEREAS, City Departments recommend approval because the requested variances would permit development of a carriage house in character and scale with the dwellings on the surrounding properties; and

WHEREAS, said ordinance requires separate submission for all applicable permits and Certificates of Occupancy for the proposed uses; 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 adjacent properties or unreasonably increase the congestion of public streets, or unreasonably diminish or impair established property values within the surrounding area, or otherwise 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 owners of the property located at 1271 E. LONG ST. (43203), in using said property as desired; now, therefore:

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

**SECTION 1.** That a variance be granted from the provisions of Sections 3332.037, R-2F, residential district; 3312.49, Minimum numbers of parking spaces required; 3332.14, R-2F area district requirements; 3332.19, Fronting on a public street; and 3332.27, Rear yard, for the property located at **1271 E. LONG ST. (43203)**, insofar as said sections prohibit two single-unit dwellings on one lot in the R-2F, Residential District; with a parking space reduction from four spaces to two spaces; a reduction in the required lot area from 6,000 square feet to 1,838± square feet per dwelling unit; no frontage on a public street for the rear carriage house dwelling; and no rear yard for the carriage house dwelling; said property being more particularly described as follows:

**1271 E. LONG ST. (43203),** being 0.13± acres located on the south side of East Long Street, 350± feet west of Winner Avenue, and being more particularly described as follows:

Situated in the County of Franklin, State of Ohio, and in the City of Columbus: Being Lot Number Nineteen (19), Jones and Deaver's Addition as the same is numbered and delineated upon the recorded plat thereof, of record in Plat Book 4, Page 102, Recorder's Office, Franklin County, Ohio.

Parcel No: 010-038517

**SECTION 2.** That this ordinance is conditioned on and shall remain in effect only for so long as said property is used for a single-unit dwelling and a rear single-unit carriage house on the same lot, or those uses permitted in the R-2F, Residential District.

**SECTION 3**. That this ordinance is further conditioned on the subject site being developed in general conformance with the site plan titled, "1271 E. LONG STREET - CARRIAGE HOUSE," signed by Jeffrey Rabe, Applicant, and dated June 30, 2020. The plan may be slightly adjusted to reflect engineering, topographical, or other site data developed at the time of the development and when engineering and architectural drawings are completed. Any slight adjustments to the plan shall be subject to review and approval by the Director of the Department of Building and Zoning Services, or a designee, upon submission of the appropriate data regarding the proposed adjustment.

**SECTION 4.** That this ordinance is further conditioned on the applicant obtaining all applicable permits and a Certificate of Occupancy for the proposed uses.

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**SECTION 5**. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.