



Wichita-Sedgwick County Metropolitan Area Planning Department

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RE: BZA2014-00078: City Administrative Adjustment to increase height of new commercial building from 100 feet to 107.4 feet for property zoned LI – Limited Industrial.

Legal Description: A portion of LOT 4, BLOCK 1, THE WATERFRONT ADDITION to Wichita, Sedgwick County, Kansas; generally located northeast of the intersection of E. 13th Street North and North Webb Road (1615 N. Waterfront Pkwy.)

Dear Applicant:

We have reviewed your request for an Administrative Adjustment to increase the building height by 7.33%. Maximum building height allowed in LI is 80 feet. Section III-B.20(d)7 allows two feet of additional height for each one foot of Setback beyond the minimum required Setbacks. The proposed building is to be located approximately 10 feet from the north property line, which would allow a height of 100 feet. From reviewing your application, we understand that you propose to construct a new office building and are requesting a height increase from 100 feet to 107.4 feet in order to construct the stair tower parapets on the north side to 107'-4" from finish floor. The remaining roof parapets on the north elevation are 97'-4".

Section V-I.2(f) allows an adjustment to increase the maximum Building Height permitted by the property development standards of the zoning district by up to 20 %. We find that allowing the 7.33% height adjustment meets the four conditions required by Section V-I.6 of the Unified Zoning Code as set out below:

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- 1) Impact on safety and convenience of pedestrian and vehicular circulation: The location of the new office building will have no impact on the safety and convenience of vehicular and pedestrian circulation.
- 2) Impact on existing uses in surrounding areas: Existing uses in the surrounding area are commercial. The increase in building height of the new office building will not impact existing uses.
- 3) Compatibility with existing or permitted uses on abutting sites: Allowing a height increase for the new office building should not reduce compatibility with surrounding commercial uses as the new construction is approximately 10.44 feet from the north property line.
- 4) Effect on public health, safety or welfare: There will be no encroachment into public right-of-way; therefore, there should be no impact on the public health, safety or welfare, nor will properties or improvements in the vicinity be materially injured.


Our signatures below indicate that an Administrative Adjustment to permit a building height increase from 100 feet to 107.4 feet on the aforementioned property is hereby granted, subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The Administrative Adjustment is for a 7.33% building height increase for the office building only; all other improvements on the site shall otherwise conform to the Unified Zoning Code unless a separate adjustment or variance is approved.
- 2) The new building shall be in conformance with the approved site plan. The improvement shall be permitted and constructed within one year from the date of approval.
- 3) If the Zoning Administrator finds that there is a violation of any of the conditions of the Zoning Adjustment, the Zoning Administrator, in addition to enforcing the other remedies set forth in the Unified Zoning Code, may, with the concurrence of the Planning Director, declare that the Zoning Adjustment is null and void.

The development application sign should now be removed from the property.



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