

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



d. Policy, Planning and Sustainability Administration

MEMORANDUM

TO: Lloyd Jordan
Chairperson
DC Board of Zoning Adjustment

FROM: Sam Zimbabwe *[Signature]*
Associate Director, PPSA
District Department of Transportation

DATE: July 23, 2013

SUBJECT: BZA Case No. 18599 – 1417, 1493 & 1507 Meridian Place, N.W.
(Square 2684, Lots 556 – 558)

BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT
District of Columbia

CASE NO. 18599

EXHIBIT NO. 25

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APPLICATION

Pursuant to *Title 11 DCMR §§3104.2* the Applicant seeks a special exception to allow a parking lot under §213, in the R-5-B District at premises 1417, 1493 & 1507 Meridian Place, N.W. (Square 2684, Lots 556 – 558)

ANALYSIS

The Applicant, Trinity AMA Zion Church, seeks approval to renew a special exception to use the subject land as accessory parking lots. The site is located on the northeast corner of the intersection of Meridian Street and Centre Street, N.W., approximately one block east of the Church. Lot 556 contains 21 parking spaces and Lot 558 contains 11 spaces. A 25 ft. wide public alley separates the two parcels and provides access to the parking spaces with an additional driveway entrance located on Centre Street, N.W. The parking spaces are reserved for church use on Sundays and some evenings and are available for community use Monday through Saturday free of charge. The use of the parcels as accessory parking lots was last granted in BZA Order No. 16298 for a period of 15 years.

ACTION

DDOT has reviewed the Applicant's request and determined, based on the information provided, the continued use of the parking lots will have negligible impacts on the travel conditions of the District's transportation network. The area has a high demand for on-street parking and the continued use of the parking lots will minimize on-street parking demand in the area. DDOT has no objections to the requested special exception. DDOT is not opposed to renewal of the accessory parking lots but recommends the Board limit the approval to a period of not more than 15 years to review the conditions of the parcels and determine if any changes are necessary.

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