GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT



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Re: BZA Application No. 17145 (900 9th Street, N.W.) Variance to Allow Temporary Commuter Parking Lot in the DD/C-3-C District

Dear Mr. Bailey and Ms. Mitten:

The Office of Zoning (OZ) received the above-cited application today. The application seeks relief from subsection 1702.7(c) of the Zoning Regulations which states: "The parking facility shall require Board of Zoning Adjustment approval as a variance pursuant to § 3103 if it provides all-day, commuter parking." Coincidentally, this application seeks the same commuter parking variance relief that was granted by the Board for the temporary use of the DD/C-4 zoned Newseum site at 555 C Street, N.W. under BZA Order No. 16870. Your BZA Application Form 120 and Self-Certification Form 135 inadvertently lists the relief being sought as a special exception under the aforementioned section. Please amend these two form entries in the next 2 days to reflect that the relief being sought is a variance. Normally, OZ policy would delay any further processing of your application until a needed correction was made to the application. However because of the urgent nature of the application OZ will move forward with the scheduling of the case as promised at 9:30 AM on Tuesday, April 13, 2004.

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Please call Richard S. Nero, Jr., Chief, Support Services on (202) 727-6311, if we can be of further assistance in this matter.

SINCERELY,

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