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Sent: Tuesday, May 4, 2021 11:27 AM

To: Martin Sullivan <<u>msullivan@sullivanbarros.com</u>> **Cc:** Myers, Crystal (OP) <<u>crystal.myers@dc.gov</u>>

Subject: Confirmation: Special Exception Relief - 927 N Street NW

Martin Sullivan,

By means of this email I confirm that I am in agreement with the analysis and the conclusions stated in the below email, and as illustrated in the attachments, and specifically that:

- For 927 N Street, NW, you noted that you have applied for BZA special exception relief from the parking requirement in C-711.7.
- This is an existing 4-unit building in the RF zone in the Historic District. The project involves an addition, going all the way back to the rear (alley) property line, and includes a few other areas of special exception relief. It will remain at 4 units.
- C-711.7 provides:
 - Except for Alley Lots, when parking spaces are provided within a building or structure, all vehicular
 entrances or exits shall be setback at least twelve feet (12 ft.) from the center line of any adjacent
 alley for a minimum height of ten feet (10 ft.).
- You noted that your client, in this case, has a 20-foot wide alley and cannot meet this requirement (by 2 feet). Therefore, you have asked the BZA for special exception relief from the parking space <u>requirement</u>, and if that is granted, C-711.7 will not apply to the <u>subject parking spaces</u> because they are no longer <u>required spaces</u>. The parking spaces and rear building wall will remain as proposed, on the rear (alley) property line.
- C-711.2 provides:
 - All <u>required</u> parking spaces, driveways, and entrances that provide access to parking areas, shall conform to the requirements of this section.
- I agree that the result of these provisions, under Section C-711, is that if the spaces are no longer required, then they are no longer subject to the C-711.7 requirement. So, if the Board approves the special exception request, the spaces can remain as proposed, with no need for variance relief from C-711.7.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

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Subject: Confirmation of Special Exception Relief - 927 N Street NW

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Dear Mr. LeGrant,

Following up on our conversation this morning:

For 927 N Street, NW, we have applied for BZA special exception relief from the parking requirement in C-701.7. This is an existing 4-unit building in the RF zone in the Historic District. The project involves an addition, going all the way back to the rear (alley) property line, and includes a few other areas of special exception relief. It will remain at 4 units.

C-711.7 provides:

Except for Alley Lots, when parking spaces are provided within a building or structure, all vehicular entrances or exits shall be setback at least twelve feet (12 ft.) from the center line of any adjacent alley for a minimum height of ten feet (10 ft.).

WE have a 20-foot wide alley and cannot meet this requirement (by 2 feet). Therefore, we have asked for special exception relief from the parking space <u>requirement</u>, and if that is granted, C-711.7 will not apply to the subject parking spaces because they are no longer required spaces. The parking spaces and rear building wall will remain as proposed, on the rear (alley) property line.

C-711.2 provides:

All <u>required</u> parking spaces, driveways, and entrances that provide access to parking areas, shall conform to the requirements of this section.

The inference is that if the spaces are no longer required, then they are no longer subject to the C-711.7 requirement. So, if the Board approves the special exception request, the spaces can remain as proposed, with NO need for variance relief from C-711.7.

We would appreciate your confirmation of this analysis.

Attached are some documents from the BZA case which you may find helpful.

Thank you!

Regards,

Marty Sullivan

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