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Re: Request for Administrative Waiver – Wrightsville Surf Shop

Dear Mr. Mihaly:

On behalf of the City Engineer, I have reviewed your request for a waiver and rendered the following decision:

**Minimum Side Property Line Offset**  Granted  Denied

**Technical Standard:** *Chapter VII (Traffic Engineering), Section C 2.c. (2): All driveways along major thoroughfares shall have a property line offset of 75 feet, measured at the curb line.*

**Description:** The applicant seeks relief from the minimum property line offset for the primary driveway to serve the proposed retail project off Wrightsville Avenue.

**Justification:** The proposed project is a retail project with a narrow frontage that would not allow compliance with the standard. Because of the physical constraints unique to this property it is appropriate to allow a waiver from the above referenced technical standard.

**Property Line Offset of a Private Driveway**  Granted  Denied

**Technical Standard:** Section VII (Traffic Engineering), C (Driveways) Table 4 (Driveway Taper Widths and Minimum Side Property Line Offsets) *Minimum Property Line Offset = 6.5 ft*

**Description:** The applicant seeks relief from this requirement. The proposed flare extends to the projected property line.

**Standard Driveway**  Granted  Denied

**Description:** The applicant seeks a deviation from the required standard driveway (specifically taper) detail for the primary driveway. The proposed flare extends a distance of 5.4 feet, instead of 13 feet, to the projected property line.

**Justification:** The property has very narrow frontage. The unique characteristics of this site and the existing parking and driveway configuration makes compliance with the technical standards difficult. The existing driveway entrance along Wrightsville Avenue is being modified as part of this project. The adjacent property has an existing gravel driveway that abuts the proposed driveway, so there should be minimal potential for conflict.

Please contact me at [richard.christensen@wilmingtonnc.gov](mailto:richard.christensen@wilmingtonnc.gov) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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