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APPLICATION FOR BUILDING/CONSTRUCTION CODE APPEAL

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| Facility Information | | | | |
| Facility Name | | County <i>Washtenaw</i> | | |
| Facility Street Address <i>543 church</i> | | City <i>Ann Arbor</i> | Zip | |
| Permit Number <i>BLDG 19-0197</i> | | | | |
| Building Data | | | | |
| New Building <input type="checkbox"/> | | Addition <input type="checkbox"/> | Alteration <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Repair <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Classification Per Building Code Building Use | No. Of Floors | Construction Type | Area/Floor | No. Of Occupants |
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| Permit Holder | | | | |
| Name (Company or Individual) <i>Donald R Barker</i> | | Contact Name <i>Sama</i> | | |
| Street Address <i>10244 Churchhill</i> | | City <i>Rivers Junction</i> | State <i>Mich</i> | Zip <i>49277</i> |
| Phone <i>734-216-5598</i> | | Fax | Email <i>dand166@yahoo.com</i> | |
| Building Owner | | | | |
| Name (Company or Individual) <i>walnut Forest Investments</i> | | Contact Name <i>Susanah</i> | | |
| Street Address <i>2722 Pontchartrain</i> | | City <i>Southfield</i> | State <i>Mich.</i> | Zip <i>48034</i> |
| Phone <i>734 668-1100</i> | | Fax | Email <i>leasing@varsitymanagement.com</i> | |
| Summary Of Appeal <i>1011.5.2 Except #3</i> | | | | |
| CODE SECTION(s) <i>MI 2015 1009.7.2</i> <i>EXCEPTION #5</i> | | | Provide copies of the following as appropriate: Statement of Facts and Reasoning <i>SEE ATTACHMENT</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| DESIRED RELIEF (State Briefly) <i>SEE ATTACHMENT</i> | | | | |
| BASIS OF APPEAL (State Briefly) <i>SEE ATTACHMENT</i> | | | Supporting Material <i>SEE ATTACHMENT</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |

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| Applicant (all correspondence will be sent to this address) | | | |
| Name (company or individual) <i>Varsity Management.</i> | | Applicant Name <i>Don Barker</i> | |
| Street Address <i>625 Church</i> | City <i>Ann Arbor</i> | State <i>Mich</i> | Zip |
| Phone <i>734 668-1100</i> | Fax | Email <i>tragingo@varsitymanagement.co</i> | |
| Application Fee (applicant is responsible for paying fee) | | | |
| Residential \$250.00 <input type="checkbox"/> | | Commercial \$500.00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| <p>Note: You have the right to appeal the City of Ann Arbor's Building Boards of Appeals decision to the State of Michigan. If you choose to appeal this decision, then application must be made within 10 days of the decision to the address listed below, in accordance with Section 16 of 1972 PA 230. Michigan Department of Labor & Economic Growth, Bureau of Construction Codes, P.O. Box 30255, Lansing, MI 48909 517-241-9303, www.michigan.gov/bcc</p> <p>Note : Reasons for Appeal (Per MRC, Section R112.2, MBC, Section 113.2) include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The true intent of the code or the rules governing construction have been incorrectly interpreted. 2. The provisions of the code do not apply. 3. An equal or better form of construction is proposed. | | | |
| Applicant Signature <i>Harold A. Barker</i> | | Date <i>7/7/20</i> | |



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**RE: APPLICATION FOR BUILDING/CONSTRUCTION CODE APPEAL
543 Church Street, Ann Arbor, MI**

DATE: July 9, 2020 *REVISED AUGUST 10, 2020*

Summary of Appeal (continued)

CODE SECTION(S)

MI2015 1011.5.2 Exception 3

STATEMENT OF FACTS AND REASONING

For this renovation a portion of the floor structure was removed to install new stairs (within a dwelling unit) to create (2) 2-level apartment units. Upon demolition it was revealed that the floor structure and other elements were not as shown on the building's original construction drawings. Demolition also revealed that the stair configuration could not fit into the space as originally designed based upon the code section MI2015 1011.5.2 Exception 3. However the stairs could be configured according to the following residential code sections:

R311.7.4.1 Riser Height The maximum riser height shall be 8¹/₄ inches (210 mm).

R311.7.4.2 Tread Depth The minimum tread depth shall be 9 inches (229 mm).

DESIRED RELIEF

It is requested that a variance be granted to allow the residential stair code riser and tread minimums (8 1/4" riser height and 9" tread depth) be allowed to be used for this internal stair located within an individual dwelling unit.

BASIS OF APPEAL

This appeal would allow the project to be completed and serve as an updated, spacious dwelling with all the safety and access currently allowed in other single residential units. In addition, there are existing bedrooms within the apartment which are on the main level and have no need to use the new stair for access.



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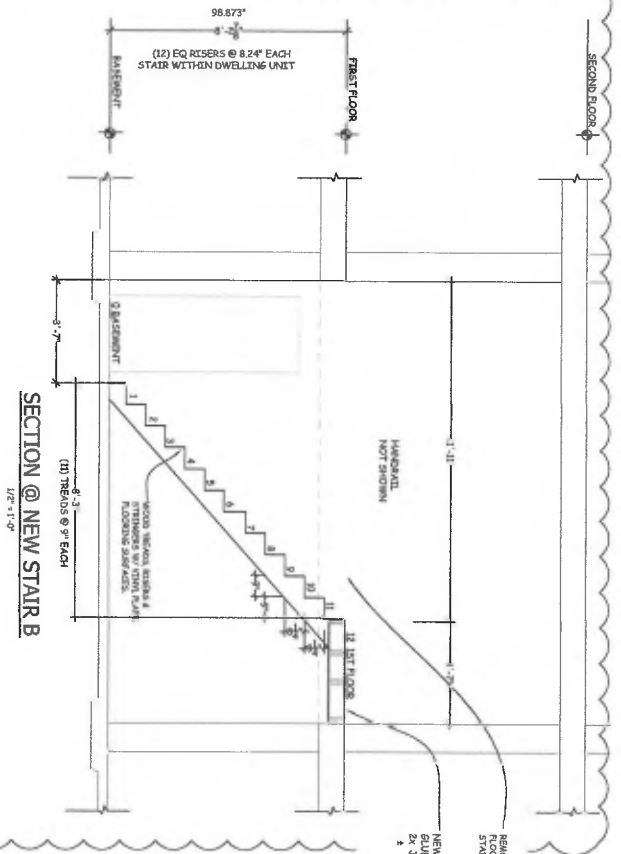
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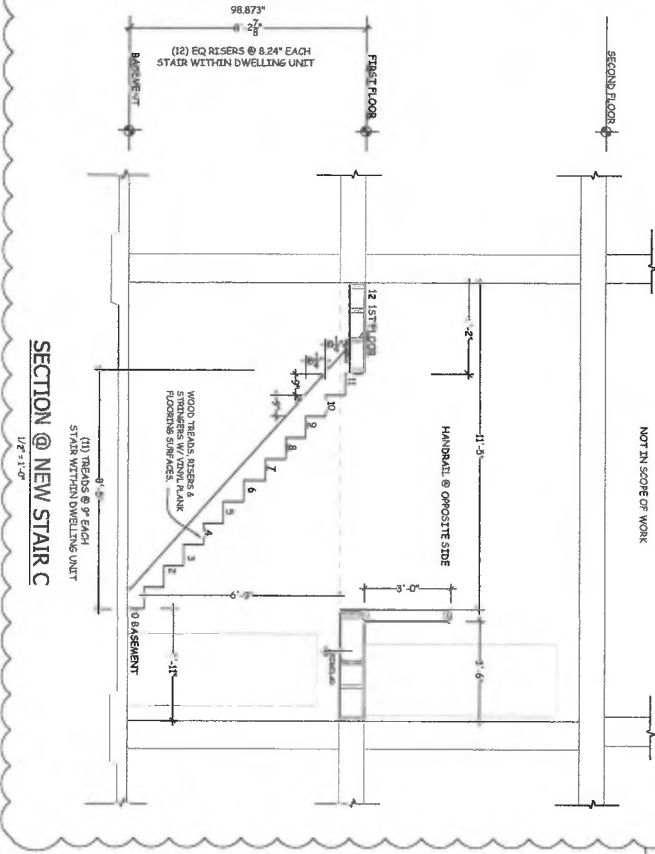
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