



# City of Ann Arbor

## Meeting Minutes - Draft

### Building Board of Appeals

301 E. Huron St.  
Ann Arbor, MI 48104  
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Thursday, October 16, 2025

1:30 PM

Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St, Second  
floor, City Council Chambers

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**A CALL TO ORDER**

**P. Darling called meeting to order at 1:31pm.**

**B ROLL CALL**

*Staff: 4 - M. Lemieux, M. Reddmann, J. Reiser, and J. Harvey*

**Present:** 5 - Paul Darling, Robert Hart, David Arnsdorf, Hugh A. Flack  
Jr., and Kevin Cox

**C PUBLIC COMMENTARY - GENERAL**

*None*

**D APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Approved**

**E APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Approved**

**E-a** [25-1790](#) Building Board of Appeals Meeting Minutes for July 17, 2025

**Attachments:** BBA MINUTES 7\_17\_25.pdf

**Approved by the Board and forwarded to the City Council due back  
on 11/6/2025.**

**F APPEALS, ACTIONS, AND SHOW CAUSE HEARINGS****F-a**      [25-1791](#)      BBA25-0011 - Appeal for 336 S State St Ann Arbor, MI 48104

**Attachments:**      BBA25-0011 Staff Report.pdf, BBA25-0011 APPLICATION.pdf,  
251001\_336SST\_LPC303\_BoardAppeals\_Write-up.pdf

**Applicant and Architect Caleb Marquard presented the case to the Board. Requesting petitioning for a Motion and Approval to grant relief from IFC 507.5.1.1 requiring installation of fire hydrant within 100' radius of any newly installed FDC, when other existing hydrants exist within proximity.**

**M. Reddmann gave the staff report. Staff recommend this application be denied as it does not meet the standards for approval, the code has not been misinterpreted, the provisions of the code do apply, and the current condition is less safe than the minimum requirements of section 1011.5.2 and section 1011.6 of the 2015 Michigan Building Code. The basis of this appeal suggests, what is proposed is equal or better than what the code requires but is not proven as such by the information provided in this appeal. Based on the requirements of the 2015 Michigan Building Code section 1011.5.2 staff recommends the board deny this request and require new construction elements meet the minimum requirements of the 2015 Michigan Building Code as required by the 2015 Michigan Rehabilitation Code for Existing Buildings Section 801.3. The applicant states they cannot alter the structure because it is in the Historic district, but have not provided any information indicating that it is technically infeasible to reconfigure the interior to accommodate a code compliant stair geometry or a code compliant landing.**

**Following discussion between board members, applicant and city staff, K. Cox made a motion to table the appeal for 60 days while applicant explores other options/departments for obtaining the approval they are seeking. Seconded by B. Hart. Motion carries unanimously.**

**G OLD BUSINESS**

*None*

**H NEW BUSINESS**

*None*

**I ADJOURNMENT**

**Adjourn**

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