



October 10, 2011

Wendy Rampson  
Planning Manger  
City of Ann Arbor  
100 N. Fifth Avenue  
Ann Arbor, MI 48104

Re: City Place Landscaping Plan

Dear Ms. Rampson,

Pursuant to our recent discussion of the conflicting land use buffer and its lack of intended applicability to our property, please find below the statement required per. Chapter 62, Section 5:608.

We request flexibility in the application of the landscaping and screening standards. The intent of the ordinance is met with the previously approved landscaping plan and this flexibility. There is no existence of a conflicting land use as intended in the standards. Our site is surrounded by similar or higher intensity land uses. It is our understanding that the language adopted in this relatively new standard has been identified by the City as having created this unintended situation in our location and others throughout the City and is currently being reviewed to alleviate this unintended result.

We appreciate your consideration of this issue and look forward to approval thereof at the October 17<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting.

Best regards,

Jeffrey P. Helminski