

### PLAN SNAPSHOT REPORT BBA24-0006 FOR THE CITY OF ANN ARBOR

**Building Board of Appeals** 09/20/2024 Plan Type: Project: App Date:

Work Class: Administrative Appeal Ward 3 NOT AVAILABLE District: Exp Date:

Square Feet: 0.00 Fees Paid NOT COMPLETED Status: Completed:

Assigned To: Lemieux, Michael \$0.00 Valuation: **Approval Expire Date:** 

Description: BLDGC23-0336 - Inspection Comment, Venting of Fixture Drains

09-09-28-309-007 Main Main Parcel: Address: 721 S Forest Ave Residential(Parcel is Part of Residential P

Ann Arbor, MI 48104

PUD(PUD)

Applicant Engineer Will Stajduhar Matthew Spencer 3000 Locust St Home: (314) 966-6299 St Louis, MO 63103 Business: (314) 966-6299 Business: (314) 476-0459 Mobile: (314) 626-5426

#### **Plan Custom Fields**

Type of Building	Commercial
Building Use	Multi-family
Repair	No
No. of Occupants	7/11

New Building	Yes
Alteration	No
Construction Type	A1

BBAStatementofFactsa During a recent plumbing ndReasoningMemo inspection, the plumbing

inspector cited an issue with the waste piping coming from the shower drains at level 2 of the building. The level 2 concrete slab is a post-tension concrete transfer slab that has slab thicknesses of 24"-36". In the installation, a horizontal wet vent system is used to serve the bathroom group. Box outs in the level 2 slab have been provided to allow the shower trap to be within 24" of the discharge of the fixture, but then uses 22-1/2 degree elbows to offset below the slab before connecting to the horizontal wet vent of the bathroom group. The sec!on cited by the inspector was 909.2 Venting of Fixture Drains (see snip below), of the 2018 Michigan Plumbing Code; due to the offset below the slab causing the total

slope to exceed the

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diameter of the fixture

and the thickness of the

level 2 slab, we are not

Addition	No	
No. of Floors	13	
Area/Floor	238538	

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meet the intent of the code, we are requesting a variance from sec!on 1002.1 to exceed the 24" dimension listed by lowering the trap further so that the requirements of sec!on 909.2 are achieved and the total slope from trap to vent does not exceed the diameter of the fixture drain.

Additionally, we are proposing to increase the depth of the trap seal from 2" to 4", as allowed by section 1002.4. The increased depth of the trap seal along with the oversized piping from the shower (2" versus the minimum 1-1/2") will assist in alleviating the potential for self-siphoning of the trap. The nature of a shower fixture also allows for "trailing water" after turning off the showerhead, which continues to drain smaller amounts of water to replenish the trap in the unlikely event that the trap seal was depleted by a self-siphon event. able to meet the requirements of sec!on

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Notification to Tenants v.1	Generic Action
Staff Report Submitted to Legistar v.1	Generic Action
Building Board of Appeals Decision v.1	Generic Action
Decision Letter Created and Attached v.1	Generic Action
Minutes Created and Published v.1	Generic Action





17 September 2024

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Re: BLDGC23-0336 – Inspection Comment, Venting of Fixture Drains

Dear: Annie

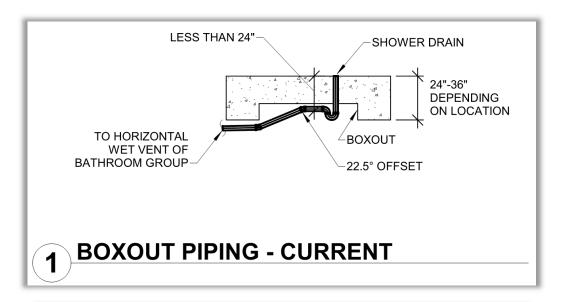
Verve Ann Arbor/Forest Ave project,

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### 909.2 Venting of Fixture Drains

The vent for a *fixture drain*, except where serving a fixture with integral traps, such as water closets, shall connect above the weir of the fixture trap being vented. The total slope shall not exceed the diameter of the fixture drain.

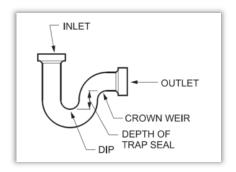
Due to the presence of the post-tension cables and the thickness of the level 2 slab, we are not able to meet the requirements of section 909.2 while simultaneously meeting the requirements of section 1002.1 to not exceed a vertical distance of 24" from the fixture outlet to the trap weir.



### 1002.1 Fixture Traps

Diagram

Each plumbing fixture shall be separately trapped by a liquid-seal trap, except as otherwise permitted by this code. The vertical distance from the fixture outlet to the trap weir shall not exceed 24 inches (610 mm), and the horizontal distance shall not exceed 30 inches (762 mm) measured from the centerline of the fixture outlet to the centerline of the inlet of the trap. The height of a clothes washer standpipe above a trap shall conform to Section 802.3.3. A fixture shall not be double trapped.



#### 1002.4 Trap Seals

Each fixture trap shall have a liquid seal of not less than 2 inches (51 mm) and not more than 4 inches (102 mm), or deeper for special designs relating to accessible fixtures.

To best resolve this and meet the intent of the code, we are requesting a variance from section 1002.1 to exceed the 24" dimension listed by lowering the trap further so that the requirements of section 909.2 are achieved and the total slope from trap to vent does not exceed the diameter of the fixture drain. Additionally, we are proposing to increase the depth of the trap seal from 2" to 4", as allowed by section 1002.4. The increased depth of the trap seal along with the oversized piping from the shower (2" versus the minimum 1-1/2") will assist in alleviating the potential for self-siphoning of the trap. The nature of a shower fixture also allows for "trailing water" after turning off the showerhead, which continues to drain smaller amounts of water to replenish the trap in the unlikely event that the trap seal was depleted by a self-siphon event.



