

CITY OF MADISON HEIGHTS ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS APPLICATION

Application No.:	
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l.	Petitioner:	Name: Tom Paglia, The Ford Building, Inc. (Owner)
		Address: 18301 Eight Mile, Ste 100
		City: Eastpointe State: MI Zip: 48021
		Telephone: 313-318-0502 Fax: 586-879-0716
		Email: atpaglia@gmail.com
2	Petitioner's Interest	in Property: Owner
3.	Property Owner:	(Attach list if more than one owner) Name: The Ford Bullding, Inc.
		Address (Street): 18301 Eight Mile, Ste 100
		City: Eastpointe State: MI Zip: 48021
		Telephone: 313-318-0502
		Email: atpaglia@gmail.com
4.	Property Description	Address: 1100 E Mandoline, Madison Heights, MI 48
		Tax Parcel #: 44-25 - 01 - 251 022
		Legal Description - Attach if metes and bounds description.
		If in a subdivision: Lot #: 150-156
		Subdivision name: Sec 1 Leho Industrial Acres No 6 L
		Lot size: 16.396 acres
		Size of proposed building or addition: none
5.	Present Zoning of Pre	operty: M-1 LT Present Use: commercial
6.	Action Requested:	(Check the appropriate section and attach response on separate sheets)
	APPEAL OF AN AD	MINISTRATIVE DECISION (Administrative Review)
	The applicant requests	the Board of Appeals to reverse/modify the
	reversed/modified beca	of Article, Section The decision should be use: (On a separate sheet describe in detail the nature of the problem, the und the desired remedy)

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	uest is hereby made for permission to erec existing fence to be used without a	t alter convert or use a storego storego			
Con	trary to the requirements of Section(s)	10.516(j)(2) of the Zoning Ordinance			
		10.505(c)(3) of the Zoning Ordinance			
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	The following questions must be answ	ered fully on a separate sheet of paper:			
A.	Clearly explain the variance desired and he Zoning Ordinance.	ow the proposed building and/or use is contrary to the			
В.	structure or building involved and which as in the same district. (Note: Your district in	tances that exist which are peculiar to the land, re not applicable to other lands, structures or buildings achieves all areas of the City sharing a zoning ning classification were B-1 (Local Business) your B-1.)			
C.	Explain why the literal interpretation of the commonly enjoyed by others in the same z	provisions of this ordinance deprives you of rights oning district.			
D.	Did the special conditions and/or circumsta	nces result from your actions?			
E.	Can you use the property in a manner permitted by the Ordinance if a variance is not granted? Is this the minimum variance you need to use the property in the way you want?				
F.	Will granting the variance change the essen	tial character of the area?			
	PORARY PERMIT cant is requesting a Temporary Use a	nd/or a Temporary Structure			
Descr	ibe in detail the proposed use or structure	and the length of time requested.			
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The second secon	LIC UTILITY BUILDING ibe in detail the proposed use or structure.				
Control of the Contro	ER ACTION ibe in detail action requested.				
Have y	HISTORY you been denied a permit for a building, si ere been any previous appeal involving the (If yes, provide character and disposition	ese premises? Yes 🔲 No 🔳			

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Applicant(s) and property owner(s) hereby consent to city staff, board and commission members, and contractors to access the property for purposes of evaluating the site for the requested action(s). FOR THE OWNER: FOR THE APPLICANT IF NOT THE OWNER: Signature Signature Printed Name Tom Paglia, The Ford Buildin Printed Name Date 4/30/23 Date_ Note: A notarized letter of authority or a power of attorney may be substituted for the original signature of the owner. Notices are to be sent to the Applicant \square Owner 🔳 ATTACHED HERETO, AND MADE PART OF THIS APPLICATION, ARE THE FOLLOWING: (All required items must be submitted with this application) П 1. Two copies of drawings of Site Plan (no larger than 11"x 17") drawn to scale and containing all necessary dimensions and all features involved in this appeal. including measurements showing open space on abutting properties. PDF 2. Dimensioned elevations of all buildings involved in the requested variance. All required responses to above items. 3. 4. Building permit application if applicable. Letter of authority if applicable 5. Applicable fees: 6. A. Variance Review (Single Family) \$300.00 B. Variance Review (Dimensional) \$400.00 plus \$300 per variance C. Use Variance Review \$1,000.00 D. Appeal of Administrative Decision \$400.00 OFFICE USE ONLY APPROVALS Approved for hearing by City Attorney Approved for hearing by C.D.D. Reviewed by Site Plan Committee INTER-DEPARTMENTAL NOTIFICATION Community Development Department Fire Department Department of Public Services FEE: \$ 700 PAID: 5-1-33 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS APPROVED: DENIED:

THE FORD BUILDING, INC.

18301 EIGHT MILE, SUITE 100 EASTPOINTE, MI 48021 PHONE: (586) 756-1100 · FAX: (586) 879-0716

April 30, 2023

Zoning Board of Appeals Community Development Department City of Madison Heights 300 W. Thirteen Mile Road Madison Heights, MI 48170

RE: 1100 E Mandoline, Madison Heights – Zoning Board of Appeals – Variance Request – Variance of Fence Setback and Screening

Dear Zoning Board of Appeals:

This letter is written in support of our application to the Board of Zoning Appeals for a Variance.

Variance Request of 10.516(j)(2):

A. Explain the Variance:

Since COVID-19, the occupancy at 1100 Mandoline has fallen over 20% due to decreased demand for office space and for renting space in general.

Section 10.516(j)(2) requires that fences in industrial and commercial districts, which are adjacent to industrial or commercial districts, must be five (5) feet setback from the property line.

We have an existing fence at 1100 E Mandoline, Madison Hiehgts on the south property line separating our property from our neighbor to the south. We also have a fence on the west property line which is adjacent to Milton Avenue. The property along the fencing is presently and historically has been used for parking without any property set back, as shown on the attached drawing and photos.

We have an opportunity to enter into a lease with a new tenant, which would increase our occupancy by 10%. The new tenant would continue to use the property adjacent to the fencing for parking of its commercial vehicles. Specifically the new tenant would park school buses along the property's southwest fence line.

We respectfully request a variance from the five foot setback requirement so that we can continue to use the property for parking with fencing located on the property line consistent with our present and historic use. The strict enforcement of the ordinance creates numerous practical difficulties given the property's current fence and asphalt installations. (The permitted use of this area of the

property, as parking, is unreasonably prevented by the implementation of this ordinance to the existing fence and fence line.) By permitting the variance and a relaxation of the ordinance standard to this property, it would provide substantial justice to the landowner and neighbors by allowing the parking lot and the vacant space in the building to be utilized rather than remain vacant and become a strain on an otherwise good area of Madison Heights.

Granting the variance would not deprive adjacent properties of adequate light and air or cause any additional danger of fire or to public safety.

Granting the variance would actually increase the property values in the area because the vacant space at the property would be occupied

The current installation of the fence on the property line is unique to the block that it is situated on and there are other properties that have parking lots installed right to the street without any setback.

The variance should be granted so that any required fencing can be permitted to remain in its present location on the property line without the five (5) foot set back.

B. Explain the Special Circumstances:

The property is a large parcel with a large parking lot in an industrial area, entirely surrounded by industrial facilities at which there are numerous large trucks constantly moving in and out of. Some of the parcels/other businesses in the area, including UPS, WOW!, Cintas, ADT Security, Air Center, Aero Filter, and the nearby Carpet Guys store trucks or vehicles on site as well.

Other properties in the neighborhood have existing parking lots that abut streets without the five foot setback (see attached photo of neighbor south on Milton St).

C. Explain Why Literal Interpretation of Provisions Deprive You of Rights:

The five (5) foot setback requirement would deprive the owner of the use of five feet along the entire length of the property line without compensation. In essence it would be tantamount to an unlawful taking without a condemnation proceeding.

D. Did the special circumstances result from your actions?

We have not created any conditions which necessitates our need for this variance. We desire to maintain an occupied, safe property that can attract so that we can continue to be a good corporate citizen and pay our bills.

The building's occupancy has suffered since COVID and this minor variance to waive the five (5) foot setback, would help secure a new tenant and business for the city.

- E. Can the Property Be Used in a Matter Permitted if the Variance is Not Granted? If the variance is not granted, a large portion of the property consisting of a five foot section along its border cannot be used.
- F. Will Granting the Variance Change the Character of the Area?

The area is an industrial subdivision with large warehouses and factories and large parking lots including commercial vehicles and plenty of chain link fences on property lines. Granting the variance, to waive the required five (5) foot setback would not change the character of the area in any way.

Variance Request of 10.505(c)(3):

A. Explain the Variance:

Section 10.505(c)(3) requires that parking for fleet and company vehicles shall be screened from adjoining properties by an enclosure consisting of a wall not less than the height of the equipment, vehicles and all materials to be stored. A fence or alternative screening options shall comply with related standards in section 10.510.

We request that the existing fence be deemed appropriate screening and any other requirements of the Ordinance be waived.

B. Explain the Special Circumstances:

The property is a large parcel with a large parking lot in an industrial area, entirely surrounded by industrial facilities at which there are numerous large trucks constantly moving in and out of. Nearly all of these other properties have chain link fences as barriers along property lines of both city streets and other properties. Some of these parcels/other businesses, including UPS, WOW!, Cintas, ADT Security, Air Center, Aero Filter, and the nearby Carpet Guys store trucks or vehicles on site as well. None of these businesses were noted to have screening of their company or fleet vehicle parking as shown in the attached photos.

We request a variance so that the existing chain link fence be deemed a sufficient "screened" barrier under the terms of the ordinance.

C. Explain Why Literal Interpretation of Provisions Deprive You of Rights:

The property is located in an industrial subdivision with many different types of businesses that store company vehicles. A majority of those businesses and properties are separated by unscreened chain link fences. Our existing chain link fence should be viewed as a sufficient "screened" barrier between the property and the neighboring properties and city street.

The current chain link fence is used generally throughout the industrial neighborhood and has been deemed as a sufficient "screen" for many years. If the ordinance is strictly enforced, the cost of installing "screening" may be excessive to the point that it will prohibit us from entering into a new lease.

D. Did the special circumstances result from your actions?

We did not create any special circumstances which would create the need for the variance requested. The special circumstances of this request, namely the owner's desire for a determination that the existing chain link fence at the property be deemed a sufficient "screened" barrier under the terms of the ordinance for company vehicle

parking, are a result of the city's requirements for the proposed new tenant's use at the property.

We wish to maintain an occupied, safe property that can attract tenants and continue to pay its bills. The building's occupancy has suffered since COVID and this minor variance request, namely a determination that the existing chain link fence at the property be deemed a sufficient "screened" barrier under the terms of the ordinance for company vehicle parking, would help secure a new tenant and business for the area rather than the building space remaining vacant.

E. Can the Property Be Used in a Matter Permitted if the Variance is Not Granted? If strict adherence to the ordinance is required, the cost to comply would likely exceed \$30,000 and would most likely squash any proposed lease with the proposed tenant. If the variance is not granted, it is likely that the tenant will not lease at the Property and the Property would remain vacant.

F. Will Granting the Variance Change the Character of the Area?

The area is an industrial subdivision with large warehouses and factories where large vehicles are stored with unscreened chain link fences like ours (as shown on the attached photos). For example UPS, WOW!, Cintas, ADT Security, Air Center, Aero Filter that park company vehicles without any screening other than a chain link fence.

Granting the variance for an existing chain link fence to remain and be deemed sufficient as screening would not change the character of the area in any way.

In the event the Board does not grant our request to waive the screening, in the minimum we request that we may be permitted to install fiberglass or plastic suitable material on the exterior of the existing fence as permissible screening.

Thank you and please feel free to contact me with any questions at 313 318 0502 or atpaglia@gmail.com,

Sincerely,

The Ford Building, Inc.

Tom Paglia, Vice President

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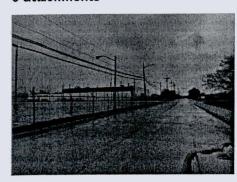
Photos of SW Corner of 1100 Mandoline

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To: "A. Paglia III" <atpaglia@gmail.com>

Mon, May 1, 2023 at 10:20 AM

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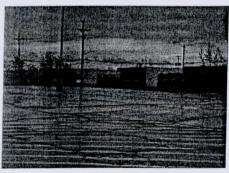
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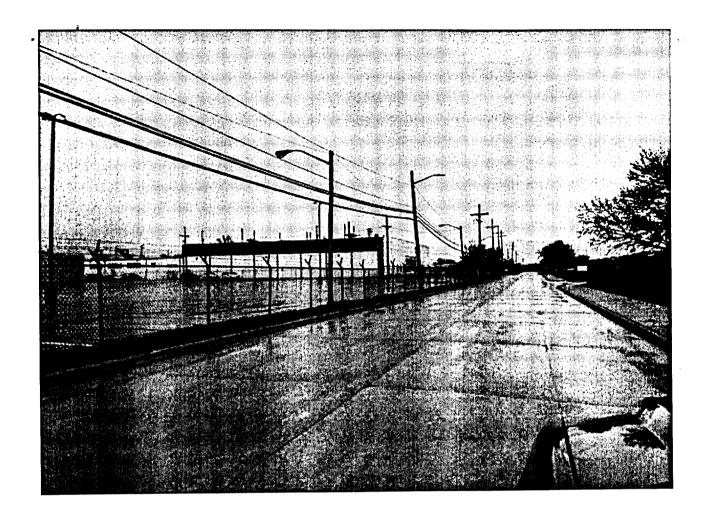
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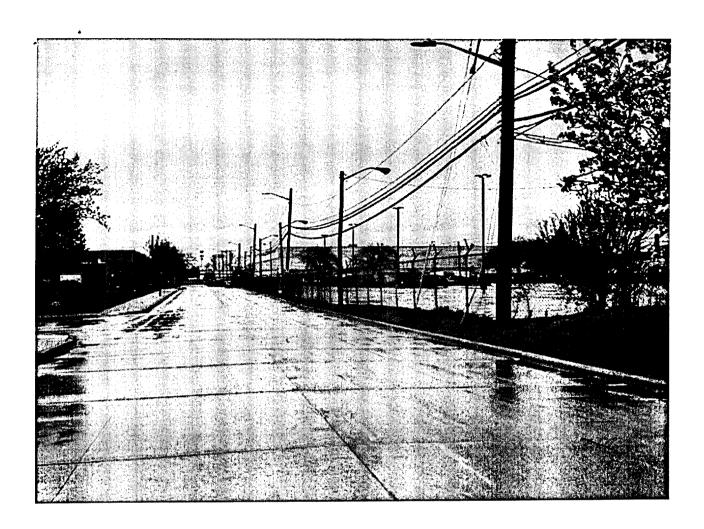


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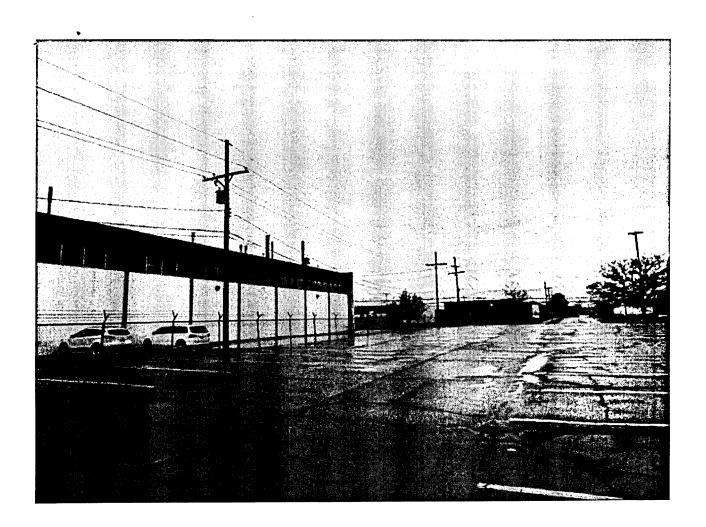


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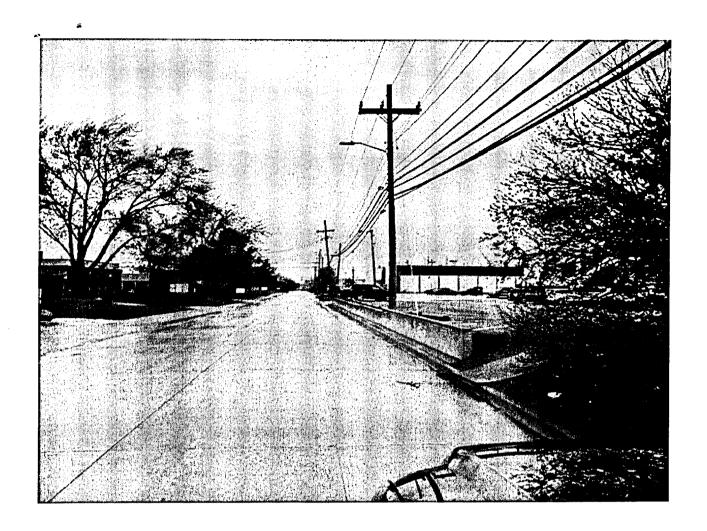
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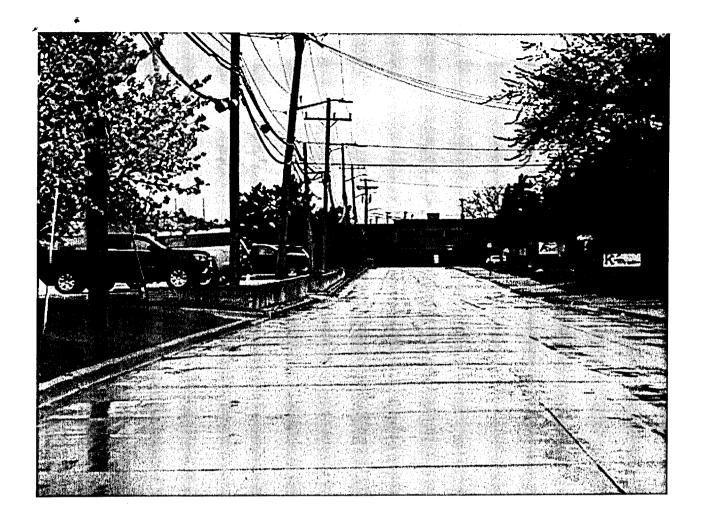
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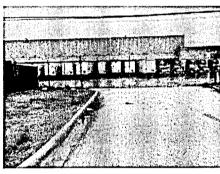
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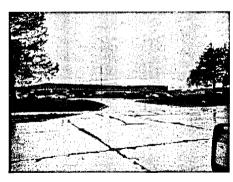
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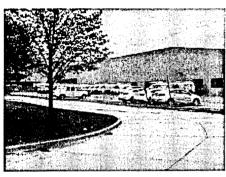
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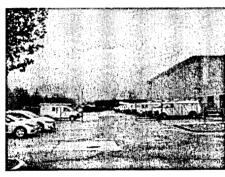
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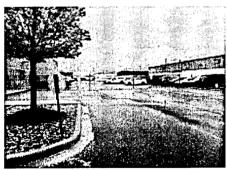
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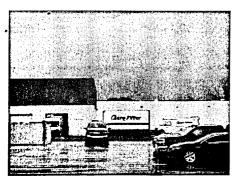
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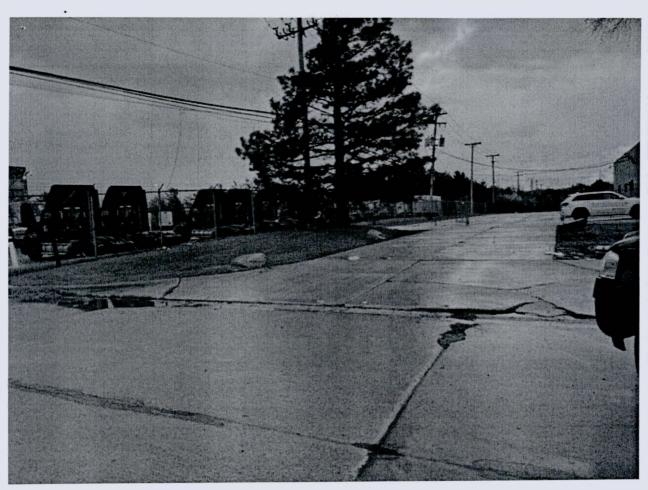
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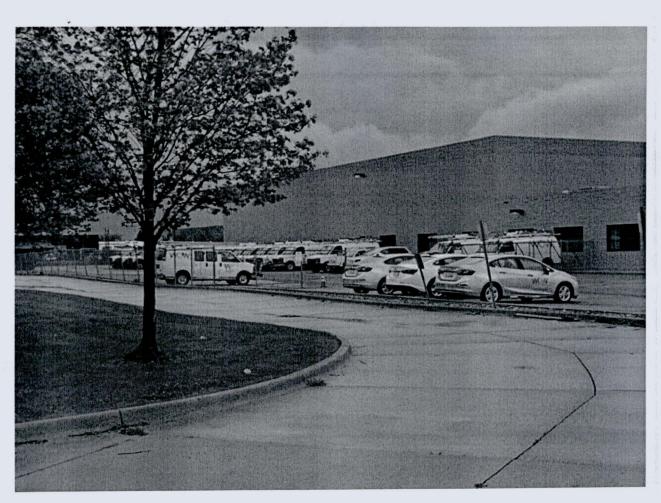
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169 LFT

Se;nent B: 93 LFT

Total Estimate:

