

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT



Application No. 17183 of Logan II, LLC, pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3104.1, for a special exception from the roof structure requirements under section 411, and pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3103.2, a variance from the residential recreation space requirements under section 773, to permit the development of a six story mixed-use retail/apartment house in the Arts/C-3-A District at premises 1529 14th Street, N.W. (Square 241, Lots 803 thru 807, and 848)

HEARING DATE: July 6, 2004
DECISION DATE: July 20, 2004

SUMMARY ORDER

SELF CERTIFIED

The zoning relief requested in this case was self certified, pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3113.2.

The Board provided proper and timely notice of public hearing on this application, by publication in the D.C. Register, and by mail to Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2F, the Office of Planning (OP) and to owners of property within 200 feet of the property that is the subject of this application. The subject property is located within the jurisdiction of ANC 2F. ANC 2F submitted a letter in support of the application. The OP submitted a report recommending approval of the application.

As directed by 11 DCMR § 3119.2, the Board required the applicant to satisfy the burden of proving the elements that are necessary to establish the case for a special exception pursuant to 11 DCMR § 411, and a variance pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3103.2, for relief from the strict application of the requirements of 11 DCMR § 773.

There were no parties in opposition to the application. Accordingly, a decision by the Board to grant this application would not be adverse to any party.

Four individuals appeared at the public hearing and spoke in opposition or partial opposition to the application. The Board finds that the concerns expressed by those four individuals at the public hearing did not relate directly to the granting of the zoning relief from the residential recreation space requirement or from the roof structure requirements. Rather, the individuals were concerned about construction-related issues or other issues that could occur regardless of the zoning relief. The Board permitted the four individuals to submit further comments in writing by the close of business on Tuesday, July 13,

2004. The Applicant, through counsel, was permitted to respond by close of business on Friday, July 16, 2004. No post-hearing submissions were filed by any of those four individuals, or any other individual or group, by the July 13th deadline date.

Based upon the record before the Board, and having given great weight to the ANC's letter and the Office of Planning's report filed in this case, the Board concludes that the applicant has met the burden of proof pursuant to 11 DCMR §§ 3104.1 and 411 that the requested relief can be granted as in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the Zoning Regulations and Map and will not tend to affect adversely the use of neighboring property in accordance with the Zoning Regulations and Map. The Board also concludes that the applicant has met its burden of proof pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3103.2 for relief from 11 DCMR § 773 since there exists an exceptional or extraordinary situation or condition related to the property that creates a practical difficulty for the owner in complying with the Zoning Regulations, and that the requested relief can be granted without substantial detriment to the public good and without substantially impairing the intent, purpose, and integrity of the zone plan as embodied in the Zoning Regulations and Map. It is therefore **ORDERED** that the application is **GRANTED**.

Pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3101.6, the Board has determined to waive the requirement of 11 DCMR § 3125.3 that the order of the Board be accompanied by findings of fact and conclusions of law. The waiver will not prejudice the rights of any party, and is not prohibited by law.

VOTE: 3-0-2 (Geoffrey H. Griffis, Ruthanne G. Miller and Curtis L. Etherly, Jr., by proxy, to approve; Carol J. Mitten, not present, not voting; John A. Mann, II, not voting, not having heard the case).

BY ORDER OF THE D.C. BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT

Each concurring member has approved the issuance of this Order.

ATTESTED BY:


JERRILY R. KRESS, FAIA ✓
Director, Office of Zoning

FINAL DATE OF ORDER: JUL 22 2004

PURSUANT TO 11 DCMR § 3125.6, THIS ORDER WILL BECOME FINAL UPON ITS FILING IN THE RECORD AND SERVICE UPON THE PARTIES. UNDER 11 DCMR § 3125.9, THIS ORDER WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE TEN DAYS AFTER IT BECOMES FINAL.

PURSUANT TO 11 DCMR § 3130, THIS ORDER SHALL NOT BE VALID FOR MORE THAN TWO YEARS AFTER IT BECOMES EFFECTIVE UNLESS, WITHIN SUCH TWO-YEAR PERIOD, THE APPLICANT FILES PLANS FOR THE PROPOSED STRUCTURE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS FOR THE PURPOSES OF SECURING A BUILDING PERMIT.

THE APPLICANT IS REQUIRED TO COMPLY FULLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS ACT OF 1977, D.C. LAW 2-38, AS AMENDED, AND THIS ORDER IS CONDITIONED UPON FULL COMPLIANCE WITH THOSE PROVISIONS. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE D.C. HUMAN RIGHTS ACT OF 1977, AS AMENDED, D.C. OFFICIAL CODE § 2-1401.01 ET SEQ., (ACT) THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE ON THE BASIS OF ACTUAL OR PERCEIVED: RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEX, AGE, MARITAL STATUS, PERSONAL APPEARANCE, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, FAMILIAL STATUS, FAMILY RESPONSIBILITIES, MATRICULATION, POLITICAL AFFILIATION, DISABILITY, SOURCE OF INCOME, OR PLACE OF RESIDENCE OR BUSINESS. SEXUAL HARASSMENT IS A FORM OF SEX DISCRIMINATION WHICH IS ALSO PROHIBITED BY THE ACT. IN ADDITION, HARASSMENT BASED ON ANY OF THE ABOVE PROTECTED CATEGORIES IS ALSO PROHIBITED BY THE ACT. DISCRIMINATION IN VIOLATION OF THE ACT WILL NOT BE TOLERATED. VIOLATORS WILL BE SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION. THE FAILURE OR REFUSAL OF THE APPLICANT TO COMPLY SHALL FURNISH GROUNDS FOR THE DENIAL OR, IF ISSUED, REVOCATION OF ANY BUILDING PERMITS OR CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS ORDER. RSN

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As Director of the Office of Zoning, I hereby certify and attest that on JUL 22 2004 a copy of the order entered on that date in this matter was mailed first class, postage prepaid or delivered via inter-agency mail, to each party and public agency who appeared and participated in the public hearing concerning the matter, and who is listed below:

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