

THE CITY OF NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND – AMERICA'S FIRST RESORT Department of Planning & Development

September 25, 2024

Sent Via Email:

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Dear Applicant,

Please be advised that your Zoning application, for 9 Lee's Wharf, has been deemed <u>complete</u>, as of September 25, 2024. The following legal description has been prepared, and will be sent to the Newport Daily News for publication on November 8, 2024 to comply with State law. Additionally, letters describing your application will be mailed by our office to all abutting property owners within 200 feet of your property. The legal description of your application is as follows:

App #2024-Nov-002 PETITION OF MARK ORAVEC, applicant and owner, 9 Lee's Wharf, TAP 32, Lot 253 (WB Zone), for dimensional variances to convert a two-bedroom guest house to a four-bedroom guest house without providing additional parking (2 additional spaces required), requiring reversing into the right-of-way (no maneuvering onto the public right-of-way permitted).

Said petition will appear on the Zoning Board of Review agenda for the next public hearing, to be held on **November 25, 2024**. <u>Please note</u> that this item will first appear on the agenda noted above, and will be scheduled to be considered at that hearing if it is determined that your item is a "Summary" or "Abbreviated Summary" hearing. If your application is determined to be a "Full Hearing" item, either due to the scope of the project, or if any objections are received once public notices are mailed, your application must await a Full Hearing behind other applications that were deemed complete prior to your application. I will be in contact with you regarding scheduling once this determination has been made.

If you have questions, please email me at narmour@cityofnewport.com.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Armour Zoning Officer



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Board members:

The undersigned hereby petitions the Zoning Board of Review for a special use permit or a variance in the application of the provisions or regulations of the Zoning Ordinance affecting the following described premises in the manner and on the grounds hereinafter set forth.

Location of Premises

Street & No: 9 Lee's Wharf
Tax Assessor's Plat: 32 Lot: 253 Zoning District: WB
Special Use Permit (Non-Conforming Alteration) Regulatory (Dimensional) Variance
Special Use Permit (New Use) Use Variance Modification
Property Owner: Mark Oravec
Mailing Address: 9 Trimblestone Lane, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, 29928
Email Address: moravec@gs-ny.com
Phone Number: 401-847-7500
How long have you been the owner of the above premise? 2018
Legally Authorized Representative *if applicable: Tanner L. Jackson, Esq.
Mailing Address: 122 Touro Street, Newport, R.I., 02840
Email Address: tjackson@millerscott.com Phone Number: 401-847-7500
Lessee: N/A
Mailing Address:
Email Address: Phone Number:



Property Characteristics

Dimensions of lot-frontage: 82 x 40 ft. Lot	t Area: 3,234 sq. ft.
Are there buildings on the premises at present? Yes -	single family
Total square footage of the footprint of existing buildi	
Total square footage of the footprint of proposed buil	

Zoning Characteristics Matrix

	Existing	Required/Allowed	Proposed	
Lot Size (sq. ft.)	3,425	5,000	No Change	
Coverage Area (sq. ft)	1,091	2,000	No Change	
Lot Coverage (%)	21.82%	40%	No Change	
Dwelling Units	0	0	No Change	
Parking (# of spaces)	3	5	3	
Front Setback (ft.)	3	0	No Change	
Side Setbacks (ft.)	>3.42	3.42	No Change	
Rear Setback (ft.)	5	3.42	No Change	
Height (ft.)	35	35	No Change	



All of the following information and questions must be fined in and answered completely.
Present use of Premise: 2 Bedroom Guest House
Proposed use of Premise: 4 Bedroom Guest House

Summary of Proposed Alterations

Applicant proposes a	4 bedroom guest house use with three off-street parking	ig spots (where five
spots total required).	Vehicles will maneuver incidental to the roadway.	

Subject Property is presently a 2 bedroom guest house. The City recognizes three parking spots on the property.



Applicant Statement

How does your application meet the required standards for variance(s) or special use permit(s)? (See page 6 for most common applicable standards)

The Subject Property is unique in lot size and parking capacity.

The Subject Property is only 3,425 sq. ft. where 5,000 is the required minimum in the Waterfront Business Zone. As a result, the parking requirements at the Subject Property are more restrictive than if the lot were conforming. Indeed, an additional 1,575 sq. ft. (thereby rendering the lot conforming) would provide the space needed for two additional parking spots.

The lot size pre-exists the applicant's ownership of the property.

The proposed 4 bedroom guest house use will not alter the general character of the neighborhood because the property is already a guest house. There will be no net change to dwelling units in the neighborhood.

Nor will the proposed 4 bedroom guest house alter the neighborhood's existing parking. The Subject Property has a three-bay garage and a parking area within the side yard. The City recognizes three dimensionally conforming parking spaces on the Subject Property; two dimensionally conforming parking spaces are within the three-bay garage and one dimensionally conforming parking space is in the side yard. However, the Subject Property's three-bay garage can physically fit four vehicles, meaning that guests can fit four vehicles on-site while still providing an off-street parking spot for the off-site manager. A parking site plan and photographs are attached.

The proposed 4 bedroom guest house will not impair the intent of the comprehensive plan or the zoning ordinance because this is a by-right permitted use within the Waterfront Business zone.

Strict compliance with the zoning code would deprive the applicant of the ability to fully utilize the subject property. At present, the guest house only uses two bedrooms; the remaining two bedrooms are vacant.

The Applicant and his family frequently stay at the Subject Property, which would not be feasible were this property used in any other manner. Granting the requested variance will help ensure that the Subject Property is routinely occupied. The applicant proposes no physical changes to the property.



Upon submittal of this application, please make sure you have also reviewed our Zoning Application Submittal Requirements packet, and included with your application, a copy of the Submittal Checklist which can also be found here: Zoning Application Submittal Requirements. If an application is missing any submittal requirements and/or necessary application information, your application may be regarded incomplete. Incomplete applications will not be publicly advertised or appear on an agenda until the project is deemed complete.

By signing below, I hereby attest that the information provided is accurate and truthful. I also attest that I have read through this application thoroughly and understand what is required to submit a completed application.

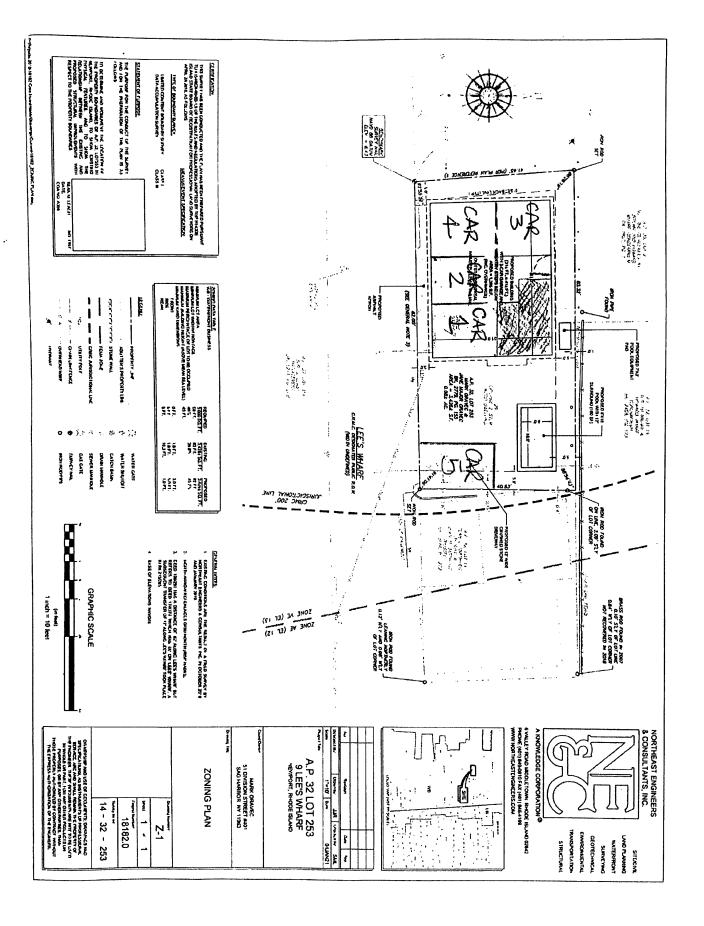
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Owner Signature

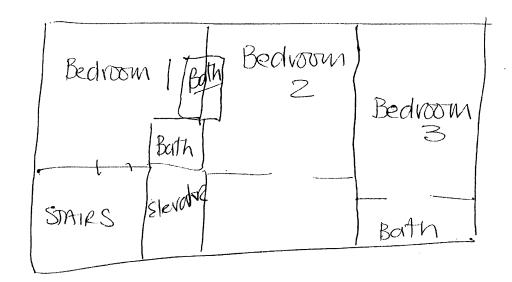
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