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**BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT** 

STAFF REPORT Date: May 4, 2015

**CASE NUMBER** 5967/4155/1652

**APPLICANT NAME** John D. McCampbell

**LOCATION** 1564 Duval Street

(North side of Duval Street, 255' ± East of Antwerp Street)

<u>VARIANCE REQUEST</u> USE: Use Variance to allow a barber shop and barber

school in an R-1, Single-Family Residential District.

TREE PLANTING: Tree Planting Variance to allow no

perimeter tree plantings.

**ACCESS/MANUEVERING:** Access/Maneuvering

Variance to allow 18' drive aisles for two-way traffic.

ZONING ORDINANCE

**REQUIREMENT** USE: The Zoning Ordinance requires a minimum B-2,

Neighborhood Business District for the operation of a

barber shop and barber school.

TREE PLANTING: The Zoning Ordinance requires 14

perimeter tree plantings.

ACCESS/MANUEVERING: The Zoning Ordinance

requires a minimum of 24' drive aisles for two-way traffic.

**ZONING** R-1, Single-Family Residential District

**AREA OF PROPERTY** .23± Acres

**ENGINEERING** 

**COMMENTS** No Comments

TRAFFIC ENGINEERING

**COMMENTS** It should be noted that based on the provided site plan and the striping layout, the aisle width varies from 17'-18', and that the parking spaces also do not

meet the minimum requirements as outlined in the Zoning Ordinance.

CITY COUNCIL

**DISTRICT** District 2

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ANALYSIS The applicant is requesting Use, Tree Planting, and Access/Maneuvering Variances to amend a previously approved variance to allow a barber shop and barber school with no perimeter tree plantings, and 18' drive aisles for two-way traffic in an R-1, Single-Family Residential District; the Zoning Ordinance requires a minimum B-2, Neighborhood Business District for the operation of a barber shop and barber school, 14 perimeter tree plantings, and 24' wide drive aisles for two-way traffic.

The site was first granted a use variance in 1962 to allow a warehouse, then at the Board of Zoning Adjustment's December 7, 1987, meeting to allow a beauty/barber shop and gift shop. The applicant now wishes to expand the barber shop to include a barber school.

## The applicant states that:

The existing barber shop has been operating under a nonconforming use for many years. The owner wants to turn the existing barber shop into a barber shop in the front of the building and barber shop school in the back of the building. The hours of operation will be 8:30 am to 3:00 pm Monday through Saturday. No improvements will be made to the subject property. The barber shop and barber shop school will begin operating upon approval.

We are also asking for a variance to omit the sideline trees because the trees on the adjacent properties are too close to plant the required trees.

In addition to those two variances we are also asking for a variance on the parking aisle

The site plan illustrates 12 parking spaces, however it is difficult to determine if this number of parking spaces is adequate because the square footage of the barber shop is not provided, nor is the proposed number of students. The applicant should provide this information to staff to determine if adequate parking will be provided.

A dumpster is illustrated on the site, but no mention is made of if the dumpster is connected to sanitary sewer or if there is a compliant dumpster enclosure. Aerial photos show the dumpster on since 2002. The site plan should be revised to illustrate a compliant enclosure such as required by Section 64-4.D.9. of the Zoning Ordinance.

Wooden and chain link fences are illustrated on the site plan, but no heights are provided. Street view images of the site show the parking area to be primarily chain link fence. The site plan should be revised to illustrate a residential buffer compliant with Section 64-4.D.1. of the Zoning Ordinance.

The site plan illustrates the site will have sufficient landscape areas, and illustrates 3 frontage trees to be provided along Colgin Street, with no trees illustrated along Duval Street. The site plan should be revised to provide at least 1 tree along both Duval Street and Colgin Street, and/or show existing trees on Colgin Street, which may negate the requirement for new trees.

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The site plan illustrates a drive aisle width that varies between 17' and 18', with 45° angle parking that is sub-standard. While the parking spaces are all angled in the same direction, the site plan illustrates a "turn around area" near the curb-cut to Duval Street. Although not ideal, it appears that the site has functioned in this manner since at least 1997.

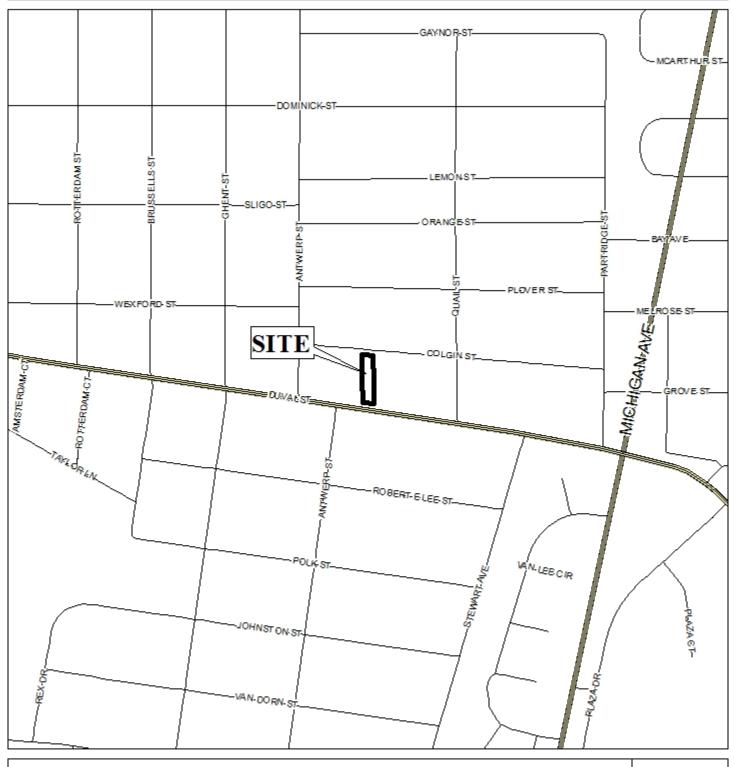
The Zoning Ordinance states that no variance shall be granted where economics are the basis for the application; and, unless the Board is presented with sufficient evidence to find that the variance will not be contrary to the public interest, and that special conditions exist such that a literal enforcement of the Ordinance will result in an unnecessary hardship. The Ordinance also states that a variance should not be approved unless the spirit and intent of the Ordinance is observed and substantial justice done to the applicant and the surrounding neighborhood.

Variances are not intended to be granted frequently. The applicant must clearly show the Board that the request is due to very unusual characteristics of the property and that it satisfies the variance standards. What constitutes unnecessary hardship and substantial justice is a matter to be determined from the facts and circumstances of each application.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Based on the preceding, the application is recommended for holdover for the June 2, 2015 meeting, with the following revisions due by May 18, 2015:

- 1) revision of the site plan to indicate the square footage of the barber shop, and number of students for the barber school;
- 2) revision of the site plan to illustrate a residential buffer compliant with Section 64-4.D.1. of the Zoning Ordinance; and
- 3) revision of the site plan to illustrate at least 1 frontage tree along both Duval Street and Colgin Street and depiction of existing trees on site.



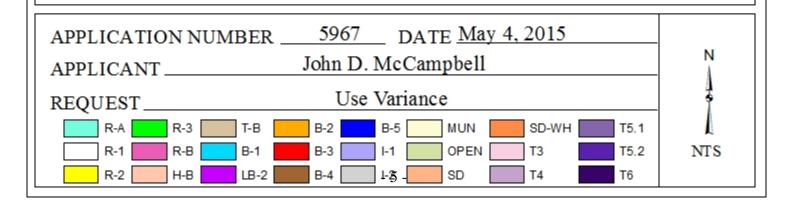


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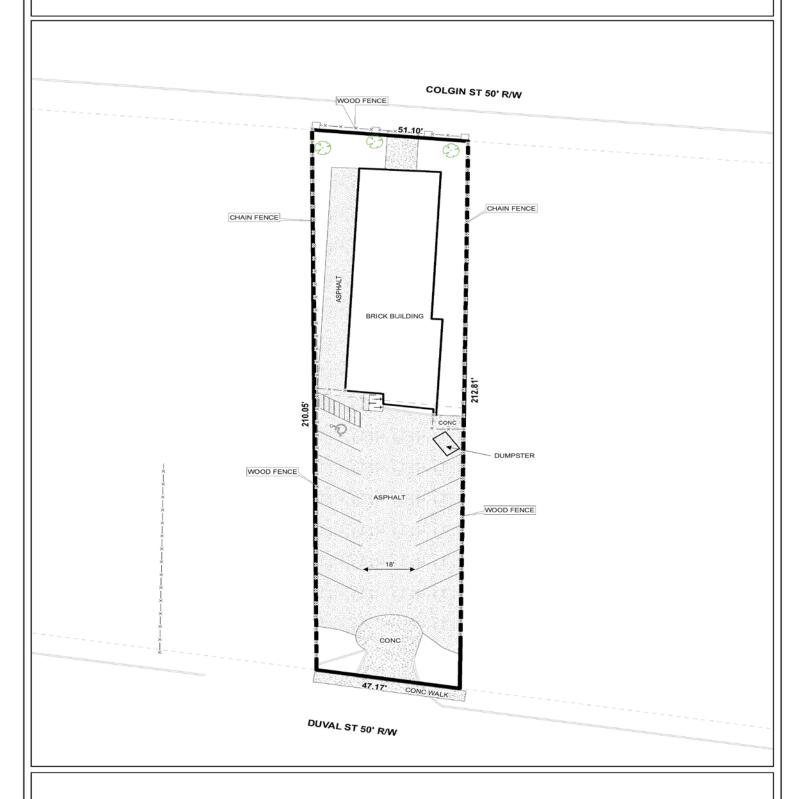


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## **SITE PLAN**



The site plan illustrates the existing building, dumpster, parking, and fences.

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