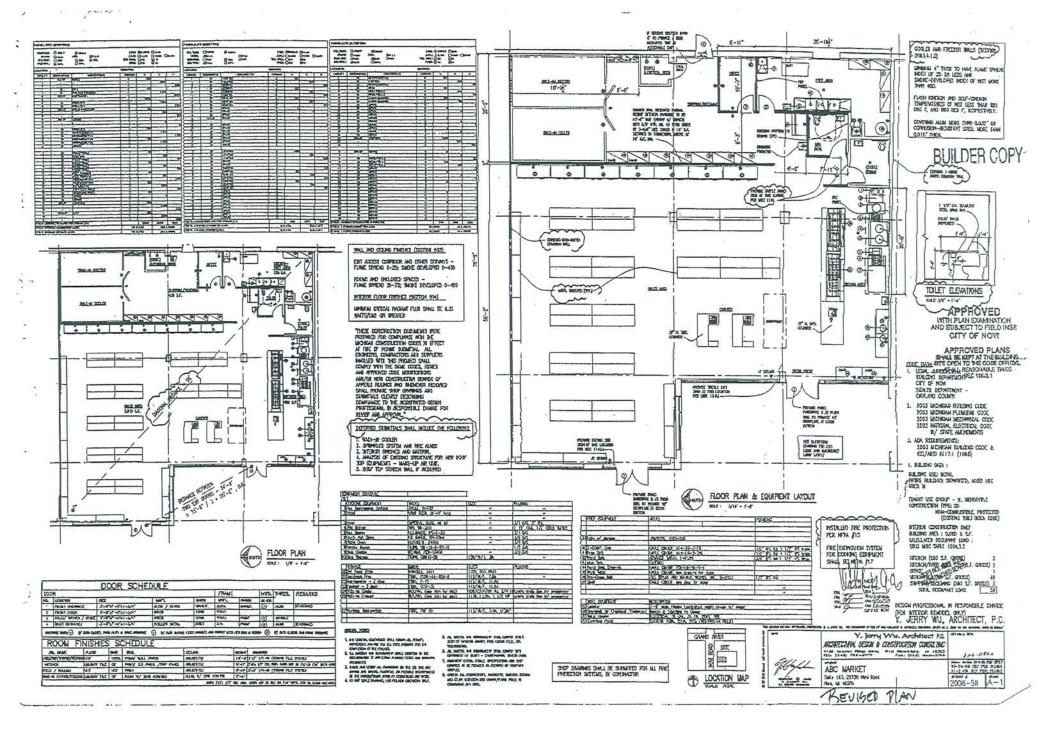
Annexed A to the Application Form Item 9 of Zoning Board of Appeals

9. State the practice difficulties which prevent conformance with the Zoning Ordinance requirements (attach separate sheet if necessary).

For the reason stated below, adding 14 parking spaces to the existing 252 parking spaces located in the applicant's mall are in deed creating practice difficulties which prevent conformance with the Zoning Ordinance requirements.

- (A). The issue before the Board is whether the approval of the applicant's application to place 36 indoor seats could affect the Mall's customers to find adequate parking spaces, if the applicant's landlord could not add additional 14 new parking space. The applicant's space is located within the "Main Street Court" mall, which is located at 25750 Novi Road, Novi, MI 48275 (the "Mall"). The Mall's principal tenant is Fifth Avenue Ballroom (the "Ballroom"). Besides, the Mall has had two other tenants, i.e. a newly-open Mexican restaurant and the applicant an Asian food grocery store. Since the business hours for the Mall's tenants are sharply different. Here, the principal tenant the Ballroom, will not normally start its daily business until 4:00 p.m. and it will close on Sunday. In fact, the Ballroom's business will start normally always after 9:00 p. m., while the applicant's business should have closed after 8:00 p.m. daily. Therefore, as matter of fact, the applicant's customers were not and will not be in competing with the Ballroom's patrons to find parking spaces in the Mall.
- (B). The applicant's landlord had engaged an traffic expert to conduct on site study couple years ago, when the economic condition for the area was still good, in comparative with today economic conditions. The conclusion from that report demonstrated that there was more than enough parking spaces for the Mall even if the City should have approved the application to convert the applicant's currently retail store into a full service restaurant, which would contain an approximately 5,000 SF of space. The applicant here is seeking merely a 36 seats and using only 1,166 SF space less than ¼ of the entire leasing space, which was intended to be used as restaurant. If the expert's report could be a base for permissible variance to have a full service restaurant using 5,000 SF space, it should have a reasonable support to allow the Board to allow the applicant to place 36 seats in the premises, which used less than ¼ of the 5,000 SF of lease space.
- (C). All tenants in this Mall will and can testify that the true problem to this Mall is in lacking of enough parking spaces, but is difficulty to find patrons or customers coming to the Mall. Thus, the issue is not in lacking of parking spaces.

- (D). The applicant's making this application to have seats for its customers is pure for the safety reason, i.e. to prevent customers get hurt when they purchased hot noodle soup, and other food, which is required to be serve hot.
- (E). Due to current economic condition, all tenants, including this applicant, had failed to pay rents to the landlord in accordance with their respect leases. The Landlord had indicated that it had had no financial resources to build any additional parking spaces in the Mall. Financial hardship, which can be treated as a practice difficulty, is existing in this case to prevent conformance with the Zoning Ordinance requirements.





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February 4, 2009

Theresa Shleh, Vice President Bistro of Grace LLC d/b/a Basic Asian Market 25750 Novi Road, Suite 103 Novi, MI 48375

RE: Basic Asian Market Placing 36 Indoor Seats

Dear Ms. Shieh:

This letter is in response to your letters of January 27, 2009 and January 29, 2009 requesting permission to place seating inside of your market at the above address for 36 patrons to consume food and drink. The Community Development Department's Planning Division Staff continues to view this use as a fast food sit down restaurant use. As discussed with you and others in the past, placing another restaurant use in this building increases the parking requirements of the site and therefore without building additional parking spaces, the use request is denied because of a shortage of parking spaces for the restaurant use.

Although you provided a sketch showing the proposed use areas, the exact amount of additional parking can not be determined without a scaled floor plan showing the location of each use and any required aisle ways etc. that would be needed to support the proposed use. A "shared parking study" was presented to and accepted by the Planning Commission to reduce the required number of parking number spaces to 252 when the site plan for this project was originally approved. Based on the new information submitted that shows a minimum of 1,166 sq. ft., of restaurant space, and assuming the required amount of parking spaces (as required during site plan approval) exist, a minimum of an additional 14 parking spaces is required for your proposed use. Detailed calculations of this requirement follow below.

Retail requirements 1,166 sq. ft. X 85% gross leaseable/200 sq. ft. per space = 5 spaces Fast food restaurant requirements 1,166 sq. ft. gross/60 sq. ft. per space = 19 Required spaces 19 - 5 = 14

Zoning Ordinance Requirements Section 2505.14.c. Parking Space Requirements

- (7a) Fast food sit down restaurants require a minimum on one space per 60 square feet of gross floor area or 1 space for every 2 employees and 1 space for every 2 occupants under maximum occupancy load which ever is greater.
- (7b) Sit down restaurants (the other restaurants) require a minimum on one space per 70 square feet of gross floor area or 1 space for every 2 employees and 1 space for every 2 occupants under maximum occupancy load which ever is greater.
- (17) Retall parking requires 1 space per 200 square feet of gross leaseable floor area

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If you have any questions on this response, please feel free to contact me.

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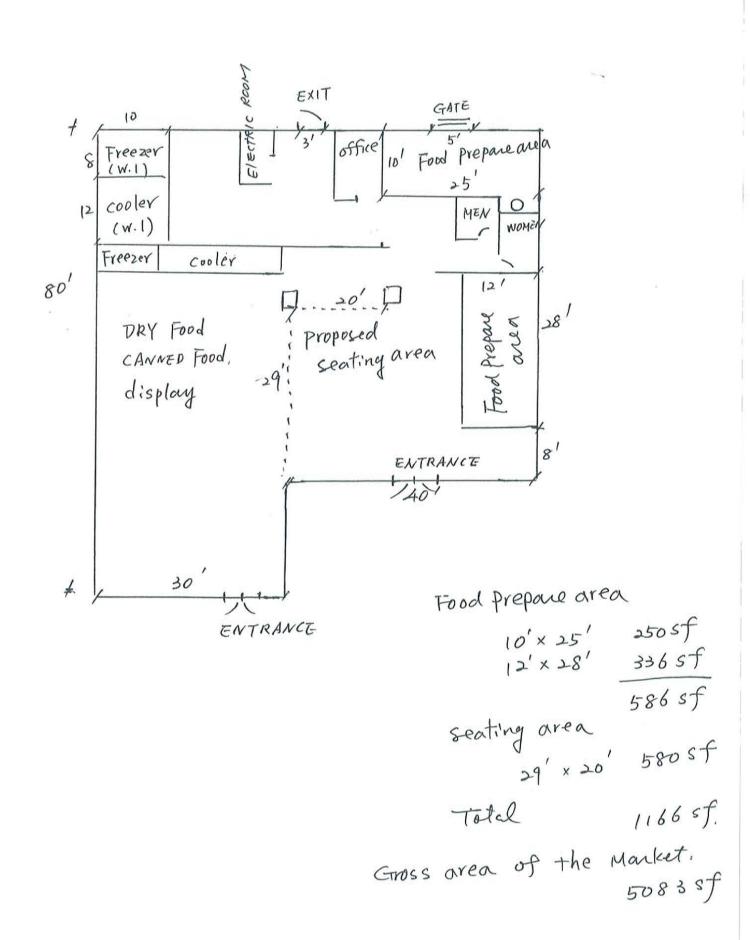
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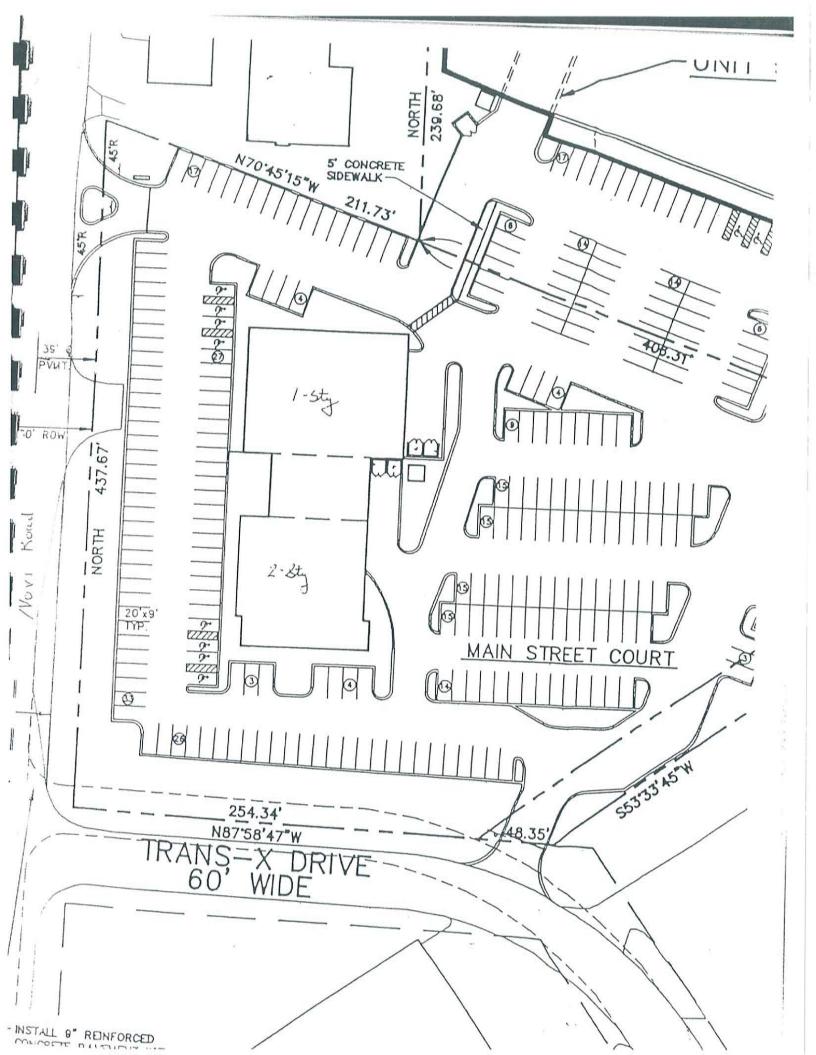
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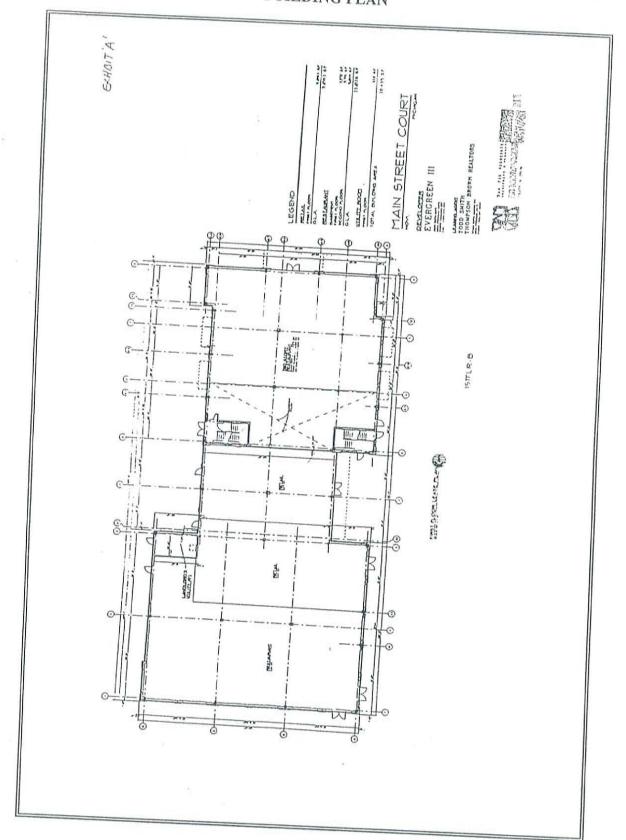
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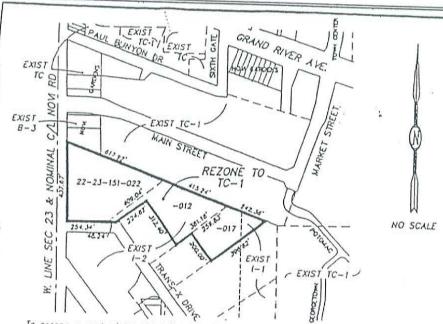
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To resone a part of the NW 1/4 of Section 23, T.III., R.BE., City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan, being parcels 22-23-151-012, -017, and -022 more particularly described as follows:

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Beginning at a point distant South 1137.46 feet along the west line of Section 23 (nominal C/L of Novi Road) and 570'45'00'E 681.47 feet from the NW corner of Section 23; Inence 570'45'00'E 415.24 feet; thence 553'39'00'W 381.18 feet; thence N35'19'00'W 312.40 feet; thence 553'34'00'W,224.82 feet; thence N87'58'32'W 48.24 feet; thence N53'34'00'E 409.04 feet to the point of beginning. Containing

PARCEL 22-23-151-017

Beginning at a point distant South 1137.46 feet along the west line of Section 23 (nominal C/L of Novi Rood) and 570 4500°E 1096.71 feet from the NW corner of Section 23; thence 570 4500°E 242.38 feet; thence 553 39'00°W 396.82 feet; thence NJ6°20'30°W 200.00 feet; thence NJ5°39'30°E 259.83 feet to the point

PARCEL 22-23-151-022

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Beginning at a point on the easterly right-of-may line of Novi Road, sold point being South 1137.46 feet along the west line of Section 23 (nominal C/L of Novi Road) and olong sold easterly right-of-may line; thance S87:58'32'E 254.34 feet; thence H53'34'00'E 409.04 feet; thence N70'45'00'W 617.92 feet to the point of beginning.

FROM: 1-1 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT I-2 GENERAL INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT

TC-1 TOWN CENTER-ONE DISTRICT

ORDINANCE NO. 18.563

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ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL January 13, 1997

Legal Description

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