

**EVAPS Law Office Building
Project # 10 016
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**Re: Site Development Review for a Law Office Building
APN: 139-34-710-030, -031, -032, -033**

To whom it may concern:

The purpose of this letter is to request a Site Development Review for the proposed Law Office Building located at 400 South 7th Street in Las Vegas, Nevada 89101.

All four parcels are currently zoned C-1, for which an office building is best suited. The current general plan designation for this site is 'C'. The site also lies within the Las Vegas High School Neighborhood Historic District. This project intends on conforming to the goals and policies of the current zoning and general plan.

A historic and traditional office building is envisioned by the property owner. The tenants are expected to be predominantly law firms and related office users. The building is designed to have a classical architectural theme consisting of arches, brick veneer, colonnade, and a capitol dome.

The building site is situated just outside of downtown centennial office core district. It is designed to fit in the context of the urban neighborhood. The project consists of 3-story office building situated on top of (2) levels above grade parking and (2) levels subterranean parking. The building's parapet height is 84'-0", the top of the dome is 96'-0", and the top of the flag pole is 126'-0" in height which conforms to the unlimited height limit of the C-1 zone.

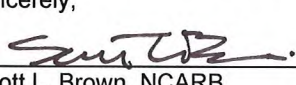
By a separate application we are also requesting a variance for the required setbacks and site coverage. The proposed design requires zero lot setbacks on all sides. This meets the spirit and a language of the urban area. Zero setback as an element of urban site development is a requirement in an adjacent downtown centennial office core district. Site coverage of 86% is proposed (where 50% is allowed by code) and meets the spirit of code language for urban areas. In this context setback and lot coverage code conformance would result in substantially less viable project.

As a result of urban design approach that fits downtown area, we are requesting a waiver to reduce the landscape perimeter buffer width. Proposed landscape along the 7th Street and Chef André Rochat Place includes densely spaced trees, shrubs in the planters and vines on building facades, which should adequately compensate for the reduced width of the buffer.

All required parking, totaling 184 spaces is located within the 4-storey (2 of which are subterranean) parking garage. Six (6) ADA parking stalls, including an ADA van accessible parking stall is provided. Please refer to the site plan, floor plans, landscape plans and elevations dated 8-9-10 that accompany this letter.

As you can see, the applicant has made a considerable effort to work with the property and historic nature of the neighborhood. This project is consistent with the surrounding area, the City of Las Vegas Development Code, and does not have any adverse impacts on the area. There are adequate utilities, public transportation, and services to the development. Located in the heart of a successful downtown district, the site presents a great opportunity for this office development.

We appreciate your assistance in moving forward with this proposed project.
Sincerely,

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