

# City of Portland, Oregon Bureau of Development Services Land Use Services

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# NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL ON AN APPEAL OF THE PORTLAND DESIGN COMMISSION

CASE FILE:	LU 20-123610 DZM – 1137 NW 23RD AVE		
HEARING DATE:	WEDNESDAY, JULY 14, 2021 at 2:00pm		
<b>REMOTE ACCESS:</b>	CITY COUNCIL AGENDA		
	https://www.portlandoregon.gov/auditor/26997		

Date:	June 10, 2021
То:	Interested Person
From:	Grace Jeffreys, Land User Services, 503.865.6521

A virtual public hearing will be held to consider an appeal of the Design Commission's decision to approve a proposed new five-story mixed-use building at **1137 NW 23RD AVE** which is in the Northwest Plan District. The Design Commission decision of approval has been appealed by **Steve Pinger representing the NW District Neighborhood Association**. During the hearing, City Council will consider the appeal. You are invited to testify at the hearing. SEE INFORMATION BELOW ON HOW TO TESTIFY.

This will be an Evidentiary hearing, one in which new evidence can be submitted to the City Council. For a general explanation of the City Council hearing process please refer to the last page of this notice.

Due to the City's Emergency Response to COVID19, this land use hearing will be remote participation via Zoom. Please refer to https://www.portlandoregon.gov/auditor/26997 for information on how to observe and participate remotely.

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Applicant:	Richard Dobrot, GBD Architects Incorporated 1120 NW Couch St, Suite 300, Portland OR 97209 (503) 548-2332, <u>Richard@gbdarchitects.com</u>
Representative/	Seth Garey, CE John Properties 71 LLC
Owner	1701 SE Columbia River Dr, Vancouver WA 98661
Site Address:	1137 NW 23RD AVE
Legal Description:	BLOCK 2 LOT 1&2, GOLDSMITHS ADD; BLOCK 2 LOT 3&4, GOLDSMITHS ADD
Tax Account No.:	R331300220, R331300240, R331300240
State ID No.:	1N1E33BB 03000, 1N1E33BB 03100, 1N1E33BB 03100
Quarter Section:	2927
Neighborhood:	Northwest District, contact Greg Theisen at 503-227-5430.
Business District:	Nob Hill, contact at nobhillportland@gmail.com.
District Coalition:	Neighbors West/Northwest, contact Mark Sieber at 503-823-4212.
Plan District:	Northwest
Other Designations	None

Zoning:	CM2 (MU-U)d, m; Commercial/Mixed Use 2 (CM2) with Design (d) and
	Centers Main Street (m) overlays.
Case Type:	<b>DZM</b> , Design Review with Modification requests
Procedure:	<b>Type III,</b> with a public hearing before the Design Commission. The decision of the
	Design Commission can be appealed to City Council.

# Proposal:

The applicant seeks Design Review approval for a proposed new five-story mixed-use building, with 74 apartment units on four floors above approximately 10,000 sf of ground level retail, located in the Northwest Plan District. Proposal also includes below grade parking for 44 cars, one B sized loading space, and 91 bikes, which will be all accessed off NW Northrup Street. Primary cladding materials include 3 colors of brick, metal panels, synthetic stucco, ground level aluminum and wood storefront glazing, commercial-grade vinyl windows above, metal canopies, and painted concrete at the base.

The following four (4) Modifications are requested:

- 1. <u>Bike Parking Stall Widths (PZC 33.266.220.C.3.b)</u>. Request to reduce the width of the vertically hung bike parking spaces from 24" to 18".
- 2. <u>Transit Street Main Entrance Location (PZC 33.130.242.C.3.c)</u>. Request to locate the proposed main entrance to the residential portion of the building on NW Marshall, approximately 70 feet from NW 23rd Avenue (transit street).
- 3. <u>Setbacks L3 Landscape (33.130.215.B.2.b)</u>. Request to alter the required L3 landscape screening to the west due to substantial grade differences, including using a wood rather than masonry fence and increasing the width of paving.
- 4. <u>Vehicle Parking Stall Size (33.130.266.130 Table 266-4)</u>. Request to have two stalls be slightly obstructed by structural columns at the front of the stall, effectively reducing the stall depth to 15'-0" instead of the required 16'-0".

Design Review is required for new development in a design overlay zone (PZC 33.420.041). A Type III procedure is required because this development is in a design overlay zone and exceeds the value of \$2,366,000 (PZC 33.825.025). Modifications are required because the applicant is requesting to not meet the standards indicated above.

# **Relevant Approval Criteria:**

In order to be approved, this proposal must comply with the criteria of Title 33. The relevant criteria are:

- Community Design Guidelines
- PZC Section 33.825.040 Modifications That Will Better Meet Design Review Requirements

# **REVIEW BODY DECISION**

The following decision was mailed on May 21, 2021.

# **DESIGN COMMISSION DECISION**

It is the decision of the Design Commission to approve Design Review for the proposed new five-story mixed-use building, with 74 apartment units on four floors above approximately 10,000 sf of ground level retail, located in the Northwest Plan District. Approval also for Modifications to four (4) Portland Zoning Code standards: Stall Widths for Bike Parking, Location of Street Main Entrance, Treatment of Landscape in Setbacks, and Stall Size for Vehicle Parking.

The full decision is available on the BDS website: https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bds/index.cfm?&a=783826

# APPEAL

The Design Commission decision of approval has been appealed by **Steve Pinger representing the NW District Neighborhood Association**. According to the appellants' statement, the appeal of the Design Commission decision is based on argument that:

• The Staff Report Finding for *Community Design Guideline P1. Plan Area Character, P1.1 Urban Character: District-wide Considerations* does not address the content of the subject guideline regarding step backs at the street facade, and inappropriately refers to a) required step backs on other facades, and b) parapet and cornice detailing, both of which are irrelevant to complying with this guideline.

The full appeal statement can be viewed in the notice located on the BDS website at <a href="https://efiles.portlandoregon.gov/Record?pagesize=200&sortBy=recCreatedOn&q=20-123610">https://efiles.portlandoregon.gov/Record?pagesize=200&sortBy=recCreatedOn&q=20-123610</a>

Click on the District Coalition then scroll to the relevant Neighborhood and case number.

**Review of the case file**: If you are interested in viewing information in the file, please contact the planner listed on the front of this notice or call the Request Line at 503-823-7617 to request specific materials. Please note that due to COVID-19 and limited accessibility to files, only digital copies of material in the file are available for viewing. A digital copy of the Zoning Code is available on the internet at <u>https://www.portlandoregon.gov/citycode/28197</u>.

**We are seeking your comments on this proposal.** The hearing will be held before the City Council. To comment, you may write in advance, or testify during the hearing. If you would like to testify during the hearing you may need to sign up a few days in advance of the hearing; visit <u>https://www.portlandoregon.gov/auditor/26997</u> for more information on how to testify during the hearing. In your comments, you should address the approval criteria, as stated above. Please refer to the file number when seeking information or submitting testimony.

Written comments that are mailed via USPS **must be received by the close of the record** and should include the case file number and the name and address of the submitter. It can be mailed to the Council Clerk, 1221 SW Fourth Avenue, Room 140, Portland, OR 97204.

If you choose to provide testimony by e-mail, please direct it to the Council Clerk at <u>CCTestimony@portlandoregon.gov</u>. Due to legal and practical reasons, City Council members cannot accept e-mail on cases under consideration by the Council. Any e-mail on this matter must be received no less than one hour prior to the time and date of the scheduled public hearing. The Council Clerk will ensure that all City Council members receive copies of your communication.

A description of the City Council Hearing process is attached.

City Council's decision is final. Any further appeal must be filed with the Oregon Land Use Board of Appeals (LUBA). Failure to raise an issue in a hearing, in person or by letter, by the close of the record or at the final hearing on the case or failure to provide sufficient specificity to afford the decision maker an opportunity to respond to the issue, precludes an appeal to LUBA on that issue. Also, if you do not provide enough detailed information to the City Council, they may not be able to respond to the issue you are trying to raise. For more information, call the Auditor's Office at (503) 823-4086.

# If you have a disability and need accommodations, please call 503-823-4085 (TDD: 503-823-6868). Persons requiring a sign language interpreter must call at least 48 hours in advance.

Attachments:

- 1. Zoning Map
- 2. Site plan: Sheet C-2
- 3. Elevations: Sheets C-20, C-22, C-24, C-26
- 4. City Council Appeal Process
- 5. Appeal Statement (on-line version only).







Also Owned Parcels

Historic Landmark

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City of Portland Bureau of Development Services
Planner
Date 05-19-2021
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### GENERAL EXPLANATION OF CITY COUNCIL APPEAL HEARING PROCESS FOR **EVIDENTIARY/DE NOVO APPEALS**

#### 1. SUBMISSION OF TESTIMONY

- a. Testimony may be submitted via email to CCTestimony@portlandoregon.gov or in writing to the Council Clerk, 1221 SW Fourth Avenue, Room 130, Portland, Oregon 97204. Written comments must be received by the time of the hearing and should include the case file number.
- b. Testimony may be submitted orally (see below).

#### 2. **HEARINGS PROCESS**

a. The order of appearance and time allotments is generally as follows:

Staff Report	10 minutes
Appellant	10 minutes
Supporters of Appellant	3 minutes each
Principal Opponent of the Appeal	15 minutes
Other Opponents of the Appeal	3 minutes each
Appellant Rebuttal	5 minutes
Council Discussion	

- b. The applicant has the burden of proof to show that each and every element of the approval criteria can be satisfied. If the applicant is opposing the Design Commission's recommendation, the applicant may also argue the criteria are being incorrectly interpreted, the wrong approval criteria are being applied or additional approval criteria should be applied.
- c. In order to prevail, the opponents of the application must persuade the City Council to find that the applicant has not carried the burden of proof to show that the evidence submitted in support of the application demonstrates that each and every element of the approval criteria is satisfied. The opponents may wish to argue the criteria are being incorrectly applied, the wrong criteria are being applied or additional approval criteria should be applied.
- d. The failure to address an issue with sufficient specificity to afford the decision maker and the parties an opportunity to respond to the issue precludes an appeal to the Land Use Board of Appeals (LUBA) on that issue.

#### 3. **OTHER INFORMATION**

a. If you are interested in viewing information in the file, please contact the planner listed on the front of this proposal. The planner can provide some information over the phone. Please note that due to COVID-19 and limited accessibility to files, only digital copies of material in the file are available for viewing. Additional information about the City of Portland, city bureaus, and a digital copy of the Portland Zoning Code is available on the internet at

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City of Portland, Oregon - Bui	reau of Development Services
1900 SW Fourth Avenue • Portland, Oregon 97	7201   503-823-7300   www.portland.gov/bds
Type III Decision Appeal Form	LU Number: LU20-123610DZM
FOR INTAKE, STAFF USE ONLY         Date/Time Received 6/4/21 @8:00am         Received By Mary B         Appeal Deadline Date 6/4/21 @4:30pm         Entered in Appeal Log         Notice to Auditor         Notice to Dev. Review         APPELLANT: Complete all sections below. Please proposal SITE ADDRESS 1137 NW 23RD AVE	Copy of LU Decision & Meeting Minutes from Neighbohood Meeting Action Attached of 6/3/21 Fee Amount \$5,250 Y N Fee Waived (Pending - The waiver was submitted concurrently) Bill # 4833048 Y X N Unincorporated MC orint legibly. DEADLINE OF APPEAL June 4 2021
Name <u>NW District Association, by Steve Pinge</u>	
Address         City           Day Phone 503 807 3601         Email Steve@	
Interest in proposal (applicant, neighbor, etc.) Neighbor	
Identify the specific approval criteria at the source	
Zoning Code Section 33. <u>825</u> . <u>055</u>	Zoning Code Section 33
Zoning Code Section 33	Zoning Code Section 33
Describe how the proposal does or does not meet	
how the City erred procedurally: Staff Report Finding for Community Design Guideline P1. F Considerations does not address the content of the subject inappropriately refers to a) required step backs on other far which are irrelevant to complying with this guideline. The F	t guideline regarding step backs at the street facade, and cades, and b) parapet and cornice detailing, both of
Appellant's Name	I acknowledge this typed
<ul> <li>FILE THE APPEAL - Submit the following:</li> <li>This completed appeal form</li> </ul>	name as my signature
<ul> <li>A copy of the Type III Decision being appealed</li> <li>An appeal fee as follows:</li> <li>Appeal fee as stated in the Decision, payable to City of</li> </ul>	Email this application and supporting documents to: LandUseIntake@portlandoregon.gov
<ul> <li>Fee waiver for Civic Life Recognized Organizations app</li> <li>Fee waiver request letter for low income individual is signal.</li> </ul>	proved (see instructions under Appeals Fees A on back)
To file the appeal, this completed application form and any su LandUseIntake@portlandoregon.gov and to the planner listed receive the appeal by 4:30 p.m. on the deadline listed in the Do received, a Land Use Services Technician will contact you wit	on the first page of the Decision. To be valid, the City must ecision. Once the completed appeal application form is
The Portland City Council will hold a hearing on this appeal. The la received notice of the initial hearing will receive notice of the appea	nd use review applicant, those who testified and everyone who al hearing date.

Information about the appeal hearing procedure and fee waivers is on the back of this form.

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# **Type III Appeal Hearing Procedure**

A Type III Decision may be appealed only by the applicant, the owner, or those who have testified in writing or orally at the hearing, provided that the testimony was directed to a specific approval criterion, or procedural error made. It must be filed with the accompanying fee by the deadline listed in the decision. The appeal request must be submitted on the Type III Appeal Form provided by the City and it must include a statement indicating which of the applicable approval criteria the decision violated (33.730.030) or what procedural errors were made. If the decision was to deny the proposal, the appeal must use the same form and address how the proposal meets all the approval criteria. There is no local Type III Appeal for cases in unincorporated Multnomah County.

Appeal Hearings for Type III Decisions are scheduled by the City Auditor at least 21 days after the appeal is filed and the public notice of the appeal has been mailed.

Appellants should be prepared to make a presentation to the City Council at the hearing. In addition, all interested persons will be able to testify orally, or in writing. The City Council may choose to limit the length of the testimony. Prior to the appeal hearing, the City Council will receive the written case record, including the appeal statement. The City Council may adopt, modify, or overturn the decision of the review body based on the information presented at the hearing or in the case record.

# **Appeal Fees**

In order for an appeal to be valid, it must be submitted prior to the appeal deadline as stated in the decision and it must be accompanied by the required appeal fee or an approved fee waiver. The fee to appeal a decision is one-half of the original Bureau of Development Services Land Use Services application fee. The fee amount is listed in the decision. The fee may be waived as follows:

# Fee Waivers (33.750.050)

The director may waive required fees for Office of Community & Civic Life Recognized Organizations and for lowincome applicants when certain requirements are met. The decision of the director is final.

# A. Office of Community & Civic Life Recognized Organizations Fee Waiver

Neighborhood or business organizations recognized by the City of Portland Office of Comunity & Civic Life or Multnomah County are eligible to apply for an appeal fee waiver if they meet certain meeting and voting requirements.

These requirements are listed in the Type III Appeal Fee Waiver Request for Organizations form and instruction sheet available from the Bureau of Development Services Development Services Center, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, 1900 SW 4<sup>th</sup>, Portland, OR 97201. Recognized organizations must complete the Type III Appeal Fee Waiver Request for Organizations form and submit it prior to the appeal deadline to be considered for a fee waiver.

# B. Low Income Fee Waiver

The appeal fee may be waived for an individual who is an applicant in a land use review for their personal residence, in which they have an ownership interest, and the individual is appealing the decision of their land use review application. In addition, the appeal fee may be waived for an individual residing in a dwelling unit, for at least 60 days, that is located within the required notification area. Low income individuals requesting a fee waiver will be required to certify their annual gross income and household size. The appeal fee will only be waived for households with a gross annual income of less than 50 percent of the area median income as established and adjusted for household size by the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). All financial information submitted to request a fee waiver is confidential. Fee waiver requests must be approved prior to appeal deadline to be considered for a fee waiver.

Information is subject to change

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 ${f X}$  This completed fee waiver request form and any supplemental information necessary to qualify for a fee waiver.

The City must receive the appeal fee waiver request and the appeal by 4:30 pm on the deadline listed in the Decision in order for the appeal to be valid. To file the appeal, submit the completed appeal application and fee waiver application at the Reception Desk on the 5th Floor of 1900 SW 4th Ave, Portland, Oregon, between 8:00 am and 4:30 pm Monday through Friday.

# Information about Type III Appeal Fee Waiver Requests for Organizations

The following information will help neighborhood, community, business and industrial associations and other organizations that are recognized or listed in the Office of Neighborhood Involvement Directory to apply for fee waivers when appealing a City land use review decision. The Portland Zoning Code, the Office of Neighborhood Involvement and the Oregon statutes, which regulate public meetings and public records, all describe requirements that associations and organizations must meet when requesting a fee waiver from the City for a land use appeal.

In order for an appeal to be valid, it must be accompanied by the required appeal fee or a waiver request that was approved before the appeal deadline as stated in the specific land use decision (Section 33.730.020 of the Portland Zoning Code). The Bureau of Development Services Director may waive a land use review appeal fee for a recognized organization under certain circumstances (Section 33.750.050). A recognized organization is one that is listed by the Office of Neighborhood Involvement (Portland Zoning Code Chapter 33.910).

Because the City understands that the timelines for appeals are short, we will allow the waiver and appeal to be submitted at the same time. However, if the request for a fee waiver is denied, the appeal may be invalid because the deadline passed and the fee did not accompany the appeal. Within 48 hours of receiving the fee waiver request, the Bureau of Development Services Director, or the Director's delegate, will notify the organization's contact person as to whether the request for a fee waiver is approved, or if additional information is needed to make a decision on the fee waiver request. The Director's decision to waive an appeal fee is final.

# **Zoning Code Requirements**

The Portland Zoning Code states that the appeal fee may be waived for a recognized organization if all of the following conditions are met:

- **1.** The recognized organization has standing to appeal. This applies only to appeals of a Type III land use review, and means that the recognized organization testified, either orally or in writing, at the initial evidentiary hearing;
- 2. The appeal is being made on the behalf of the recognized organization; and
- **3.** The appeal contains the signature of the chairperson or the other person authorized by the organization, confirming the vote to appeal was done in accordance with the organization's bylaws.

# Applicant contact

While it is not a requirement of the Zoning Code, you are encouraged to notify the applicant or their representative prior to the meeting where an appeal of the City's decision will be discussed and voted on. This gives the applicant, or their representative, an opportunity to attend the meeting and participate in the discussion.

# Where to obtain the Type III Decision Appeal Fee Waiver Requests and Appeal Forms

To file an appeal, a separate form must be completed and submitted. Both the Appeal Fee Waiver Form and Appeal Form are available from the Bureau of Development Services, Development Services Center, 1st floor, 1900 SW Fourth Avenue, Portland, OR 97201.

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