Development Services

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APPEAL SUMMARY

| Status: Decision Rendered | |
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| Appeal ID: 16176 | Project Address: 55 NE Grand Ave |
| Hearing Date: 11/22/17 | Appellant Name: Amy Provost |
| Case No.: B-021 | Appellant Phone: 5038869757 |
| Appeal Type: Building | Plans Examiner/Inspector: Jerry Englehardt |
| Project Type: commercial | Stories: 7 Occupancy: S-2, A-2, R-2, B Construction Type: 1-A, 3-A |
| Building/Business Name: | Fire Sprinklers: Yes - NFPA 13 througout |
| Appeal Involves: Erection of a new structure | LUR or Permit Application No.: 14-216353-CO |

Proposed use: Residential & Commercial

APPEAL INFORMATION SHEET

Plan Submitted Option: pdf [File 1]

Appeal item 1

| Code Section | 3004 Hoistway venting |
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| Requires | Hoistways and elevators and dumbwaiter with a hoistway height greater than 25 feet or more, as measured from the bottom floor landing to the underside of the hoistway ceiling, shall be provided with a means of venting smoke and hot gases to the exterior in case of fire. |
| Proposed Design | Eliminate hoistway vents in entirety consistent with the 2015 IBC. |
| Reason for alternative | This section on venting of the hoistway has been eliminated from the 2015 IBC. Based on reports from the International Code Council CTC Elevatory Lobby Study Group, there is a specific concern of smoke movement related to stack effect when these vents are incorporated in the design. By eliminating the vents the stack effect is reduced and this improves overall life safety and egress in the building. Similar appeals have been granted., see 13691, 15779, and 16001. |

APPEAL DECISION

Elimination of hoistway venting per 2015 IBC: Granted as proposed.

The Administrative Appeal Board finds that the information submitted by the appellant demonstrates that the approved modifications or alternate methods are consistent with the intent of the code; do not lessen health, safety, accessibility, life, fire safety or structural requirements; and that special conditions unique to this project make strict application of those code sections impractical.

Pursuant to City Code Chapter 24.10, you may appeal this decision to the Building Code Board of Appeal within 180 calendar days of the date this decision is published. For information on the appeals process and costs,

including forms, appeal fee, payment methods and fee waivers, go to www.portlandoregon.gov/bds/appealsinfo, call (503) 823-7300 or come in to the Development Services Center.

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