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December 28, 2023

Janine DeLeon, Secretary  
Bedminster Township Land Use Board  
1 Miller Lane  
Bedminster, New Jersey 07921

Re: 2475 Lamington Road LLC Variance Application  
Block 27, Lots 21 and 22  
2475 Lamington Road  
FEI Project No. 23BD203

Dear Janine:

The above referenced application requests use variance approval for the conversion of the existing building on lots 21 and 22 in block 27 into two residential units. The following documents have been submitted in support of the application:

1. Cover letter, dated December 13, 2023, prepared by Michael Osterman, Esq.
2. Land Use Board Application Form and rider, dated June 7, 2023, prepared by Richard Van Orden
3. Checklist, dated June 1, 2023, prepared by Michael Osterman, Esq.
4. Survey, dated May 30, 2023, prepared by Wayne F. Holman, PLS
5. Architectural Building Renderings
6. Architectural Plans, consisting of two sheets revised through June 5, 2023, prepared by Joseph M. Marchese, Architect
7. Historic Preservation Commission Certificate of Appropriateness, dated November 17, 2022
8. Certificate of Paid Taxes, dated December 5, 2023
9. Variance Plan, revised through December, 2023, prepared by Paul D. Fox, PE
10. Somerset County Planning Board Application, dated December 11, 2023

A review of the above referenced documents results in the following comments regarding the completeness of the application:

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General - The application indicates that the proposal is to convert a "Single-family residential (2nd floor) plus vacant formerly commercial space (1st floor)" into two dwelling units. It should be noted that the structure was previously approved and used as a single user catering facility. Subsequent to that use, the Board approved a single commercial use in the building which approval was never perfected or executed. The site has never been approved for more than one use. The owner converted the building to an upstairs residence and a vacant "commercial " space on the first floor without a zoning permit or site plan approval. The second-floor apartment is currently occupied without the appropriate zoning/site plan approvals. The current application is for a use variance for two residential units. In the event that the applicant does not receive the requested use variance approval, he will still need to seek site plan approval for the current mixed use in the building.

Checklist review:

1. Checklist Item 6 - Digital file - The checklist indicates that this is not applicable, however it is. Based on the scope of the application, this office has no objection to a waiver.
2. Checklist Item 34 - Features within 200' - The checklist indicates that is not applicable, however it is required. This office has no objection to a partial waiver.
3. Checklist Item 35 - Tree location - The checklist indicates this is not applicable, however there are trees on the property and this is required. Based on the scope of the application, this office has no objection to a waiver.
4. Checklist Item 36 - Proposed plantings - The checklist indicates this is not applicable, however it is required. The Board may grant a waiver for completeness; however, any landscaping requirements should be discussed by the Board during the hearing of the application.
5. Checklist Item 41 - Contours - The checklist indicates this is not applicable, however there are trees on the property and this is required. Based on the scope of the application, this office has no objection to a waiver.
6. Checklist Item 45 - Soil types - The checklist indicates this is not applicable, however there are trees on the property and this is required. Based on the scope of the application, this office has no objection to a waiver.
7. Checklist Item 51 - Screening/buffering - The checklist indicates this item is not applicable, however it is required. This office has no objection to a waiver for completeness; however, the Board may require landscaping during the hearing process.
8. Checklist Item 55 - Utility locations within 200' - The checklist indicates this is not applicable, however it is required. This office has no objection to a waiver.

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Subject to the granting of the waivers identified above, the application may be deemed complete.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul W. Ferriero", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Paul W. Ferriero, PE, CME  
Township Engineer

cc: Board Members  
Thomas Collins, Esq.  
Frank Banisch, PP/AICP