HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

Applicant hereby releases City of Albany Industrial Development Agency and the members, officers, servants, agents and employees thereof (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Agency") from, agrees that the Agency shall not be liable for and agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the Agency harmless from and against any and all liability arising from or expense incurred by (i) the Agency's examination and processing of, and action pursuant to or upon, the attached Application, regardless of whether or not the application or the project described therein or the issue of bonds requested therein are favorably acted upon by the Agency, and (ii) the Agency's financing of the Project described therein; including without limiting the generality of the foregoing, all causes of action and attorneys' fees and any other expenses incurred in defending any suits or actions which may arise as a result of any of the foregoing. If, for any reason, the Applicant fails to conclude or consummate necessary negotiations, or fails, within a reasonable or specified period of time, to take reasonable, proper or requested action, or withdraws, abandons, cancels or neglects the Application, or if the Agency or the Applicant are unable to find buyers willing to purchase the total bond issue requested, then, and in that event, upon presentation of an invoice itemizing the same, the Applicant shall pay to the Agency, its agents or assigns, all actual costs incurred by the Agency in the processing of the Application, including attorneys' fees, if any.

(Applicant)

BY:

Sworn to before me this al day of May , 20/2

(Notary Public)

BETH BOBEL

Notary Public, State of New York No. 4989793

Qualified in Rensselaer County

Commission Expires December 16, 2013

ATTACHMENT A

CREATION OF NEW JOB SKILLS

This does not include seasonal positions which will be additional servers.

Tim(Owner/operator)	\$	78,000	\$ 78,000	\$ 78,000
Assistant	\$	44,000	\$ 47,080	\$ 49,434
Chef	\$	52,000	\$ 55,640	\$ 58,422
Cooks (3)	\$.	100,000	\$ 107,000	\$ 112,350
Dishwashers (2)	\$	50,000	\$ 53,500	\$ 56,175
Night Manager	\$	48,000	\$ 51,360	\$ 53,928
Mobile Kitchen	\$	40,000	\$ 42,800	\$ 44,940
Delivery (3-4)	\$	52,000	\$ 55,640	\$ 58,422
Servers (3-4)	\$	60,000	\$ 64,200	\$ 67,410

\$524,000

\$555,220

\$579,081

Types of Employment at the Project Site

Operating Partner:

Oversees day to day operations staffing, training, ordering, promotion.

Floor Manager:

Makes sure operation run according to guidelines set by owners, handle customers, staff, scheduling and inventory.

Assistant:

Bookkeeping, social media, permits schedule for operating partner.

Chef:

Handle back of the house operation, food cost, labor, food preparation including daily specials.

Cook Positions:

To prepare foods.

Wait staff and counter people:

To handle customers.

Dishwashers and cleaning people:

To clean the space.

ATTACHMENT B

COST/BENEFITS ANALYSIS

RE:	423/425 Madison Avenue, Albany, NY

In order for the City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") to prepare a Cost/Benefit Analysis for a proposed project (the "Project"), the Applicant must answer the questions contained in this Project Questionnaire (the "Questionnaire") and complete the attached Schedules. This Questionnaire and the attached Schedule will provide information regarding various aspects of the Project, and the costs and benefits associated therewith.

Since we need this Questionnaire to be completed before we can finalize the Cost/Benefit Analysis, please complete this Questionnaire and forward it to us at your earliest convenience.

PROJECT QUESTIONNAIRE

1.	Name of Project Beneficiary ("Company"):	DILEK LLC New 3 story building with 6 apartments & a restaurant	
2.	Brief Identification of the Project:		
3.	Estimated Amount of Project Benefits Sought:		
	A. Amount of Bonds Sought:	\$NA	
	B. Value of Sales Tax Exemption Sought	\$ 64,000	
	C. Value of Real Property Tax Exemption Sought	\$131,095	
	D. Value of Mortgage Recording Tax Exemption		
	Sought	\$ 15,000	

PROJECTED PROJECT INVESTMENT

A.	Land-Related Costs	
1.	Land acquisition	\$280,000
2.	Site preparation	\$
3.	Landscaping	\$
4.	Utilities and infrastructure development	\$
5.	Access roads and parking development	\$
6.	Other land-related costs (describe)	\$
		411-41-41-41-41-41-41-41-41-41-41-41-41-
В.	Building-Related Costs	See attached estimates
1.	Acquisition of existing structures	\$
2.	Renovation of existing structures	\$
3.	New construction costs	\$1,087,900
4.	Electrical systems	\$
5.	Heating, ventilation and air conditioning	\$
6.	Plumbing	\$ Address of the Control of the Contro
7.	Other building-related costs (Restaurant Fit Up)	\$110,000

C.	Machinery and Equipment Costs		
1.	Production and process equipment		\$ 197,015
2.	Packaging equipment		NA
3.	Warehousing equipment		NA
4.	Installation costs for various equipment		NA
5.	Other equipment-related costs (describe)		NA
D.	Furniture and Fixture Costs		
1,	Office furniture		\$ 5,000 (est.)
2.	Office equipment		\$10,000 (est.)
3.	Computers		\$30,000 (est.)
4.	Other furniture-related costs (Restaurant Seating)		\$50,000 (est.)
Е.	Working Capital Costs		
1.	Operation costs		\$1,633,512
2.	Production costs		\$ 524,000
3,	Raw materials	\$	
4.	Debt service	\$	ALL AND
5.	Relocation costs	\$	
6.	Skills training	\$	
7.	Other working capital-related costs (describe)	\$	- 10 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10
F.	Professional Service Costs		
1.	Architecture and engineering		\$70,000
2.	Accounting/legal		\$40,000
3.	Other service-related costs (Marketing & Web Services)		\$40,000
G.	Other Costs		
1.		\$	12/2 //2
2.		\$	
Н.	Summary of Expenditures		
1.	Total Land-Related Costs		\$ 280,000
2.	Total Building-Related Costs		\$1,197,900
3.	Total Machinery and Equipment Costs		\$ 197,015
4.			\$ 95,000
6.	Total Professional Service Costs		\$ 150,000
7.	Total Other Costs		\$ 24,500
	Total Project Cost	1474	\$1,944,415

PROJECTED PROFIT

I. Please provide projected profit as defined by earnings after income tax but before depreciation and amortization;

YEAR	Without IDA benefits	With IDA benefits
1	\$4,801	\$19,748
2	\$5,492	\$20,887
3	\$6,263	\$22,120
4	\$7,115	\$23,448
5	\$8,052	\$24,875

PROJECTED CONSTRUCTION EMPLOYMENT IMPACT

I. Please provide estimates of total construction jobs and the total annual wages and benefits of construction jobs at the Project:

Year	Number of Construction	Total Annual Wages and Benefits	Estimated Additional NYS Income Tax
	Jobs		
Current Year	10 (F/T Eq.)	\$ 350,000 +/-	\$ 22,575
Year 1	4+ (F/T Eq.)	\$ 150,000 +/-	\$ 9,675
Year 2		NA	NA
Year 3		NA	NA
Year 4		NA	NA
Year 5		NA NA	NA

PROJECTED PERMANENT EMPLOYMENT IMPACT

I. Please provide estimates of total number of existing permanent jobs to be preserved or retained as a result of the Project: **Not Applicable**

Year	Professional	Skilled	Semi-Skilled	Unskilled
Current Year				
Year 1			1	
Year 2				,,,,,
Year 3				
Year 4				
Year 5	**************************************			

II. Please provide estimates of total new permanent jobs to be created at the Project:

Year	Professional	Skilled	Semi-Skilled	Unskilled
Current Year				
Year 1	4	13	4	4
Year 2	4	14	5	4
Year 3	4	14	5	5
Year 4	4	15	6	5
Year 5	4	15	6	6

- III. Please provide estimates for the following:
 - A. Creation of New Job Skills relating to permanent jobs. Please complete Schedule A.
- - A. Provide a brief description of how the project expects to meet this percentage:

 There will be advertising via on-site and neighborhood bulletin boards, word of mouth (local), times union advertising, Craig's list, etc. All of the venues will be geared towards letting the local neighborhood know as well as the City at large.

PROJECTED OPERATING IMPACT

I. Please provide estimates for the impact of Project operating purchases and sales: NA

Additional Purchases (1 st year following project completion)	(taxable items only) \$ 40,000 +/-
Additional Sales Tax Paid on Additional Purchases	\$ 3,200 +/-
Estimated Additional Sales (1 st full year following project completion)	(additional gross revenue projection) \$ 238,972 +/-
Estimated Additional Sales Tax to be collected on additional sales (1 st full year following project completion)	(not all items are taxable) \$ 80,000 +/-

II. Please provide estimates for the impact of Project on existing real property taxes and new payments in lieu of taxes ("Pilot Payments"):

Year	Existing Real	New Pilot	Total
,	Property Taxes	Payments	(Difference)
	(Without IDA involvement)	(With IDA)	
Current Year	\$ 9,760	\$ 9,760	\$0
Year 1	\$ 16,034	\$ 1,087	\$ 14,947
Year 2	\$ 16,515	\$ 1,119	\$15,396
Year 3	\$ 17,011	\$ 1,153	\$15,858
Year 4	\$ 17,521	\$ 1,188	\$16,334
Year 5	\$ 18,047	\$ 1,223	\$16,824
Year 6	\$ 18,588	\$ 1,260	\$17,328
Year 7	\$ 19,146	\$ 1,298	\$17,848
Year 8	\$ 19,720	\$ 5,932	\$13,788
Year 9	\$ 20,312	\$10,844	\$9,468
Year 10	\$ 20,921	\$16,045	\$4,876

III. Please provide a brief description for the impact of other economic benefits expected to be produced as a result of the Project:

It is the hope of the owner/operator that this project will enhance the neighborhood by transforming a long neglected corner into a vibrant location of sophisticated apartments and a new restaurant anchor. The building itself will act as a gateway coming into or leaving the community. There is not a more highly visible site in these neighborhoods. With the completion of this project, it is hoped that property values in the immediate vicinity will increase, the disposable income of the new tenants will help other local businesses and it will spur upkeep investments in the immediate area of the project.



Albany County Clerk 32 North Russell Rd. Albany, NY 12206-1324

Return to:

MURRAY LAW FIRM 10 MAXWELL DR STE 100 CLIFTON PARK NY 12065

Instrument: Deed

Document Number: 10719821 Book: 2986 Page: 1089

Grantor

YANG, HONG QUAN YOU, YUN RONG YANG, KENNY

Grantee

DILEK LLC

Number of Pages: 5

Amount: \$280000.00

Transfer Tax Receipt Albany County Clerk Received: Trans Tax# 473\$1120.00

Recorded Date/Time: 08/30/2010 at 9:27 AM

Receipt Number: 599321

Note: **DO NOT REMOVE - THIS PAGE IS PART OF THE DOCUMENT **
THIS PAGE CONSTITUTES THE CLERK'S ENDORSEMENT, REQUIRED BY SECTION 316-a(5) &

319 OF THE REAL PROPERTY LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

Thomas G. Clingan, County Clerk

4 AQ.

LIBER 2986 PAGE 1090

Pecord + Keturn
The Murray Law Film Puc
10 Maxwell Dive, Svifelor
Cliften Acuk, NY 12005

Albany County Clerk Deed Books (Record Room) Book 2986 Page 1090



WARRANTY DEED

THIS INDENTURE, made

13 ゴッレソ

,2010

BETWEEN HONG QUAN YANG, YUN RONG YOU and KENNY YANG, all residing at 88-11 Elmhurst Avenue, Apt C10, Elmhurst, New York 11373,

party of the first part, and

DILEK, LLC, a New York limited liability company, with offices at 26 Teasdale Drive, Slingerlands, New York 12159,

party of the second part,

WITNESSETH, that the party of the first part, in consideration of ONE AND 00/100 .-----Dollars (\$1.00) lawful money of the United States, and other good and valuable consideration paid by the party of the second part, does herby grant and release unto the party of the second part, the heirs or successors and assigns of the party of the second part forever,

ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND situate in the 16th Ward (now Ward 5) of the City and County of Albany, State of New York, known, numbered and designated on the 1962 Assessment Roll of the City of Albany, County of Albany and State of New York as follows:

Ward 16. City of Albany, County of Albany, Alleged Owner: Katherine B. Ruzzo, described as follows: Street No. 423 Madison Avenue, Lot No. --, Side North between Dove and Lark Sts., bounded by lands now or formerly of: North - Lark St., South - Madison Ave., East - City, West - Lark St. Dimensions: S. 52.09 E. 50 N. 52 W. 50.04.

Being Parcel W--16--30 on List of Delinquent Taxes filed in the Albany County Clerk's Office September 8, 1964 in an action entitled "In the Matter of Foreclosure of Tax Liens pursuant to Article Eleven, Title Three of the Real Property Tax Law by County of Albany, New York" duly brought in the County Court of Albany County, State of New York by the County of Albany for the foreclosure of certain tax liens on said September 8, 1964.

Said premises being included in deed executed by Eugene P. Devine, County Treasurer of the County of Albany, New York to County of Albany dated August 23, 1966 and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Albany August 24, 1966 in Book 1880 of Deeds at Page 11.

Subject to 1975 State and County Taxes and 1976 Water Rents, payable January 1, 1976. Also subject to any street and sewer assessments and the 1976-77 School Tax. Should property be marked "exempt" on these rolls, either property or school, it shall be subject to a levy computed in lieu of the "exempt" tax.

> Albany County Clerk Document Number 10719821 Rcvd 08/30/2010 9:27:26 AM



THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PREMISES ARE ALSO DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the City of Albany, County of Albany and State of New York, bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at the corner formed by the intersection of the northerly side of Madison Avenue with the easterly side of Lark Street; running thence northerly along the easterly side of Lark Street, 50 feet, more or less, to the southerly side of lot of ground heretofore conveyed by Thomas J. Carrick to one Mary A. Robinson; thence easterly along the southerly side of said lot conveyed to said Mary A. Robinson, 52 feet 2 inches, more or less, to lot of ground now or heretofore owned by City of Albany; thence southerly along the westerly side of said lot of ground now or heretofore owned by City of Albany and on a line parallel with the easterly side of Lark Street, 50 feet, more or less, to the northerly side of Madison Avenue; and thence westerly along the northerly side of Madison Avenue, 52 feet 2 inches, more or less, to the point or place of beginning.

SUBJECT to easements, restrictions, covenants and conditions of record, if any, affecting said premises.

THE premises are commonly known as and by Street No. 423-425 Madison Avenue, Albany, New York.

BEING the same premises conveyed to the party of the first part by deed of Baldwin T. Giminiani and Lousie Giminiani dated December 20, 2001 and recorded December 27, 2001 in the Albany County Clerk's Office in Book 2698 of Deeds at Page 1021.

TOGETHER with the appurtenances and all the estate and rights of the party of the first part in and to said premises,

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the premises herein granted unto the party of the second part, the heirs or successors and assigns of the party of the second part forever.

AND the party of the first part covenants as follows:

FIRST, That the party of the second part shall quietly enjoy the said premises;

SECOND, That the party of the first part will forever WARRANT the title to said premises.

THIRD, the party of the first part, in compliance with Section 13 of the Lien Law, covenants that the party of the first part will receive the consideration for this conveyance and will hold the right to receive such consideration as a trust fund to be applied first for the purpose of paying the cost of the improvement and will apply the same to the payment of the cost of the improvement before using any part of the total of the same for any other purpose.

The word "party" shall be construed as if it read "parties" whenever the sense of this indenture so requires.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the party of the first part has duly executed this deed the day and year first above written.

In Presence of

yun pong you

YUN RONG YOU

Kemy Yarz

KENNY YANG

STATE OF NEW YORK

) ss.:

COUNTY OF _ Queens

On July 13, 2010, before me, the undersigned, personally appeared HONG QUAN YANG, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person on behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.

Motary Public

ALISON Y. CHEN
Notary Public. State of New York
No. 01CH5043795
Qualified in Queens County
Commission Expires May 15,

STATE OF NEW YORK) SS.: COUNTY OF Queens)
On July 13, 2010, before me, the undersigned, personally appeared YUN RONG YOU, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that she executed the same in her capacity, and that by her signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person on behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.
Notary Public
ALISON Y. CHEN Notary Public. State of New York No. 01CH5043795 Qualified in Queens County Commission Expires May 15,
STATE OF NEW YORK)) ss.: COUNTY OF Queens)
On July 13, 2010, before me, the undersigned, personally appeared KENNY YANG, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person on behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.
Motary Public
Notary Public
ALISON Y. CHEN Notary Public. State of New York No. 01CH5043795 Qualified in Queens County Commission Expires May 15,



CITY OF ALBANY DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING

Gerald D. Jennings Mayor

MICHAEL J. YEVOLI Commissioner

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT 21 Lodge Street Albany, NY 12207 518.434.2532 (f) 518.434.9846 Development@cl.albany.ny.us

NEIGHBORHOOD & LONG-RANGE PLANNING 21 Lodge Street Albany, NY 12207 518.434.2532 (f) 518.434.9846 Albany2030@cl.albany.ny.us

LAND USE PLANNING
Board of Zoning Appeals, Planning Board,
Ilistoric Resources Commission
200 Henry Johnson Boulevard
Albany, NY 12210
518.434.5240
(f) 518.434.5294
Planning@cl.albany.ny.us

ALBANY COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
200 Henry Johnson Boulevard
Albany, NY 12210
518.434.5265
(f) 518.434.5242

January 20, 2012

3T Architects Attn: Scott Townsend 418 Broadway Albany, NY 12207

Re: 423 AKA 425 Madison Avenue (PB Case #12-11, 826)

Dear Scott:

Enclosed please find a copy of the Planning Board's Notification of Local Action regarding the application of Yusuf M. Dincer requesting Site Plan Approval for the construction of a three-story, 6,900 +/- square foot mixed-use building. On January 19, 2012 the Board voted to approve the proposed site plan with the following conditions:

- 1. The applicant shall obtain final approval from the Department of Water & Water Supply.
- 2. The applicant shall obtain final approval from the Traffic Engineering Unit.

Once these conditions of approval are addressed and incorporated into the site plan as noted above, four (4) copies of the final site plan should be submitted to this office. These plans will be stamped as approved by the Chair of the Planning Board and distributed as follows:

- one (1) copy sent to you as the applicant's representative.
- one (1) copy retained on file by the City Planning Department.
- one (1) copy referred to both Director of Building and Codes, Jeff Jamison, Esq., and City Engineer, Deirdre Rudolph, P.E., alerting them to the fact that Site Plan Approval has been granted for this project.

Feel free to contact me at (518) 445-0754 if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Bradley Glass Senior Planner

Cc: Jeff Jamison, Esq., Director, Division of Buildings & Codes Pat McCutcheon, Division of Engineering William Trudeau, Traffic Engineering Unit Maryella Bell, Department of Water & Water Supply

NOTIFICATION OF LOCAL ACTION DECISION OF THE CITY OF ALBANY PLANNING BOARD

ADDRESS OF SUBJECT PROPERTY: 423 AKA 425 Madison Ave.

IN THE MATTER OF: Site Plan Approval for the construction of a three-story, 6,900 +/- square foot mixed-use building.

APPLICANT: Yusuf M. Dincer c/o 3T Architects
ADDRESS: 418 Broadway, Albany, NY 12207

CASE NUMBER: 12-11, 826

Date Received: 12/1/11
Preliminary Presentation: 12/15/11
Subsequent Presentations: 1/19/12

SEQR Class: Type 1 Action SEQR Determination: 1/19/12 Date of Decision: 1/19/12

Vote:	For Approval:	5	Abbott:	Y	Pryor:	Y
	Against:	0	Fox:	Y	Trant:	Y
	Abstain:	0	Hancox:	Y		

Relevant Considerations:

Owner/Applicant: Dilek, LLC (Yusuf M. Dincer) / 3T Architects

Parcel size: 0.06 acres.

<u>Property Valuation</u>: The property is currently valued at \$225,700. The projected cost of construction of the new building is \$1,325,000.

<u>Location</u>: The property is located at the northeast corner of Madison Avenue and Lark Street.

Zoning: C-1 (Neighborhood Commercial). Area Variances to allow for the construction on a 2,600 square foot lot, 52-feet in depth, with a rear yard setback of zero (0) feet, lot coverage of 98.5% and zero (0) off-street parking spaces are required from the Board of Zoning Appeals. A public hearing is scheduled for 12/14/11.

<u>Surrounding Uses</u>: *North:* Three-story, mixed-use structures. *West:* Single-story, 7,200 square foot commercial structure (Dunkin Donuts) and parking area (NW corner). *East:* 5,765 square foot former police precinct (now office for Metroland). *South:* Four-story, 9,410 square foot structure will retail and residential uses (SW corner).

<u>Proposed Project</u>: The applicant is proposing to construct a three-story, 6,900 +/- square foot mixed-use building to replace an existing single-story structure at the site. Due to the small nature of the site (50'x 52'), the proposed structural footprint encompasses 98.5% of the lot. The applicant intends to secure a retail or similar tenant for the ground floor space, which is approximately 2,400 square feet in size. The retail floor area is designated to accommodate two separate tenants in the case that a single tenant cannot be secured for the lease of the entire ground floor area. There will be three, one-bedroom apartments on each of the two upper floors, ranging from 627 to 750 square feet in size. The applicant is hoping to begin construction in the spring and to finalize construction within 6 - 8 months.

<u>Parking & Traffic</u>: The applicant has secured a lease for six off-street parking spaces at the immediately adjacent property, 421 Madison Avenue. The project will have temporary impacts upon traffic during the construction phase. To dampen these impacts, the applicant has obtained a construction easement from the neighboring property owner. A minor increase in neighborhood traffic can be expected as a result of the new construction.

<u>Bike/Pedestrian/Transit</u>: The property is located at a vibrant intersection and accessible to many transit routes. A bus stop location currently exists adjacent to the south side of the building and is indentified by signage. Other stop locations exist on the southeast and northwest corners of the intersection. Accommodations for pedestrians are already in place and the proposed building design is conducive to pedestrian activity.

<u>Water/Sewer</u>: The applicant will utilize existing sewer and water connections to the site. The building will be fully sprinklered.

<u>Stormwater</u>: A detention tank will be installed on site to detain accumulated storm water resulting from the increase in the building footprint and will tie into an existing combined sewer running along Madison Avenue.

<u>Archeology</u>: This applicant intends to retain an archeologist to be on-site at all times during excavation. Any significant archeological discoveries are subject to further review by this Board.

<u>Landscaping</u>: The proposed 98.5% lot coverage does not leave sufficient open areas to accommodate any landscaping treatments. Existing street trees will be protected.

<u>Lighting</u>: Street lighting exists in the vicinity of this property. On-site lighting will be limited to that attributed to the proposed commercial tenant and building entrances.

<u>Solid Waste</u>: An area for the placement of trash receptacles has been located along the east side of the proposed building.

<u>Signage</u>: Signage is proposed and will be designed when a commercial tenant has been secured. Review of any proposed signage is within the purview of the Historic Resources Commission.

Actions Taken:

The Board issued a <u>Negative Declaration</u> for this <u>Type 1 Action</u> as per the provisions of SEQR.

The Board **Approved** the site plan with the following conditions:

- 1. The applicant shall obtain final approval from the Department of Water & Water Supply.
- 2. The applicant shall obtain final approval from the Traffic Engineering Unit.

I, Edward Trant representing the Planning Board of the City of Albany, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a decision of the Planning Board made at a meeting thereof duly called and held on the day of January 19, 2012.

Date: 1/19/12

Signature: Edward R. Trant

This is not a building permit. All building permits must be approved and issued by the Building Department prior to the start of any construction.

Prior to making an application for a Certificate of Occupancy, the applicant will be required to submit to the Building Department an "as built" site plan which depicts all elements shown on the approved site plan including but not limited to contours, landscaping, building locations, utilities paved and parking areas, signage, accessory structures and other related physical improvements.

NOTIFICATION OF LOCAL ACTION DECISION OF THE CITY OF ALBANY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Important Note: This is not a building permit. All building permits must be approved and issued by the Division of Building & Codes prior to the start of any construction.

ADDRESS OF SUBJECT PROPERTY: 425 AKA 423 Madison Ave.

IN THE MATTER OF: Area Variances to allow for the construction of a 9,300 +/- square foot, mixed-use building with ground level commercial space and six (6) residential dwelling units on a 2,600 square foot lot, 52-feet in depth, with a rear yard setback of zero (0) feet, lot coverage of 98.5% and zero (0) off-street parking spaces.

APPLICANT: Yusuf Dincer, M.D. c/o 3T Architects

ADDRESS: 418 Broadway, Albany, NY 12207

DATE APPLICATION RECEIVED: 11/16/11 CASE NUMBER: 12-11, 3005

DATE OF DECISION: 2/8/12 DATE OF HEARING: 12/14/11

DECISION: Approved WARD: **6**

N.A.: Hudson Park

HISTORIC/ SPECIAL DISTRICT(S): Center Square/Hudson Park Historic District; Lark Street

Business Improvement District

The request is **Approved**, by the following vote:

Apostol: Y Ray: For: 4 Cronin: Y Tucker-Ross: Y Against: 1 Viele: NIA Abstain: 0 Moran: N

Site Description

The property in question is located on the northeast corner of Madison Avenue and Lark Street in a C-1 Neighborhood Commercial zoning district, the Center Square/Hudson Park Historic District and the Lark Street Business Improvement District. The 52'x 50' lot is improved with a single-story, 1,626 square foot commercial structure.

Relevant Considerations

The applicant proposes to construct a three-story, mixed use building at the site in question. The proposed construction would consist of 2,415 square feet of ground-level retail space and six residential dwelling units split amongst the upper two floors. The total proposed floor area for the building is 6,897 square feet. The new building will replace a single-story, 1,586 square foot, commercial structure currently existing at the site. Proposed demolition of the existing building was approved by the Historic Resources Commission.

The proposed use of the building is permitted within the applicable C-1 Neighborhood Commercial district. However, due to the small size of the lot in question - 52'x 50' - the applicant requires and is seeking five Area Variances. Proposed variations from applicable zoning code requirements are detailed as follows:

Code	Required	Proposed
Minimum lot area	3,200 sq. ft.	2,600 sq. ft.
Minimum lot depth	80 ft.	52 ft.
Maximum lot coverage	50%	98.5%

Minimum rear yard	20 ft.	0 ft.
Off-Street Parking*	11 spaces	0 spaces

^{*}Calculation for the off-street parking requirement is based upon a traditional retail use, i.e. general retail and/or personal service uses. Some uses would require additional spaces to be provided at the time of the establishment of the future use.

The most recent use of the building was as an Indian/Pakistani Restaurant d/b/a Tandoor Palace, which operated for a limited time as an illegal tavern d/b/a Lark Street Pub. The property has extensive zoning history that is detailed as follows:

Case #	Proposed Use	Decision	Date of Decision
4-02, 597 4-02, 597* 10-03, 814 7-04, 759 2-07, 1341 6-09, 1723 1-11, 1968	Grocery (2AM) Grocery (1-2AM) Restaurant w/Alcohol Restaurant w/Alcohol (Beer/Wine) Restaurant w/Alcohol (Liquor) Hours until 2AM Tavern	Denied Denied Denied Approved Approved Approved Denied	5/22/02 8/14/02 11/12/03 8/11/04 2/28/07 6/10/09 1/26/11
*T			

^{*}Reapplication

The current owner purchased the property on August 6, 2012 for \$280,000 and indicates that he was not personally associated with the prior uses of the premises. The building itself is a small portion of its original design as a two-story, twin row house structure. Commercial use has long been a feature of the property, with its development dating to a tavern established in the late eighteenth century. The applicant states that the existing building portion "has undergone renovations detrimental to the continuation of the typical character of the block" and retains little of its original historical character. The new building proposed to follow a precedent set by neighboring buildings in its three- to four-story height and by exceeding the allowable lot coverage stipulations, whereas the design is intended to be befitting of a property that acts as a gateway to the neighborhood.

The proposed residential units will be between 627 and 750 square feet in size, exceeding the minimum 600 square foot requirement set forth for the C-1 district. The applicant has not yet secured a tenant for the commercial space(s) and indicates that future tenants would be subject to any additional permits that may be required in pursuing their ability locate there. The C-1 district permits numerous as-of-right uses, such as bakeries, banks, charitable or religious institutions, drugstores, fraternal organizations, houses of worship, ice cream shops, personal service outlets, restaurants, retail outlets, art galleries and business services.

Parking requirements will vary depending on the commercial tenancy. As it currently stands, the proposed six apartments and 2,415 square feet of ground-level commercial space (by default, general retail and/or personal service) requires a cumulative minimum of 11 off-street parking spaces - less than that of the prior restaurant use, which required 16 spaces (793 sq. ft. / 1 per 50 sq. ft. of dining room floor area). The Board may vary the parking requirement based upon the following, as specified by the C-1 District Design Guidelines:

- (d) In any C-1 District, the amount of off-street parking required may be reduced by the Board of Zoning Appeals, in consultation with the Division of Traffic Safety. Factors to be considered shall include, but are not limited to:
 - [1] Availability of on-street parking.
 - [2] Pedestrian traffic and accessibility.
 - [3] Availability of transit service.

- [4] Availability of other public parking.
- [5] Hours of operation.
- [6] Shared parking arrangements.

The applicant has secured an agreement to lease a minimum of six parking spaces at neighboring 421 Madison Avenue. Transit service is also available at this location.

Findings

The proposed structure, despite its deviations from the given lot requirements, is consistent with the established pattern of development in the area, and arguably more so than that of the existing structure. The location of this property at a corner location, as well as its small size, greatly constrains its ability to be developed for a viable use when adhering to the applicable yard requirements designated within the ordinance. The site design is consistent with guidelines established for C-1 zoned properties and the applicant makes reasonable attempt to provide adequate transportation provisions for its tenants where no parking can be immediately accomplished on site. In sum, the requested variances are not substantial and will produce a desirable change in the immediate and surrounding area – a benefit that could not be achieved without the granting of the requested variances.

The Board finds that, in accordance with §375-26(B)(1)(a), the variance granted is the minimum necessary, and that:

- a. No undesirable change will be produced in the character of the neighborhood nor will a detriment to nearby properties be created.
- b. The benefit sought cannot be achieved by some method feasible to the applicant other than the granting of the variance.
- c. The requested variance is not substantial.
- d. Granting the variance will not have an adverse impact on the physical or environmental conditions in the neighborhood.
- e. The hardship may have been self-created, but this does not preclude the granting of the area variance in this circumstance.

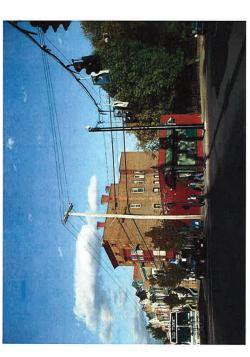
The City of Albany Planning Board issued a <u>negative</u> declaration under SEQR for this <u>Type 1</u> action, as the proposed construction will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.

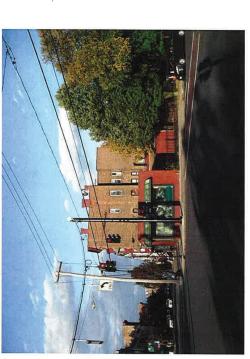
I, G. Michael Apostol, representing the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of Albany, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a decision of the Board made at a meeting thereof duly called and held on **February 8, 2012**.

Signed:	Ğ.	Character to Municipal	Date:	2/8/12
	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *			

▶ Important Note: Unless otherwise specified by the Board, this decision shall expire and become null and void if the applicant fails to obtain any necessary zoning, building, or other permits or comply with the conditions of such decision within six (6) months of the date of signature.

EXISTING SITE CONDITIONS: MADISON AND LARK







ZONING SUMMARY

ZONE TYPE: C-1 Neighborhood Commercial District Center Square/Hudson Park Historic District

YARD REQUIREMENTS	PROPOSED	VARIANCE
1. Minimum Lot Area: 3,200 SF	2,600 SF	Yes
2. Minimum Lot Width: 40 Feet	50 Feet	No
3. Minimum Lot Depth: 80 Feet	52 Feet	Yes
4. Maximum Lot Coverage: 50%	98.5%	Yes
5. Minimum Front and Side Yards: Zero Feet	0 Feet	No
6. Minimum Rear Yard: 20 Feet	0 Feet	Yes
7. Maximum Commcercial Space: 2,500 SF	2,413 SF	No
8. Minimum Size of Dwelling Units: 600 SF	627 SF	No.

423-25 MADISON AVE.

HUDSON PARK NEIGHBORHOOD

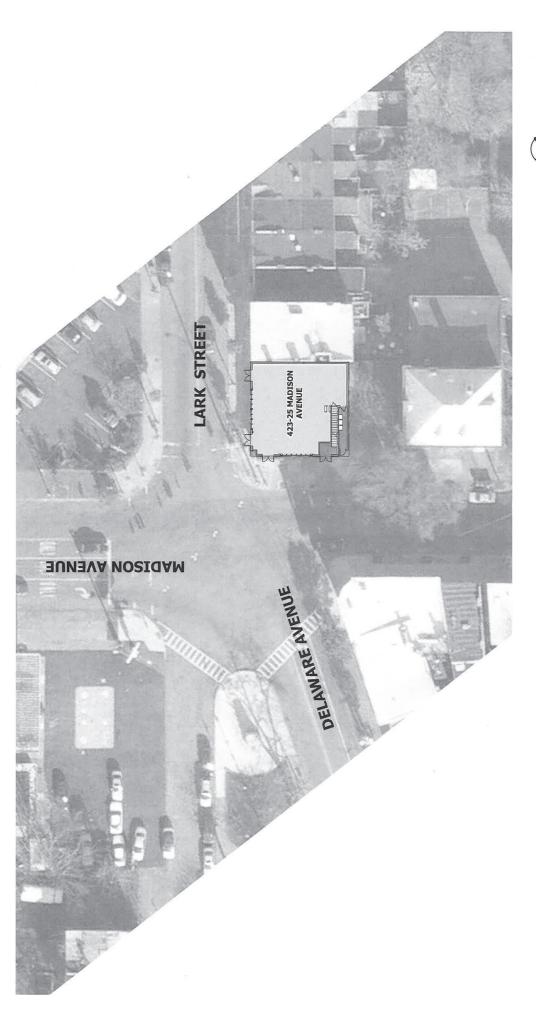
Date:

11/16/11



Scale:

3tarchitects.com

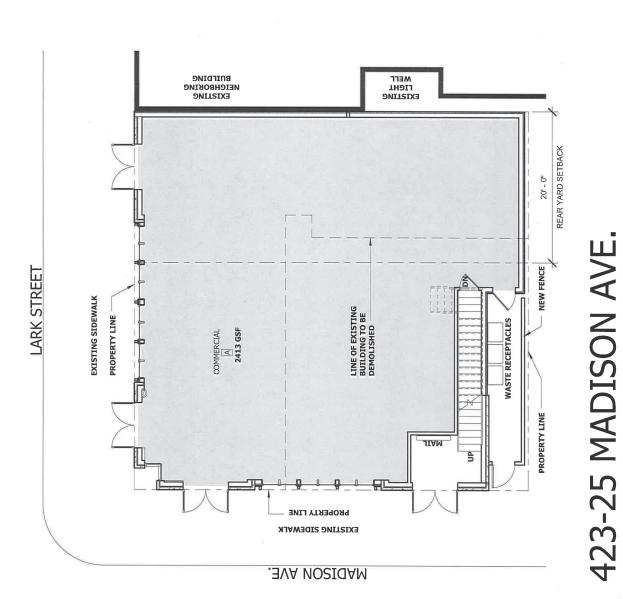




Date:

Scale: 1/32'' = 1'-0'' starchitects.com

423-25 MADISON AVE.



GROSS FLOOR AREAS

BASEMENT	2413			
1ST FLOOR	2413	⋖	m	O
2ND FLOOR	2241	750	627	628
3RD FLOOR	2241	750	627	628
TOTAL	9308			

ZONING SUMMARY

ZONE TYPE: C-1 Neighborhood Commercial District Center Square/Hudson Park Historic District

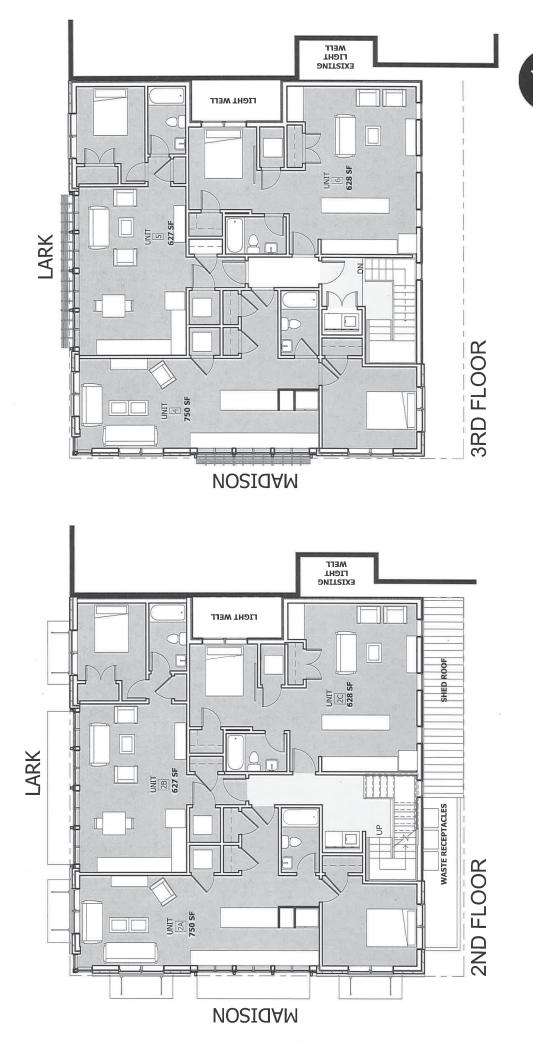
YARD REQUIREMENTS	PROPOSED	VARIANCE
1. Minimum Lot Area: 3,200 SF	2,600 SF	Yes
2. Minimum Lot Width: 40 Feet	50 Feet	No
3. Minimum Lot Depth: 80 Feet	52 Feet	Yes
4. Maximum Lot Coverage: 50%	98.5%	Yes
5. Minimum Front and Side Yards: Zero Feet	0 Feet	No
6. Minimum Rear Yard: 20 Feet	0 Feet	Yes
7. Maximum Commcercial Space: 2,500 SF	2,413 SF	No
8. Minimum Size of Dwelling Units: 600 SF	627 SF	No

Date: 11/16/11

Scale: 1/8" = 1'-0" 3tarchitects.com

3t

1ST FLOOR PLAN & SITE INFORMATION



423-25 MADISON AVE.

2ND & 3RD FLOOR PLANS

Date: Scale:

1/8" = 1'-0" 3tarchitects.com



Scale: 3/16" = 1'-0" starchitects.com

EXTERIOR ELEVATION - FROM MADISON AVE.

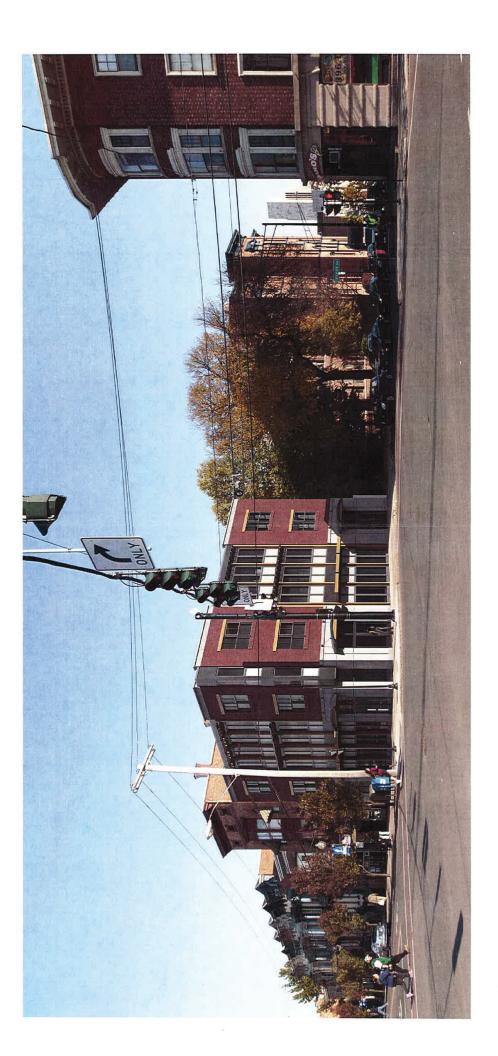


423-25 MADISON AVE.

EXTERIOR ELEVATION - FROM LARK ST.

11/16/11 Date:

Scale: 3/16" = 1'-0" starchitects.com



423-25 MADISON AVE. PROGRESS RENDERING

Date: Scale:

11/16/11

3tarchitects.com



423-25 MADISON AVE.

Date:

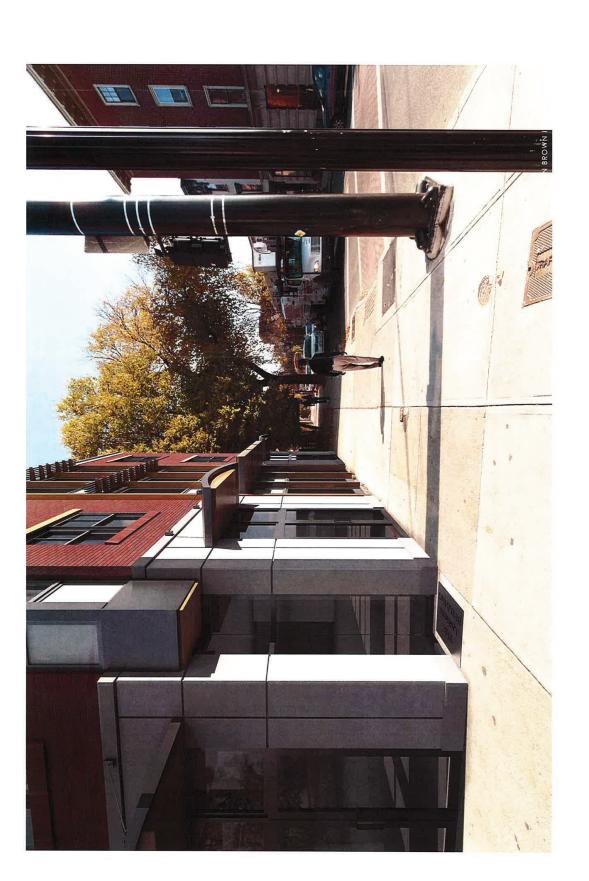
Scale:

11/16/11

3tarchitects.com

PROGRESS RENDERING





Scale:

Date:

423-25 MADISON AVE. PROGRESS RENDERING

617.20

Appendix A

State Environmental Quality Review FULL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM

Purpose: The full EAF is designed to help applicants and agencies determine, in an orderly manner, whether a project or action may be significant. The question of whether an action may be significant is not always easy to answer. Frequently, there are aspects of a project that are subjective or unmeasurable. It is also understood that those who determine significance may have little or no formal knowledge of the environment or may not be technically expert in environmental analysis. In addition, many who have knowledge in one particular area may not be aware of the broader concerns affecting the question of significance.

The full EAF is intended to provide a method whereby applicants and agencies can be assured that the determination process has been orderly, comprehensive in nature, yet flexible enough to allow introduction of information to fit a project or action.

Full EAF Components: The full EAF is comprised of three parts:

we

- **Part 1:** Provides objective data and information about a given project and its site. By identifying basic project data, it assists a reviewer in the analysis that takes place in Parts 2 and 3.
- **Part 2:** Focuses on identifying the range of possible impacts that may occur from a project or action. It provides guidance as to whether an impact is likely to be considered small to moderate or whether it is a potentially-large impact. The form also identifies whether an impact can be mitigated or reduced.
- Part 3: If any impact in Part 2 is identified as potentially-large, then Part 3 is used to evaluate whether or not the impact is actually important.

THIS AREA FOR LEAD AGENCY USE ONLY

DETERMINATION OF SIGNIFICANCE -- Type 1 and Unlisted Actions

		DETERMINATION OF SIGNIFICAL	VOL Type Tand Offisted Actions
Upon revie	ew of th		Part 1 Part 2 Part 3 2 and 3 if appropriate), and any other supporting information, and it is reasonably determined by the lead agency that:
	A ,	The project will not result in any large and im significant impact on the environment, therefo	portant impact(s) and, therefore, is one which will not have a re a negative declaration will be prepared.
	В.		effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect neasures described in PART 3 have been required, therefore prepared.*
	C.	The project may result in one or more large an environment, therefore a positive declaration v	d important impacts that may have a significant impact on the vill be prepared.
*	A Condi	itioned Negative Declaration is only valid for U	nlisted Actions
		Declaration	
0		Name (of Action
C	Office of	Land Use Planning	
0		Name of L	ead Agency
Ed Trant			Planning Board Chairman
Print or Ty	/pe Nam	ne of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Title of Responsible Officer
Signature	of Resp	onsible Officer in Lead Agency	Signature of Preparer (If different from responsible officer)
bsite			Date

PART 1--PROJECT INFORMATION Prepared by Project Sponsor

NOTICE: This document is designed to assist in determining whether the action proposed may have a significant effect on the environment. Please complete the entire form, Parts A through E. Answers to these questions will be considered as part of the application for approval and may be subject to further verification and public review. Provide any additional information you believe will be needed to complete Parts 2 and 3.

It is expected that completion of the full EAF will be dependent on information currently available and will not involve new studies, research or investigation. If information requiring such additional work is unavailable, so indicate and specify each instance.

Name of Action Negative Declaration			
Location of Action (include Street Address, Municipality and Count 423-25 Madison Avenue	ty)		
Name of Applicant/Sponsor Scott Townsend			
Address 418 Broadway			
City / PO Albany	State NY	Zip Code <u>12207</u>	
Business Telephone 518-618-0900			
Name of Owner (if different) Yusuf M. Dincer			_
Address 319 Manning Blvd.			
City / PO Albany	State NY	Zip Code 12208	
Business Telephone 518-435-0842			
Description of Action:			
The proposed scope of work includes the demolition of the existive basement. The project is urban in fill intending to maximize the revenue potential. The proposed uses comply with the C-1 district dwelling units will be located on the second and third floors with 627 to 750 square feet for a total of 2,241 gross square feet per floor.	commercial and residential capa ct's Principal Permitted Uses. T a three units on each floor totalin	cities of the site while also enhancing he commercial space has 2,415 gsf. T. ng 6 units. The apartments range from	he

Please Complete Each Question--Indicate N.A. if not applicable

A. SITE DESCRIPTION

Phy	rsical setting of overall project, both developed and undeveloped areas	S.	
1.	Present Land Use: ✓ Urban Industrial Commercial	Residential (suburban)	Rural (non-farm)
	Forest Agriculture Other		
2.	Total acreage of project area:06 acres.		
	APPROXIMATE ACREAGE	PRESENTLY	AFTER COMPLETION
	Meadow or Brushland (Non-agricultural)	<u>0</u> acres	0_acres
	Forested	<u>0</u> acres	0 acres
	Agricultural (Includes orchards, cropland, pasture, etc.)	<u>0</u> acres	<u>0</u> acres
	Wetland (Freshwater or tidal as per Articles 24,25 of ECL)	<u>0</u> acres	0 acres
	Water Surface Area	<u>0</u> acres	0 acres
	Unvegetated (Rock, earth or fill)	<u>0</u> acres	<u>0</u> acres
	Roads, buildings and other paved surfaces	<u>.06</u> acres	06_ acres
	Other (Indicate type)	acres	acres
3.	What is predominant soil type(s) on project site? Clay		
		Moderately well drained%	of site.
	Poorly drained60 % of site		
	b. If any agricultural land is involved, how many acres of soil are of Classification System?0 acres (see 1 NYCRR 370).	classified within soil group 1 thro	ough 4 of the NYS Land
4.	Are there bedrock outcroppings on project site? Yes	No	
٦.	a. What is depth to bedrock50'> (in feet)		
5.	Approximate percentage of proposed project site with slopes:		
J,	✓ 0-10%%	reater %	
6.	Is project substantially contiguous to, or contain a building, site, or		ational Registers of
	Historic Places? Yes No		
7.	Is project substantially contiguous to a site listed on the Register of	National Natural Landmarks?	Yes■No
8.	What is the depth of the water table? 10 (in feet)		
9.	Is site located over a primary, principal, or sole source aquifer?	Yes No	
10	. Do hunting, fishing or shell fishing opportunities presently exist in the	he project area? Yes	No

11.	Does project site contain any species of plant or animal life that is identified as threatened or endangered?
	According to:
	N/A
	Identify each species:
	N/A
12.	Are there any unique or unusual land forms on the project site? (i.e., cliffs, dunes, other geological formations?
	Yes No
	Describe:
	N/A
13.	Is the project site presently used by the community or neighborhood as an open space or recreation area?
	Yes No
	If yes, explain:
14.	Does the present site include scenic views known to be important to the community?
	N/A
15.	Streams within or contiguous to project area:
	None
	a. Name of Stream and name of River to which it is tributary
	N/A
16.	Lakes, ponds, wetland areas within or contiguous to project area:
	None
	b. Size (in acres):
	N/A

17.	ls t	he site served by existi	ng public utilities?	Yes No						
	a.	If YES, does sufficient	capacity exist to allow o	connection?	es No					
	b.	If YES, will improvement	ents be necessary to allow	w connection?	Yes	No				
18.	Is t			pursuant to Agriculture	and Markets Law, Artic	le 25-AA, Section 303 and				
19.	9. Is the site located in or substantially contiguous to a Critical Environmental Area designated pursuant to Article 8 of the ECL, and 6 NYCRR 617? Yes No									
20.	Has	s the site ever been use	d for the disposal of solid	d or hazardous wastes?	Yes	No				
В.	Proj	ject Description								
1.	Physical dimensions and scale of project (fill in dimensions as appropriate).									
	a. Total contiguous acreage owned or controlled by project sponsor:06_ acres.									
	b. Project acreage to be developed:06 acres initially;06 acres ultimately.									
	c. Project acreage to remain undeveloped: 0% acres.									
	 d. Length of project, in miles: N/A (if appropriate) e. If the project is an expansion, indicate percent of expansion proposed. N/A % f. Number of off-street parking spaces existing 0; proposed 0 g. Maximum vehicular trips generated per hour: (upon completion of project)? 									
	h. If residential: Number and type of housing units:									
			One Family	Two Family	Multiple Family	Condominium				
		Initially	0	0	6	0				
		Ultimately	0	0	6	0				
	i. D	Dimensions (in feet) of la	argest proposed structure	e:32_height;	<u>50'</u> width;	<u>52'</u> length.				
	j. L	inear feet of frontage a	ong a public thoroughfar	e project will occupy is?	ft.					
2.	How much natural material (i.e. rock, earth, etc.) will be removed from the site?tons/cubic yards.									
3.	Will disturbed areas be reclaimed Yes No No									
a. If yes, for what intended purpose is the site being reclaimed?										
	N/									
b. Will topsoil be stockpiled for reclamation? Yes No										
	c. Will upper subsoil be stockpiled for reclamation?									
1	Hov	w many acres of years	ation (trees shrubs arou	nd covers) will be remov	red from site? 0	acres				

5.	Will any mature forest (over 100 years old) or other locally-important vegetation be removed by this project?
	Yes No
6.	If single phase project: Anticipated period of construction: 6 months, (including demolition)
7.	If multi-phased:
	a. Total number of phases anticipated1 (number)
	b. Anticipated date of commencement phase 1:3 month _12 year, (including demolition)
	c. Approximate completion date of final phase: 9 month 12 year.
	d. Is phase 1 functionally dependent on subsequent phases? Yes No
8.	Will blasting occur during construction?
9.	Number of jobs generated: during construction; after project is complete 6+/-
10	. Number of jobs eliminated by this project 0
11.	. Will project require relocation of any projects or facilities? Yes No
	If yes, explain:
12.	. Is surface liquid waste disposal involved? Yes No
	a. If yes, indicate type of waste (sewage, industrial, etc) and amount N/A
	b. Name of water body into which effluent will be discharged N/A
13.	Is subsurface liquid waste disposal involved? Yes No Type
14.	Will surface area of an existing water body increase or decrease by proposal? Yes No
	If yes, explain:
	N/A
15.	Is project or any portion of project located in a 100 year flood plain? Yes No
16.	Will the project generate solid waste?
	a. If yes, what is the amount per month?50 tons
	b. If yes, will an existing solid waste facility be used? Yes No
	c. If yes, give name Rapp Roadlandfill : location 525 Rapp Road, Albany, NY
	d. Will any wastes not go into a sewage disposal system or into a sanitary landfill? Yes No

N/A 17. Will the project involve the disposal of solid waste? Yes No a. If yes, what is the anticipated rate of disposal? 1 tons/month. b. If yes, what is the anticipated site life? 100 years. 18. Will project use herbicides or pesticides? Yes No 19. Will project routinely produce odors (more than one hour per day)? Yes No 20. Will project produce operating noise exceeding the local ambient noise levels? Yes No 21. Will project result in an increase in energy use? Yes No If yes, indicate type(s) 22. If water supply is from wells, indicate pumping capacity N/A. gallons/minute. 23. Total anticipated water usage per day 600 gallons/day. 24. Does project involve Local. State or Federal funding? Yes No If yes, explain:	e. If yes, explain:		
a. If yes, what is the anticipated rate of disposal?	N/A		
a. If yes, what is the anticipated rate of disposal?			
a. If yes, what is the anticipated rate of disposal?			
a. If yes, what is the anticipated rate of disposal?			
a. If yes, what is the anticipated rate of disposal?			
a. If yes, what is the anticipated rate of disposal?			
b. If yes, what is the anticipated site life?	17. Will the project involve the disposal of solid waste? Yes No		
18. Will project use herbicides or pesticides? Yes No 19. Will project routinely produce odors (more than one hour per day)? Yes No 20. Will project produce operating noise exceeding the local ambient noise levels? Yes No 21. Will project result in an increase in energy use? Yes No If yes, indicate type(s) 22. If water supply is from wells, indicate pumping capacity N/A gallons/minute. 23. Total anticipated water usage per day 600 gallons/day. 24. Does project involve Local, State or Federal funding? Yes No	a. If yes, what is the anticipated rate of disposal?1 tons/month.		
19. Will project routinely produce odors (more than one hour per day)?	b. If yes, what is the anticipated site life?100_ years.		
20. Will project produce operating noise exceeding the local ambient noise levels? Yes No 21. Will project result in an increase in energy use? Yes No If yes, indicate type(s) 22. If water supply is from wells, indicate pumping capacity N/A gallons/minute. 23. Total anticipated water usage per day 600 gallons/day. 24. Does project involve Local, State or Federal funding? Yes No	18. Will project use herbicides or pesticides? Yes No		
21. Will project result in an increase in energy use? Ves No If yes, indicate type(s) 22. If water supply is from wells, indicate pumping capacity N/A gallons/minute. 23. Total anticipated water usage per day 600 gallons/day. 24. Does project involve Local, State or Federal funding? Yes No	19. Will project routinely produce odors (more than one hour per day)?	es No	
22. If water supply is from wells, indicate pumping capacity N/A gallons/minute. 23. Total anticipated water usage per day 600 gallons/day. 24. Does project involve Local, State or Federal funding? Yes No	20. Will project produce operating noise exceeding the local ambient noise leve	els? Yes No	
22. If water supply is from wells, indicate pumping capacityN/A_ gallons/minute. 23. Total anticipated water usage per day600_ gallons/day. 24. Does project involve Local, State or Federal funding?Yes No	21. Will project result in an increase in energy use? Yes No		
23. Total anticipated water usage per day 600 gallons/day. 24. Does project involve Local, State or Federal funding? Ves No	If yes, indicate type(s)		
23. Total anticipated water usage per day 600 gallons/day. 24. Does project involve Local, State or Federal funding? Ves No			
23. Total anticipated water usage per day 600 gallons/day. 24. Does project involve Local, State or Federal funding? Ves No			
23. Total anticipated water usage per day 600 gallons/day. 24. Does project involve Local, State or Federal funding? Ves No			
23. Total anticipated water usage per day 600 gallons/day. 24. Does project involve Local, State or Federal funding? Ves No			
23. Total anticipated water usage per day 600 gallons/day. 24. Does project involve Local, State or Federal funding? Ves No			
23. Total anticipated water usage per day 600 gallons/day. 24. Does project involve Local, State or Federal funding? Ves No			
24. Does project involve Local, State or Federal funding? Yes No	22. If water supply is from wells, indicate pumping capacity <u>N/A</u> gallons/n	ninute.	
	23. Total anticipated water usage per day <u>600</u> gallons/day.		
	24. Does project involve Local, State or Federal funding? Yes No		

25	. Approvals Required:			Туре	Submittal Date
	City, Town, Village Board	Yes	No		- Submittal Bate
	City, Town, Village Planning Board	Yes	No No	Site Plan Reviw	12/15/12
	City, Town Zoning Board	Yes	No No	Zoning Board of Appeals Area Variance	12/14/12
	City, County Health Department	Yes	■ No		
	Other Local Agencies	Yes	No	Historic Resources Commission	12/7/12
	Other Regional Agencies	Yes	■ No		
	State Agencies	Yes	■ No		
	Federal Agencies	Yes	No		
C.	Zoning and Planning Information				
1.	Does proposed action involve a plan	ning or zoning	g decision?	No No	
	If Yes, indicate decision required;				
	Zoning amendment	Zoning vari	iance	New/revision of master plan	Subdivision
	Site plan	Special use	e permit	Resource management plan	Other

What is the zoning classification(s) of the site?		
C-1 Neighborhood Commercial District		
What is the maximum potential development of the site if developed as permitted by the preser	nt zoning?	
1560 SF x 35' HT Building		
What is the proposed zoning of the site?		
N/A		
What is the maximum potential development of the site if developed as permitted by the propo	sed zoning?	
N/A		
s the proposed action consistent with the recommended uses in adopted local land use plans?	Yes	No
What are the predominant land use(s) and zoning classifications within a ¼ mile radius of prop	osed action?	
Urban - Commercial, Residential, Recreational		
CO - Commercial Office District C1 - Neighborhood Commercial District C2 - Highway Office District R2A - One and Two Family Residential District R2C - One and Two Family Row House Residential District LC - Land Conservation District		
s the proposed action compatible with adjoining/surrounding land uses with a ¼ mile?	Yes	No
If the proposed action is the subdivision of land, how many lots are proposed? N/A		
a. What is the minimum lot size proposed? N/A		

10.	Will proposed action require any authorization(s) for the formation of sewer or water districts? Yes No						
11.	Will the proposed action create a demand for any community provided services (recreation, education, police, fire protection?						
	■ Yes No						
	a. If yes, is existing capacity sufficient to handle projected demand?						
12.	Will the proposed action result in the generation of traffic significantly above present levels?						
	a. If yes, is the existing road network adequate to handle the additional traffic.						
	N/A						
D.	Informational Details						
asso	Attach any additional information as may be needed to clarify your project. If there are or may be any adverse impacts ociated with your proposal, please discuss such impacts and the measures which you propose to mitigate or avoid them.						
	Verification						
	I certify that the information provided above is true to the best of my knowledge.						
	Applicant/Sponsor Name Craig Church Date 12/12/11						
	Signature						
	Title Landscape Architect						

If the action is in the Coastal Area, and you are a state agency, complete the Coastal Assessment Form before proceeding with this assessment.

PART 2 - PROJECT IMPACTS AND THEIR MAGNITUDE

Responsibility of Lead Agency

 General Information (Read Carefully) In completing the form the reviewer should be guided by the question: Have my responses and determinations been reasonable? The reviewer is not expected to be an expert environmental analyst. The Examples provided are to assist the reviewer by showing types of impacts and wherever possible the threshold of magnitude that would trigger a response in column 2. The examples are generally applicable throughout the State and for most situations. But, for any specific project or site other examples and/or lower thresholds may be appropriate for a Potential Large Impact response, thus requiring evaluation in Part 3. The impacts of each project, on each site, in each locality, will vary. Therefore, the examples are illustrative and have been offered as guidance. They do not constitute an exhaustive list of impacts and thresholds to answer each question. The number of examples per question does not indicate the importance of each question. In identifying impacts, consider long term, short term and cumulative effects. 						
Instruct	tions (Rea	ad carefully)				
a.	Answer	each of the 20 questions in PART 2. Answer Yes if there will	be any impact.			
b. c.	If answe	inswers should be considered as Yes answers. ring Yes to a question then check the appropriate box(colum preshold equals or exceeds any example provided, check co to the check column 1.	n 1 or 2)to indicate Numn 2. If impact	e the potential s will occur but th	ize of the impact. If reshold is lower than	
d.	Identifyi large im be looke	ng that an Impact will be potentially large (column 2) does no pact must be evaluated in PART 3 to determine significance d at further.	. Identifying an im	pact in column	2 simply asks that it	
e. f.	If a pote impact,	er has doubt about size of the impact then consider the impa ntially large impact checked in column 2 can be mitigated by also check the Yes box in column 3. A No response indicate d in Part 3.	change(s) in the	project to a sma	II to moderate	
			1 Small to Moderate Impact	2 Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Be Mitigated by Project Change	
		Impact on Land				
	the Propo	sed Action result in a physical change to the project				
site?	NO	YES				
	Exampl	Any construction on slopes of 15% or greater, (15 foot rise per 100 foot of length), or where the general slopes in the project area exceed 10%.			Yes No	
	() 6 (Construction on land where the depth to the water table is less than 3 feet.			Yes No	
	•	Construction of paved parking area for 1,000 or more vehicles.			Yes No	
	•	Construction on land where bedrock is exposed or generally within 3 feet of existing ground surface.			Yes No	
		Construction that will continue for more than 1 year or involve more than one phase or stage.			Yes No	

Excavation for mining purposes that would remove more than 1,000 tons of natural material (i.e., rock or

soil) per year.

Yes No

			1 Small to Moderate Impact	2 Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Be Mitigated by Project Change
		Construction or expansion of a santary landfill.			Yes No
		Construction in a designated floodway.			Yes No
	•	Other impacts:			Yes No
2.	Wil the	I there be an effect to any unique or unusual land forms found on site? (i.e., cliffs, dunes, geological formations, etc.)			
	٠	Specific land forms:			Yes No
		Impact on Water			
3.	Will (Un ECI	Proposed Action affect any water body designated as protected? Ider Articles 15, 24, 25 of the Environmental Conservation Law, L) NO YES			
	Exa •	amples that would apply to column 2 Developable area of site contains a protected water body.			Yes No
	•	Dredging more than 100 cubic yards of material from channel of a protected stream.		- Carlinova	Yes No
	•	Extension of utility distribution facilities through a protected water body.			Yes No
	٠	Construction in a designated freshwater or tidal wetland.			Yes No
	•	Other impacts:			Yes No
4.	Will wat	Proposed Action affect any non-protected existing or new body of er? NO YES			
	Exa •	Imples that would apply to column 2 A 10% increase or decrease in the surface area of any body of water or more than a 10 acre increase or decrease.			Yes No
	•	Construction of a body of water that exceeds 10 acres of surface area.			Yes No
	٠	Other impacts:			Yes No

		1 Small to Moderate Impact	2 Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Be Mitigated by Project Change
	III Proposed Action affect surface or groundwater quality or antity?			
Ex	camples that would apply to column 2 Proposed Action will require a discharge permit.			Yes No
•	Proposed Action requires use of a source of water that does not have approval to serve proposed (project) action.			Yes No
٠	Proposed Action requires water supply from wells with greater than 45 gallons per minute pumping capacity.			Yes No
•	Construction or operation causing any contamination of a water supply system.			Yes No
•	Proposed Action will adversely affect groundwater.			Yes No
٠	Liquid effluent will be conveyed off the site to facilities which presently do not exist or have inadequate capacity.			Yes No
•	Proposed Action would use water in excess of 20,000 gallons per day.			Yes No
٠	Proposed Action will likely cause siltation or other discharge into an existing body of water to the extent that there will be an obvious visual contrast to natural conditions.			Yes No
*	Proposed Action will require the storage of petroleum or chemical products greater than 1,100 gallons.			Yes No
	Proposed Action will allow residential uses in areas without water and/or sewer services.			Yes No
•	Proposed Action locates commercial and/or industrial uses which may require new or expansion of existing waste treatment and/or storage facilities.			Yes No
	Other impacts;			Yes No

			Small to Moderate Impact	Potential Large Impact	Can Impact Be Mitigated by Project Change
6.		ill Proposed Action alter drainage flow or patterns, or surface water noff? NO YES			
	Ex	ramples that would apply to column 2 Proposed Action would change flood water flows			Yes No
	٠	Proposed Action may cause substantial erosion.			Yes No
	•	Proposed Action is incompatible with existing drainage patterns.			Yes No
	•	Proposed Action will allow development in a designated floodway.			Yes No
	•	Other impacts:			Yes No
		IMPACT ON AIR			
7.	Wi	Il Proposed Action affect air quality? NO YES			
	Ex.	amples that would apply to column 2 Proposed Action will induce 1,000 or more vehicle trips in any given hour.			Yes No
	•	Proposed Action will result in the incineration of more than 1 ton of refuse per hour.			Yes No
	•	Emission rate of total contaminants will exceed 5 lbs. per hour or a heat source producing more than 10 million BTU's per hour.			Yes No
		Proposed Action will allow an increase in the amount of land committed to industrial use.			Yes No
	٠	Proposed Action will allow an increase in the density of industrial development within existing industrial areas.			Yes No
	٠	Other impacts:			Yes No
		IMPACT ON PLANTS AND ANIMALS			
8.	Wil	Proposed Action affect any threatened or endangered species?			
	Ex:	amples that would apply to column 2 Reduction of one or more species listed on the New York or Federal list, using the site, over or near the site, or found on the site.			Yes No

		1 Small to Moderate Impact	Potential Large Impact	Can Impact Be Mitigated by Project Change
	Removal of any portion of a critical or significant wildlife habitat.			Yes No
	 Application of pesticide or herbicide more than twice a year, other than for agricultural purposes. 			Yes No
	Other impacts:			Yes No
9.	Will Proposed Action substantially affect non-threatened or non-endangered species? NO YES			
	 Examples that would apply to column 2 Proposed Action would substantially interfere with any resident or migratory fish, shellfish or wildlife species. 			Yes No
	 Proposed Action requires the removal of more than 10 acres of mature forest (over 100 years of age) or other locally important vegetation. 			Yes No
	Other impacts:			Yes No
10.	IMPACT ON AGRICULTURAL LAND RESOURCES Will Proposed Action affect agricultural land resources? NO YES			
	Examples that would apply to column 2 The Proposed Action would sever, cross or limit access to agricultural land (includes cropland, hayfields, pasture, vineyard orchard, etc.)			Yes No
	 Construction activity would excavate or compact the soil profile of agricultural land. 	f		Yes No
	 The Proposed Action would irreversibly convert more than 10 acres of agricultural land or, if located in an Agricultural District, more than 2.5 acres of agricultural land. 			Yes No

			Small to Moderate Impact	Potential Large Impact	Can Impact Be Mitigated by Project Change
	*	The Proposed Action would disrupt or prevent installation of agricultural land management systems (e.g., subsurface drain lines, outlet ditches, strip cropping); or create a need for such measures (e.g. cause a farm field to drain poorly due to increased runoff).			Yes No
	•	Other impacts:			Yes No
		IMPACT ON AESTHETIC RESOURCES			
11.		l Proposed Action affect aesthetic resources? (If necessary, use Visual EAF Addendum in Section 617.20, Appendix B.)			
	Exa •	Amples that would apply to column 2 Proposed land uses, or project components obviously different from or in sharp contrast to current surrounding land use patterns, whether man-made or natural.			Yes No
	•	Proposed land uses, or project components visible to users of aesthetic resources which will eliminate or significantly reduce their enjoyment of the aesthetic qualities of that resource.			Yes No
	•	Project components that will result in the elimination or significant screening of scenic views known to be important to the area.			Yes No
	•	Other impacts:			Yes No
	II	MPACT ON HISTORIC AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES			
12.		Proposed Action impact any site or structure of historic, historic or paleontological importance? NO YES			
	Exa	Imples that would apply to column 2 Proposed Action occurring wholly or partially within or substantially contiguous to any facility or site listed on the State or National Register of historic places.			Yes No
	•	Any impact to an archaeological site or fossil bed located within the project site.			Yes No
	(•)	Proposed Action will occur in an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NYS Site Inventory.			Yes No

		1 Small to Moderate Impact	2 Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Be Mitigated by Project Change
•	Other impacts:			Yes No
	IMPACT ON OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION			
	Il proposed Action affect the quantity or quality of existing or future en spaces or recreational opportunities? NO YES			
Ex •	amples that would apply to column 2 The permanent foreclosure of a future recreational opportunity.			Yes No
•	A major reduction of an open space important to the community.			Yes No
٠	Other impacts:			Yes No
	IMPACT ON CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL AREAS			
ch	Il Proposed Action impact the exceptional or unique aracteristics of a critical environmental area (CEA) established rsuant to subdivision 6NYCRR 617.14(g)? NO YES			
	st the environmental characteristics that caused the designation of eCEA.			
Ex	camples that would apply to column 2 Proposed Action to locate within the CEA?			Yes No
•	Proposed Action will result in a reduction in the quantity of the resource?			Yes No
٠	Proposed Action will result in a reduction in the quality of the resource?			Yes No
٠	Proposed Action will impact the use, function or enjoyment of the resource?			Yes No

			1 Small to Moderate Impact	2 Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Be Mitigated by Project Change
		IMPACT ON TRANSPORTATION			
15.	Wi	If there be an effect to existing transportation systems? NO YES			
	E xa	amples that would apply to column 2 Alteration of present patterns of movement of people and/or goods.			Yes No
	*	Proposed Action will result in major traffic problems.			Yes No
	•	Other impacts:			Yes No
		IMPACT ON ENERGY			
16.		I Proposed Action affect the community's sources of fuel or ergy supply?			
		NO YES			
	Exa	amples that would apply to column 2 Proposed Action will cause a greater than 5% increase in the use of any form of energy in the municipality.			Yes No
	•	Proposed Action will require the creation or extension of an energy transmission or supply system to serve more than 50 single or two family residences or to serve a major commercial or industrial use.			Yes No
		Other impacts:			Yes No
		NOISE AND ODOR IMPACT			
		I there be objectionable odors, noise, or vibration as a result of Proposed Action?			
		NO YES			
	Exa •	amples that would apply to column 2 Blasting within 1,500 feet of a hospital, school or other sensitive facility.			Yes No
	•	Odors will occur routinely (more than one hour per day).			Yes No
		Proposed Action will produce operating noise exceeding the local ambient noise levels for noise outside of structures.			Yes No
	•	Proposed Action will remove natural barriers that would act as a noise screen.			Yes No
		Other impacts:			Yes No

	Small to Moderate Impact	Potential Large Impact	Can Impact Be Mitigated by Project Change
IMPACT ON PUBLIC HEALTH			
18. Will Proposed Action affect public health and safety? NO YES	_	_	
 Proposed Action may cause a risk of explosion or release of hazardous substances (i.e. oil, pesticides, chemicals, radiation, etc.) in the event of accident or upset conditions, or there may be a chronic low level discharge or emission. 		Ц	YesNo
 Proposed Action may result in the burial of "hazardous wastes" in any form (i.e. toxic, poisonous, highly reactive, radioactive, irritating, infectious, etc.) 			Yes No
 Storage facilities for one million or more gallons of liquefied natural gas or other flammable liquids. 			Yes No
 Proposed Action may result in the excavation or other disturbance within 2,000 feet of a site used for the disposal of solid or hazardous waste. 			Yes No
Other impacts:			Yes No
IMPACT ON GROWTH AND CHARACTER OF COMMUNITY OR NEIGHBORHOOD			
IMPACT ON GROWTH AND CHARACTER			
IMPACT ON GROWTH AND CHARACTER OF COMMUNITY OR NEIGHBORHOOD 19. Will Proposed Action affect the character of the existing community? NO YES Examples that would apply to column 2 • The permanent population of the city, town or village in which the			Yes No
IMPACT ON GROWTH AND CHARACTER OF COMMUNITY OR NEIGHBORHOOD 19. Will Proposed Action affect the character of the existing community? NO YES Examples that would apply to column 2 • The permanent population of the city, town or village in which the project is located is likely to grow by more than 5%. • The municipal budget for capital expenditures or operating services will increase by more than 5% per year as a result of			Yes No
IMPACT ON GROWTH AND CHARACTER OF COMMUNITY OR NEIGHBORHOOD 19. Will Proposed Action affect the character of the existing community? NO YES Examples that would apply to column 2 • The permanent population of the city, town or village in which the project is located is likely to grow by more than 5%. • The municipal budget for capital expenditures or operating services will increase by more than 5% per year as a result of this project. • Proposed Action will conflict with officially adopted plans or			
IMPACT ON GROWTH AND CHARACTER OF COMMUNITY OR NEIGHBORHOOD 19. Will Proposed Action affect the character of the existing community? NO YES Examples that would apply to column 2 • The permanent population of the city, town or village in which the project is located is likely to grow by more than 5%. • The municipal budget for capital expenditures or operating services will increase by more than 5% per year as a result of this project.			Yes No
IMPACT ON GROWTH AND CHARACTER OF COMMUNITY OR NEIGHBORHOOD 19. Will Proposed Action affect the character of the existing community? NO YES Examples that would apply to column 2 • The permanent population of the city, town or village in which the project is located is likely to grow by more than 5%. • The municipal budget for capital expenditures or operating services will increase by more than 5% per year as a result of this project. • Proposed Action will conflict with officially adopted plans or goals.			Yes No

		1 Small to Moderate Impact	2 Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Be Mitigated by Project Change
٠	Proposed Action will set an important precedent for future projects.			Yes No
•	Proposed Action will create or eliminate employment.			Yes No
•	Other impacts:			Yes No
20. ls t	here, or is there likely to be, public controversy related to potential			
	verse environment impacts? NO YES			

If Any Action in Part 2 Is Identified as a Potential Large Impact or If you Cannot Determine the Magnitude of Impact, Proceed to Part 3

Part 3 - EVALUATION OF THE IMPORTANCE OF IMPACTS

Responsibility of Lead Agency

Part 3 must be prepared if one or more impact(s) is considered to be potentially large, even if the impact(s) may be mitigated.

Instructions (If you need more space, attach additional sheets)

Discuss the following for each impact identified in Column 2 of Part 2:

- 1. Briefly describe the impact.
- 2. Describe (if applicable) how the impact could be mitigated or reduced to a small to moderate impact by project change(s).
- 3. Based on the information available, decide if it is reasonable to conclude that this impact is important.

To answer the question of importance, consider:

- ! The probability of the impact occurring
- ! The duration of the impact
- ! Its irreversibility, including permanently lost resources of value
- ! Whether the impact can or will be controlled
- ! The regional consequence of the impact
- ! Its potential divergence from local needs and goals
- ! Whether known objections to the project relate to this impact.

Hudson/Park Neighborhood Association

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

December 13, 2011

Michael Apostol, Chairman
Board of Zoning Appeals
Department of Development and Planning
21 Lodge Street
Albany, NY 12207

Re: 423 Madison Avenue - Application for Area Variances

Dear Mr. Apostol:

On June 15, 2011 and upon subsequent dates, the Hudson/Park Neighborhood Association ("H/PNA" or "Hudson/Park") met at its regular monthly meetings to decide whether to oppose or support the grant of Area Variances by the Board of Zoning Appeals ("Board") to 423 Madison Avenue. In accordance with Hudson/Park's zoning procedures, the matter was also posted to our neighborhood on-line discussion list so the 300+ households on that list, and the project proponents, could discuss the proposed application.

During the meeting and several months of discussion on our discussion list, a consensus emerged of overall support for the project, with some reservations concerning the lack of parking provided with the project, and in hopes the project's developer might work with CDTA to reach an accommodation on a partnership concerning an enhanced bus stop at the corner of Madison Avenue and Lark Street.

As provided for by sec. 375-26(B)(1) of the city code, the standard for approving an area variance is:

§ 375-26. Variances. [Amended 3-15-1999 by Ord. No. 62.121.98]

<u>B.</u> The Board shall follow the following procedures in its review of variance requests: (1) Area variances.

(a) In making its determination regarding a request for an area variance, the Board shall take into consideration the benefit to the applicant if the variance is granted, as weighed against the detriment to the health, safety and welfare of the neighborhood or community by such grant. In making such determination, the Board shall also consider:

Hudson/Park Neighborhood Association

- [1] Whether an undesirable change will be produced in the character of the neighborhood or a detriment to nearby properties will be created by the granting of the area variance.
- [2] Whether the benefit sought by the applicant can be achieved by some method feasible for the applicant to pursue, other than an area variance.
- [3] Whether the requested area variance is substantial.
- [4] Whether the proposed variance will have an adverse effect or impact on the physical or environmental conditions in the neighborhood or district.
- [5] Whether the alleged difficulty was self-created, which consideration shall be relevant to the decision of the Board but shall not necessarily preclude the granting of the area variance.
- (b) The Board, when granting an area variance, shall grant the minimum variance that it shall deem necessary and adequate to alleviate the difficulty shown by the applicant and that also will preserve and protect the character of the neighborhood and the health, safety and welfare of the community.
- <u>C.</u> Board action on a variance request.
 - (2) The Board shall, in the granting of both area and use variances, have the authority to impose such reasonable conditions and restrictions as are directly related to and incidental to the proposed use of the property. Such conditions shall be consistent with the spirit and intent of this chapter and shall be imposed for the purpose of minimizing any adverse impact such variance may have on the neighborhood or the community.

The applicant's proposed project is that of a three story building, with a first floor commercial space, and three (3) residential apartments on each of the second and third floors, for a total of six apartments. The property in question is zoned C-1 commercial.

In the corridor in which the project is located, the dominant character of the buildings are R-2A and R-2C, with a commercial first floor and one or more floors of residential space above the first floor. At the corner of Lark Street and Delaware Avenue, and within 100' of the corner, there are several buildings exceeding three stories in height, which also fail to meet the required lot depth and setback and exceed the maximum lot coverage of 50% (see, sec. 375-71(D) of the city code). The application submitted to the Board asserts that the project cannot be financed without using in excess of 50% of the lot. Although the project will not provide parking for tenants, the application asserts the new use would most likely result in a diminished need for spaces as compared to that necessary for the previous sit-down restaurant. Finally, the application has shown evidence that the lot previously contained a three story building and the project (according to the submitted proposed site plans and elevations) appears likely to echo the character of the historic structures in the neighborhood.

In order to guide its deliberations on this sort of project, Hudson/Park has adopted zoning standards (see, http://www.hudsonpark.org/Hudson Park Zoning Standards.pdf), which are cited in pertinent part below:

Hudson/Park Neighborhood Association

H/PNA will give consideration to whether a proposed new use (business or residential) would return an abandoned or substantially uninhabitable/unusable building to service, and the positive effect such a renovation would have upon the area

The building at the corner of 423 Madison Avenue has been vacant for an extended period of time, and is a 1-story dilapidated structure of roughly 800ftsq of commercial space. Despite its location as an "entryway" into the Lark Street neighborhood and business community, and Center Square/Hudson Park historic district the previous tenants asserted in filings to the Board that they experienced financial challenges operating the previous structure, necessitating ever intensifying sales of alcohol on site. The previous tenants business eventually failed after an unpermitted attempt to change their restaurant into a late-hours tayern.

The project proposed to the Board echoes the mixed commercial-residential uses that give the Lark Street neighborhood its unique character in Albany. Although few structures on Lark Street contain six residential units, the project's proposed floor space will be roughly three times as large as the typical Lark Street structure. Therefore, H/PNA does not believe the project will have an adverse impact upon the physical or environmental conditions of the neighborhood, and will not harm the character of the neighborhood. Rather, the new commercial space on the first floor will be one of the largest potential retail spaces on Lark Street, which could affect the neighborhood positively in a business district that needs more diverse retail uses as opposed to more drinking establishments, tattoo parlors and head shops.

In conclusion, H/PNA believes the project meets the relevant sections of 375-26 of the City code, and our codes/zoning standard of returning an abandoned building to service, while making a positive impact upon the area. Therefore, we respectfully request the Board to look favorably upon 423 Madison's application for area variances. We hope that when the applicant has received guidance from the HRC, in addition to the input from the neighborhood, the end result will be a newly enhanced gateway into our historic neighborhood and business district that will add to Lark Street's reputation as a desirable destination for tourists and shoppers, while maintaining its desirability as a residential neighborhood.

Sincerely,

/s/

Richard Berkley, President Hudson/Park Neighborhood Association Michael Apostol, Chairman Board of Zoning Appeals Department of Development and Planning 21 Lodge Street Albany, NY 12207

Re: Application for Area Variances for 425 AKA 423 Madison Avenue

Dear Mr. Apostol:

On behalf of the Capitol Hill Condominium Association (CHCA) located at 409 Madison Avenue, I would like to respectfully submit this letter in support of the application of Dr. Yusuf Dincer/3T Architects requesting an Area Variance for the proposed project located at 425 AKA 423 Madison Avenue.

The application before the Zoning Board of Appeals (BZA) will allow for the construction of a 9,300 square foot mixed use building with commercial and residential space.

The CHCA recognizes the potential challenges this project could present with regard to parking and traffic in the Lark Street Community. However, we recognize the current structure, which is a one-story commercial space with limited use, has been left abandon for an extended period of time. Given the fact that this corridor is considered the entry way into the Lark Community, CHCA feels the positive impact this proposed new construction will have on the Lark Street Business District and surrounding neighborhood will out weigh the potential challenges.

Therefore, CHCA respectfully urges the BZA vote in favor of the Area Variance at its Wednesday, December 14, 2011 meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin G. Banes

President

Capitol Hill Condominium Association

CC: Executive Board - Capitol Hill Condominium Association Jon Browers, CYC Management



EMPIRE HOLDINGS OF ALBANY, LLC.

21 Colvin Avenue Albany, New York 12206 P 518-225-4567

Dr. Yusuf Dincer c/o 319 Manning Blvd. Suite 202 Albany, NY 12208

RE: Non- Binding Letter of Intent for 423-5 Madison Avenue

Dear Dr. Dincer,

I am pleased to assist you in order to have you complete a successful project.

Should you obtain approval from the City and subsequently move forward with construction the following is summarizing the basic terms on which I am prepared to negotiate your use of use of my land at 419-421 Madison Ave, Albany:

- During the duration of the construction for your project, allow you the use of my courtyard that abuts your property immediately to the east for construction deliveries.
- Lease to you 6 parking spots to be specified upon contractual agreement located to the rear of my property.
- For an undetermined amount of time allow you the use of the curb cut located in front of my property for delivery access to your building.

This agreement is non-binding until we finalize all details and consummate a contract based on further negotiations concerning location, price & duration. Good luck with your approval process.

Sincerely,

Terra Stratton

Owner, 421 Madison Avenue



May 9, 2012

Chairman Anthony J. Ferrara City of Albany Industrial Development Agency 21 Lodge Street Albany, NY 12207

RE: 423-5 Madison Avenue

Owner: Dilek LLC c/o Yusuf Dincer.

Dear Chairman Ferrara and members of the IDA:

Historic Albany Foundation sends this letter in support of Dr. Dincer's application for 423 Madison Avenue for financing through the Industrial Development Agency.

423-5 Madison has been an underutilized, central corner of the Center Square/Hudson Park Historic District for many years and is at a major juncture in the city. The proposed plan to build a new structure as a mixed use project, with commercial tenants at street level and residential apartments above, fits within the scope of the neighborhood's character. When there is demolition involved as at 423 Madison Avenue (which HAF opposed and presented another alternative which the HRC voted down), we become concerned that the project can stall due to financing and that no new building will be built, once the site is cleared. The financing from IDA will aid in this process and hopefully, close the gap so that the entire project is realized.

I urge you to support the application to finance this project.

Thank you,

Susan Holland Executive Director

Susan Holland

cc. Bill Brandow, President, HAF Board of Directors

file

Apr. 3. 2012 10:3246

A: 2052 F. 2

City of Albany Board of Zoning Appeals Application

This application must be filed with the Department of Development and Planning, Land Use Division at 200 Henry Johnson Boulevard, Albany, New York 12206, (518-445-0754). Applications are not considered to be complete until all supplemental documents and fees are received. (See attached instructions.) Planning Office staff shall determine the completeness of applications before scheduling the case before the Board of Zonling Appeals. Notice of public hearing shall be mailed to the applicant, adjacent property owners, and other interested parties. The applicant or his/her representative shall appear at the public hearing to aubstantiate the application, REGARDING THE PREMISES AT 423-25 Nadison Avenue, Albany, MK 12210-1713 APPLICANT Yusef Dincer, M.D. ADDRESS 319 Manning Boulevard CITY Albany STATE NY ZIP 12208 PHONE 518-577-9089 FAX NUMBER **AUTHORIZED AGENT** 3tarchitects AFFILIATION Project Architect 410 Broadway ADDRESS CITY Albany STATE NY ZIP 12207 PHONE 518-618-0900 FAX NUMBER PROPERTY OWNER Yunef dinger, M.O. **ADDRESS** 319 Manning Boulevard CITY Albany ZIP 12208 STATE NE PHONE 518-577-9089 FAX NUMBER OTHER TO BE NOTIFIED N.A. ADDRESS_ CITY STATE ZIP PHONE FAX NUMBER REQUEST: ASPECIAL USE PERMIT INTERPRETATION USE VARIANCE PARKING LOT PERMIT AREA VARIANCE OTHER ZONING CLASSIFICATION TAX LOT ID NUMBER 65 EXISTING USE / # OF UNITS Vacant/ 6 Residential Unite on Upper Floors PROPOSED USE / # OF UNITS Restaurant OCCUPANCY STATUS (FULLY OCCUPIED / PARTIALLY OCCUPIED / VACANT) VACANT (not yet constructed) REQUESTED PUBLIC HEARING DATE: 4/28/2012 PROJECT TIME FRAME: 6(2012 - 2(2013 TOTAL PROJECT COST: Is the property within 500 feet of a municipal boundary. State or County property, road, park or facility, or other recreation area? Yes if yes, the submission will require review by the Albany County Planning Board. (No) Does any state officer or any officer or employee of the City of Albany or County of Albany have any affiliation with or Interest in the applicant or this application? Yes (No if yes, set forth the name, address, and nature and extent of the affiliation or interest of an officer / employee. I, the undersigned owner, hereby authorize the applicant to bring the application herein before the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of Albany. SIGNED I, the undersigned applicant, hereby state that the information and facts set forth in this application are true to the best of my knowledge and belief. SIGNED 03/28/2012 DATE 01-26-12

SHORT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM

INSTRUCTIONS:

In order to answer the questions in this short EAF it is assumed that the preparer will use currently available information concerning the project and the likely impacts of the action. It is not expected that additional studies research or other investigations will be undertaken.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

1.	Will the project result in a large physical change to the project site or physically? alter more than 10 acres of land?	_Yes	× No
2.	Will there be a major change to any unique or unusual landform found on this site?	_Yes	× No
3.	Will project alter or have a large effect on an existing body of water?	_Yes	× No
4.	Will project have a potentially large impact on groundwater quality?	Yes	× No
5.	Will project significantly affect drainage flow or air quality?	_Yes	× No
6.	Will project affect any threatened or endangered plant or animal species	Yes	× No
7.	Will project result in a major adverse impact on air quality?	Yes	X No
8.	Will project have a major effect on visual character of the community or scenic views or vistas known to be or important to the community?	_Yes	× No
9.	Will project adversely impact any site or structure of historic, prehistoric or paleontological importance or any site designated as a critical environmental area by a local agency?	_Yes	x No
10.	Will project have a major effect on existing or future recreational opportunities?	Yes	X No
11.	Will project result in major traffic problems or cause a major impact on existing transportation systems?	_Yes	× No
12.	Will project regularly cause objectionable odors, noise, glare, vibration, or electrical disturbances as a result of the project's operation?	_Yes	× No
13.	Will project have any impact on public health or safety?	_Yes	X No
14.	Will project affect the existing community by directly causing a growth? In permanent population of more than 5% over a one-year period or have a major negative effect on the character of the community or neighborhood?	Yes	· · · ·
15.	Is there any public controversy concerning the project?	Yes	x No
	RER'S SIGNATURE: When the project TITLE: Securation of the project TITLE:		
	SENTING: DR. YUSUF TINCER DATE: 2= MARCH 1/2		