

NOTICE

Reasonable Accommodation. The decision of either the zoning administrator, the executive director of the historical commission, or of the historical commission itself, to grant or deny a handicapped or disabled person or a provider of housing for a handicapped or disabled person, a reasonable accommodation shall be reviewable by the board of zoning appeals upon the filing of a notice of appeal with the board of zoning appeals by any person or entity aggrieved by that decision. The notice of appeal must be filed with the board of zoning appeals no more than thirty (30) days after issuance of the zoning administrator's decision.

(Ord. BL2008-333 § 2, 2009; Ord. 96-555 § 10.6(A), 1997)

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Dear Ms. Calhoun:

In your letter dated April 4, 2011, you provided the following facts with regard to Teen Challenge's request for reasonable accommodation: there is currently a waiting list for spaces at Teen Challenge facilities; only two people will have vehicles on the premises and those vehicles will be parked in the driveway; the students living in the dwelling are not allowed to have vehicles; there will be no onsite deliveries; and, the length of the program for each student is twelve (12) months.

The Metropolitan Code of Laws requires the Zoning Administrator and the Metropolitan Government to make a written determination based on the facts provided to grant or deny a request for reasonable accommodation. In addition, the federal laws you have cited and the case law interpreting those laws give guidance as to what constitutes a reasonable accommodation.

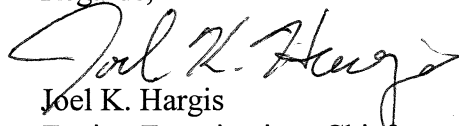
Based on the facts that you have provided, I find that the request to house sixteen (16) people in a dwelling that is zoned single-family residences is reasonable because the accommodation is necessary to provide the specific service (aiding the recovery of teens battling alcohol and drug abuse) due to the lack of availability of other similar programs or facilities. I find that the request is reasonable because the nature of the program creates an environment that is very similar to a single-family use and the change from what is

currently allowed (eight (8) residents, plus two (2) house parents) to the requested use (sixteen (16) people) does not fundamentally alter the nature of this single-family neighborhood. Additionally, based on the information regarding vehicles on site and deliveries, the impact on the neighborhood from a traffic standpoint is minimal.

Therefore, I find that your request for accommodation is reasonable and by notice of this letter Teen Challenge is approved to house a total of sixteen (16) people, inclusive of house parents or guardians, at 901 North Summerfield Drive. Use of the property must comply with all applicable building and /or fire codes.

Thank you for your assistance and please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Regards,



Joel K. Hargis
Zoning Examinations Chief