

**PLANNING BOARD  
RESOLUTION NO. 2019-**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST PLANNING BOARD GRANTING WITH CONDITIONS A VARIANCE TO THE MINIMUM REQUIRED FRONT YARD SETBACK, MAXIMUM ALLOWED BUILDING COVERAGE, AN ACCESSORY STRUCTURE LOCATED WITHIN THE REQUIRED FRONT YARD, AND AN ACCESSORY USE LOCATED WITHIN AN ADJACENT PARCEL IN ORDER TO CONSTRUCT A TWO-STORY STRUCTURE CHILLER PLANT ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 521 THOMAS STREET (RE # 00010110-000000) IN THE HISTORIC PUBLIC AND SEMIPUBLIC SERVICES (HPS) ZONING DISTRICT PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 90-395, 122-960 (6) (a), 122-960 (4) (a), 122-1181, and 86-9 OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA.**

**WHEREAS**, the applicant proposes to construct a two-story structure on property located at 521 Thomas Street – (RE# 00010110-000000);

**WHEREAS**, Section 122-960 (6) (a) of the Land Development Regulations (the “LDRs”) of the Code of Ordinances (the “Code”) of the City of Key West, Florida (the “City”) states the minimum front yard setback is 20 feet;

**WHEREAS**, the existing minimum front yard setback is 20 feet;

**WHEREAS**, the proposed minimum front yard setback is 5 feet;

**WHEREAS**, Section 122-960 (4) (a) of the Land Development Regulations (the “LDRs”) of the Code of Ordinances (the “Code”) of the City of Key West, Florida (the “City”) states the maximum building coverage is 40%, 5,188 square feet;

**WHEREAS**, the existing building coverage is 35.8%, 4,646 square feet;

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**WHEREAS**, the proposed building coverage is 45.6%, 5,920 square feet;

**WHEREAS**, Section 122-1181 of the Land Development Regulations (the “LDRs”) of the Code of Ordinances (the “Code”) of the City of Key West, Florida (the “City”) states no accessory uses or structure shall be erected in any required front side yard;

**WHEREAS**, the existing front yard is vacant;

**WHEREAS**, the proposed front yard is the location of the new two-story structure;

**WHEREAS**, Section 86-9 *Accessory structure* of the Land Development Regulations (the “LDRs”) of the Code of Ordinances (the “Code”) of the City of Key West, Florida (the “City”) states Accessory structure means a subordinate structure that is detached from the principle structure and located on the same parcel or property, the use of which is incidental to that of the principle structure;

**WHEREAS**, the existing adjacent property does not have an accessory structure to the adjacent property;

**WHEREAS**, the subject parcel is the adjacent parcel for the new two-story chiller structure that will serve as an accessory use to the principle structure located within the adjacent parcel;

**WHEREAS**, this matter came before the Planning Board at a duly noticed public hearing on August 15, 2019;

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Board finds that special conditions and circumstances exist which are peculiar to the land, structure, or building involved and which are not applicable to otherland, structures, or buildings in the same district;

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**WHEREAS**, the Planning Board finds that the special conditions do not result from the action or negligence of the applicant;

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Board finds that granting the variance requested will not confer upon the applicant any special privileges denied by the land development regulations to other lands, buildings, or structures in the same zoning district;

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Board finds that literal interpretation of the provisions of the land development regulations would deprive the applicant of rights commonly enjoyed by other properties in this same zoning district under the terms of this ordinance and would work unnecessary and undue hardship on the applicant;

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Board finds that the variances granted is the minimum variance that will make possible the reasonable use of the land, building or structure;

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Board finds that the granting of the variance will be in harmony with the general intent and purpose of the land development regulations and that such variance will not be injurious to the area involved or otherwise detrimental to the public interest or welfare;

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Board finds that no nonconforming use of neighboring lands, structures, or buildings in the same district, and no permitted use of lands, structures, or buildings in other districts are grounds for the issuance of the requested variance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Board finds that the applicant has demonstrated a “good neighbor policy” by contacting or attempting to contact all noticed property owners who have objected to the variance application, and by addressing the objections expressed by these neighbors.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Planning Board of the City of Key West,

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Florida:

**Section 1.** That the above recitals are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

**Section 2.** An approval by Resolution of the City of Key West Planning Board for the construction of a two-story structure chiller plant on property located at 521 Thomas Street (RE# 00010110-000000) in the HPS zoning district pursuant to Sections 90-395, 122-960 (6) (a), 122-960 (4) (a), 122-1181, and 86-9 of the City of Key West Land Development Regulations with the following conditions:

**General Conditions:**

1. The proposed development shall be consistent with the plans dated, July 31, 2019 by Bender and Associated, Architects and T.Y. LIN International, Engineers.
2. A non-habitable height variance must be approved by the Board of Adjustment.

**Conditions required to be completed prior to issuance of a building permit:**

3. The owner shall obtain a Certificate of Appropriateness for the proposed construction.

**Section 3.** It is a condition of this variance that full, complete and final application for all conditions of this approval for any use and occupancy for which this variance is wholly or partly necessary, shall be submitted in their entirety within two years after the date hereof; and further, that no application shall be made after expiration of the two-year period without the applicant obtaining an extension from the Planning Board and demonstrating that no change of circumstances to the property or its underlying zoning has occurred.

**Section 4.** The failure to fully and completely apply the conditions of approval for permits for use and occupancy pursuant to this variance in accordance with the terms of the approval as described in Section 3 hereof, shall immediately operate to terminate this variance, which variance

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shall be of no force or effect.

**Section 5.** This variance does not constitute a finding as to ownership or right to possession of the property, and assumes, without finding, the correctness of applicant's assertion of legal authority respecting the property.

**Section 6.** This Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signatures of the presiding officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

**Section 7.** This Resolution is subject to appeal periods as provided by the City of Key West Code of Ordinances (including the Land Development Regulations). After the City appeal period has expired, this permit or development order will be rendered to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity. Pursuant to Chapter 73C-44, F.A.C., this permit or development order is not effective for forty five (45) days after it has been properly rendered to the DEO with all exhibits and applications attached to or incorporated by reference in this approval; that within the forty five (45) day review period, the DEO can appeal the permit or development order to the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission; and that such an appeal stays the effectiveness of the permit until the appeal is resolved by agreement or order.

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Read and passed on first reading at a regularly scheduled meeting held this 15th day of August 2019.

Authenticated by the Chairman of the Planning Board and the Planning Director;

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Michael Browning, Key West Planning Board

Date

**Attest:**

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Patrick Wright, Planning Director

Date

**Filed with the Clerk:**

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Cheryl Smith, City Clerk

Date

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