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**To:** City of Key West Planning Board

From: Melissa Paul-Leto, Planner Analyst

**Date:** October 15, 2015

RE: 725 Duval Street Request for Waiver to the Zoning in Progress for

**Parking Variances** 

This request is for a waiver to the recently passed Zoning in Progress for a moratorium on parking variances. The City Commission added language to Ordinance 15-05 that states:

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Approval of this waiver request would not grant a parking variance to the applicant, but rather allow them to submit an application for a parking variance and follow standard due process.

September 10, 2015

Thaddeus Cohen, Planning Director City of Key West 3140 Flagler Avenue Key West, FL 33040

RE: 725 Duval Street

Waiver to the Conditions of Ord. 15-05



Dear Director Cohen:

This is a request for a waiver to the conditions of the Zoning in Progress Ord. 15-05<sup>1</sup>.

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We request the opportunity to demonstrate to the Planning Board the particular conditions of this mixed use redevelopment project in order that they may "make specific findings concerning the lack of need for vehicular parking" associated with this project.

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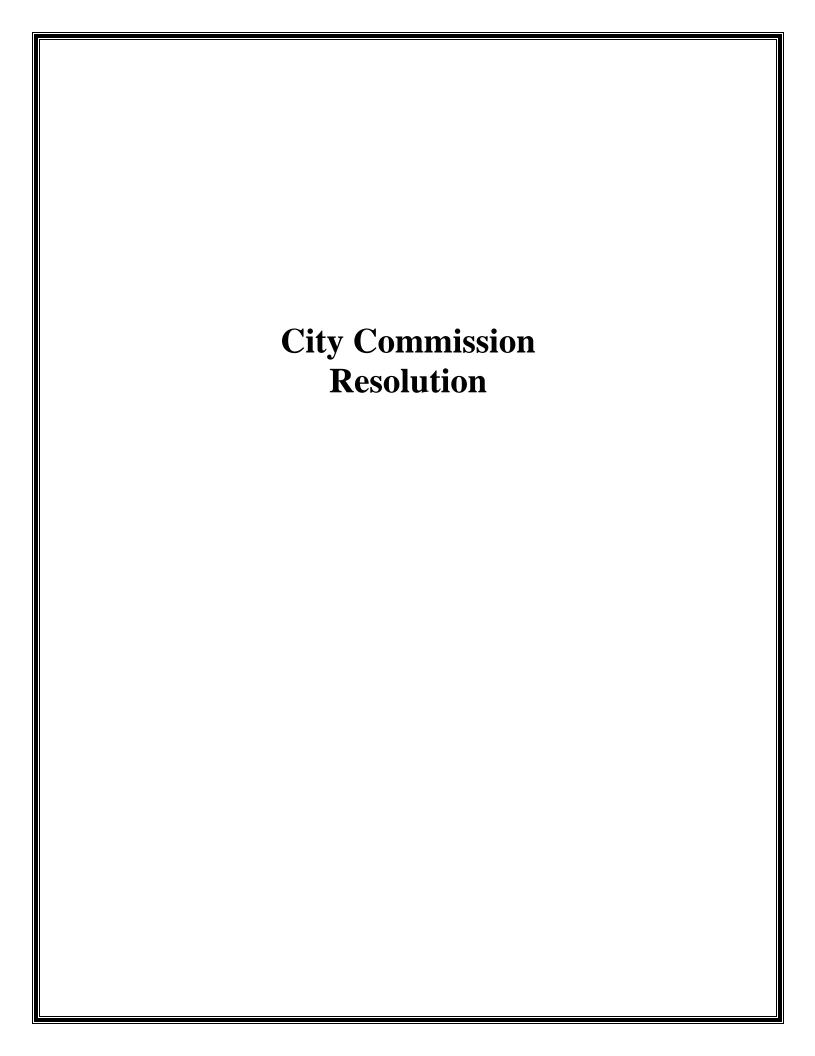
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Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Best Regards,

Kevin Sullivan, AICP



# ORDINANCE NO. 15-05

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA INVOKING THE ZONING IN PROGRESS DOCTRINE; DECLARING THAT THE CITY IS CONSIDERING AMENDMENTS TO ITS LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS TO REDUCE THE NEED FOR PARKING VARIANCES; DIRECTING PLANNING DEPARTMENT STAFF TO DEFER THE ACCEPTANCE AND PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS FOR PARKING VARIANCES AND BICYCLE SUBSTITUTIONS: CONTINUING THIS POLICY UNTIL NEW OR AMENDED LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS ARE ADOPTED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OR UNTIL THE PASSAGE OF 360 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

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WHEREAS, the City Commission wishes to definitively place all parties on notice that it is considering amending the LDRs and City Ordinances.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

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Section 3: That this Zoning-In-Progress policy shall be in effect until new or amended LDRs are adopted by the City Commission or until the passage of 360 days, whichever occurs first. This policy may be extended by Resolution of the City Commission for additional 180 day periods to complete the tasks outlined herein.

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Section 6: All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances of said City in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby superseded to the extent of such conflict.

Section 7: This Ordinance shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the presiding officer and the Clerk of the Commission and approval by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity pursuant to Chapter 380, Florida Statutes, however the City shall utilize March 3, 2015 as the date of commencement of the Zoning-in-Progress doctrine.

Read and passed on	first reading at a regular meeting	g held this	3	day of
March , 2015.				
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March , 2015.				
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	Commissioner Billy Wardlow	-Yes-		
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CRAIG CATES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK



To: Jim Scholl, City Manager

Through: Sarah Hannah Spurlock, Assistant City Manager

From: Kevin Bond, AICP, Acting Planning Director / Senior Planner

Meeting Date: March 3, 2015

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for an effective date.

## ACTION STATEMENT

Request: Consider invoking Zoning-in-Progress to amend the Land Development

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Location: Citywide

### BACKGROUND:

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### ANALYSIS:

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- Consider transportation demand management techniques to encourage alternative modes;
- Consider allowing shared use parking calculations and parking demand studies to substitute for the standard parking requirements and encourage mixed uses and reduced parking need;
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- Review Zoning Maps and district standards to ensure that mixed-use, pedestrian-oriented and transit-oriented development are effectively encouraged through the allowed uses and maximum density and intensities.

The ZIP would begin as of the first reading of the ordinance on March 3, 2015 and would remain in effect for 360 days, or until new or amended LDRs are adopted, whichever occurs first.

#### PLANNING BOARD RECOMMENDATION:

The Planning Board reviewed the proposed ordinance on February 4, 2015 and by a unanimous 7-0 vote passed Resolution No. 2015-07 recommending that the City Commission not pass or adopt a second Zoning-in-Progress for parking variances and bicycle substitutions. The Board's preference would be to allow property owners to apply for parking variances as currently provided by the LDRs, rather than re-impose another Zoning-in-Progress.

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Chairman

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Read and passed on first reading at a regularly scheduled meeting held this 4th day of February, 2015.

Authenticated by the Chairman of the Planning Board and the Acting Planning Director.

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Richard Klitenick, Planning Board Chairman

Attest:

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Kevin Bond, AICP, Acting Planning Director

Filed with the Clerk:

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# Office of the City Attorney

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## Memorandum

TO:

FAX:

Mayor & Commissioners

FROM:

PHONE: (305) 809-3770

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Shawn D. Smith, City Attorney

RE:

Additional Language for Second Reading -

DATE:

March 10, 2015

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Attest:

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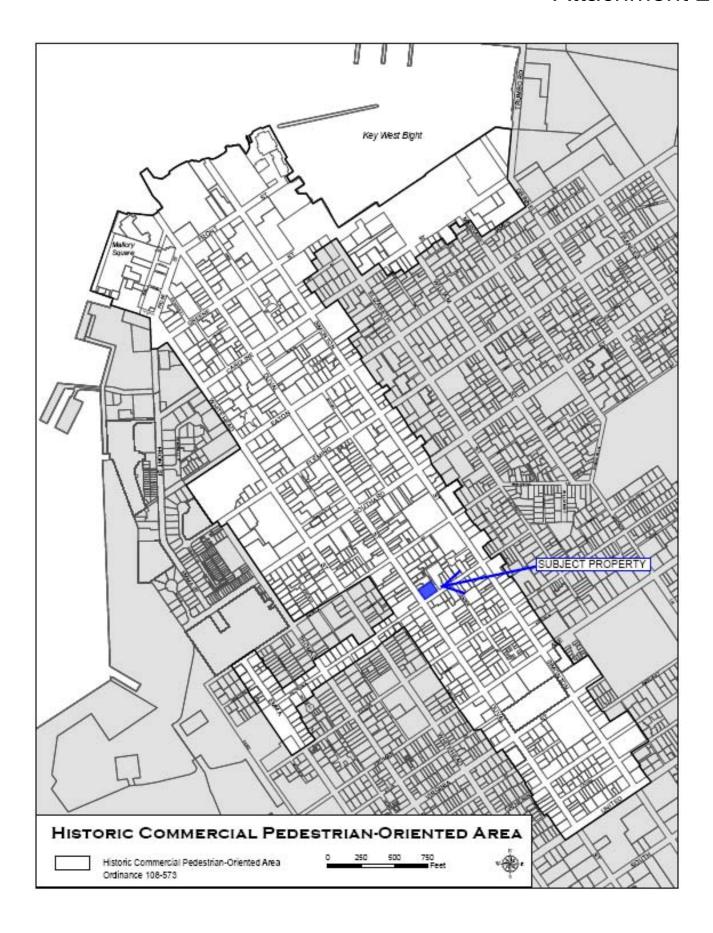
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# Attachment 2





#### CHAPTER 2: TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT

Policy 2-1.1.7: Adequate Facilities Ordinance. The City shall amend and continue to enforce the Land Development Regulations to require that physical improvements required to provide adequate roadway and multi-modal transportation capacity and access be in place prior to the issuance of a development order/permit. In addition, prior to approval of a site plan the developer/applicant shall demonstrate to the City's satisfaction that required road and multi-modal transportation improvements shall be in place concurrent with the impacts of development.

Policy 21.6.3: Transportation Site Plan Review Criteria. The City of Key West shall enforce Land Development Regulations which include performance criteria designed to manage issues surrounding trip generation; design of efficient internal traffic circulation and parking facilities, including minimizing pedestrian and vehicular conflict, off-street parking, as well as safe and convenient circulation and maneuverability; control of access points; potential need for acceleration/deceleration lanes; adequate surface water management and drainage; and landscaping.

# **KBP** CONSULTING, INC.

September 8, 2015

Mr. Kevin Sullivan, AICP Trepanier & Associates, Inc. 1421 First Street, P.O. Box 2155 Key West, Florida 33045-2155

Re: 725 Duval Street – Key West, Florida Trip Generation and Parking Analyses

Dear Kevin:

There is an existing three-story building located at 725 Duval Street in Key West, Monroe County, Florida. The subject site is located, generally, in the northeast quadrant of the intersection at Duval Street and Petronia Street. The existing commercial space (5,339 square feet) on the first floor will remain; however, it will be divided into four (4) separate commercial units. Seven (7) residential apartment units will be constructed on the second and third floors in space (5,393 square feet) that is currently used as accessory / storage area for the first floor retail space.

The purpose of this correspondence is to document the projected trip generation characteristics of the reconfigured building and to address the proposed parking configuration and supply.

## **Trip Generation Analysis**

The trip generation for this project was determined utilizing the trip generation rates and equations contained in the Institute of Transportation Engineer's (ITE) *Trip Generation Manual* (9<sup>th</sup> Edition). According to the subject ITE manual, the most appropriate land use categories for the subject land uses are Land Use #220 – Apartment and Land Use #826 – Specialty Retail Center. The trip generation rates and equations used to determine the vehicle trips associated with this analysis are presented below.

### **Apartment – ITE Land Use #220**

Weekday: T = 6.65 (X)where T = number of trips and X = number of dwelling units

□ AM Peak Hour: T = 0.51 (X) (20% in / 80% out)
□ PM Peak Hour: T = 0.62 (X) (65% in / 35% out)

## Specialty Retail Center - ITE Land Use #826

Weekday: T = 44.32 (X)where T = number of trips and X = 1,000 square feet of gross leasable area

 $\Box$  AM Peak Hour: T = 0.00 (X)

 $\Box$  PM Peak Hour: T = 2.71 (X) (44% in / 56% out)

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Regarding the subject site, the location (i.e. in "the heart" of the Duval Street commercial corridor), the proposed uses (i.e. retail and residential), and limited parking supply, it is clearly evident that a majority of the patrons as well as residents of this site will likely utilize modes of travel other than personal automobiles.

Principally, it is expected that most patrons will be tourists and nearly all of them will walk or bike to the site. Similarly, it is expected that most of the residents will also work and shop primarily in the downtown area and will walk or bike to their destination. Conservatively, it is estimated that 80% of the "trips" generated by this site will involve non-automobile modes of transportation.

Table 1 below summarizes the trip generation characteristics associated with the 725 Duval Street site (existing and proposed configuration) in the City of Key West, Florida.

		Table 1							
Trip Generation Summary									
725 Duval Street - Key West, Florida									
		Daily	AM Peak Hour Trips			PM Peak Hour Trips			
Land Use	Size	Trips	In	Out	Total	In	Out	Total	
Existing									
Specialty Retail Center									
- Customer Service Area	5,339 SF	237	0	0	0	6	8	14	
- Accessory/Storage Area	5,393 SF	239	0	0	0	7	8	15	
Sub Total	10,732 SF	476	0	0	0	13	16	29	
- Non-Automotive Travel (80%)	·	(381)	0	0	0	(10)	(13)	(23)	
Total (Existing)		95	0	0	0	3	3	6	
Proposed									
Specialty Retail Center									
- Customer Service Area	4,539 SF	201	0	0	0	5	7	12	
- Accessory/Storage Area	800 SF	35	0	0	0	1	1	2	
Apartment	7 DU	47	1	3	4	3	1	4	
Sub Total		283	1	3	4	9	9	18	
- Non-Automotive Travel (80%)		(226)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(7)	(7)	(14)	
Total (Proposed)		57	0	1	1	2	2	4	
Difference (Proposed - Existing)		(38)	0	1	1	(1)	(1)	(2)	

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Source: Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) Trip Generation Manual (9th Edition).

As indicated above, the amount of automobile traffic associated with the proposed configuration at the 725 Duval Street site is anticipated to be minimal and will have little impact on the surrounding roadways. Furthermore, when compared with the existing configuration of the building, the overall number of trip generated by the site will be reduced with the proposed building configuration.

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### **Parking Supply**

The proposed site plan indicates that the parking lot will consist of nine (9) parking spaces. As mentioned previously, the commercial space will consist of four (4) units and there will be 7 (seven) residential units. Five of the residential units require one (1) parking space while the remaining two residential units have no parking requirement. With four (4) parking spaces for the commercial component (i.e. one parking space for each commercial unit) and five (5) parking spaces for the residential component, the total supply of nine (9) parking spaces appears to be both adequate and reasonable.

This conclusion is consistent with the foregoing trip generation analysis which concludes that the patrons and residents associated with the 725 Duval Street site will principally utilize modes of transportation other than automobiles. In essence, the location of this site (i.e. in "the heart" of the Duval Street and the historic pedestrian-oriented commercial corridor) is exceedingly conducive to pedestrian and bicycle activity. As such, reliance upon the automobile is greatly diminished and, correspondingly, the need for parking is reduced.

Furthermore, it should be noted that the parking requirement associated with the existing building configuration is as follows:

- Commercial Retail (1 parking space / 300 SF) = 18 parking spaces
- Accessory Storage (1 parking space / 600 SF) = 9 parking spaces
- Total Parking Requirement = 27 parking spaces

The parking requirement associated with the proposed building configuration is as follows:

- Commercial Retail (1 parking space / 300 SF) = 15 parking spaces
- Accessory Storage (1 parking space / 600 SF) = 2 parking spaces
- Residential Apartment (1 parking space / DU) = 5 parking spaces
- Total Parking Requirement = 22 parking spaces

The overall parking demand is decreased as a result of the proposed redevelopment; coupled with the pedestrian oriented and multimodal goals, objectives and policies of the Comprehensive Plan, the proposed parking design is superior to that prescribed by the LDR's.

## **Parking Lot Design**

The proposed parking lot design consists of nine (9) parking spaces oriented at 90 degrees with a 24-foot drive aisle. The parking spaces will be 9 feet by 18 feet. Ingress and egress to the parking area will be provided on Petronia Street and the entrance will be gated. The proposed parking lot configuration and dimensions are viewed as preferable when compared with the existing approved parking lot configuration.

For instance, the original design consisted of 20 parking spaces oriented at 90 degrees with a one-way, 16 foot drive aisle. Nine (9) of these parking spaces were considered "standard" with dimensions of 9 feet by 20 feet.

Attachment 5

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The remaining 11 parking spaces were considered "compact" spaces with dimensions of 8 feet - 6 inches by 18 feet - 3 inches. The overall module dimension (stall depths plus drive aisle width) was 54 feet - 3 inches.

According to the Urban Land Institute (ULI) in their publication entitled *The Dimensions of Parking (Fourth Edition)*, the minimum module dimensions for one-way traffic, double-loaded aisles, and 90 degree parking are 60 feet with a 24 foot drive aisle. Similarly, the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) publication entitled *Transportation and Land Development (2<sup>nd</sup> Edition)*, the desirable module dimensions for standard parking stalls, 90 degree parking, and low turnover rates, are 59 feet with a 24 foot drive aisle.

The originally proposed parking configuration provides too little module and drive aisle width to accommodate the required parking / un-parking and circulation maneuvers. Furthermore, 90 degree parking and one-way drive aisles are not considered to be compatible and the parking radius at the north end of the parking lot is not sufficient to accommodate the vehicles exiting to DuPont Lane. And, lastly, all exiting traffic is directed to DuPont Lane; a local residential alleyway. This is viewed as an undesirable condition.

## **Conclusions**

In summary, the foregoing trip generation analysis indicates that the planned uses will generate a minimal amount of automobile traffic and the parking analysis supports the proposed supply and lot configuration.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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