

Mr Matt Rehbein
City of Appleton
100 N. Appleton Street
Appleton, WI 54911
Re: Request for Variance, GLK Foods office building, Lot 1 of Northeast Business Park
No. 2
Owner name: Lightning office, LLC, 200 East Washington Street, Appleton, WI 54911
Owner's agents: John Pfefferle, Paul Werch, Ryan & Marissa Downs

Dear Mr. Rehbein,

Hoffman Planning, Design & Construction is requesting a variance for the building's siding material for the new GLK office located at Lot 1 of Northeast Business Park No. 2 on Lightning Drive (Tax key: #31-1-6510-52) in Appleton, WI. This is in specific response to a letter sent to John Davel on August 25, 2017 regarding Site Plan #22-17 GLK Foods under Community and Economic Development Department – Planning and Economic Development, subparagraph “8. Building materials do not appear to be in line with the Northeast Business Park Covenants and Restrictions. Please see included document and revise plans accordingly.”

Metal panel siding has been planned for a portion of the new facility exterior cladding as identified on the exterior elevation drawings. As identified within the Northeast Business Park Covenants and Restrictions under Building Standards, subparagraph 4.D. (6), Metal panels (permitted only for building expansion walls and with prior approval from Community Development Committee), metal panel siding is only allowed if approved by the Community Development Committee.

Due to the progressive aesthetic that the owners and Hoffman are attempting to achieve, a smooth white metal panel siding material is preferred and therefore the reason for the requested variance. Metal building panels are a common exterior finish product used on many commercial buildings throughout the Fox Valley. They also provide a high performance, maintenance-free, durable architectural aesthetic that is being used quite extensively across the nation.

Thanks for your consideration.

Respectfully,
Steve Wille, AIA, LEED AP, PMP
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