

# BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT CASE REPORT

**STR:** 9201 Case Number: **BOA-22778** 

**CZM**: 36 **CD**: 4

**HEARING DATE:** 11/12/2019 1:00 PM

**APPLICANT**: Jameson Shaffer

ACTION REQUESTED: Variance to allow structures to project into the street right-of-way to permit

the construction of canopies (Sec. 90-090.A)

**LOCATION**: 423 S BOULDER AV W/ 410 S MAIN ST **ZONED**: CBD

PRESENT USE: Parking/Retail TRACT SIZE: 59999.79 SQ FT

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** LTS 1 & 2 & N50 LT 3 LTS 7 & 8 & N50 LT 6 ALL IN BLK 135 & N200

VACATED ALLEY IN BLK 135, TULSA-ORIGINAL TOWN

# **RELEVANT PREVIOUS ACTIONS:**

Subject property: None

Surrounding Properties: None

**RELATIONSHIP TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:** The Tulsa Comprehensive Plan identifies the subject property as part of a "Downtown" and an "Area of Growth.

**Downtown Neighborhoods** are located outside but are tightly integrated with the Downtown Core. These areas are comprised of university and higher educational campuses and their attendant housing and retail districts, former warehousing and manufacturing areas that are evolving into areas where people both live and work, and medium- to high-rise mixed-use residential areas. Downtown Neighborhoods are primarily pedestrian-oriented and are well connected to the Downtown Core via local transit. They feature parks and open space, typically at the neighborhood scale.

The purpose of **Areas of Growth** is to direct the allocation of resources and channel growth to where it will be beneficial and can best improve access to jobs, housing, and services with fewer and shorter auto trips. Areas of Growth are parts of the city where general agreement exists that development or redevelopment is beneficial. As steps are taken to plan for, and, in some cases, develop or redevelop these areas, ensuring that existing residents will not be displaced is a high priority. A major goal is to increase economic activity in the area to benefit existing residents and businesses, and where necessary, provide the stimulus to redevelop.

**ANALYSIS OF SURROUNDING AREA**: The subject tract is an existing Parking Structure located in the Central Business District along 4<sup>th</sup> Street between Main and Boulder.

**STAFF COMMENTS:** The applicant is requesting a **Variance** to allow structures to project into the street right-of-way to permit the contruction of canopies (Sec. 90-090.A)

### Section 90.090

**Setbacks** 

# 90.090-A Measurement

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As a part of their motion the Board may make a condition to their approval the preservation of the existing street trees adjacent to the proposed canopies.

## **SAMPLE MOTION:**

	Move to (approve/deny) a <b>Variance</b> to allow structures to project into the street right-of-way to allow contruciton of canopies (Sec. 90-090.A)
•	Finding the hardship(s) to be
•	Per the Conceptual Plan(s) shown on page(s) of the agenda packet.
•	Subject to the following conditions
ra	inting the Variance the Reard finds that the following facts, forespile to the property owner.

In granting the **Variance** the Board finds that the following facts, favorable to the property owner, have been established:

- a. That the physical surroundings, shape, or topographical conditions of the subject property would result in unnecessary hardships or practical difficulties for the property owner, as distinguished from a mere inconvenience, if the strict letter of the regulations were carried out;
- b. That literal enforcement of the subject zoning code provision is not necessary to achieve the provision's intended purpose;

- c. That the conditions leading to the need of the requested variance are unique to the subject property and not applicable, generally, to other property within the same zoning classification;
- d. That the alleged practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship was not created or self-imposed by the current property owner;
- e. That the variance to be granted is the minimum variance that will afford relief;
- f. That the variance to be granted will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood in which the subject property is located, nor substantially or permanently impair use or development of adjacent property; and
- g. That the variance to be granted will not cause substantial detriment to the public good or impair the purposes, spirit, and intent of this zoning code or the comprehensive plan."



Facing East along 4th Street



Facing South on Boulder



October 11, 2019

Felicity Good Assistant Planner 2 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., 8<sup>th</sup> Floor Tulsa, OK 74103

RE: Main Park Plaza – Canopy Variance with the Board of Adjustments

Dear Ms. Good,

Please accept this statement of hardship, in addition to our application, for a variance to the Board of Adjustments in preparation of the November 12<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.

Owned by Tulsa Parking Authority, Main Park Plaza is a mixed-use structure consisting of parking and retail space, that currently has awnings and canopies that hang over the main entry and retail spaces into the public sidewalks. We are proposing the replacement of the worn awnings and canopies with metal-structured canopies to both improve the overall aesthetic and prevent hardships in the following ways:

- The proposed improvements would update the retail spaces along Boulder Ave, 4<sup>th</sup> Street, and Main Street, ultimately improving the walkability of Downtown Tulsa and falling in line with the current neighborhood and future plans for the area.
- By not allowing the replacement of the awnings or canopies is providing the tenants/small businesses a lesser facility than what they have originally leased and greatly reduces the desirability of occupying the retail spaces for future tenants.
- Located on 4<sup>th</sup> and Main St, the proposed changes directly affect the curb appeal of a major walkable intersection. With the main entry overlooking Main Street, there is an opportunity to utilize the wider sidewalks while also providing sun shading for the tenants.

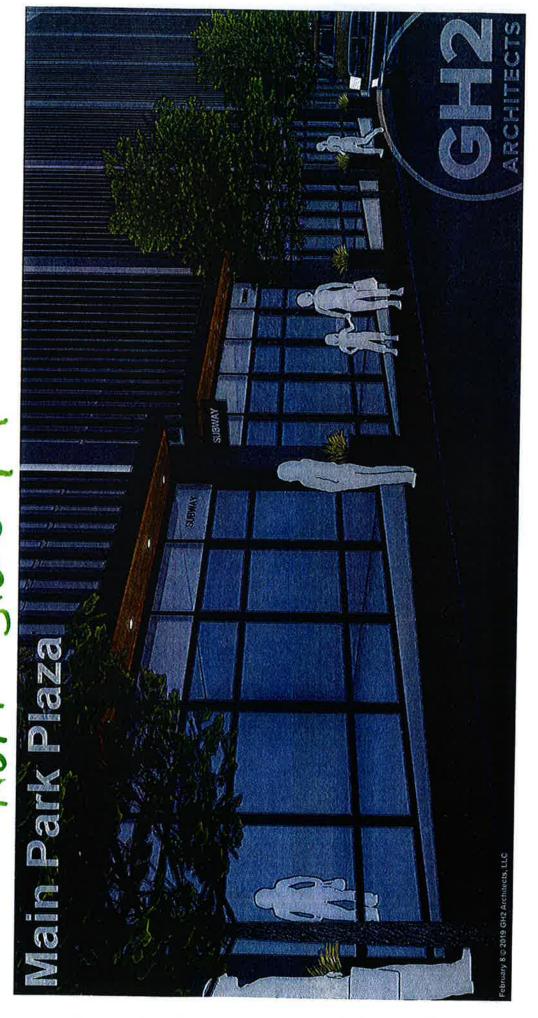
We believe the proposed improvement does not alter the character of the neighborhood but is consistent in providing the same amenities as its neighbors in pushing for a more walkable neighborhood.

Please let me know if there is any further information needed.

Thank you,

Jameson Shaffer Intern Architect

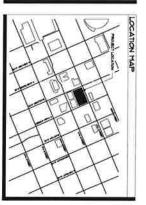
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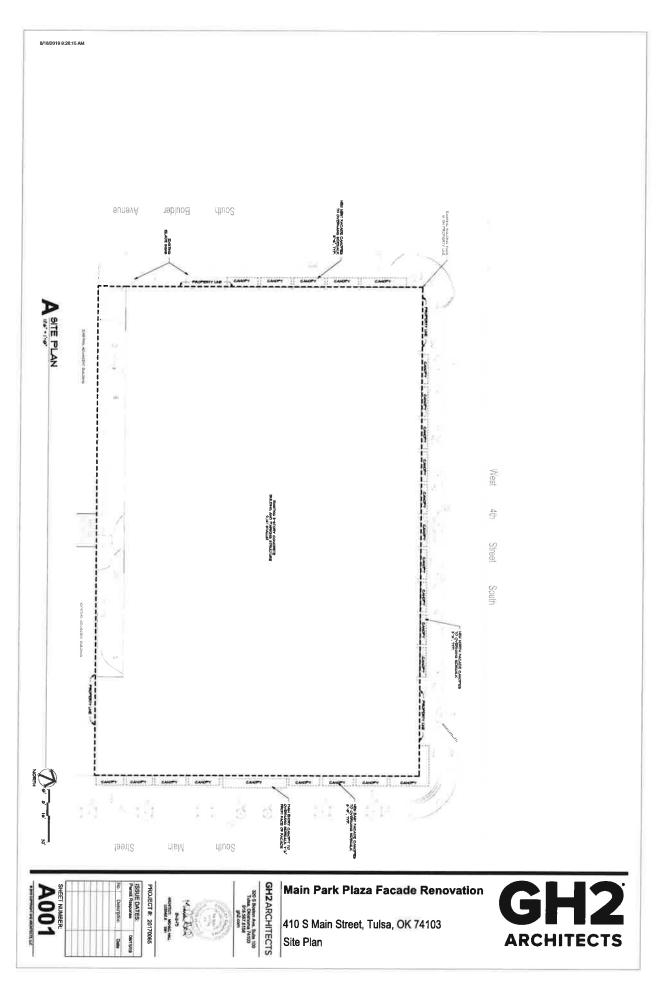
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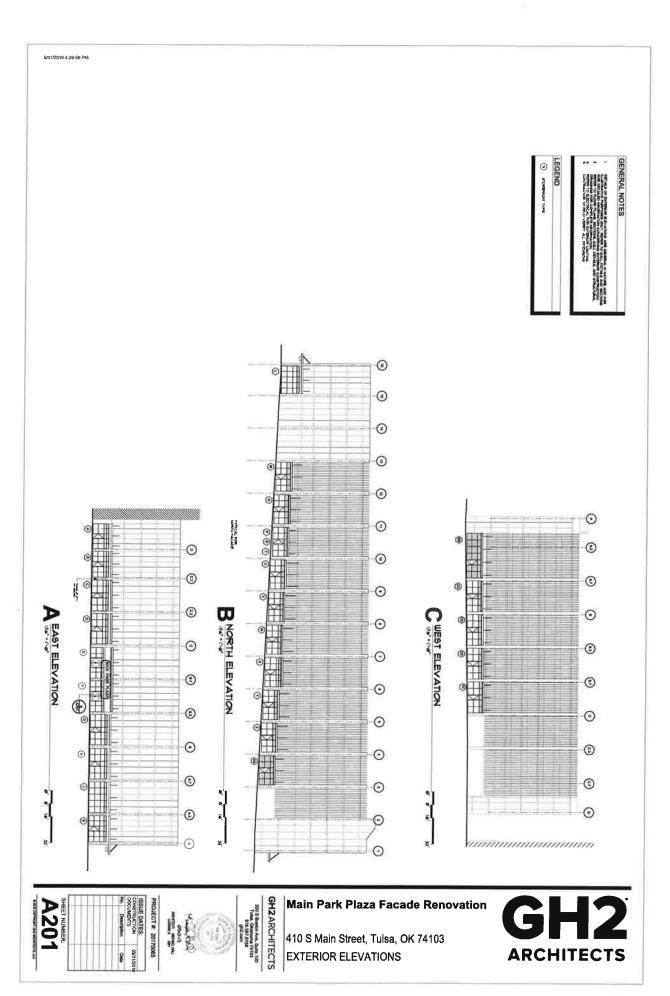
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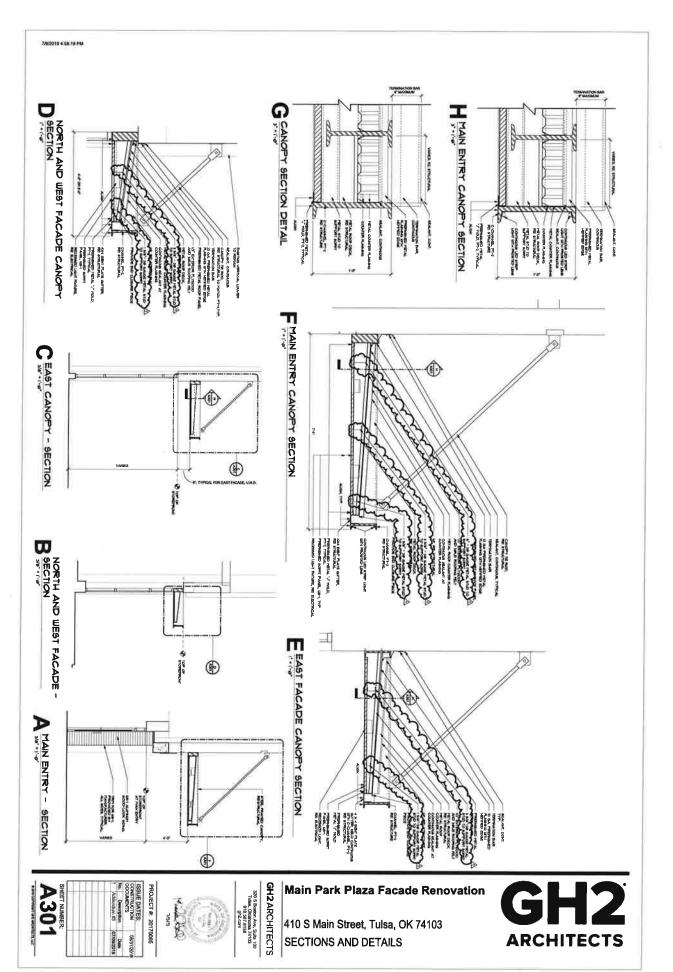


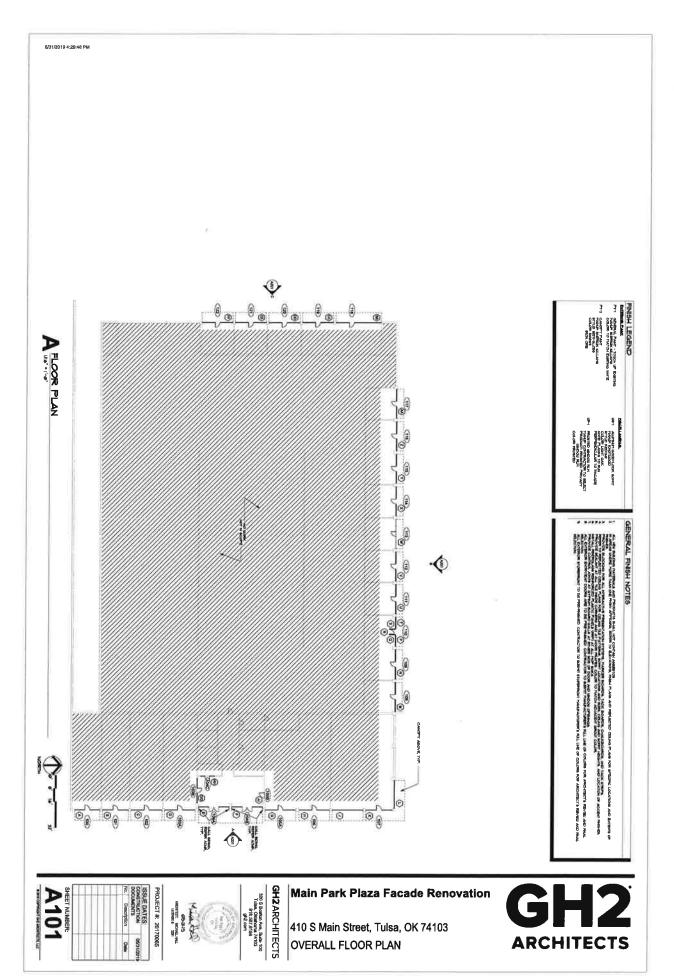


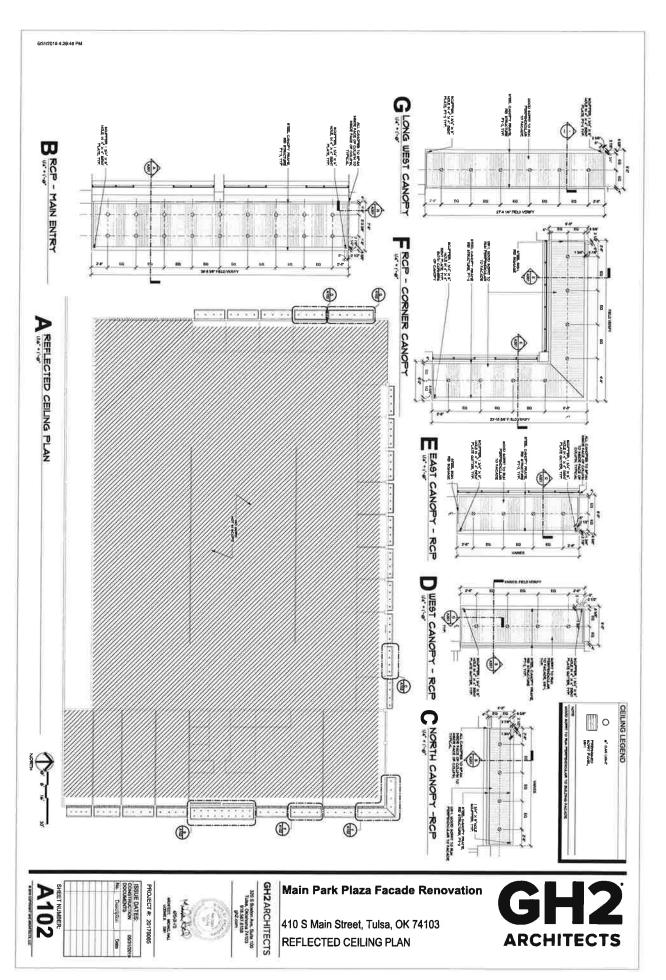
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# **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**

175 EAST 2<sup>nd</sup> STREET, SUITE 450 TULSA, OKLAHOMA 74103-3227

## **ZONING REVIEW**

**September 24, 2019** 

LOD Number: 2

GH2 Architects, LLC 320 S Boston Ave, Suite 100 Tulsa, OK 74103

**Phone:** (918)587-6158

APPLICATION NO: BLDC-33950-2019 (PLEASE REFERENCE WHEN CONTACTING OUR OFFICE)

Location: 410 S. Main Street

**Description: Canopies/Storefront replacement** 

### **INFORMATION ABOUT SUBMITTING REVISIONS**

OUR REVIEW HAS IDENTIFIED THE FOLLOWING CODE OMISSIONS OR DEFICIENCIES IN THE PROJECT APPLICATION FORMS, DRAWINGS, AND/OR SPECIFICATIONS. THE DOCUMENTS SHALL BE REVISED TO COMPLY WITH THE REFERENCED CODE SECTIONS.

### REVISIONS NEED TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

- 1. A COPY OF THIS DEFICIENCY LETTER
- 2. A WRITTEN RESPONSE AS TO HOW EACH REVIEW COMMENT HAS BEEN RESOLVED
- 3. THE COMPLETED REVISED/ADDITIONAL PLANS FORM (SEE ATTACHED)

REVISIONS SHALL BE SUBMITTED DIRECTLY TO THE CITY OF TULSA PERMIT CENTER LOCATED AT 175 EAST 2<sup>nd</sup> STREET, SUITE 450, TULSA, OKLAHOMA 74103, PHONE (918) 596-9601. THE CITY OF TULSA WILL ASSESS A \$55 RESUBMITTAL FEE. DO NOT SUBMIT REVISIONS TO THE PLANS EXAMINERS.

### SUBMITTALS FAXED / EMAILED TO PLANS EXAMINERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- 1. SUBMIT TWO (2) SETS OF REVISED OR ADDITIONAL PLANS. REVISIONS SHALL BE IDENTIFIED WITH CLOUDS AND REVISION MARKS.
- 2. INFORMATION ABOUT ZONING CODE, THE INDIAN NATION COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT (INCOG), BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (BOA), AND THE TULSA METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING COMMISSION (TMAPC) IS AVAILABLE ONLINE AT <u>WWW.INCOG.ORG</u> OR AT INCOG OFFICES AT 2 WEST 2<sup>ND</sup> STREET, 8<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR, TULSA, OK, 74103 OR TELEPHONE (918) 584-7526.
- PRESENT THIS LETTER TO INCOG WHEN APPLYING FOR BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT OR PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION.

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### **REVIEW COMMENTS**

SECTIONS REFERENCED BELOW ARE FROM THE CITY OF TULSA ZONING CODE TITLE 42 AND CAN BE VIEWED AT WWW.INCOG.ORG

Application No. 33950-2019

410 S. Main Street

September 24, 2019

This letter of deficiencies covers zoning Review items only.

You may receive additional letters from other disciplines such as Building or Water/Sewer/Drainage for additional deficiencies regarding Utility Easement placement which are not addressed in this letter.

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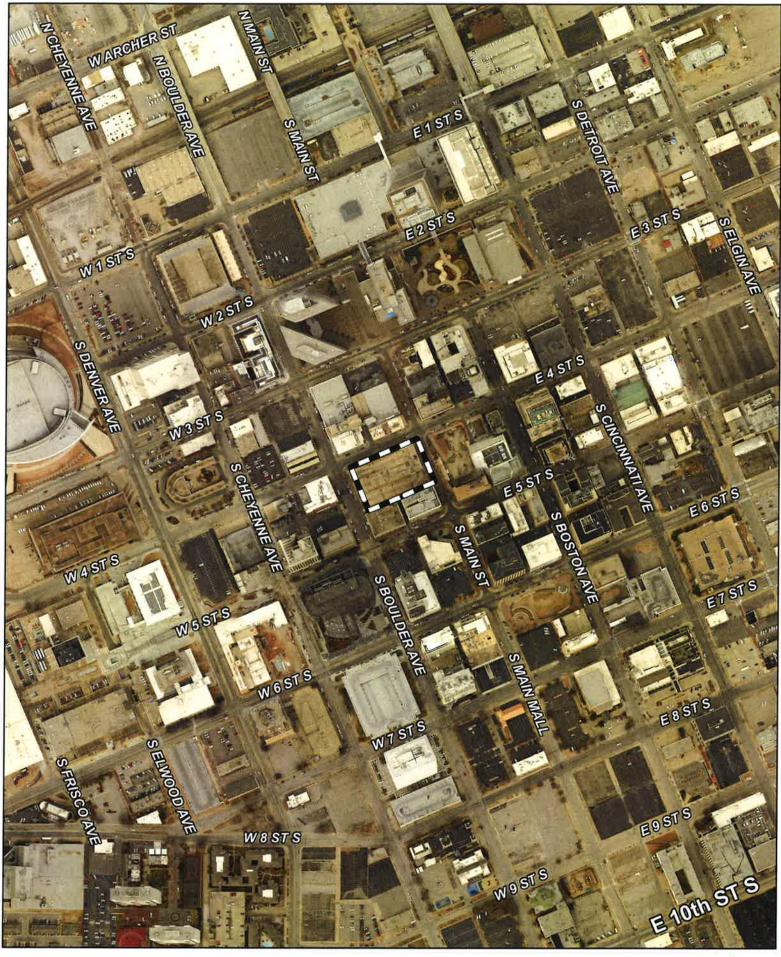
Review Comment: The proposed canopies appear to be located in the City of Tulsa right of way. Canopies which project into the Right-of-Way (R-O-W) require a R-O-W license and removal agreement and a variance from the COT Board of Adjustment (BOA). Please contact Chris Kovac @ 918-596-9649 for information on acquiring a R-O-W license and removal agreement and INCOG @ 918-584-7526 to apply for a variance from the BOA to permit canopies to be located within the ROW.

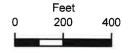
NOTE: Please direct all questions concerning variances, special exceptions, appeals of an administrative official, Planned Unit Developments (PUD), Corridor (CO) zoned districts, zoning changes, platting, lot splits, lot combinations, alternative compliance landscape plans and all questions regarding (BOA) or (TMAPC) application forms and fees to an INCOG representative at 584-7526. It is your responsibility to send the decision of any actions by the BOA or TMAPC affecting the status of your application to our office, so we may continue to process your application. INCOG does not act as your legal or responsible agent in submitting documents to the City of Tulsa on your behalf.

### **END – ZONING CLEARANCE REVIEW**

NOTE: THIS CONSTITUTES A PLAN REVIEW TO DATE IN RESPONSE TO THE SUBMITTED INFORMATION ASSOCIATED WITH THE ABOVE REFERENCED APPLICATION. ADDITIONAL ISSUES MAY DEVELOP WHEN THE REVIEW CONTINUES UPON RECEIPT OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUESTED IN THIS LETTER OR UPON ADDITIONAL SUBMITTAL FROM THE APPLICANT.

KEEP OUR OFFICE ADVISED OF ANY ACTION BY THE CITY OF TULSA BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT OR TULSA METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING COMMISSION AFFECTING THE STATUS OF YOUR APPLICATION.







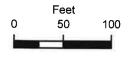
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