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Alternative Methods and Materials Request Application

Application Fees

- Alternative Methods Application Fee: \$250
- Effective Per 4/1/23 [City of Puyallup Fee Schedule](#)

An Alternative Methods and Materials Request (AMR) is used to deviate from City of Puyallup design standards. The City of Puyallup’s design standards are **MINIMUM** requirements and are considered to be fair, reasonable and promote public safety. The applicant is obligated to assure City Staff this request as necessary, justifiable and will not reduce public safety.

Submittal Instructions

- 1 Create an account at <https://permits.puyallupwa.gov/Portal/Account/Register> or Sign into the [CityView Portal](#)
- 2 Select “Apply for an Engineering Permit”
- 3 From the *Choose Application Type* drop down list, select “Alternative Methods/ Materials Request”. Fill out all sections of the online form and upload all required documents. Note: Failure to upload all the required documents for Step 7 *Upload Files* may delay the processing of your application.

Project Information

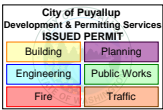
Site Address: 304/312 2nd Ave NE Parcel #: 7940100102, 7940100103 Zoning: 9170 - Commercial
304/312 2nd Ave NE
 Project Name: Multi-family Site Land Use Application #: PLDDG20220056 Building Application #: PLPSP20220054

Owner Information

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Applicant Information

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Contractor Information

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

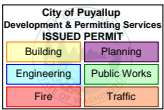
Engineer/Architect Information

Name: Momentum Civil
Mailing Address: 1145 Broadway, Suite 115
City: Tacoma State: WA Zip Code: 98402
Phone: (253) 722-6059 E-mail: permits@momentumcivil.com & drewh@momentumcivil.com

Deviation Justification

Address items 1-9 below. If additional reports, supporting documents and attachments are necessary to clarify/support this request, material shall be listed in item 9 and referenced within items 1-9:

- Describe the proposed deviation request. (What requirements is the project seeking relief from?)
This deviation request is for a reduced width driveway entrance and a reduced spacing to the nearest adjacent driveway. The driveway width requested is 24-feet instead of the 30-foot width noted as "typical" on the City' standard commercial approach. The reduced spacing between adjacent driveway centerlines will be 40-feet.
- Describe how the proposed deviation request is based on sound engineering principles. (Explain how the granting of this modification will not result in risk or harm related to traffic, storm drainage, water, sanitary sewer, transportation, fire protection or structural matters)
The narrower 24-foot-wide driveway a) provides needed horizontal separation from the existing driveway along the eastern boundary and b) encourages vehicles to reduce speed during their turn across the public sidewalk, enhancing pedestrian safety. This low-traffic apartment site will still accommodate the necessary maneuvering for refuse collection. Fire access to the building can be accommodated from the frontage road (2nd Ave. NE).
- Describe how a strict application of the requirement would impose an undue hardship on the applicant. What makes the project in question unique from others to allow a deviation from city standards?
The property to the east has an existing driveway that is constructed immediately adjacent to the property line. The narrower 24-foot driveway is needed to allow for additional separation from the existing driveway that abuts this site's easter property line. The 30' driveway width unnecessarily reduces the width of this project's building, reducing city's desired density for this zone.
- Describe how the requirements for safety, environmental considerations, function, appearance, and maintainability would be fully met, assuming the granting of your request.
Safety is improved with a narrower driveway mouth and slower vehicle speeds and added spacing to the existing off-site driveway to the east. Aesthetics are enhanced, since a larger percentage of the site frontage will be landscaping. Whenever pavement areas can be reduced, the heat island effect and storm drainage runoff are also reduced, which benefits to the residents of the site as well as to the community overall.



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5. Describe how granting the modification provides adequate protection of public health, safety, and welfare
A 24-foot wide driveway is a typical driveway width for commercial sites through the Puget Sound area. The City of Tacoma allows commercial driveways with a width as narrow as 20-feet. The narrower driveway actually serves to reduce vehicle speeds, increasing pedestrian safety around the building and on the public sidewalk.

6. Does this request require different maintenance cycles, equipment, or skills?
Yes. This change results in less maintenance of paving and less maintenance of storm drainage systems.

7. Does this request provide for a service life equal to or greater than the City Requirement?
Yes--this provides an equal service life to the City's standard for 30 ft width driveways.

8. Describe how the granting of the proposed modification will be in the best interest of the public.
Providing housing in this area is a public benefit. The narrower driveway allows for the proposed building to better fit on the site to increase housing density and also have room for a private sidewalk into the site and associated landscaping. The narrower driveway creates a safer environment for pedestrians and reduces storm drainage runoff and maintenance.

9. List reports, supporting documentation and attachments accompanying this request:
The site plan is attached.

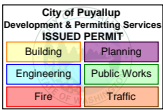
Submittal Checklist

- Use the check boxes below to ensure the following documents are submitted as applicable at the time of application
 - 1. Completed and Signed [Alternative Methods and Materials Request Application](#)
 - 2. [Site Plan](#) and/or and other technical documents to support the deviation request

Certification

I certify that I have read this application and declare under penalty of perjury that the information contained herein is correct and complete.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: 10/24/23



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THIS SHEET IS FOR CITY USE ONLY

CITY DEPARTMENT	APPROVED	DENIED	DATE
Development Engineering			
Conditions:			
Planning			
Conditions:			
Traffic Engineering	<i>AK</i>		1/26/24
Conditions:	The proposed driveway location and reduced width is approved. However, City may have additional comments regarding frontage design, curb alignment, etc. These items will addressed during civil review.		
Public Works - Streets	Scott Hill		1/23/24
Conditions:			
Public Works - Water			
Conditions:			
Public Works - Collections			
Conditions:			
Stormwater Engineering			
Conditions:			
Fire Code Official			
Conditions:			
Miscellaneous			
Conditions:			

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City Engineer			
Development Engineering Manager	<i>Ken Cook</i>		1/26/2024

Conditions of Approval:

Reasoning for Denial:
