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Applicant's Telephone: 772-567-4907 FAX: 772-569-3939
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Relationship to Owner: Project Architect
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Contact Person: Tim Modesitt
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Existing 2-story building built in 1985. 1st FL 3200 SF, 2nd has one common stair and (2)825-850 SF office spaces. Facility originally set with 5 meters for 4 office tenants. Since 1985, building used for <u>offices and retail. Most recent use a Christian book store. New owner wants to go back to all office use</u>. 1 office downstairs at 3200 SF with 2 existing 825-850 SF offices upstairs.

5. Project Construction Cost (Provide cost for new construction, the addition or the alteration): Owners intended remodel budget at \$260k for building renovation to reconstruction building for elevator & access to top (2)825-850 SF existing office spaces would be an additional \$115k to construction costs. The cost to add an elevator is 44% above the construction budget.

6. **Project Status:** Please check the phase of construction that best describes your project at the time of this application. Describe status.

[XUnder Design [] Under Construction\*

[] In Plan Review [] Completed\*

\* Briefly explain why the request has now been referred to the Commission.

Local building department is requiring an elevator for the 2nd floor. The existing building design would require very high renovation costs to make the existing 2nd Floor accessible with an elevator. Existing building design would require complicated modification of taking out existing split stair landing stairs, and 2 required bathrooms. To create proper head room, vertical access new stairs & bathrooms to replace those that would need to be repaired. This is an extreme hardship for an existing project of this scale. 44% above the renovation improvements budget.

7. **Requirements requested to be waived.** Please reference the applicable section of Florida law. Only Florida-specific accessibility requirements may be waived.

Issue

1: Bldg Director says elevator is required & it is the only means of vertical accessibility he will accept. Cost to make necessary ADA vertical access by use of an elevator is excessive. Therefore, we would inact the waiver as noted in Section 202.4.1 as a financial hardship.

Issue

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8. **Reason(s) for Waiver Request:** The Florida Building Commission may grant waivers of Florida-specific accessibility requirements upon a determination of unnecessary, unreasonable or extreme hardship. Please describe how this project meets the following hardship criteria. Explain all that would apply for consideration of granting the waiver.

X The hardship is caused by a condition or set of conditions affecting the owner which does not affect owners in general.

This is an existing (1985) previously utilized structure no increase in size. Facility was originally approved for office/retail. Most recent use retail. New owner wants to utilize as office. Bldg Dept says its a change of use from retail to office and vertical ADA accessibility is required for 2nd FL. This bldg structure particularly difficult to modify for an elevator.

X Substantial financial costs will be incurred by the owner if the waiver is denied.

Cost to owner if waiver is denied is \$115k. This is more an 44% of the planned renovation cost,

which is \$260k without the elevator. This is a hardship!

[X] The owner has made a **diligent investigation** into the costs of compliance with the code, but cannot find an efficient mode of compliance. Provide detailed cost estimates and, where appropriate, photographs. Cost estimates must include bids and quotes.

Renovation budget is \$260k, the cost associated with including the elevator is \$115k. See

Attached detailed budget and 2nd contractor services.

9. Provide documented cost estimates for each portion of the waiver request and identify any additional supporting data which may affect the cost estimates. For example, for vertical accessibility, the lowest documented cost of an elevator, ramp, lift or other method of providing vertical accessibility should be provided, documented by quotations or bids from at least two vendors or contractors.

a. Attached budgets to attend to all the work neccessary to provide vertical accessibility to the

#### 2 existing 825-850 SF office spaces.

b. Building official will only accept and elevator or a waiver for the elevator.

c. Other designed for elevator accessibility would be more extensive at higher costs.

10. Licensed Design Professional: Where a licensed design professional has designed the project, his or her comments MUST be included and certified by signature and affixing of his or her professional seal. The comments must include the reason(s) why the waiver is necessary.

Attached comments by renovation Architect John H Dean. I did not design the original building, but have been requested to remodel the facility at this time. I have included  $24 \times 36$  plans and letter have my signature & seal.

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# john h. dean architect & associates, p.a., a.i.a.

#### ARCHITECTS REVIEW JTG of Vero Beach, LLC – Waiver of Accessibility

This is an unfortunate situation where a small existing two story building, 3200 SF first floor (2 units), 1650-1700 SF 2nd floor (2 units about 825-850 SF each) and was built in 1985 with a single spilt stair access to the second floor. The facility was used successfully for many years as office and retail, recent previous owner used the entire facility as a book store and it was classified as a retail building. Indian River County then purchased the property and inturn sold it to my client JTG of Vero Beach, LLC.

My clients intentions was to return the building back into an office building with his office on the ground floor and two 825-850 SF offices on the second floor. The facility was originally 4 tenant's office/retail. Building Official has said to go from the most recent use as all retail back to office is a change of use and the will require bringing the building into compliance with today's code. Building Official has made it clear he will only accept an elevator or a waiver from the vertical accessibility (elevator) requirement.

This building is a difficult existing design to add an elevator too. There is no common hall to the two upstairs units which necessitates 2 elevators or remodeling the upstairs to accommodate a common hall for an elevator. To create this common hall, 2 bathrooms will need to be removed.

We have exhusted our arguments for other means of vertical access with the local Building Official. We cannot add an elevator to the back of the building because of existing setback requirements and accessibility to that location. The cost to remodel this facility as the owner intended with the first floor and building shell if \$260,000. The second floor was to remain as it has been since 1985. Project renovation costs are \$260,000. To add the elevator would be an additional \$115,000., which is 44% over the renovation budget.

With this waiver, the owners can proceed. We will still change all exsiting door and handrails to be ADA compliant. All new work will be fully ADA. We will upgrade some bathrooms to ADA, and we will remove all ADA accessbility barriers with the exeption of leaving the exsiting staircase as the primary access to the second floor. In this case, this building will be enhanced for safety, utilization and have many new ADA enhancements.

The local Building Official will not accept a LULA or a platform lift. Both of these could reduce the budget, but the project restraint would remain the same. A LULA or a Platform lift would reduce the elevator cost by approximately \$24,000. That is a help but the installation would still cost about \$90,000, which is considerably more than the 20% of the budget (20% if \$260,000 = \$52,000).

This waiver is justified as this is an existing small 2-story building with an office/retail history. 44%, \$115,000 is an exessive financial hardship. This existing design is just difficult to work with. With this waiver this project can continue and can be productive once again.

Please note, the Owner has 2 waiting rooms by the first floor lobby, should the  $2^{nd}$  floor tenants need to utilize. The waiver request is fair, resonable, and meets the waiver requirements for being over the 20% of the construction cost. The quoted 44% is more than double the waiver requirement.

Thank you for you consideration, e\_\_\_\_\_ John H Dean, Architect

# Authorization Form

To whom it may concern, I (we) the undersigned, authorize john h. dean, Architect, to act as our agent in all matters concerning site plan, comprehensive plan, and building permit matters for the improvements on the real property identified as: Including waivers of all descriptions. I additionally authorize, Larry Schneider, AIA to act as additional agent for this waiver.

Signature	- Joulut
Printed Name	Tim Modesitt
Title	Owner - JTG of Vero Beach, LLC 1940 38th Avenue; Vero Beach, FL 32966
State of Florida County of Indian River Sworn to and subscribed before me this <u>18th</u> day of by Timothy Modesit Cheugaduther	<u>June</u> 20 <u>12</u> , <u>4</u> .
Notary Public Personally known Produced Identification Type of ID Produced	Cheryl A Luther Notary Public State of Florida Comm. No. EE 116452 My Comm. Exp. 9-1-2015

### **CERTIFICATION OF APPLICANT:**

I hereby swear or affirm that the applicable documents in support of this Request for Waiver are attached for review by the Florida Building Commission and that all statements made in this application are to the best of my knowledge true and correct.

\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_ Dated this JNE ,20<u>12</u> Decn Signature DEAN Printed Name

By signing this application, the applicant represents that the information in it is true, accurate and complete. If the applicant misrepresents or omits any material information, the Commission may revoke any order and will notify the building official of the permitting jurisdiction. Providing false information to the Commission is punishable as a misdemeanor under Section 775.083, Florida Statutes.

# john h. dean architect & associates, p.a., a.i.a.

June 18, 2012

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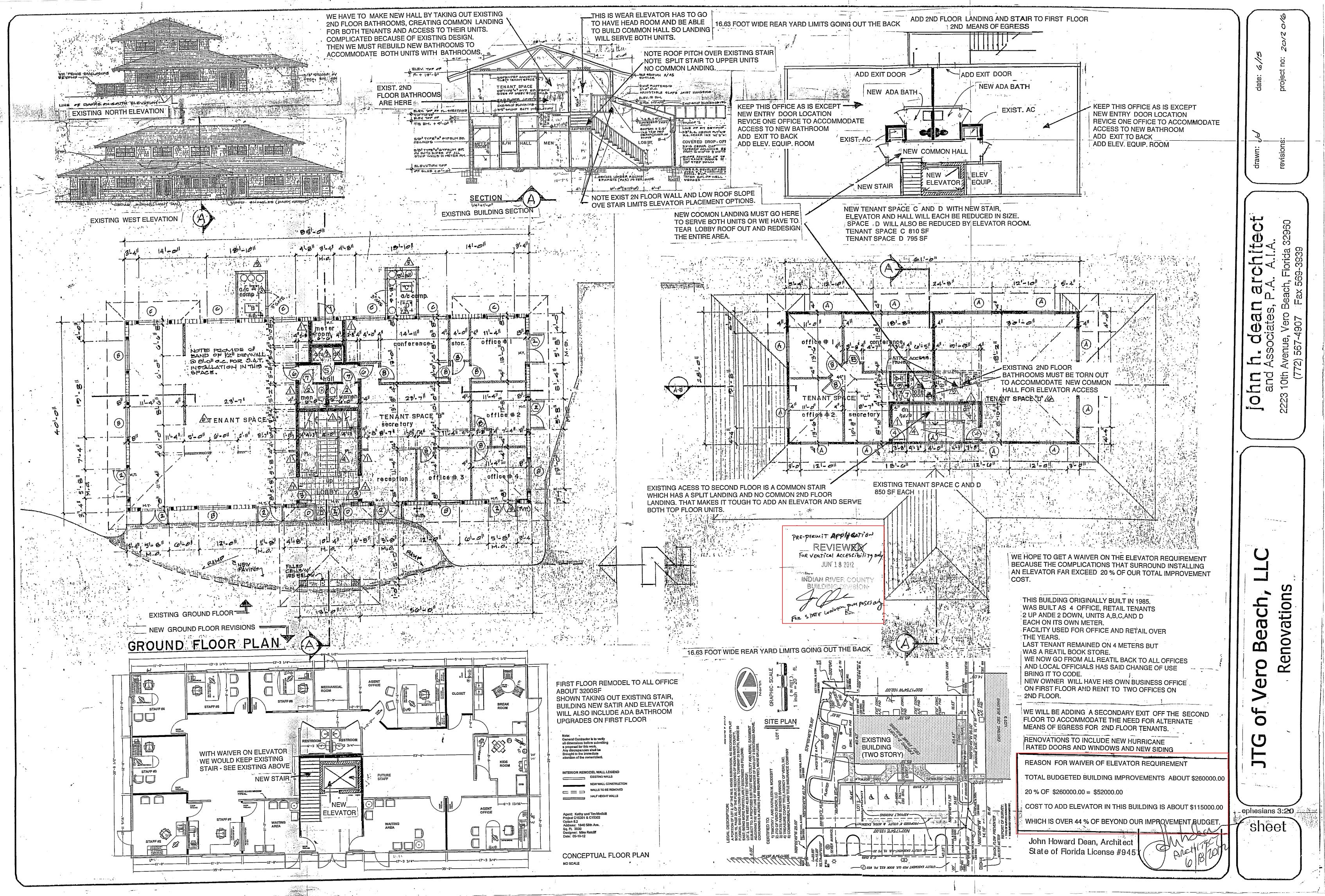
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I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, am applying for placement on the Consent Agenda pursuant to Rule 9B-7.003(3), Florida Administrative Code. I (check one of the following and complete blanks):

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# HIGHLAND HOMES OF SEBASTIAN, INC



Date 6/15/12

PROPOSAL

MODESITT BUILDING REMODEL 4616 20TH. ST. VERO BEACH FL. INSTALL NEW STANDING SEAM METAL ROOF INSTALL NEW WINDOWS AND DOORS APPLY STUCCO SIDING INSTALL FIRE ESCAPE FOR SECOND FLOOR **INSTALL NEW A.C. SYSTEMS REWIRE AS NEEDED NEW PARTIONS ON FIRST FLOOR** NEW ADA COMPLIANT BATHROOMS INSTALL DRYWALL AND TRIM PAINT INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR OF BUILDING **UPDATE STAIRWAY TO CODE** NEW CARPET AND FLOORING 1ST. AND 2ND. FLOORS FIRE RATED DROP CEILING LABOR, MATERIALS, CLEAN-UP, FEES AND PERMIT

265,500.00

Submitted by Scott Silva, President of Highland Homes of Sebastian, Inc.

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PROPOSAL MODESITT BUILDING ELAVATOR 4616 20<sup>TH</sup>. ST VERO BEACH FL.

REFRAME SECOND FLOOR AND STAIRWAY TO ACCEPT ELAVATOR REWIRE AS NEEDED DRYWALL AND TRIM WALLS AND STAIRWAY PAINT INSTALL NEW ELAVATOR LABOR, MATERIALS, CLEAN-UP, FEES AND PERMIT

TOTAL \$115,750.00

Submitted by Scott Silva, President of Highland Homes of Sebastian, Inc.



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12524 Roseland Road

Sebastian, FL 32958

State Certified General Contractor CGC053597

# **BUILDING RENOVATION ESTIMATE**

EXCLUDING ELEVATOR

PROJECT NAME: MODESITT BUILDING

### PROJECT ADDRESS: 4616 20TH STREET - VERO BEACH, FL 32966

**DATE:** 6-11-2012

<u>ITEM</u> ************************************	<u>COST</u>
ADA Compliant Bathroom	5500
ADA Hardware Allowance	2000
Architectural & Engineering Fees	19880
Carpet & Flooring First and Second Floor	9000
Ceiling - Accoustical 1 Hour Fire Rated Drop Ceiling	8000
Concrete Walks	1500
Demolition - Removal of Siding, Windows and Doors	4000
Demolition - Removal of Accoustical Ceilings	1500
Dump Fees & Final Clean-up	2500
Drywall - Materials & Labor	8500
Electric Fixtures	3500
Electric Wiring & Trim	7500
Heat & Air Conditioning	14000
Labor - Rough	8000
Labor - Finish	11000
Lumber	2500
Mirrors & Glass	500
Painting - Materials & Labor	12400
Permit Fees	2500
Plumbing - Labor & Materials	3000
Roofing - Labor & Materials	28200
Stairway - Interior - Code Updates	3000
Stairway - Exterior Fire Escape	9120
Stucco - Labor & Materials	12600
Supervision	14000
Trim - Interior Doors & Baseboard	4000
Trim - Exterior Impact Doors (Materials)	11100
Windows - Impact Low E (Materials)	14000
Windows - Installation	7000
Window Sills & Trim	2200
Contractors Overhead Fee	22000
Contractors Profit	11000

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ITEM	COST	
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Architectural & Engineering Fees	10000	
Building Permit Fees	850	
Demolition - Stairway & Landing Removal	1800	
Demolition - Cut Floor and Joist to Accomodate Shaft	700	
Demolition - Remove Second Floor Partitions	600	
Dump Fees& Cleanup Fees	1000	
Framing - Floor Joist and Decking to Accomodate Shaft	1100	
Framing - Elevator Shaft and Stairway Framing	1500	
Framing - Frame in Existing Office Doors	300	
Framing - Frame New Second Floor Walls	1250	
Drywall - New Framing Work, Elevator Shaft, Doorways	2220	
Electrical - Elevator Equipment, Bath Lights, Hall Lights, etc	2700	
Elevator as per proposal	48980	
Elevator Equipment Room	1000	
Fire Rating Materials Revisions	2000	
Lobby Revisions	1000	
Painting - Stairs and Drywall	2800	
Plumbing	3000	
Replace Two Bathrooms Revised For Elevator	9000	
Stairs - Materials & Labor	7000	
Trim & Doors - Materials & Labor	2800	
Contrator and Supervision Fee	13400	

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115000

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### **REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION BY LOCAL BUILDING DEPARTMENT.**

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a. The building permit has not been applied for therefore a complete plan review has not been done on this project. The architect came in for a preliminary design consultation. The building is going from Mercantile to Business; a change of occupancy. The owner is proposing some alterations to this existing building. During our meeting with the architect, it was noted that there is a second story which is over 1600 sq. ft. in area that is being altered. One or more tenants are proposed to occupy the upstairs. It was explained to the architect that vertical accessibility would be required to this area.

b. Applicable Code Sections are as follows:

- 201.1.1 Vertical Accessibility
- 202.4.1 Alterations affecting primary function areas
- 206.2.3 Multi-Story Buildings and Facilities
  - o Advisory 206.2.3
- c. The architect asked if a platform lift would be acceptable.
  - 206.7 Platform Lifts
    - None of the sub-sections (206.7.1-206.7.5) seem to apply to this building.

Has there been any permitted construction activity on this building during the past three years? If so, what was the cost of construction?

[] Yes [X] No Cost of Construction: <u>N/A</u>

**Comments/Recommendation** The concern is access to and safely carrying passengers upstairs. Passengers could be in a wheelchair, walker, crutches, or could have arthritis or other physical disability prohibiting them from being able to use the stairs.

All things considered; a waiver would seem appropriate for this specific situation. Alternately, if the Florida Building Commission deems it acceptable, a platform lift or LULA would seem appropriate for this specific situation.

Jurisdiction: Indian River County

Building Official or Designee

 $^{\prime}$   $\checkmark$ Signature.

Jose Guanch Printed Name

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[] Historical preservation (alteration).

4. **Type of facility.** Please describe the building (square footage, number of floors). Define the use of the building (i.e., restaurant, office, retail, recreation, hotel/motel, etc.)

Existing 2-story building built in 1985. 1st FL 3200 SF, 2nd has one common stair and (2)825-850 SF office spaces. Facility originally set with 5 meters for 4 office tenants. Since 1985, building used for <u>offices and retail</u>. Most recent use a Christian book store. New owner wants to go back to all office use. 1 office downstairs at 3200 SF with 2 existing 825-850 SF offices upstairs.

5. Project Construction Cost (Provide cost for new construction, the addition or the alteration): Owners intended remodel budget at \$260k for building renovation to reconstruction building for elevator & access to top (2)825-850 SF existing office spaces would be an additional \$115k to construction costs. The cost to add an elevator is 44% above the construction budget.

6. **Project Status:** Please check the phase of construction that best describes your project at the time of this application. Describe status.

[X Under Design [] Under Construction\*

[] In Plan Review [] Completed\*

\* Briefly explain why the request has now been referred to the Commission.

Local building department is requiring an elevator for the 2nd floor. The existing building design would require very high renovation costs to make the existing 2nd Floor accessible with an elevator. Existing building design would require complicated modification of taking out existing split stair landing stairs, and 2 required bathrooms. To create proper head room, vertical access new stairs & bathrooms to replace those that would need to be repaired. This is an extreme hardship for an existing project of this scale. 44% above the renovation improvements budget.

7. Requirements requested to be waived. Please reference the applicable section of Florida law. Only Florida-specific accessibility requirements may be waived.

#### Issue

1: Bldg Director says elevator is required & it is the only means of vertical accessibility he will accept. Cost to make necessary ADA vertical access by use of an elevator is excessive. Therefore, we would inact the waiver as noted in Section 202.4.1 as a financial hardship.

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8. Reason(s) for Waiver Request: The Florida Building Commission may grant waivers of Florida-specific accessibility requirements upon a determination of unnecessary, unreasonable or extreme hardship. Please describe how this project meets the following hardship criteria. Explain all that would apply for consideration of granting the waiver.

[X] The hardship is caused by a condition or set of conditions affecting the owner which does not affect owners in general.

This is an existing (1985) previously utilized structure no increase in size. Facility was originally approved for office/retail. Most recent use retail. New owner wants to utilize as office. Bldg Dept says its a change of use from retail to office and vertical ADA accessibility is required for 2nd FL. This bldg structure particularly difficult to modify for an elevator.

[X] Substantial financial costs will be incurred by the owner if the waiver is denied.

Cost to owner if waiver is denied is \$115k. This is more an 44% of the planned renovation cost,

which is \$260k without the elevator. This is a hardship!

[X] The owner has made a diligent investigation into the costs of compliance with the code, but cannot find an efficient mode of compliance. Provide detailed cost estimates and, where appropriate, photographs. Cost estimates must include bids and quotes.

Renovation budget is \$260k, the cost associated with including the elevator is \$115k. See

Attached detailed budget and 2nd contractor services.

9. Provide documented cost estimates for each portion of the waiver request and identify any additional supporting data which may affect the cost estimates. For example, for vertical accessibility, the lowest documented cost of an elevator, ramp, lift or other method of providing vertical accessibility should be provided, documented by quotations or bids from at least two vendors or contractors.

a. Attached budgets to attend to all the work neccessary to provide vertical accessibility to the

#### 2 existing 825-850 SF office spaces.

b. Building official will only accept and elevator or a waiver for the elevator.

c. Other designed for elevator accessibility would be more extensive at higher costs.

10. Licensed Design Professional: Where a licensed design professional has designed the project, his or her comments MUST be included and certified by signature and affixing of his or her professional seal. The comments must include the reason(s) why the waiver is necessary.

Attached comments by renovation Architect John H Dean. I did not design the original building, but have been requested to remodel the facility at this time. I have included 24 x 36 plans and letter have my signature & seal.

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John H Dean, Architect	Artix Azio 1
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# Authorization Form

To whom it may concern, I (we) the undersigned, authorize john h. dean, Architect, to act as our agent in all matters concerning site plan, comprehensive plan, and building permit matters for the improvements on the real property identified as: Including waivers of all descriptions. I additionally authorize, Larry Schneider, AIA to act as additional agent for this waiver.

Signature Printed Name	Tim Modesitt
Title	Owner - JTG of Vero Beach, LLC 1940 38th Avenue; Vero Beach, FL 32966
State of Florida County of Indian River Sworn to and subscribed before me this <u>18</u> day of by Timothy Modesit Cheugaduther	<u>June</u> 20 <u>12</u> , <u>4</u> .
Notary Public Personally known Produced Identification Type of ID Produced	Cheryl A Luther Notary Public State of Florida Comm. No. EE 116452 My Comm. Exp. 9-1-2015

# john h. dean architect & associates, p.a., a.i.a.

### ARCHITECTS REVIEW JTG of Vero Beach, LLC – Waiver of Accessibility

This is an unfortunate situation where a small existing two story building, 3200 SF first floor (2 units), 1650-1700 SF 2nd floor (2 units about 825-850 SF each) and was built in 1985 with a single spilt stair access to the second floor. The facility was used successfully for many years as office and retail, recent previous owner used the entire facility as a book store and it was classified as a retail building. Indian River County then purchased the property and inturn sold it to my client JTG of Vero Beach, LLC.

My clients intentions was to return the building back into an office building with his office on the ground floor and two 825-850 SF offices on the second floor. The facility was originally 4 tenant's office/retail. Building Official has said to go from the most recent use as all retail back to office is a change of use and the will require bringing the building into compliance with today's code. Building Official has made it clear he will only accept an elevator or a waiver from the vertical accessibility (elevator) requirement.

This building is a difficult existing design to add an elevator too. There is no common hall to the two upstairs units which necessitates 2 elevators or remodeling the upstairs to accommodate a common hall for an elevator. To create this common hall, 2 bathrooms will need to be removed.

We have exhusted our arguments for other means of vertical access with the local Building Official. We cannot add an elevator to the back of the building because of existing setback requirements and accessibility to that location. The cost to remodel this facility as the owner intended with the first floor and building shell if \$260,000. The second floor was to remain as it has been since 1985. Project renovation costs are \$260,000. To add the elevator would be an additional \$115,000., which is 44% over the renovation budget.

With this waiver, the owners can proceed. We will still change all exsiting door and handrails to be ADA compliant. All new work will be fully ADA. We will upgrade some bathrooms to ADA, and we will remove all ADA accessbility barriers with the exeption of leaving the exsiting staircase as the primary access to the second floor. In this case, this building will be enhanced for safety, utilization and have many new ADA enhancements.

The local Building Official will not accept a LULA or a platform lift. Both of these could reduce the budget, but the project restraint would remain the same. A LULA or a Platform lift would reduce the elevator cost by approximately \$24,000. That is a help but the installation would still cost about \$90,000, which is considerably more than the 20% of the budget (20% if \$260,000 = \$52,000).

This waiver is justified as this is an existing small 2-story building with an office/retail history. 44%, \$115,000 is an exessive financial hardship. This existing design is just difficult to work with. With this waiver this project can continue and can be productive once again.

Please note, the Owner has 2 waiting rooms by the first floor lobby, should the  $2^{nd}$  floor tenants need to utilize. The waiver request is fair, resonable, and meets the waiver requirements for being over the 20% of the construction cost. The quoted 44% is more than double the waiver requirement.

Thank you for you consideration, Ø John H Dean, Architect

### **CERTIFICATION OF APPLICANT:**

I hereby swear or affirm that the applicable documents in support of this Request for Waiver are attached for review by the Florida Building Commission and that all statements made in this application are to the best of my knowledge true and correct.

Dated this 18 day of 1002	. 20 17
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Signature	
Printed Name	

By signing this application, the applicant represents that the information in it is true, accurate and complete. If the applicant misrepresents or omits any material information, the Commission may revoke any order and will notify the building official of the permitting jurisdiction. Providing false information to the Commission is punishable as a misdemeanor under Section 775.083, Florida Statutes.

## **REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION BY LOCAL BUILDING DEPARTMENT.**

Please state why the issue is being referred to the Florida Building Commission as well as a recommendation for disposition. The Building Official or his or her designee should review the application and indicate that to the best of his or her knowledge, all information stipulated herein is true and accurate. Further, if this project is complete, explain why it is being referred to the Commission. The Building Official or his or her designee should sign a copy of the plans accompanying this application as certification that such plans are the same as those submitted for building department review. Please reference the applicable section of the Accessibility Code.

a. The building permit has not been applied for therefore a complete plan review has not been done on this project. The architect came in for a preliminary design consultation. The building is going from Mercantile to Business; a change of occupancy. The owner is proposing some alterations to this existing building. During our meeting with the architect, it was noted that there is a second story which is over 1600 sq. ft. in area that is being altered. One or more tenants are proposed to occupy the upstairs. It was explained to the architect that vertical accessibility would be required to this area.

b. Applicable Code Sections are as follows:

- 201.1.1 Vertical Accessibility
- 202.4.1 Alterations affecting primary function areas
- 206.2.3 Multi-Story Buildings and Facilities
  - o Advisory 206.2.3
- c. The architect asked if a platform lift would be acceptable. 1
  - 206.7 Platform Lifts
    - None of the sub-sections (206.7.1-206.7.5) seem to apply to this building.

Has there been any permitted construction activity on this building during the past three years? If so, what was the cost of construction?

[] Yes [X] No Cost of Construction: N/A

Comments/Recommendation The concern is access to and safely carrying passengers upstairs. Passengers could be in a wheelchair, walker, crutches, or could have arthritis or other physical disability prohibiting them from being able to use the stairs.

All things considered; a waiver would seem appropriate for this specific situation. Alternately, if the Florida Building Commission deems it acceptable, a platform lift or LULA would seem appropriate for this specific situation.

Jurisdiction: Indian River\_County

Building Official or Designee

Signature

Jose Guanch Printed Name

BU1497 Certification Number

<u>772-22</u>6-1268 / 772-770-5333 Telephone/FAX

1801 27 Street, Vero Beach, FL. 32960 Address:

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Consent Agenda
Note: This form is to be used only for cases in which design documents are duplicates of previously approved waivers and the project can be placed on a Consent Agenda pursuant to Rule 9B-7.003(3), Florida Administrative Code.
I, a licensed architect/engineer in the state of Florida
I,, a licensed architect/engineer in the state of Florida, whose Florida license number is, hereby state as follows:
1. I am the architect/engineer of record for the project known as (name of project), for which the Owner seeks a waiver of one or more accessibility requirements in an application to which this Certification is attached.
2. I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief to the Florida Building Commission that the design documents for the (insert project described in paragraph 1 above) are the same as the design documents previously submitted to the Commission and referenced in paragraph 3 below, except that the two projects are built or to be built on different parcels of land at different locations.
3. The licensed design professional of record (identify the licensed design professional of record), , prepared the design documents for the
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Certification of Applicant for Replicated Designs to be Placed on Consent Agenda

NA

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I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, am applying for placement on the Consent Agenda pursuant to Rule 9B-7.003(3), Florida Administrative Code. I (check one of the following and complete blanks):

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# **BUILDING RENOVATION ESTIMATE**

EXCLUDING ELEVATOR PROJECT NAME: MODESITT BUILDING

### **PROJECT ADDRESS:**

4616 20TH STREET - VERO BEACH, FL 32966

**DATE:** 6-11-2012

ITEM	COST
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ADA Compliant Bathroom	5500
ADA Hardware Allowance	2000
Architectural & Engineering Fees	19880
Carpet & Flooring First and Second Floor	9000
Ceiling - Accoustical 1 Hour Fire Rated Drop Ceiling	8000
Concrete Walks	1500
Demolition - Removal of Siding, Windows and Doors	4000
Demolition - Removal of Accoustical Ceilings	1500
Dump Fees & Final Clean-up	2500
Drywall - Materials & Labor	8500
Electric Fixtures	3500
Electric Wiring & Trim	7500
Heat & Air Conditioning	14000
Labor - Rough	8000
Labor - Finish	11000
Lumber	2500
Mirrors & Glass	500
Painting - Materials & Labor	12400
Permit Fees	2500
Plumbing - Labor & Materials	3000
Roofing - Labor & Materials	28200
Stairway - Interior - Code Updates	3000
Stairway - Exterior Fire Escape	9120
Stucco - Labor & Materials	12600
Supervision	14000
Trim - Interior Doors & Baseboard	4000
Trim - Exterior Impact Doors (Materials)	11100
Windows - Impact Low E (Materials)	14000
Windows - Installation	7000
Window Sills & Trim	2200
Contractors Overhead Fee	22000
Contractors Profit	11000

TOTALS

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## **BUILDING RENOVATION ESTIMATE**

**ELEVATOR INSTALLATION** 

PROJECT NAME: MODESITT BUILDING

PROJECT ADDRESS: 4616 20TH STREET - VERO BEACH, FL 32966

**DATE:** 6/15/2012

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>COST</u>
Architectural & Engineering Fees	10000
Building Permit Fees	850
Demolition - Stairway & Landing Removal	1800
Demolition - Cut Floor and Joist to Accomodate Shaft	700
Demolition - Remove Second Floor Partitions	600
Dump Fees & Cleanup Fees	1000
Framing - Floor Joist and Decking to Accomodate Shaft	1100
Framing - Elevator Shaft and Stairway Framing	1500
Framing - Frame in Existing Office Doors	300
Framing - Frame New Second Floor Walls	1250
Drywall - New Framing Work, Elevator Shaft, Doorways	2220
Electrical - Elevator Equipment, Bath Lights, Hall Lights, etc	2700
Elevator as per proposal	48980
Elevator Equipment Room	1000
Fire Rating Materials Revisions	2000
Lobby Revisions	1000
Painting - Stairs and Drywall	2800
Plumbing	3000
Replace Two Bathrooms Revised For Elevator	9000
Stairs - Materials & Labor	7000
Trim & Doors - Materials & Labor	2800
Contrator and Supervision Fee	13400

TOTALS

115000

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# HIGHLAND HOMES OF SEBASTIAN, INC



2-366-1411 CELL //2-4/3

Date 6/15/12

PROPOSAL MODESITT BUILDING REMODEL 4616 20TH. ST. VERO BEACH FL. INSTALL NEW STANDING SEAM METAL ROOF INSTALL NEW WINDOWS AND DOORS APPLY STUCCO SIDING INSTALL FIRE ESCAPE FOR SECOND FLOOR **INSTALL NEW A.C. SYSTEMS REWIRE AS NEEDED NEW PARTIONS ON FIRST FLOOR** NEW ADA COMPLIANT BATHROOMS INSTALL DRYWALL AND TRIM PAINT INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR OF BUILDING UPDATE STAIRWAY TO CODE NEW CARPET AND FLOORING 1ST. AND 2ND. FLOORS FIRE RATED DROP CEILING LABOR, MATERIALS, CLEAN-UP, FEES AND PERMIT

265,500.00

Submitted by Scott Silva, President of Highland Homes of Sebastian, Inc.

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# HIGHLAND HOMES OF SEBASTIAN, INC



1166 PERSIAN LANE, SEBASTIAN, FL 32958 SCOTT SILVA, PRESIDENT CGC 038720 CCC 057933

772-388-1411 CELL 772-473-0400

Date 6/15/12

PROPOSAL MODESITT BUILDING ELAVATOR 4616 20<sup>TH</sup>. ST VERO BEACH FL.

REFRAME SECOND FLOOR AND STAIRWAY TO ACCEPT ELAVATOR **REWIRE AS NEEDED** DRYWALL AND TRIM WALLS AND STAIRWAY PAINT **INSTALL NEW ELAVATOR** LABOR, MATERIALS, CLEAN-UP, FEES AND PERMIT

TOTAL \$115,750.00

Submitted by Scott Silva, **President** of Highland Homes of Sebastian, Inc.