NOTICE TO WAIVER APPLICANTS

Please make certain you comply with the following:

- The person submitting the waiver request application as the Applicant MUST sign the application. Should you fail to do so, your application will be returned.

- If a licensed design professional (architect or engineer) has designed the project, his or her comments MUST be included as a part of this application.

- Be as explicit as possible. The more information provided to the Florida Building Commission, the more informed its decisions can be. If you are claiming financial hardship, please specify why and to what degree.

- If at all possible, PLAN TO ATTEND the Accessibility Advisory Council and the Florida Building Commission meetings. Sometimes pertinent facts are inadvertently omitted, or information provided/presented in the Request for Waiver application is not clear. Your attendance at the meetings to answer questions will enhance the possibility of the waiver being approved, since the Council and the Commission will receive the most complete information from you. When we receive the completed application, we will send you a notice of the time, date, and place for both the Council and the Commission meetings.

Enclosed are a List of Required Information and the Request for Waiver application.

If you have questions or would like additional information, please call the Codes and Standards Section at (850)487-1824.

This application is available in electronic format at:
http://www.dca.state.fl.us/fhcdd/ftc/access waiver/waiverap.htm.

Please mail this application to the Department of Community Affairs at the address above. As well as a hard copy, please include a copy of the application (without drawings or plans) on a 3.5 floppy disk in PC format.

This application is available in alternate formats upon request.
LIST OF REQUIRED INFORMATION:

1. X  Drawings that will clearly present your project and that identify the issue(s) that relate to the waiver you are requesting. As a minimum, the following drawings must be submitted:
   a. Project site plan
   b. 24" x 36" minimum size drawings
   c. Building/project sections (if necessary to assist in understanding the waiver request)
   d. Enlarged floor plan(s) of the area in question

2. X  One set of reduced scale (11" x 17") versions of the drawings submitted in item one above.

3. ______ One set of overhead transparencies (8-1/2" x 11") of the drawings submitted in item one above. When numerous features are shown on the drawings, please designate the location of the waiver items by highlighting or outlining in color the affected areas.

4. ______ When substantial financial cost of compliance is alleged, supporting cost estimates with quotes from at least two vendors or contractors and catalog information.

5. ______ If you feel photographs and/or renderings are necessary for your presentation, provide 40 legible color photocopies of the photographs and/or renderings. If color photocopies of photographs are provided, use a minimum size of 4" x 6" photographs with a maximum of two photographs per photocopied page.

6. X  Please submit a hard copy of this application to the Department of Community Affairs, as well as a copy of the application on a 3.5 floppy disk in PC format. PLEASE NOTE: Do not submit drawings or plans on the disk.

General Information:

a. Equipment: An overhead projector is provided at the presentation; any other equipment necessary for your presentation, such as TV/VCR, slide or LCD projectors, etc., is the responsibility of the applicant.

b. Verbal Descriptions: Presentations may be to sight or hearing impaired persons; visual presentations should consider adequate verbal and text descriptions of charts and pictures.

Your application will be reviewed by the Accessibility Advisory Council. You will have the opportunity to answer questions and/or make a short presentation not to exceed 15 minutes. The Council will provide recommendations to the Florida Building Commission. The Commission will review the application. You will have another opportunity to answer questions and/or give a short presentation not to exceed 15 minutes. The Commission will consider all information and the Council’s recommendation before voting on the waiver.

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REQUEST FOR WAIVER FROM ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
CHAPTER 553, PART V, FLORIDA STATUTES

Your application will be reviewed by the Accessibility Advisory Council and its recommendations will be presented to the Commission. You will have the opportunity to answer questions and/or make a short presentation, not to exceed 15 minutes, at each meeting. The Commission will consider all information presented and the Council's recommendation before voting on the waiver request.

1. Name and address of project for which the waiver is requested.
   Name: Boys & Girls Club of Palm Beach
   Address: 905 Drexel Road
             West Palm Beach, Florida

2. Name of Applicant. Other than the owner, please indicate relationship of applicant to owner and written authorization by owner in space provided:

   Applicant's Name: Raul Ocampo, Jr.
   Applicant's Address: 417 SW California Ave., Stuart, FL 34994
   Applicant's Telephone: 772-286-9004  FAX 772-286-9066
   Applicant's E-mail: raul@ocampoassociates.com
   Relationship to Owner: Architect
   Owner's Name: Boys & Girls Club of Palm Beach
   Owner's Address: 800 North Point Parkway, Suite 204, WPB, FL 33407
   Owner's Telephone: 561-683-3287  FAX
   Owner's E-mail Address: oconnor@bgpbc.org
   Signature of Owner: [Signature]
   Contact Person: Mary O'Connor
   Contact Person's Telephone: 561-683-3287  E-mail Address: oconnor@bgpbc.org

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Form No. 2001-01
3. Please check one of the following:

[ ] New construction.

[ ] Addition to a building or facility.

[ ] Alteration to an existing building or facility.

[ ] Historical preservation (addition).

[ ] 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.)

Boys & Girls Club - Child Facility

22,000 S.F., One Story

5. Project Construction Cost: (Provide cost for new construction, the addition or the alteration):

$3,000,000.00

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

[ ] Under Design  ✔️ Under Construction*

[ ] Under Construction

[ ] In Plan Review  [ ] Completed*

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

Building department requested we secure a waiver due to code interpretation, requiring bleachers to be fully accessible by wheelchair.
7. Requirements requested to be waived. Please reference the applicable section of the Florida law. Only Florida-specific accessibility requirements may be waived.

Issue

1: **Wheelchair accessibility for proposers; Gymnasium bleachers (4 tier) per accessibility code section 11-4.33.1**

Issue

2: 

Issue

3: 

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.

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

We feel we meet the requirements of code section 11-4.33.1.

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

[ ] 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.
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. 

b. 

c. 

10. Licensed Design Professional: Where a 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.

Section 11-4.33 requires wheelchair accessibility for assembly space, we comply with code by providing wheelchair space for viewing directly connected to path of travel & adjacent to bleachers. End bleacher is located adjacent wheelchair space (see graphics on drawings provided). Furthermore, we meet the exception as indicated in the above mentioned code.

Signature
Printed Name Raul Ocampo
Phone Number 772-226-9004
(SEAL)
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 be the best of my knowledge true and correct.

Dated this 30th day of August, 2011

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 shall 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. 2007 FLORIDA BUILDING CODE SECTION 11-4.13 (5)

b. 2007 FLORIDA BUILDING CODE SECTION 11-4.33.3

c. ____________________________

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

[ ] Yes  [ ] No  Cost of Construction: $2,195,300.00

Comments/Recommendation: THE BUILDING OFFICIAL SUPPORTS THE WAIVER REQUEST FOR VERTICAL ACCESS TO BOYS & GIRLS CLUB BLEACHERS

Jurisdiction: PALM BEACH COUNTY BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Building Official or Designee: Rebecca Caldwell

Signature: ____________________________

Printed Name: Rebecca Caldwell

Certification Number: BU-626

Telephone/FAX: 561-233-5101

Address: PLANNING, ZONING & BUILDING DEPARTMENT

2300 North Jog Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33411-2741
Certification of Licensed Design Professional for Replicated Designs to be Placed on 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.

1. Raul Ocampo, a licensed architect/engineer in the state of Florida, whose Florida license number is 6897, hereby states as follows:

   1. I am the architect/engineer of record for the project known as (name of project) Boys & Girls Club of Palm Beach County, 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) Boys & Girls Club of P.B. County 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), Raul Ocampo, prepared the design documents for the project known as Boys & Girls Club of Palm Beach County, for which the majority of the Accessibility Advisory Council recommended approval and the Commission granted a waiver of one or more accessibility requirements in Final Order No. ____________.

Printed Name: Raul Ocampo

Affix certification seal below:

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Stuart, FL 34994

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