Department of Planning and Development

RECOMMENDATION TO THE ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW

OCTOBER 9, 2024

Application Type

Use Variance

Neighborhood

Upper South Providence

Applicant

Centro Liberacion y avivamiento

Parcel

AP 23 Lots 2, 3, 73, 763, 766

Address

2-10 Hayward Ave and 239-245 Pearl Street

Parcel Size

± 21,272 SF

Zoning District

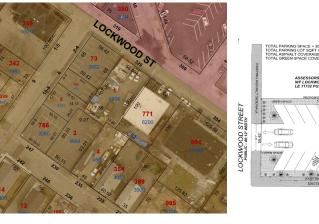
R-3

Variance Requested

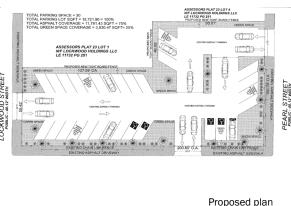
Use variance to use site as parking lot



Updated: October 4, 2024



2-10 HAYWARD AVE AND 239-245 PEARL STREET



SUMMARY

Project Description

The applicant is seeking a use variance pursuant to Table 12-1 of the City of Providence Zoning Ordinance, to establish the properties as a Principal Use Parking Lot.

Location Map

Discussion

The granting of a use variance requires that the applicant demonstrate a lack of all beneficial use. The subject lots are zoned R-3 and may be used for a variety of residential development including one to three family dwellings with Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) and rowhouses. The lots are located in an area that is being considered for rezoning to R-4, which would also allow for multifamily development. Given the available development options, it is unclear if a case can be made for lack of beneficial use or existence of a hardship. In the absence of these conditions, the DPD cannot recommend for the requested relief.

Recommendation

Based on the foregoing discussion, the DPD recommends that the requested relief be denied.