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Louisville Metro Planning & Design  
444 S. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, #300  
Louisville, KY 40202

Re: 615 E. Market Street

Dear Planning Customer Service:

Attached to this letter are materials associated with the proposed redevelopment of the properties at 615 and 625 E. Market Street. The applicant proposes to restore and repurpose the historic Joe Ley Antiques building into a hotel and restaurant by renovating that structure as part of an overall redevelopment of the subject properties. The overall development will include the construction of a contemporary hotel building that will also include a restaurant/bar and other publicly accessible areas. The contemporary structure has been designed to sit behind and beside the Joe Ley building in order to maintain the Joe Ley building's prominent presence along E. Market Street. The applicant proposes to include an active outdoor gathering space near the street and to landscape the area between that use and the street.

The proposal is in the Downtown Form District, and the applicant has requested necessary waivers and variances in order to create a design that maintains the prominence of the Joe Ley building. Otherwise, the proposed development meets the requirements of the Land Development Code. Please have this application reviewed and scheduled for a review session before the Board of Zoning Adjustment at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Clifford H. Ashburner".

Clifford H. Ashburner