



ACCESS APPEALS COMMISSION

NOTICE OF DECISION

Office of the Secretary

September 20, 2019

Property Name: Clean & Save Dry Cleaners
Appeal Address: 647 Bosworth Street
Block / Lot No: 6756/027
Application No: 201908078162
Appeal No.: 19-03
File Date: August 30, 2019
Hearing Date: September 11, 2019

Clean & Save Dry Cleaners
C/O Rachel Malchow Architect Inc.
Rachel Malchow
632 Oak Street
San Francisco, CA 94117

Dear Ms. Malchow,

On Wednesday, September 11, 2019, at a regular Meeting of the Access Appeals Commission, the Commission heard application, No. 19-03, in which you requested the ratification of an Unreasonable Hardship Requested (UHR) that was granted by the Department of Building Inspection on August 14, 2019. The UHR, associated with permit application 201908078162, is in response to Ordinance #51-16 Accessible Business Entrance program.

The basis of the request for an unreasonable hardship, for not providing vertical access to the tenant space, is not primarily financial but a result of site constraints. Construction of an accessible ramp not exceeding 1:12 (8.33%) slope would extend 11' 7" in length and with a 5' landing requiring moving the service counter and relocation of existing dry-cleaning conveyor.

After consideration of the issues presented, the Commission voted 5-0, on a motion by Commissioner Ellsworth, to ratify the Unreasonable Hardship Request based upon site constraints with two added conditions. The conditions are provide visual stripping at step and provide a handrail or grab bar on both sides of the step depending on greatest usability.

This ratification applies only to application number 201908078162 and all subsequent permit applications at this address must be reevaluated on a case-by-case basis.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me at (415) 575-6923.

Sincerely yours,



Thomas Fessler, Senior Building Inspector
Secretary to the Access Appeals Commission

cc: Rachel Malchow Architect, AAC Commissioners

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