



July 22, 2025

Dear P&Z Commissioners:

I am writing to express my profound concern and dissatisfaction regarding the conduct of the Planning & Zoning Commission meeting on July 15, concerning my application.

The proceedings, and subsequently the denial of my application, were, to say the least, improper and raise serious questions about the fairness and adherence to due process. Additionally, I was told by the Ms. Dew and Ms. Paranjape that the "commission could make an executive decision to approve and there is room to approve". Additionally, if you took the time to understand; the units are legally nonconforming and this requirement should have never been applied since the units were never discussed with AAC according to the architect.

Foremost, I was not afforded the opportunity to withdraw my application prior to the Commission's vote and due to the harassing and dismissive actions of the chair and other members.

This fundamental procedural right, extended to applicants, was inexplicably denied, forcing a formal denial onto my record. I attempted to address specific facts that no one on the commission gave me a chance nor was there a clear engagement or discussion.

My family has been a long-standing taxpayer in Ridgefield since 1965, and I have personally dedicated over three months to the meticulous preparation of this application. It is therefore deeply troubling that the Commission, led by the Chairperson, spent barely twenty minutes badgering, interrupting, and dismissing my legitimate concerns and the sincere facts regarding the hardships in this situation for screening an HVAC. Really now!

This conduct suggests a predetermined outcome and a distinct lack of respect for an applicant's right to be fully and fairly heard. The meeting was, at a minimum, a disaster due to the Chairperson's apparent leadership in steering the Commission towards a denial, without proper consideration of the information presented or the opportunity for clarification. Given these significant procedural irregularities and the disrespectful manner in which my application was handled, I formally request an immediate and thorough review of the aforementioned meeting and the circumstances surrounding the denial of my application.

It is imperative that I ascertain the proper next steps, and I am considering currently consulting with legal counsel to fully understand the implications of this process and to ensure my rights as a taxpayer and applicant are protected.

I expect a prompt response regarding the Commission's plan to address these serious concerns.

Sincerely,

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