

## NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION SITE PLAN REVIEW

**RE:** 67 WHITNEY AVENUE. Site Plan Review for 15 new residential units in a BD zone.  
(Owner: Guo's Whitney Realty LLC; Applicant: Andrew Rizzo for AR Consulting LLC;  
Agent: Timothy Yolen of Yolen and Perzin LLC)

**REPORT:** 1551-01

**ACTION:** Approval with Conditions

### STANDARD CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

1. Pursuant to State Statute, this site plan and soil erosion and sediment control plan approval is valid for a period of five (5) years following the date of decision, until November 14, 2023. Upon petition of the applicant, the Commission may, at its discretion, grant extensions totaling no more than an additional five (5) years to complete all work connected to the original approval.
2. The applicant shall record on the City land records an original copy of this Site Plan Review report (to be provided by the City Plan Department) and shall furnish written evidence to the City Plan Department that the document has been so recorded (showing volume and page number), prior to City Plan signoff for building permits. A digital copy of the recorded report shall be provided to staff (.pdf).
3. Upon approval by the City Plan Commission, provide compiled digital copies of all application materials, including drawing sets and reports, to staff for filing (.pdf files) prior to City Plan signoff for building permits.
4. Comments under **ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL** shall be reviewed with the City Plan Department and resolution reflected on final plans, prior to their circulation for signoff.
5. Signoff on final plans by the Greater New Haven Water Pollution Control Authority; City Engineer; Department of Transportation, Traffic, and Parking; City Plan Department; and Fire Marshal in that order shall be obtained prior to initiation of site work or issuance of building permit.
6. Construction Operations Plan/Site Logistics Plan, including any traffic lane/sidewalk closures, temporary walkways, detours, signage, haul routes to & from site, and construction worker parking plan shall be submitted to the Department of Transportation, Traffic and Parking for review and approval to prior to City Plan signoff on final plans for building permit.
7. A site bond will be required in conformity with Connecticut General Statutes Section 8-3(g). Bond, or other such financial instrument, shall be provided to the City Plan Department, in an amount equal to the estimated cost of implementation of erosion and sediment controls, plus 10 percent, prior to City Plan final sign-off on plans for building permit.
8. The name of an individual responsible for monitoring the soil erosion and sediment control plan on a daily basis during the construction period shall be provided to the City Plan Department, prior to City Plan signoff on final Plans.
9. Any proposed work within City right-of-way will require separate permits.
10. Any sidewalks or curbs on the perimeter of the project deemed to be in damaged condition shall be replaced or repaired in accord with City of New Haven standard details.
11. Filing (with City Plan) and implementation of a Storm Drainage Maintenance Plan and Inspection Schedule is required.
12. Following completion of construction, any catch basins in the public right-of-way impacted by the project shall be cleaned, prior to issuance of Certificate of Occupancy.
13. As-built site plan shall be filed with City Plan Department, with a copy to the City Engineer, prior to issuance of Certificate of Occupancy. Site Plan shall be submitted in mylar and digital form (.pdf).

### ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

14. Applicant must conduct a percolation test results which proves assumptions made in stormwater system design to the Engineering Department for review prior to sign-off for building permits.

15. Applicant must provide copies of recorded easements for site parking, stormwater chambers, and joint use prior to City Plan sign-off for building permits.

**Submission: SPR Application Packet including DATA, WORKSHEET, and SITE forms. NARRATIVE attached. Application fee: \$360. Received October 18, 2018.**

- Stormwater Management Plan received October 18, 2018.
- Section 60 D & E Ordinance Responses dated November 6, 2018. Received November 8, 2018.
- Application drawings. 18 sheets received October 18, 2018. Revisions received November 1, 2018.
  - Cover letter. Received October 18, 2018.
  - Improvement Location Survey Existing Conditions. Drawing date July 20, 2018. Received October 18, 2018.
  - Improvement Location Survey Showing Existing Conditions & Water Management. D Drawing date July 20, 2018. Received October 18, 2018.
  - SL-1: Exterior Lighting Photometric Plan. Drawing date October 11, 2018. Received October 18, 2018.
  - Existing Shade Areas. Drawing date October 16, 2018. Received October 18, 2018.
  - Improvement Location Survey Showing Proposed Conditions. Drawing date September 11, 2018. Received October 18, 2018.
  - SD-1: Site Details. Drawing date October 23, 2018. Received November 1, 2018.
  - EP-1: Existing Basement Plan. Drawing date September 11, 2018. Received October 18, 2018.
  - EP-2: Existing Elevation & Second Floor Plan. Drawing date September 11, 2018. Received October 18, 2018.
  - EP-3: Existing Elevations. Drawing date September 11, 2018. Received October 18, 2018.
  - EP-4: Existing Cross Sections. Drawing date September 11, 2018. Received October 18, 2018.
  - P-1 – P-3: Proposed Basement – Fourth Floor Plans. Drawing date September 11, 2018. Received October 18, 2018.
  - P-4 & P-5: Proposed Elevations. Drawing date September 11, 2018. Received October 18, 2018.
  - P-5 Alt: Proposed Elevation & Plan Alternatives. Drawing date September 11, 2018. Received October 18, 2018.
  - P-6 & P-7: Cross Sections. Drawing date September 11, 2018. Received October 18, 2018.

**PROJECT SUMMARY:**

**Project:** Construction of 15 residential units

**Address:** 67 Whitney Avenue

**Site Size:** 11,170 SF (0.26 acres)

**Building size:** 16,812 SF

**Zone:** BD (Central Business)

**Parking:** 9 spaces (including 1 HC accessible space and 1 loading space)

**Owner:** Guo's Whitney Realty LLC

**Phone:** (203) 837-6070

**Applicant:** Andrew Rizzo for AR Consulting LLC

**Phone:** (203) 668-4943

**Agent:** Timothy Yolen of Yolen and Perzin LLC

**Phone:** (203) 562-5100

**BACKGROUND**

**Previous CPC Actions:**

No previous CPC actions have been taken.

**Zoning:**

The Site Plan as submitted meets the requirements of the New Haven Zoning Ordinance for the BD zone, with the zoning relief granted.

**Site description/existing conditions:**

The project site encompasses an area of approximately 11,170 SF (0.26 acres) and consists of a one-story building, occupied by the Great Wall Restaurant, and a parking lot. The site is bounded by commercial property in the north and south, parking lots in the east, and Whitney Avenue in the west.

**Proposed activity:**

The applicant proposes to construct three additional stories and 15 residential dwelling units above the existing one-story building. The proposed residential space will consist of efficiency and one-bedroom units. Additional site work includes the construction of an elevator and a lobby along the rear of the building, stormwater management improvements, and 437 SF of open space adjacent to the parking lot.

**Motor vehicle circulation/parking/traffic:**

Nine (9) parking spaces including one handicap accessible space and one loading space will be located in the rear of the building.

**Bicycle parking:**

The proposed project includes the construction of a bike storage closet in the proposed lobby on the first floor of the building. The bike closet will accommodate at least 5 bicycles.

**Trash removal:**

A trash enclosure and dumpster pad will be installed along the eastern edge of the parking lot.

**Signage:**

None proposed.

**Sec. 58 Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control:**

**Class A** (minimal impact)

**Class B** (significant impact)

**Class C** (significant public effect, hearing required)

Cubic Yards (cy) of soil to be moved, removed or added: 143.7 CY

Start Date: June 2019

Completion Date: December 2019

Responsible Party for Site Monitoring:

Once a contractor is chosen, an individual will be named as the individual responsible for monitoring soil erosion and sediment control measures on a daily basis, and that name provided to the City Plan Department prior to signoff of final plans for permits.

This individual is responsible for monitoring the site to assure there is no soil or runoff entering City catch basins or the storm sewer system. Other responsibilities include:

- monitoring soil erosion and sediment control measures on a daily basis;
- assuring there is no dust gravitation off site by controlling dust generated by vehicles and equipment and by soil stockpiles during construction;
- determining the appropriate response, should unforeseen erosion or sedimentation problems arise; and
- ensuring that SESC measures are properly installed, maintained and inspected according to the SESC Plan.

Should soil erosion problems develop (either by wind or water) following issuance of permits for site work, the named party is responsible for notifying the City Engineer within twenty-four hours of any such situation with a plan for immediate corrective action.

All SESC measures are required to be designed and constructed in accordance with the latest Standards and Specifications of the *Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control*.

**Sec. 60 Stormwater Management Plan: SUBMISSION MEETS REQUIREMENTS**

**REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION**

- Soil characteristics of site;
- Location of closest surface water bodies and depth to groundwater;
- DEEP ground and surface water classification of water bodies;
- Identification of water bodies that do not meet DEEP water quality standards;
- Proposed operations and maintenance manual and schedule;
- Location and description of all proposed BMPs;
- Calculations for stormwater runoff rates, suspended solids removal rates, and soil infiltration rates;
- Hydrologic study of pre-development conditions commensurate with conditions.

**STANDARDS**

- Direct channeling of untreated surface water runoff into adjacent ground and surface waters shall be prohibited;
- No net increase in the peak rate or total volume of stormwater runoff from the site, to the maximum extent possible, shall result from the proposed activity;
- Design and planning for the site development shall provide for minimal disturbance of pre-development natural hydrologic conditions, and shall reproduce such conditions after completion of the proposed activity, to the maximum extent feasible;
- Pollutants shall be controlled at their source to the maximum extent feasible in order to contain and minimize contamination;
- Stormwater management systems shall be designed and maintained to manage site runoff in order to reduce surface and groundwater pollution, prevent flooding, and control peak discharges and provide pollution treatment;
- Stormwater management systems shall be designed to collect, retain, and treat the first inch of rain on-site, so as to trap floating material, oil and litter;
- On-site infiltration and on-site storage of stormwater shall be employed to the maximum extent feasible;
- Post-development runoff rates and volumes shall not exceed pre-development rates and volumes for various storm events. Stormwater runoff rates and volumes shall be controlled by infiltration and on-site detention systems designed by a professional engineer licensed in the state of Connecticut except where detaining such flow will affect upstream flow rates under various storm conditions;
- Stormwater treatment systems shall be employed where necessary to ensure that the average annual loadings of total suspended solids (TSS) following the completion of the proposed activity at the site are no greater than such loadings prior to the proposed activity. Alternately, stormwater treatment systems shall remove 80 percent TSS from the site on an average annual basis; and
- Use of available BMPs to minimize or mitigate the volume, rate, and impact of stormwater to ground or surface waters.

**Sec. 60.1 Exterior Lighting: SUBMISSION MEETS REQUIREMENTS**

**REQUIRED SUBMISSION**

- Lighting Plan with location of all fixtures, type of fixture and mounting height of lights;
- Manufacturer specifications or cut-sheet for each fixture;
- Photometrics.

**STANDARDS**

- Prevent or minimize direct glare and light trespass;
- All parking area lighting shall be full cut-off type fixtures and shall not exceed twenty (20) feet in height from the ground to the highest point of the fixture;
- Up lighting and high pressure sodium light sources are prohibited. Externally lit signs, display building, and aesthetic lighting must be lit from the top and shine downward and not sideward or upward. The lighting must be shielded to prevent direct glare and/or light trespass. The lighting must also be, as much as physically possible, contained within the target area;
- All building lighting for security or aesthetics shall be full cut-off or shielded type, not allowing any upward distribution of light. Floodlighting is discouraged, and if used, must be shielded to prevent: (a) disability glare for drivers or pedestrians, (b) light trespass beyond the property line, and (c) light above the horizontal plane;

Where non-residential development is adjacent to residential property, no direct light source shall be visible at the property line at ground level or above; and

High pressure sodium and flickering or flashing lights are prohibited.

**Sec. 60.2 Reflective Heat Impact: SUBMISSION MEETS REQUIREMENTS STANDARDS**

50% of all on-site non-roof hardscape or paved areas will be either:

shaded AND/OR

constructed of a material with a solar reflectance index of at least 29.

TOTAL SF of non-roof hardscape:

6,180 SF

50% of non-roof hardscape:

3090 SF

<b>Shaded (average)</b>	<b>4683 SF</b>
<b>TOTAL PROPOSED SHADED/HIGH SRI AREA</b>	<b>4,683 SF</b>
<b>% SHADED/HIGH SRI PROPOSED</b>	<b>75.8%</b>

**Project Timetable:** Construction is expected to begin in June 2019 and be completed by December 2019.

**SITE PLAN REVIEW**

Plans have been reviewed by the Site Plan Review team with representatives from the Departments of City Plan, City Engineer, Building, Disabilities Services and Transportation, Traffic and Parking and have been found to meet the requirements of City ordinances, regulations, and standard details.

**SITE PLAN ACTION**

The City Plan Commission approves the submitted Site Plans subject to conditions on Page 1.

**ADOPTED:** November 14, 2018  
Edward Mattison  
Chair

**ATTEST:** MDL  
Michael Piscitelli, AICP  
Deputy Economic Development Administrator

