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To: Denise Hamiton  
Re: 19 Halsey St.

Denise,

I am writing to kindly request an exemption from the plot plan requirement relating to my Application for Development for 19 Halsey St.

I have submitted an Application for Development in order to replace our one-story porch with a two-story addition. The initial submission of the Application for Development and related materials was reviewed for completeness by Christopher Cosenza. In his Completeness Review dated March 28, 2023, he suggested that “the application *may be exempt* from the requirement of providing a plot and grading plan (prior to construction), provided that if a basement or cellar is proposed, it is not lower in elevation than the basement or cellar in the existing dwelling....” In making a request for exemption, he requested that I clarify; the finish floor elevations, if any soils work data has been prepared; and how roof drain runoff and sump pump discharge associated with the addition will be addressed.

I am writing to request an exemption from providing a plot plan and grading plan and provide the requested information. The current basement is 34 inches and will be kept in place. The crawl space area under a portion of the rear addition will have a slab on grade and will be well above the existing basement slab. The exterior access to the existing basement will be at the same level as the existing basement slab. There are no proposed areas where the foundation will be below the existing foundation. Additionally, no soil work data has been prepared.

Finally, the gutters and leaders proposed for the extension will connect to our existing underground drainage piping. Our home has a french drain system. The gutters from the north side of the house are connected to an underground pipe that outputs in the backyard garden. However, not much water has ever been witnessed making it to the garden. The north side gutters of the proposed addition will connect to this underground pipe. . The gutters on the south side of the house are connected to a french drain system. The south side gutters of the proposed addition will connect to the existing french drain system. There is also a grate outside the basement door that directs water to the french drain system. We will maintain a grate outside the basement door. There is a sump pump in the south east corner of the basement. The water from the south gutters, back grate, and sump pump exit through an underground pipe that penetrates the curb just north of our driveway and deposits into the road. We do not propose including a sump pit/sump pump for the proposed addition.

Please let me know if you need any additional information.

Thank you,  
Dave Wyrzten