

## HOWARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ZONING

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RE:

WP-11-Ø85, Lutfi's International Salon and

Spa (SDP-07-121)

Dear Mr. On:

The Director of the Department of Planning and Zoning considered your request for a waiver from the Howard County Subdivision and Land Development Regulations.

As of the date of this letter, the Planning Director approved your request to waive Sections 16.156(o)(1)(i), which requires the applicant to apply for a building permit within one-year of signature approval of the plan, and 16.156(o)(2), which states that the site development plan shall expire if the developer does not submit for a building permit within one year of the site development plan approval.

Approval is subject to the following condition:

1. The developer shall apply to the Department of Inspections, Licenses and Permits for building permits to initiate construction on the site within one year from the date of the current deadline of July 22, 2011 (on or before July 22, 2012).

Our decision was made based on the following:

<u>Extraordinary Hardship or Practical Difficulty</u> - Due to the economic climate, the applicant had difficulty obtaining loans from financial institutions. This explanation is consistent with several waivers currently approved for subdivisions throughout the County.

<u>Not Detrimental to the Public Interest</u> - Approval of the waiver request will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood and will not substantially impair the appropriate use or development of the surrounding properties.

<u>Will Not Nullify the Intent or Purpose of the Regulations</u> – This waiver simply extends the time to apply for building permits and does not waive any technical requirements of the plan. There have been no changes to the regulations that would impact the approval of this project within this timeframe.

Indicate this waiver petition file number, request, section of the regulations, action, conditions of approval, and date on all related plats, and site development plans, and building permits. This requested waiver will remain valid for the time period specified in the conditions of approval or as long as this site development plan remains in active processing.

If you have any questions, please contact Jill Manion-Farrar at (410) 313-2350 or email at <a href="mailto:ifarrar@howardcountymd.gov">ifarrar@howardcountymd.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

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