

#### **Application for Variance**

City of Gahanna, Ohio 
Planning Commission 200 S. Hamilton Road, Gahanna, OH 43230 Phone: (614) 342-4025 Fax: (614) 342-4117

\*REQUIRED INFORMATION: All correspondence will be addressed to the applicant. Planning Commission members or City staff may conduct a site visit prior to a Planning Commission Public Hearing.

*Applicant Name: <u>Dallite Sign Co.</u> *Applicant Address: <u>1640 Harmon Ave Columbus OH 43223</u> *Applicant Email: <u>awineberg @ danitesign.com</u>	*Phone: <u>614-323-9138</u> *Fax: <u>614-444-3026</u>
*Applicant's Relationship to Project: Land Owner: Option Holder:	Cont. Purchaser: Agent: 🔀
*Property Owner Name: <u>LNP Straubery Plaza LTD</u> *Property Owner Address: <u>P6 60× 284 Gelena 014 430 21</u> *Contact Name: <u>michelle</u> Mc Geehan.	*Phone: <u>614-865-9435</u> *Fax: <u>614-865-9005</u> *Email: <u>prossmichelle 82.0 aul.</u> 6 m.
*Address for Requested Variance: <u>246 Lincoln Circle</u> *Parcel ID#: <u>025-007429-8</u> 0	*Current Zoning: <u>CCommercial</u> .
*Description of Variance Requested: replace top portion of existing new cabinet to be same height as existing	xisting ground sign with B Sign. Above 8 tall
*Applicant's Signature:	*Date: <u>4-21-15</u>

\*SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS: Applications are not complete until all submission requirements are received and accepted by the Planning and Zoning Administrator.

- 1. Two (2) 11" x 17" copies of a survey and legal description of the property certified by a registered surveyor.
- 2. One (1) digital copy of completed application and associated documents.
- 3. A list of contiguous property owners and their mailing addresses.
- Pre-printed mailing labels for all contiguous property owners. 4.
- 5. A statement of the reason(s) for the Variance request. The statement must address the three (3) conditions listed on page 2 of this application in order for Planning Commission to grant approval for the Variance.
- Application Fee of \$150 for Single-Family Residential Districts and \$300 for all other Zoning Districts. 6.

#### \*PLANNING AND ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL:

Code Sections to be varied: 1165,08 (b) (c)

Description of the governing code and the requested variance:	to al	low	a monument	sign
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In accordance with Section 1131 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Gahanna, Ohio, I hereby certify that this project, as stated above, was for approved by the City of Gahanna Planning Commission on \_\_\_\_\_. The applicant shall comply with any conditions approved by the Planning Commission and shall comply with all building, zoning and landscaping regulations now in place. above, was for approved by the City of Gahanna Planning Commission on

Planning & Zoning Administrator's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date:

(Paid)

For Internal Use: SunGard File No. PC File No. Public Hearing Date: (Received) Revised 10-1-2014/cas 58K11# MS

(Accepted by PZA)



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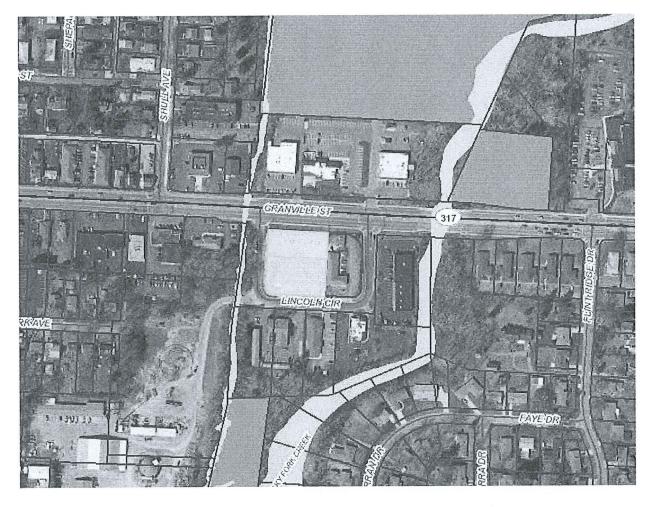




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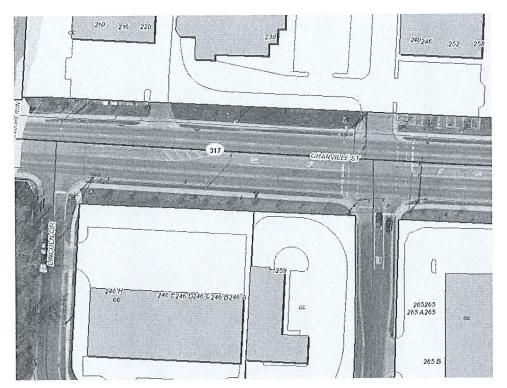
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Zoning Map



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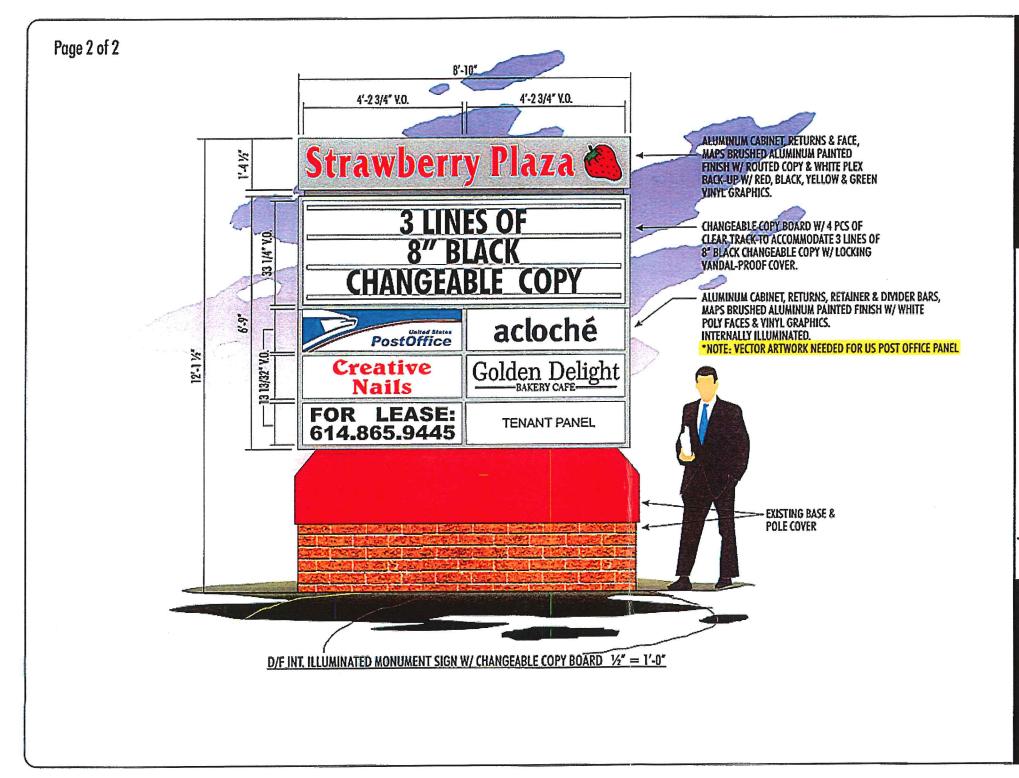
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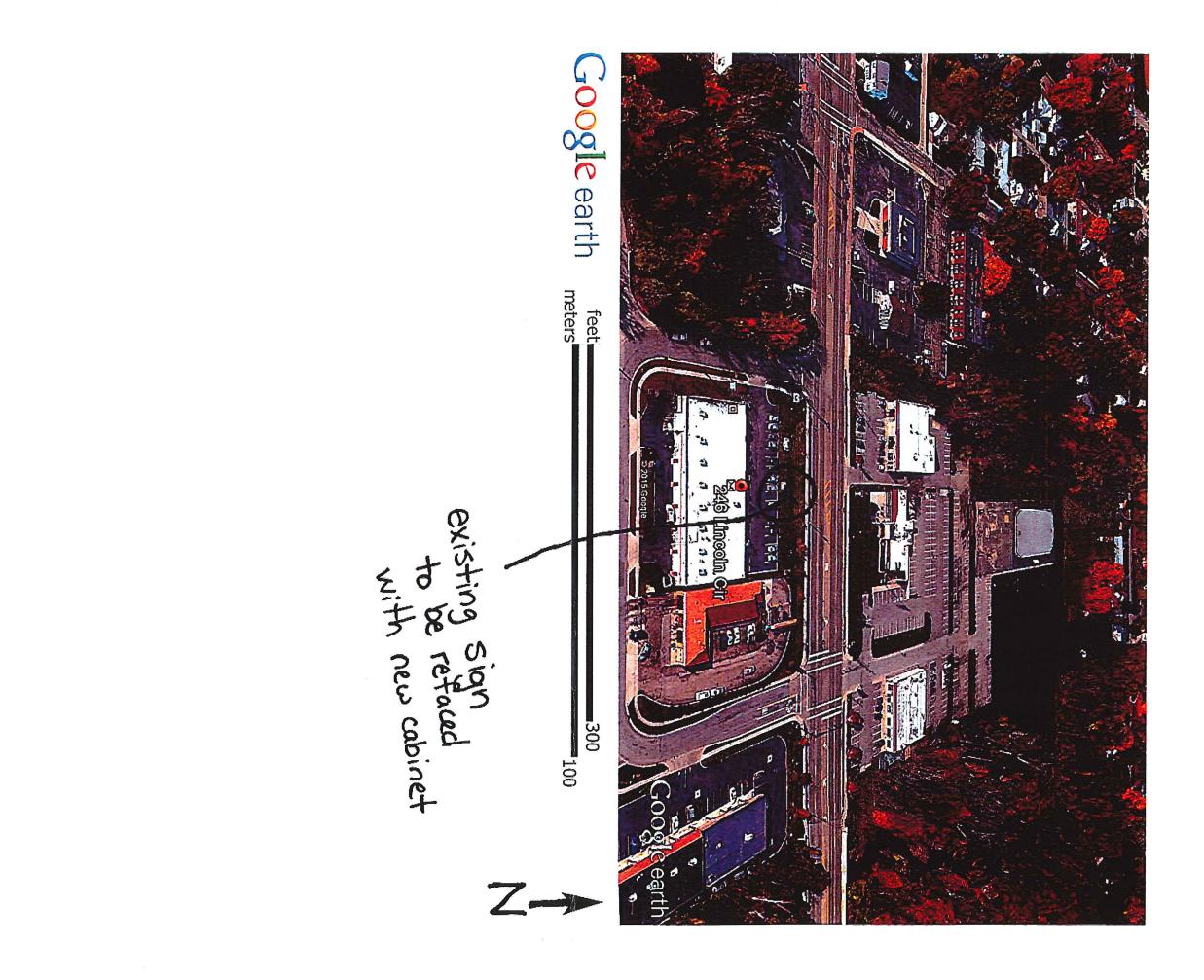
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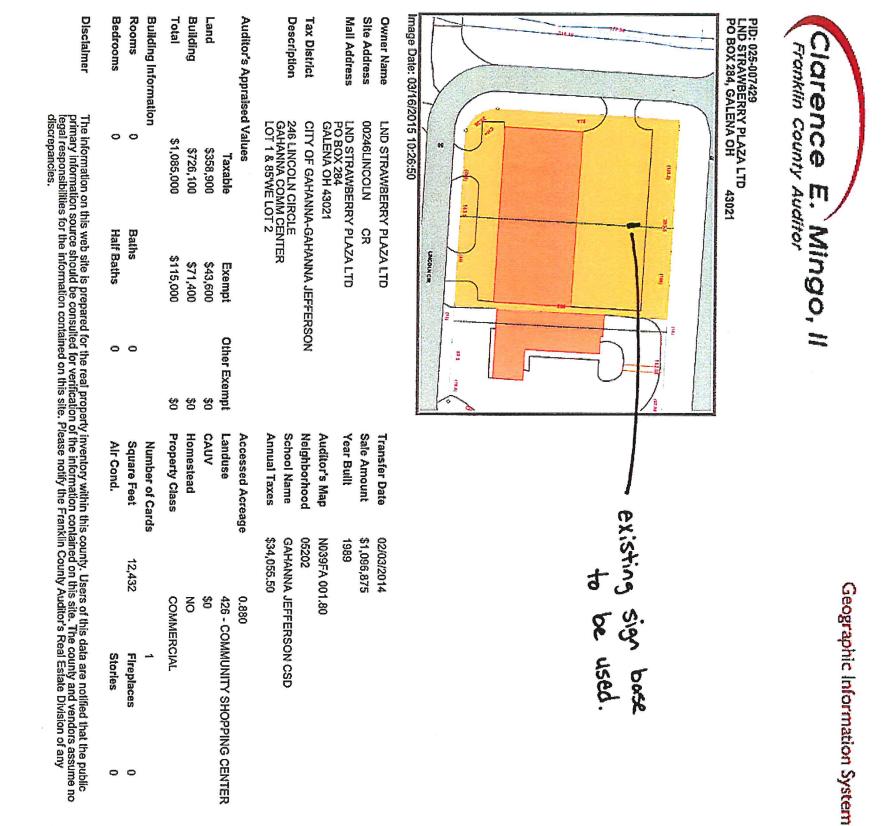
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