



CITY OF PITTSBURGH

Department of Mobility and Infrastructure

William Peduto, Mayor

Karina Ricks, Director

Application for an Encroachment on City Dedicated Right-Of-Way

Before application can be filed, anyone affiliated with this application must submit a tax & fine clearance statement. This statement must be signed off by all listed in the attached Ordinance. This information request is from City Code 416.03C. (see page 3)

Date MAY 14, 2019

Name CARNEGIE LIBRARY OF PITTSBURGH-LBPH
C/O RON GRAZIANO

Address 4400 FORBES AVENUE, PGH. PA 15213

Home Phone Number: N/A Business Phone Number: (412) 622-1016

Pager Number: N/A Cell Phone Number: (412) 983-9407

Location of Proposed Encroachment: 4724 BAUM BLVD. PGH., PA 15213

Ward: 8 Council District: 7

Lot and Block What is the properties zoning code? (zoning office 255-2235) L&B# 51-N-164
URBAN NEIGHBORHOOD
COMMERCIAL

Is the existing right-of-way, a street or a sidewalk? STREET

Width of Existing Right-of-Way (sidewalk or street): 106'0" - (BAUM BLVD. @ ENFIELD ST.)

Length of Existing Right-of-Way (sidewalk or street): 87.65' BAUM BLVD.
137.45' ENFIELD STREET

Width of Proposed Encroachment: CANOPY: 0' TO 5' 7"
BOLLARDS: 6" DIA BOLLARDS

Length of Proposed Encroachment: CANOPY: 33'-3" ON BAUM BLVD / 29'-0" ON ENFIELD ST.
BOLLARDS: 20'-6" ON BAUM BLVD

Reason for application: TO PROVIDE A MORE CONSPICUOUS AND SAFER ENTRANCE TO THE BUILDING AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE. THE PROTECTIVE BOLLARDS WILL HELP PREVENT VISUALLY IMPAIRED PATRONS FROM WALKING INTO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC ON BAUM BLVD. THE EXTERIOR CANOPY WILL PROVIDE SHELTER FOR LIBRARY PATRONS WHILE THEY WAIT FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION (VAN ACCESS/BUSSES) AS MOST PATRONS AND VOLUNTEERS ARRIVE BY SUCH MODES OF TRANSPORTATION.



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Upon completion of the building, how many people will the structure accommodate? 75 OR LESS

As a result of this encroachment, will the project create jobs and if so how many? NO

I have enclosed a picture or drawing of the proposed structure to be placed on the site of the encroached property. (No Larger than 8" X 11")

If there are abutting property owners, I have enclosed the petition (attached at the end of the application) received at the time of the application containing signatures of all adjacent property owners.

This petition has been witnessed and notarized. N/A

I have enclosed a copy of the specifications. (No Larger than 8" X 11")

I have enclosed a copy of a survey or plot plan of the property.

REMEMBER TO ATTACH ALL ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. (ie.: Letter to the Director, Insurance forms (these are due when the encroachment is approved), maps, specs, drawings, petitions, a check for \$150.00 payable to Treasurer City of Pittsburgh).

For Office Use:

- Check for \$150.00 150.00 Received Plot Plan or Survey ✓ N/A
- Received Required Insurance ✓ Petition signed and notarized ✓
- Received detailed map of proposed encroachment ✓
- Received drawing or picture of completed project ✓
- Received picture of proposed encroached property ✓
- Received signed, notarized Petition, if there are abutting property owners ✓
- All tax information in compliance ✓ delinquent _____



May 13, 2019

Karina Ricks, Director
Department of Mobility & Infrastructure
611 Second Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pa 15219

Dear Ms. Ricks,

I'm writing to request an encroachment for the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped at 4724 Baum Boulevard, Pittsburgh, PA.

The building at 4724 Baum Boulevard was built in the 1920s as a Studebaker Sales Office and is built up to the lot lines on the Baum Boulevard and Enfield Street sides. The Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh has occupied the building since 1970 and is planning a renovation of the building to better serve its patrons.

The existing library has an austere and somewhat hidden entrance on Baum Boulevard. Most first time visitors do not recognize the entrance and the only sign is a plastic banner hung from the façade. In addition, the entrance off Baum is in a precarious location, causing danger to the visually impaired patrons as they navigate the small sidewalk on Baum adjacent to the busy vehicular traffic.

The renovation aims to make a more conspicuous and safer entrance to the building at the corner of Baum and Enfield with a new canopy and a sign atop the canopy to act as beacon visitors. The entrance has been pulled back into the building so the patrons awaiting transportation may have a place to wait for their ride out of the weather.

These improvements will require an encroachment since the building is built to the lot line and the canopy, new protective bollards and the new sign are all in the public sidewalk space. It is estimated the canopy will overhang the sidewalk by 4'-6" and the new sign will sit atop the canopy. The bollards are a replacement for the existing protective bollards that help visually impaired patrons from walking into the vehicular traffic on Baum Boulevard. In addition, new paving will be installed to help meet the grade at the relocated entrance. The drawings propose new red pavers with tactile warning to announce the entrance. As you'll see from the renderings and the plans, we believe the entrance helps partially sighted visitors navigate the entrance and have a safer entrance experience.

Our design team and the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh believe these improvements are critical to provide a safe and intuitive building entry for the Library. We have begun the process of meeting with local community groups (the Bloomfield Corporation) and the Arts Commission to ensure the authorities having jurisdiction are informed and approve of this renovation. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Matthew A. Plecity', written in a cursive style.

Matthew A. Plecity, AIA, ASLA
mplecity@gbbn.com
Associate



NEW BOLLARDS AND RAILING

REMOVE EXISTING CONCRETE PAVING FOR SPECIALIZED TEXTURED PAVERS ON COMPACTED SAND BASE WITH 4" GRAVEL DRAINAGE COURSE. BASIS OF DESIGN - HANOVER DETECTABLE WARNING PAVERS COLOR RED-15 12"x12" SIZING

REMOVE EXISTING CONCRETE PAVING. REPLACE WITH CONCRETE PAVERS ON COMPACTED SAND BASE WITH 4" GRAVEL DRAINAGE COURSE. B.O.D. PREST PAVES 12X12. COLOR RED 15.

DASHED LINE INDICATES CANOPY ABOVE

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RELOCATED POSTAL RELAY BOX AND MAIL BOX

ENLARGED PLAN



