SEPTEMBER 6, 2023 APPEAL SCHEDULE



September 6, 2023

Wilson Okwuobu, *Appellant* 7208 E. Jematell Lane Scottsdale AZ, 85266

Re:

Appeal of Denial of Request for Variance

Case No.: VAR-41582-2023

Dear Mr. Okwuobu,

The City of Yuma's Department of Planning and Neighborhood Services has received your notice of appeal in the above-referenced matter. Appeals of variance requests are regulated by Yuma City Code (Y.C.C.) § 154-02.02(C) and Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 9-462.06(A). Please review that code and statute and the applicable laws cited in the denial of your request for a variance.

Your appeal is scheduled to be heard before the City Council on Wednesday, **November 1, 2023**. The City Council will receive the written materials that were presented to the Hearing Officer in this case. The parties may supplement those materials as follows:

- Appellant Okwuobu may submit any additional material to Lynda Bushong at clerk@yumaaz.gov on or before **4:00 PM on September 26, 2023**.
- Appellee City of Yuma may submit a Reply to any additional material submitted by Appellant Okwuobu on or before 4:00 PM on October 6, 2023.

Any additional material will be shared with both parties and made part of the record submitted to the City Council.

During the appeal hearing on **November 1, 2023**. Each side will be allotted fifteen (15) minutes to present their case. Appellant Okwuobu will present first, followed by Appellee City of Yuma. Because Appellant Okwuobu has the burden of persuasion, Appellant Okwuobu may opt to reserve three (3) to five (5) minutes of Appellant's allotted fifteen (15) minutes for final reply.

You have the right to be represented by an attorney. If you will be represented by an attorney in this appeal, please instruct your attorney to enter his or her appearance as counsel of record without delay.

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Finally, if you wish to withdraw your appeal of the Hearing Officer decision, please inform the Department of Planning and Neighborhood services in writing so the matter may be removed from the agenda.

Sincerely,

Amelia Domby, Senior Planner