

TOWN OF KURE BEACH

117 SETTLERS LANE ♦ KURE BEACH, NORTH CAROLINA 28449 TELEPHONE (910) 458-6535 ♦ FAX (910) 458-4269

SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION

Purpose

Special use permits add flexibility to the zoning regulations. Subject to high standards of planning and design, certain property uses may be allowed in certain districts where these uses would not otherwise be acceptable. By means of controls exercised through the special use procedures, property uses, which would otherwise be undesirable in certain districts, can be developed to minimize any adverse effects they might have on surrounding properties.

Procedure

- Applicant must fill out all sections of the application
- Special use permit applications shall only be submitted by the property owner(s) or their duly authorized agent.
- Site plans shall be prepared by qualified professionals based upon current land records information. The plan shall be drawn to an accurate scale and legible size as required by each parcel and contain the following information:
 - (1) Names of the owner, developer and design professionals;
 - (2) Scale, dimensions, date, north arrow, property boundaries;
 - (3) Location, height, number of stories, floor area, setbacks and proposed uses of all structures;
 - (4) Open space and recreational areas and impervious surface calculations;
 - (5) Buffering and screening areas, fencing, walls and landscaping indicating the type, number and size of all plantings;
 - (6) Vehicular and pedestrian circulation including existing and proposed rights-of-way with cross-sections, design details and dimensions;
 - (7) Location and geometry of all parking, loading, and sanitation pickup;
 - (8) Conceptual grading, site preparation and stormwater management plans;
 - (9) Lighting details including type, location, and radius and intensity in footcandles;
 - (10) Location, height and dimensions of all signs; and
 - (11) Any additional conditions and requirements that represent greater restrictions on development and use of the site than the underlying zoning district.
- Upon receiving the recommendations of the planning and zoning commission and holding a public hearing, the town council may grant or deny the special use permit. The special use permit, if granted shall include such approved plans as may be required.

Property Owner Information

Property Owner's Name <u>Seamist Suites</u> , LLC	Phone # (910) 200-7114
Mailing Address 7004 Eschol Ct, Wilmington, NC, 28409	
E-mail address adam.o.khatib@gmail.com	Page 1 of 5

Applicant Information

Applicant Seamist Suites, LLC	Phone	#	(<u>910)</u>	200-7114
Mailing Address 7004 Eschol Court, Wilmington, NC, 28409	Email Address <u>adar</u>	n.o.k	hatib@	gmail.com
Representative/Agent for Owner Corrie Faith Lee and Lieth	Khatib			
(AUTHORITY FOR APPOINTMENT OF AGENT IS ATTACHED)				

Property Information

Property Address 106 S Fort Fisher Blvd, Kure Beach, NC PIN (parcel identification #) R09217-005-014-000, R09217-005-015-000

Proposed Project Name Seamist Suites & Plaza

Application for Special Use Permit

Application is hereby made for the following use: (Please explain below)

Mixed-use structure adjacent to 102 S Fort Fisher Blvd in the B-1 District. Ground floor would comprise of retail and top two levels will be 10 residential units (5 on each floor).

General conditions

When granting a special use permit, Council shall find that all four of the following factors exist. In the spaces provided below, indicate the facts and arguments that prove you meet the following conditions:

1. Indicate how the proposed special use will not materially endanger the public health or safety if located where proposed and approved:

The proposed use will not materially endanger public health or safety. The site will comply with all applicable building, fire, life safety, and floodplain management codes. It includes safe vehicular and pedestrian access, designated off-street parking, ADA compliance, and meets or exceeds state and local fire separation and egress standards. The tourist lodging units will be operated under professional management to ensure tenant conduct aligns with town regulations.

2. Indicate if the proposed special use meets all required conditions and specifications:

This project meets all required conditions of the Kure Beach Zoning Ordinance for the B-1 district, including permitted use designations for ground-floor commercial activity and upper-level residential units. The building complies with maximum height requirements (not to exceed 35 feet), setbacks, and parking regulations. The site plan is designed to manage stormwater appropriately and integrate with town infrastructure.

3. Indicate how the proposed special use will not substantially injure the value of the adjoining property, or that the use is a public necessity:

The development enhances the area by introducing small-scale, locally-oriented businesses and high-quality rental accommodations in a professionally maintained, visually cohesive structure. Although residential homes are located to the rear of the property, the site plan incorporates screening and thoughtful buffering to protect neighborhood character. Rather than diminishing value, the project is expected to enhance nearby property values by improving streetscape, increasing walkability, and contributing to local business vitality. It meets a public necessity by addressing the need for short-term lodging and accessible retail services in Kure Beach.

4. Indicate that the location and character of the use, if developed according to the plan as submitted and approved, will be in harmony with the area in which it is located and in general conformity with the comprehensive plan and other plans for the area:

The location and character of the proposed use align with the Town of Kure Beach Comprehensive Plan. Specifically, the project supports Land Use Goal 1 ("Encourage development that maintains Kure Beach's small-town character") and Economic Development Goal 2 ("Support local-serving commercial services and promote tourism"). The coastal architectural design respects the character of nearby structures and includes landscaping and façade elements that fit the beach town aesthetic. The use of the space promotes compact, pedestrian-oriented development, enhancing the downtown core without creating sprawl or traffic burden.

Property Owner's Signature

Osama Khatib Date <u>7/17/2025</u> Please sign in blue or black ink Applicant's Signature Osama Khatib Date <u>7/17/2025</u>

Please sign in blue or black ink

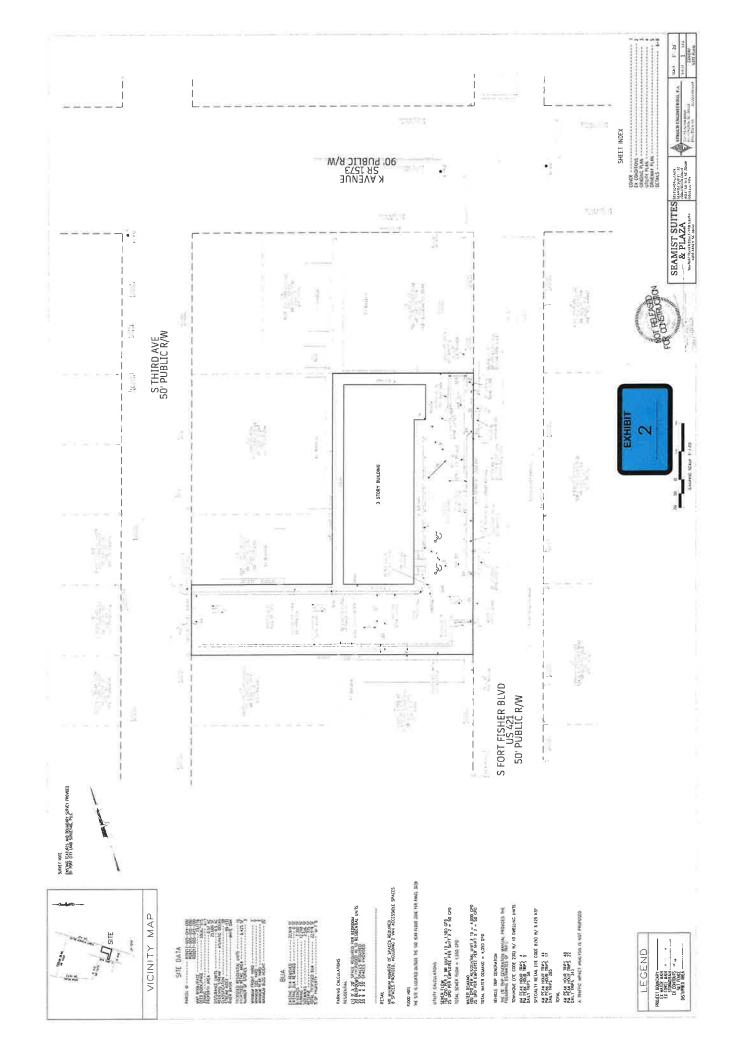
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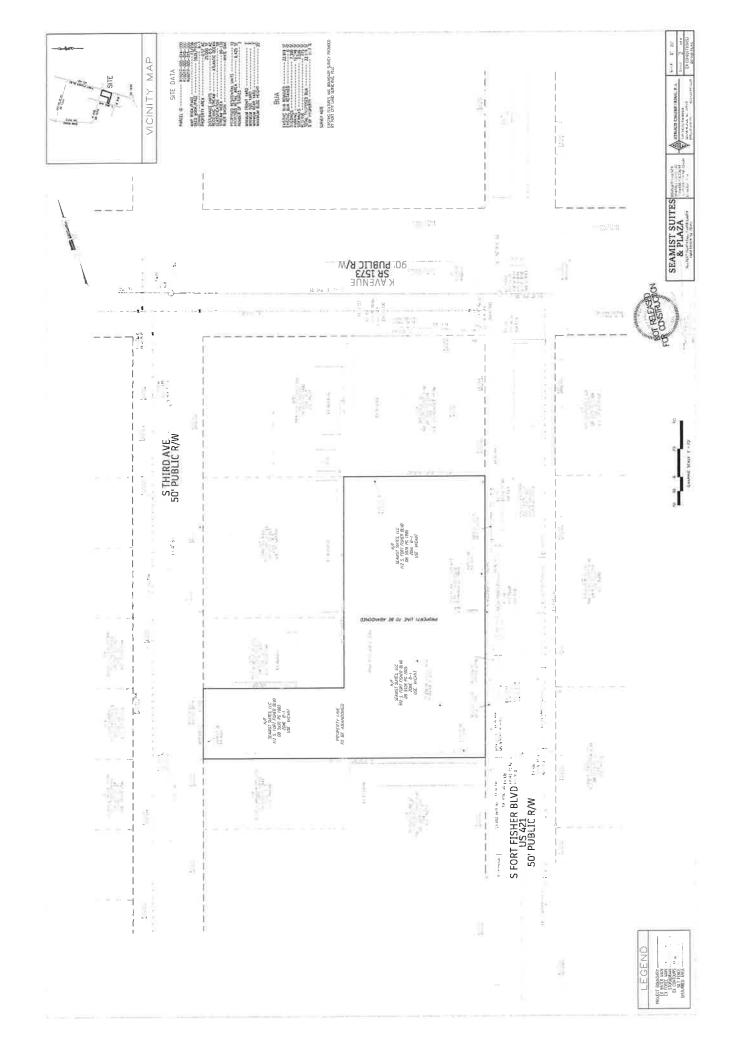
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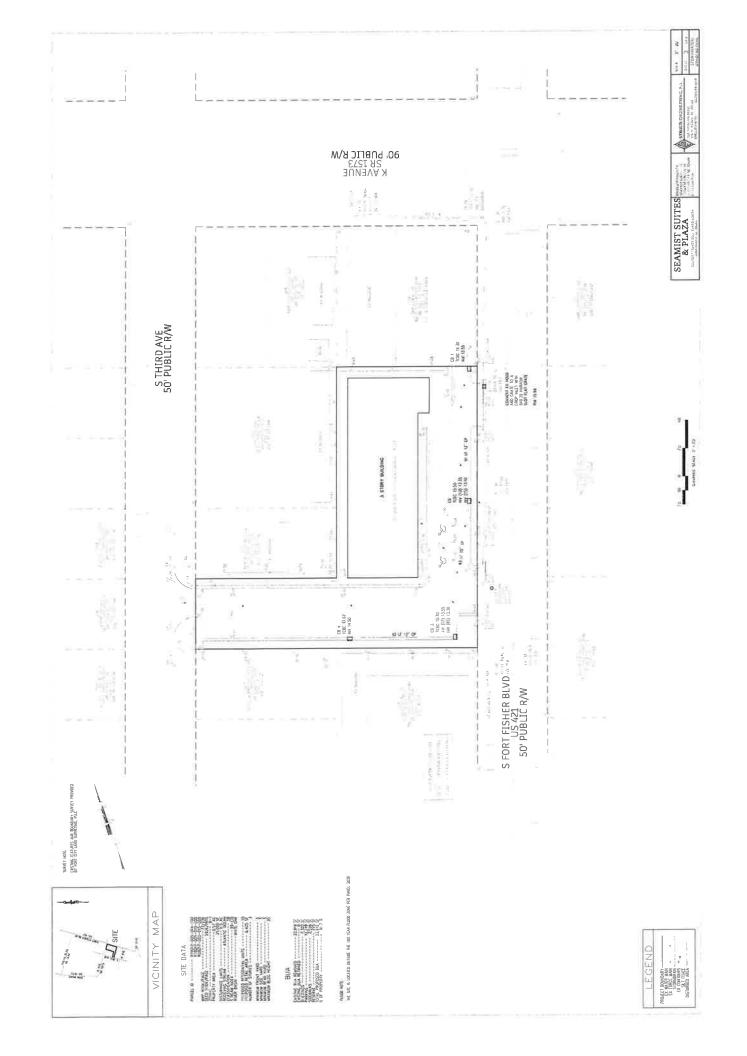
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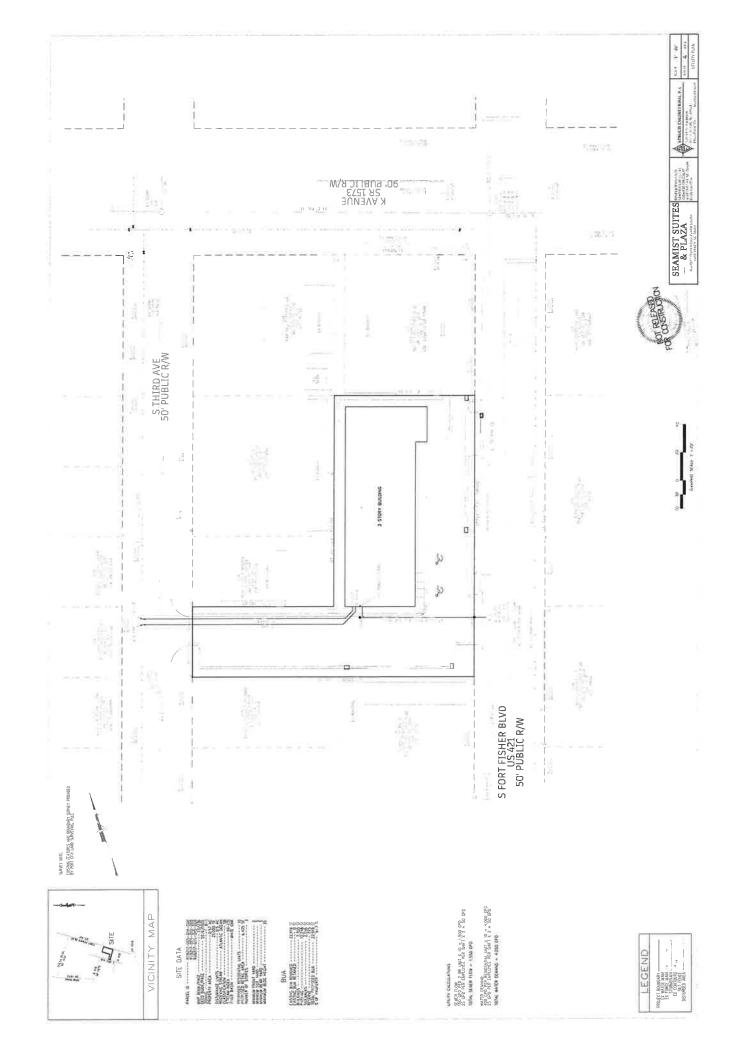
The undersigned owner, Seamist Suites, LLC	, does hereby appoint			
Corrie Faith Lee and Lieth Khatib	as his, or its exclusive agent for			
the purpose of petitioning the Town of Kure Beach for appr	roval of a Special Use Permit, as applicable			
to the property having the address of 106 S Fort Fisher B	Slvd, Kure Beach, NC			
and described in the attached application.				
The owner does hereby covenant and agree with the Town of	of Kure Beach that said agent has the			
authority to do the following acts for and on behalf of the o	wner:			
1. To submit a proper application and the required sup	plemental material; and			
2. To appear at public meetings to give representation and commitments on behalf of the owner; and				
3. To accept conditions or recommendations made for the issuance of the Special Use Permit on the owner's property; and				
 To act on the owner's behalf without limitations wit indirectly connected with or arising out of any petiti 				
This agency agreement shall continue in effect until final di conjunction with this appointment.	sposition of the application submitted in			
Date: _7/17/2025	Agent's name, Address & Telephone:			
	Corrie Faith Lee - (910) 940-0126			
Owner*	Lieth Khatib - (910) 833-9455			
Seamist Suites, LLC	330 Military Cutoff Rd., A-2			
	Wilmington, NC 28405			

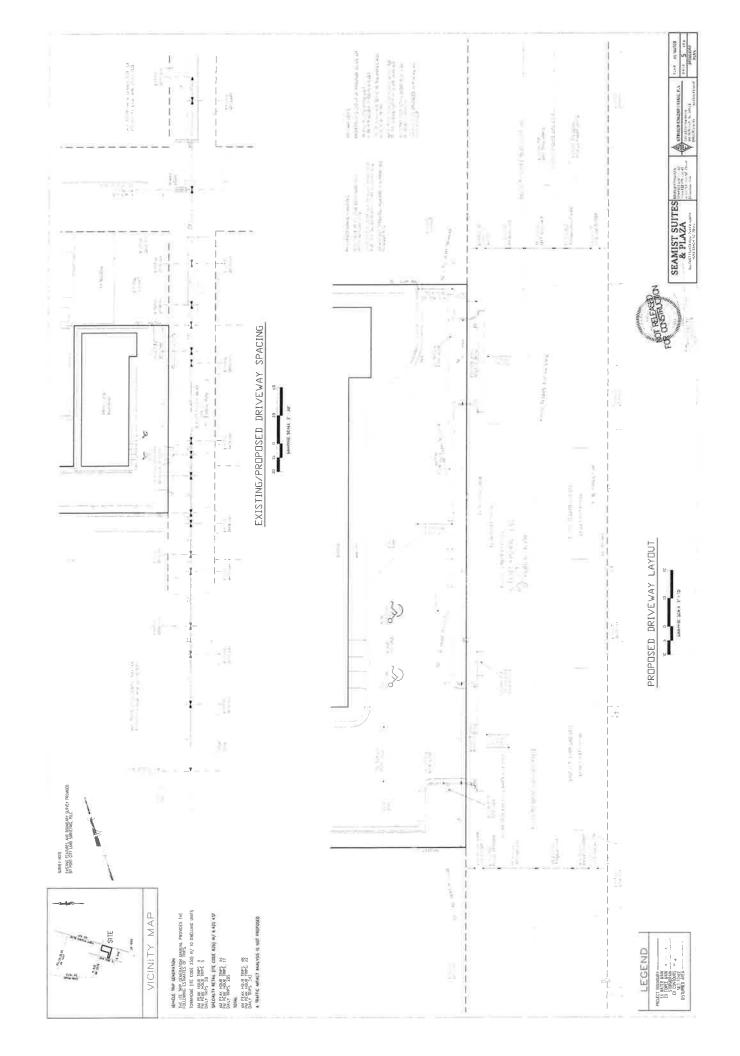
^{*} If the owner is an individual, the owner (or all owners if there is more than one) must sign the authorization. If a corporation, print the name of the corporation and have signed by an authorized officer. If a partnership, print the name of the partnership and have signed by an authorized partner.

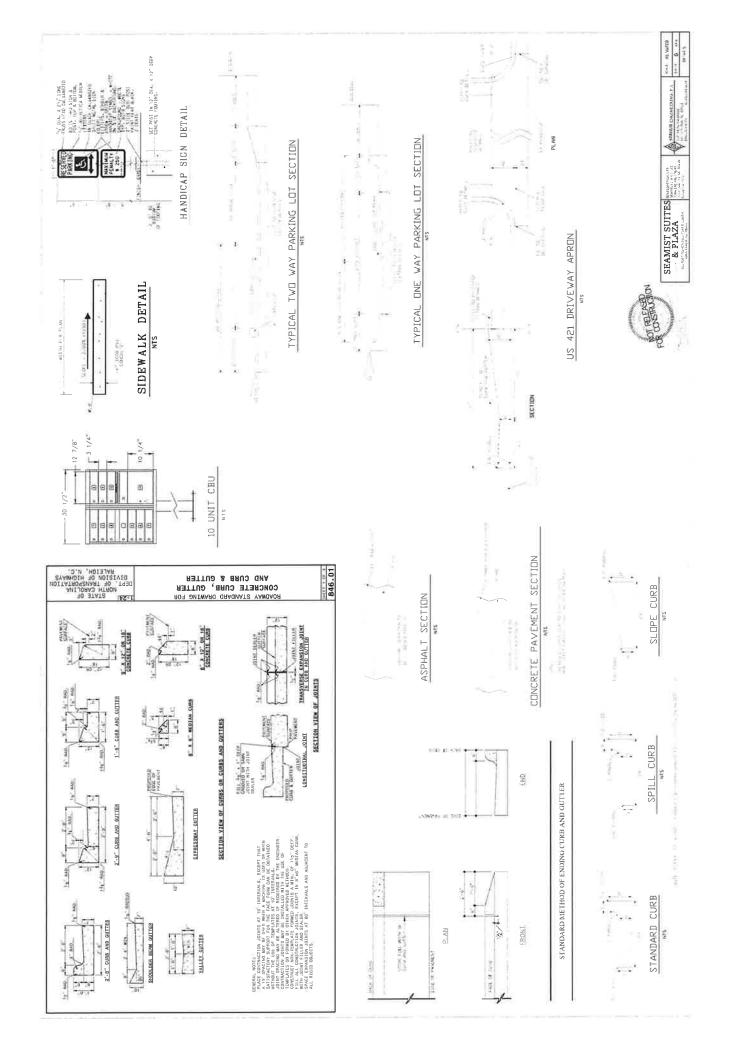


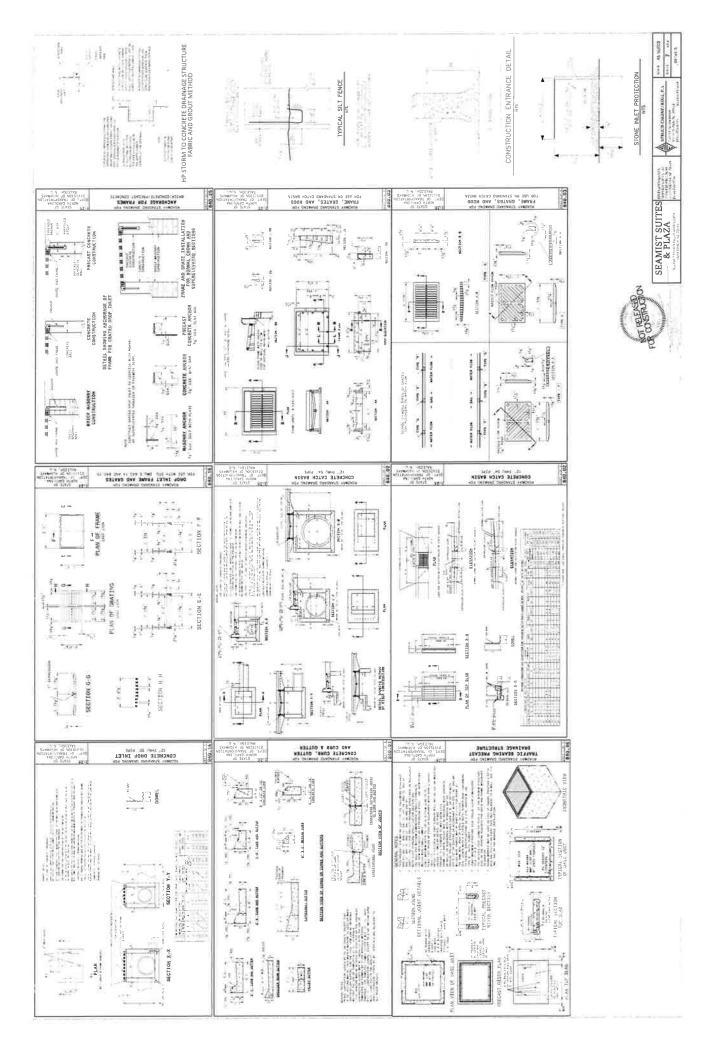


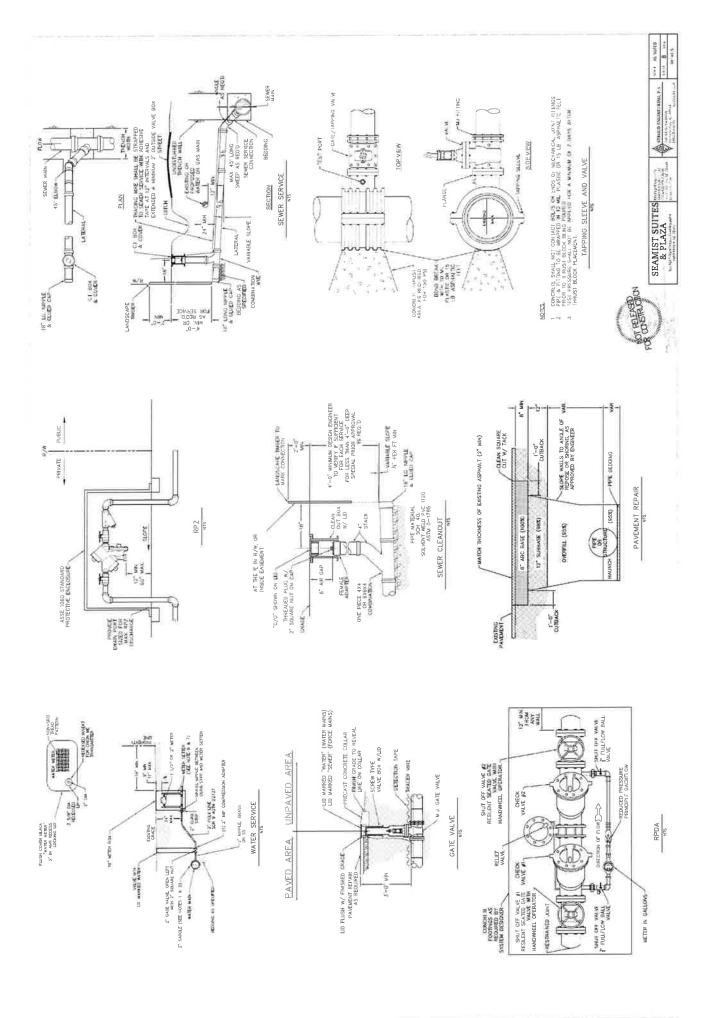


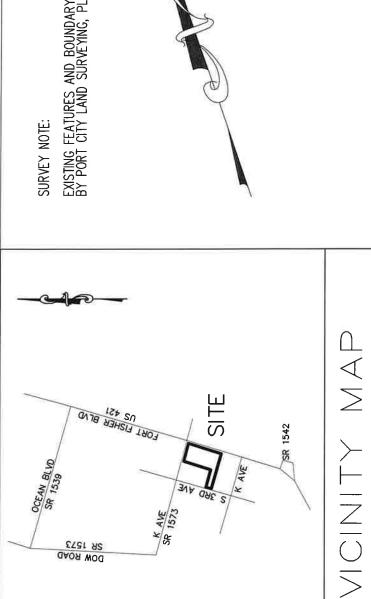






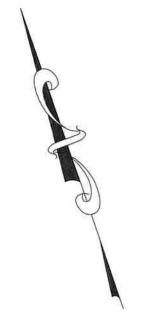






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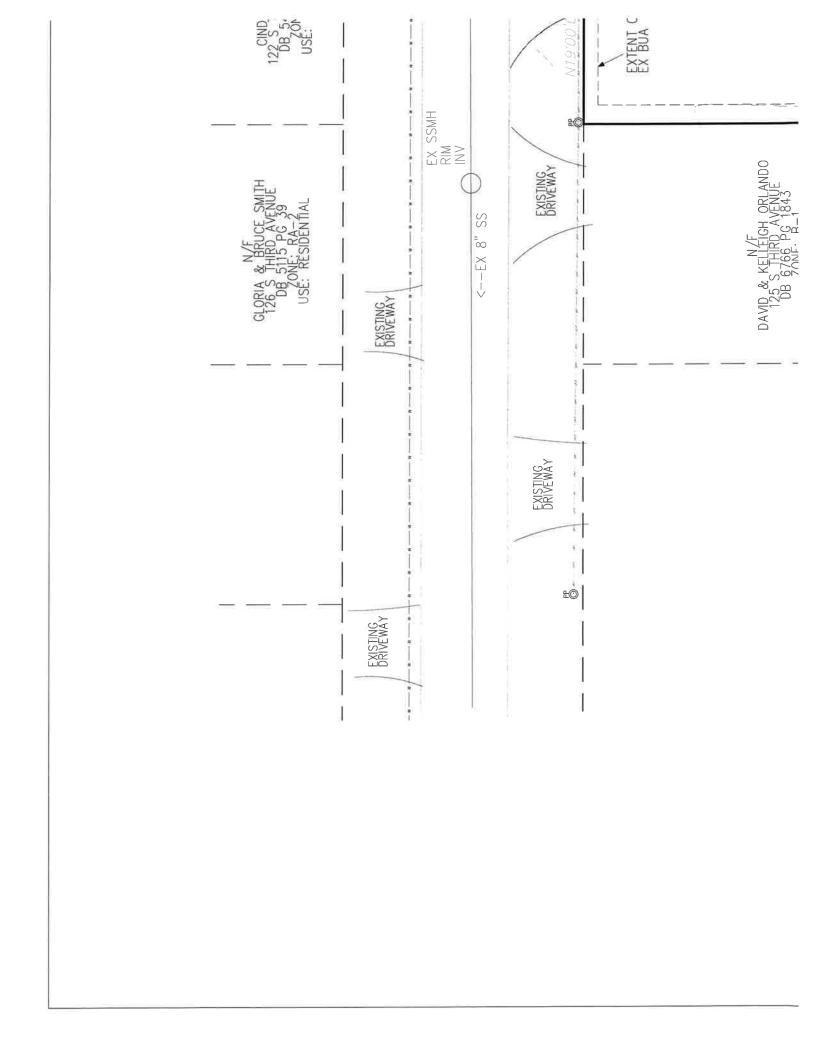
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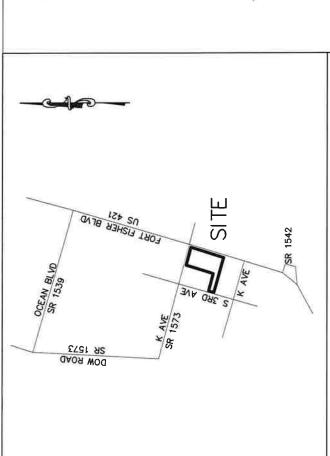


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----- 10 6,425 SF PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL UNITS PROPOSED RETAIL AREA ----





VICINITY MAP

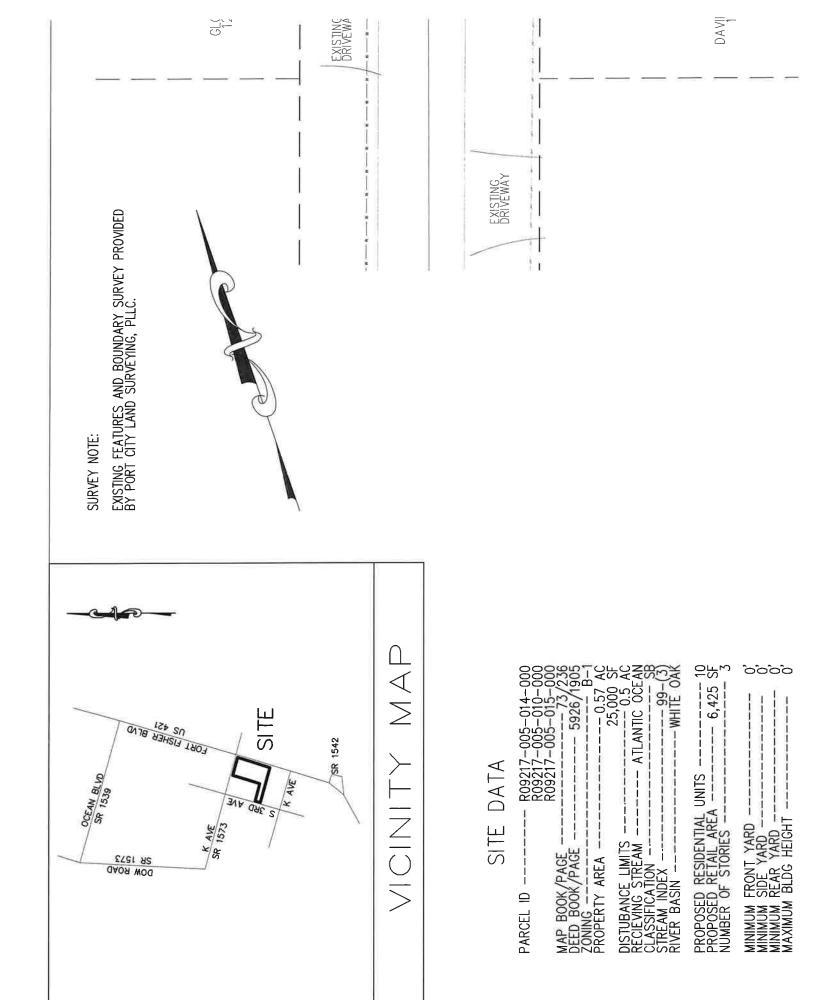
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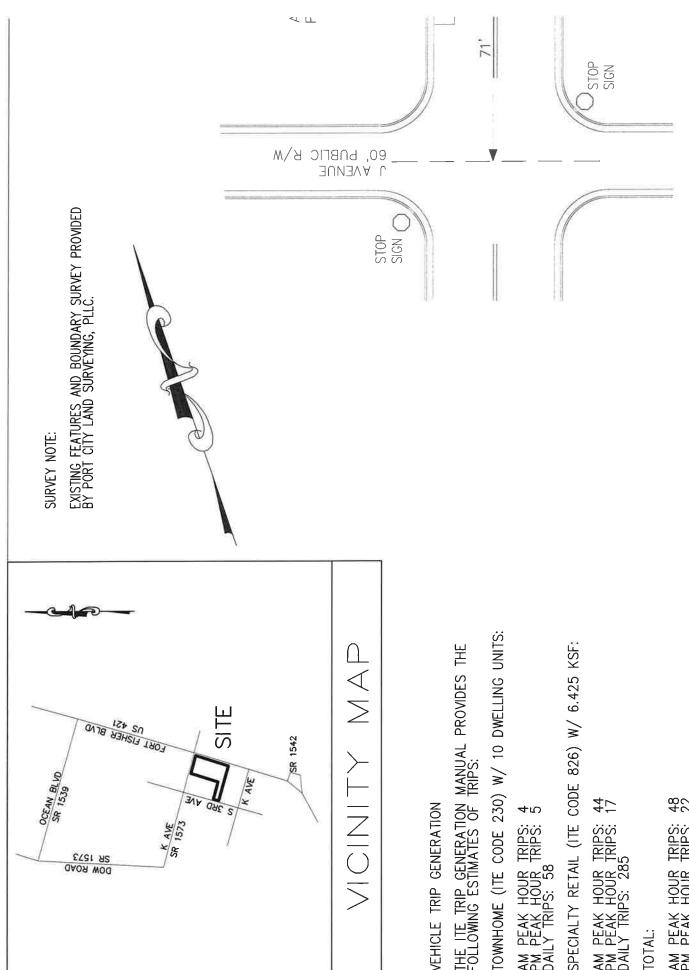
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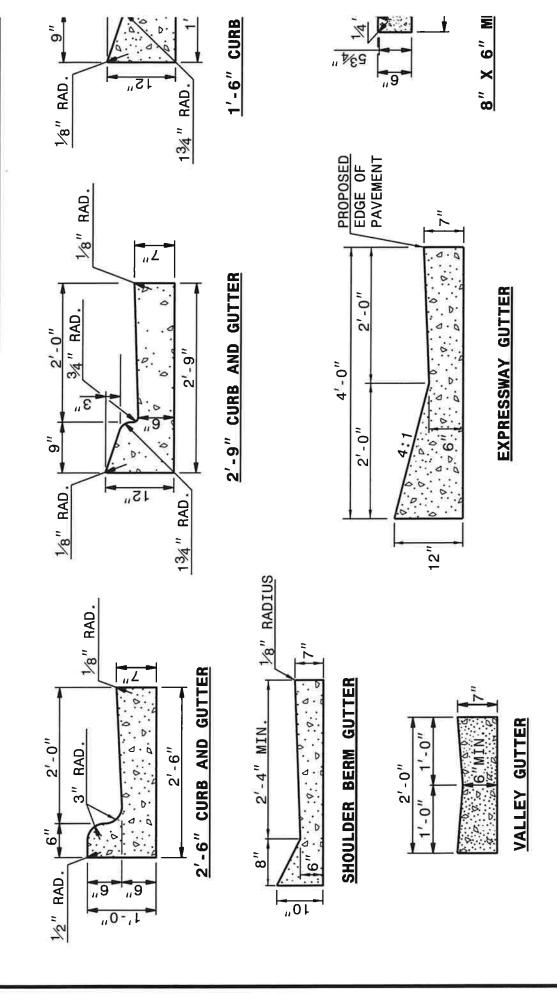
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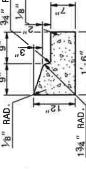
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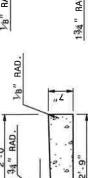
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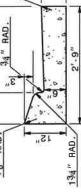
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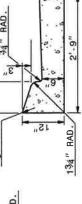
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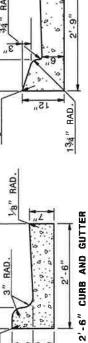






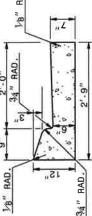


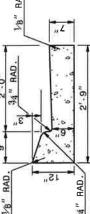


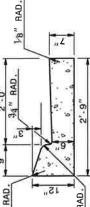


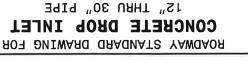
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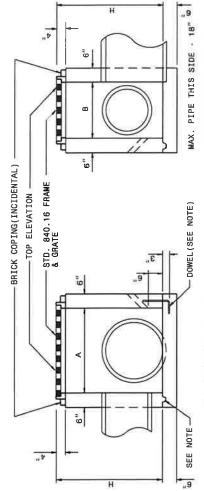
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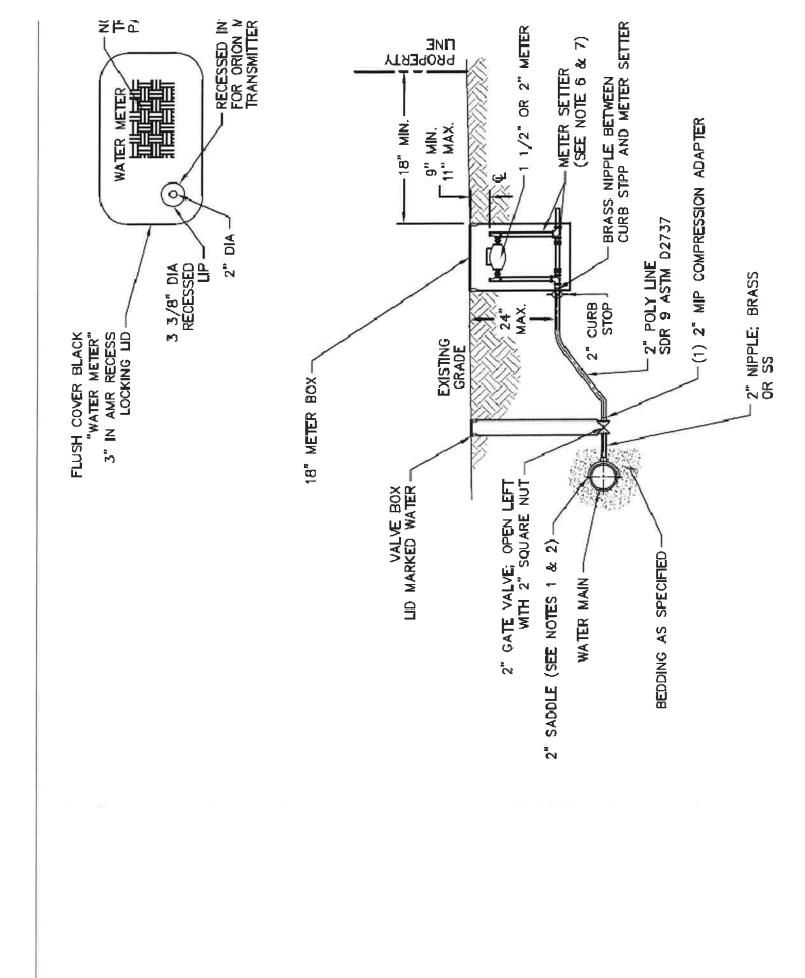
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From: Adam Khatib
To: jee@ec.rr.com

Cc: Bethany White; Beth Chase; Mandy Sanders

Subject: Re: Seamist Suites, LLC

Date: Friday, May 30, 2025 1:21:08 PM

Hi James,

Thanks for reaching out! Hope you are well.

1. The property owner for the parcels in question is Seamist Suites LLC. My father, Osama Khatib (Sam Khatib), is the sole managing member/owner of this LLC.

2. In this scenario, it seems like the LLC should be the applicant and not Sam or myself.

Please don't hesitate to let me know if you have any more questions.

Thanks, Adam

On Fri, May 30, 2025 at 11:21 AM < jee@ec.rr.com > wrote:

I am the Town Attorney for Kure Beach and after reviewing the application for the special use permit, I have a couple of minor questions that you can clarify.

- 1. The application includes you as one of the owners of the property but I do not see a deed from the LLC to you. Please confirm that the LLC is the only owner of the property.
- 2. If that is the case, then please confirm that the LLC is the applicant and not you and Sam.

Clarifying these issues helps ensure an accurate record of this proceeding. We do not need a corrected application; your reply to this email will suffice.

Thanks, James E. Eldridge

Eldridge Law Firm, PC

Post Office Box 1380

Wilmington, NC 28402

910.815.0107





TOWN OF KURE BEACH

KURE BEACH TOWN COUNCIL

NOTICE OF QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARING

DATE:

JULY 21, 2025

TIME:

6:00 PM

PLACE:

KURE BEACH TOWN HALL

117 SETTLERS LANE KURE BEACH, NC 28449

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Persons/entities having standing under N.C.G.S. §160D-1402 may appear at the hearing and offer evidence.

Beth Chase, Town Clerk



CERTIFICATION OF POSTED NOTICE

I hereby certify to the Town of Kure Beach Town Council that notice of the July 21, 2025 quasi-judicial hearing on the application for a special use permit submitted by Seamist Suites, LLC was posted as required under KBC 12.06.050.B on July 2, 2025.

This the 18% day of July 2025.

Sworn to and subscribed before me This the 18th day of July 2025.

My Commission expires: 5/5/2026





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Beth Chase

From:

Beth Chase

Sent:

Friday, July 18, 2025 3:46 PM

To:

Corrie Lee; adam.o.khatib@gmail.com; lieth@equitaslp.com; Allen Oliver; Connie

Mearkle; David Heglar; Dennis Panicali; John Ellen

Cc:

jee@ec.rr.com; Mandy Sanders

Subject:

Meeting - July 21 2025

Good afternoon Mayor, Commissioners, Applicant Adam Khatib, Attorney Lieth Khatib, and Attorney Corrie Lee,

Please see the link below for the agenda packet for the meeting on Monday, July 21, 2025 that begins at 6:00 p.m. The Special Use Permit materials are included in this packet.

https://townofkurebeach.civicweb.net/document/52141/?splitscreen=true

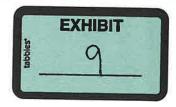
Thank you,

Beth Chase
Town Clerk
Town of Kure Beach
117 Settlers Lane
Kure Beach, NC 28449
910-458-8216 (Office)



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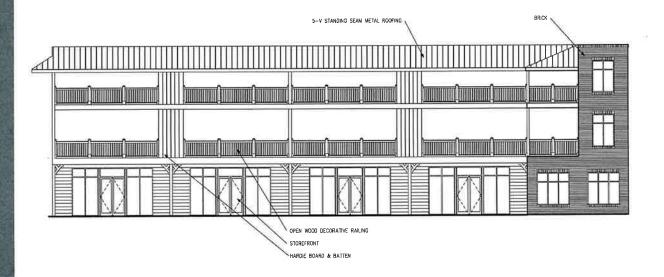
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SEAMIST SUITES & PLAZA PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

- Mixed Use
 - 3 Floors
 - First Floor
 - 2 Retail Store Fronts
 - Second Floor
 - 10 Apartments/dwelling units



- The use will not materially endanger the public health, safety, or welfare if located where proposed;
- The use meets all required conditions and specifications under the Town Code;
- The use will not substantially injure the value of adjoining property (or alternatively, is a public necessity); and
- If developed and used as proposed, will be harmonious and compatible with the area in which it is proposed to be located and is generally consistent with the Town's comprehensive plan.



SUP MIXED USE REQUIREMENTS

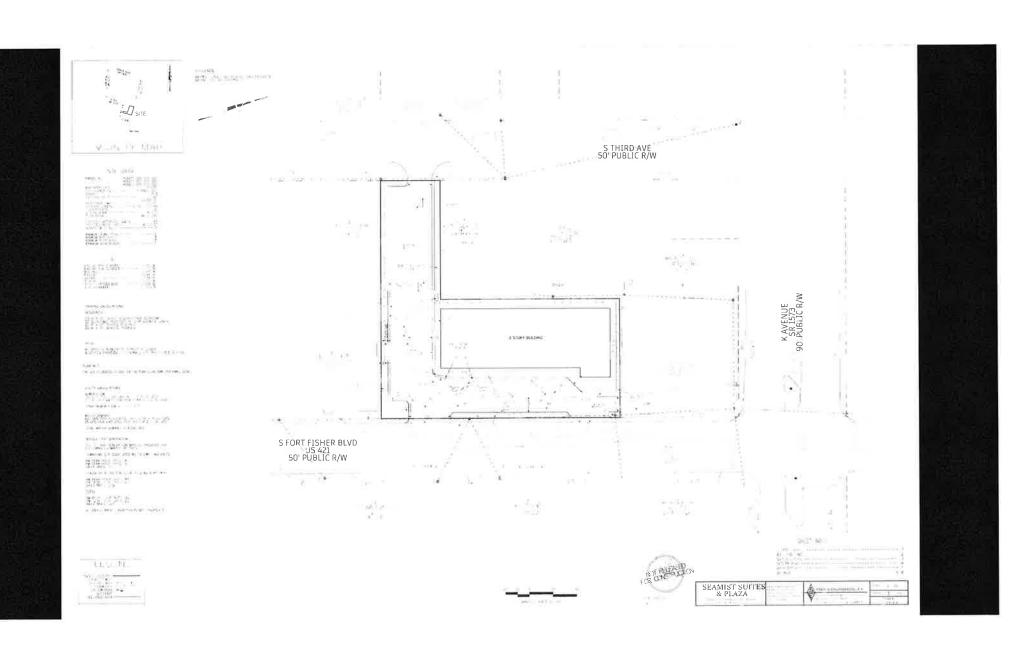
Specific requirements for Mixed Use Development in the Business District:

- For Dwellings:
 - I. Dwelling when constructed in conjunction with permitted use provided such dwellings are an integral part of the main building of such a permitted use.
 - 2. Retail is permitted by right in the Business District.



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Clientele consists of national, regional and local financial institutions, various federal, state and local government agencies, various sized corporations, private financiers, individual investors, property owners and law firms.

LAND USE PLAN GOALS

"Restaurants, cafes, food markets, and retail establishments –particularly small-scale locally owned businesses – that are compatible with the residential and family-friendly atmosphere in the Town of Kure Beach are supported within commercially zoned areas."

MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT

- · Mixed uses are "desired uses."
- "Intended to serve as the commercial hub that supports permanent and seasonal populations."

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMPLIANCE

The inclusion of a use in a zoning district, even where a special use permit is required, establishes a *prima facie* case that the use conforms with the comprehensive plan.

Am. Towers, Inc. v. Town of Morrisville, 222 N.C. App. 638, 643, 731 S.E.2d 698, 703 (2012).

- Here, a Special Use Permit is available for a mixed use development, therefore a mixed use development is consistent with the comprehensive plan as a matter of law.
- The Project meets each of the special conditions.

EVIDENTIARY STANDARD (ANY OPPOSITION)

In the event that the applicant satisfies this initial burden of production, then "prima facie he is entitled to" the issuance of the requested permit. At that point, any decision to deny the application "should be based upon findings contra which are supported by competent, material, and substantial evidence appearing in the record," with the local governmental body lacking the authority to "deny a permit on grounds not expressly stated in the ordinance" given that "it must employ specific statutory criteria which are relevant."

OPPOSITION MUST HAVE STANDING

- NCGS 160D-406: The applicant, the local government, and any person who would have standing to appeal the decision under <u>G.S. 160D-1402(c)</u> shall have the right to participate as a party at the evidentiary hearing. Other witnesses may present competent, material, and substantial evidence that is not repetitive as allowed by the board.
- NCGS 160D-1402: Parties with standing are: (1) the Owner or Contract Purchaser; (2) someone who will suffer "special damages" if the project is approved, (3) an Association that includes members with independent standing and (4)the City.

WHAT ARE SPECIAL DAMAGES?

"A property owner does not have standing to challenge another's lawful use of her land merely on the basis that such use will reduce the value of her property; however, where the challenged land use is prohibited by a valid zoning ordinance, the owner of adjoining or nearby lands, who will sustain special damage from the proposed use through a reduction in the value of his own property, does have a standing to maintain an action to prevent the use."

Fort v. Cnty. of Cumberland, 218 N.C. App. 401, 721 S.E.2d 350 (2012)



July 21, 2025

Town of Kure Beach 117 Settlers Lane Kure Beach, NC 28449

Re: Special Use Permit Application

Seamist Suites, LLC 102 S Fort Fisher Blvd Kure Beach, NC 28449

JC Morgan Company is a real estate appraisal and consulting firm based in Wilmington, NC. Since 2010, our firm has appraised and consulted on hundreds of properties throughout North Carolina. The property types we appraise and provide consulting services for include land, residential, retail, office, mixed-use, multi-family and more. Our client base generally consists of banks, local and federal governments, attorneys, utility companies and property owners.

I was engaged by the applicant to perform research and analysis that would enable me to conclude an opinion as to Special Use Permit Condition 3 of the applicants Special Use Permit application. Condition 3 states that the applicant must:

Indicate how the proposed special use will not substantially injure the value of the adjoining property, or that the use is a public necessity.

To develop an opinion for this requirement, I did the following:

- 1. I reached out to several local real estate brokers to survey their opinions on the project and how it would impact value.
- 2. I reviewed the differences between what the property could be developed with *by-right* and compared it to the proposed project.
- 3. I researched several other comparable small retail/residential mixed properties in nearby local beach towns to see how they impacted the value of adjoining properties. I reviewed projects in Carolina Beach, historic Southport, Wrightsville Beach and others.



Based on the data that I reviewed, there is no indication that the proposed retail/residential mixed project would have a negative impact on the value of the adjoining properties. In fact, it is more likely that the development will have a positive influence on the surrounding properties.

Should you have any questions, or want to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Cal Morgan

Jack C. (Cal) Morgan, III, MAI, SRA, AI-GRS JC Morgan Company

Town of Kure Beach Development and Compliance Department 117 Settlers Lane • Kure Beach, NC 28449 Office (910) 458-6535 • (910)707-2011

To: Town Council

From: Director of Development and Compliance

Re: Seamist Suites & Plaza 106 Fort Fisher S. Special Use Permit Application

Date: July 21, 2025

Mayor and Council Members:

- The special use permit application before you was submitted 5/21/25, by Seamist Suites LLC, proposing residential dwellings in the B-1 district, in compliance with 15.26.020 Permitted Uses D. Dwelling when constructed in conjunction with permitted use provided such dwellings are an integral part of the main building of such a permitted use; (S) The (S) indicates that this is a permitted use in the B-1 District under a special use permit.
- The proposed location is currently comprised of 3 separate parcels including parcels R09217-005-010, R09217-005-014, and R09217-005-015. These parcels are currently being used as a parking lot and are in process of being combined into 1 parcel equaling 25,000 square feet.
- The proposed mixed use 3 story building will contain retail on the ground floor area, and 10 residential dwellings on the 2nd and 3rd floors.
- Density requirements for a multi-family dwelling is 2,500 square feet per unit, the 3 parcels once combined will equal 25,000 square feet meeting this requirement.
- Parking required for multi-family residential dwellings is 2 spaces per 2 bedrooms. The proposed site plan shows 20 reserved parking spaces, meeting this requirement.
- In my opinion, the proposed use will be generally consistent with the Town's comprehensive land use plan and will meet all conditions and specifications under the Towns code.

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER

RAYMOND F. GRANDON AND WIFE, DOROTHY A. GRANDON, PLAINTIFFS,

vs.

WILLIAM HAS NELSON AND WIFE, FRANCES D. NELSON AND KIN ENTERPRISES; INC.; DEFENDANTS. IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE DISTRICT COURT DIVISION 86-CW001484 PAGE

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ORDER AND JUDGMENT

OOOO52 THIS CAUSE was heard by the undersigned District Court Judge during the 21 August 1989 Civil Session of New Hanover District Court. The plaintiffs were present and represented by their attorney, Auley M. Crouch, III. The defendants were present and represented by their attorney, James K. Larrick. From the file in this matter, the evidence admitted at trial, stipulations of the parties and arguments of counsel, the Court makes the following Findings of Fact:

- 1. This is an action in which the plaintiffs seek to enjoin the defendants from obstructing an easement granted to the plaintiffs across land owed by the defendant KLN Enterprises, Inc.

 "KLN"). The only issues to be decided are whether the easement has been abandoned, whether it has been extinguished by adverse possession, and whether it has been sufficiently located.
- 2. Plaintiffs acquired Lots 16 and 17, Block 16, Fort Fisher Sea Beach, in Kure Beach, North Carolina from Therman J. Fry and wife, Mary Lee Fry, by deed recorded on 13 December 1982, in Book 1213, Page 1339, of the New Hanover County Registry. Defendant KLN acquired Lots 6 and 7, Block 16, Fort Fisher Sea Beach, adjoining the plaintiffs' property to the east, by deed from William Austin

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- Because no party has requested trial by jury, the Court
 is empowered to hear and decide all issues of fact and law.
- 2. The Court has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of this action.
- 3. The plaintiffs have a right to a pedestrian easement located within the southernmost 15 feet of Lot 7, Block 16, Fort Fisher Sea Beach for a width of four feet and running the length of Lot 7 from its western line (adjoining Lot 16, Block 16, Fort Fisher Sea Beach, owned by the plaintiffs) and extending 100 feet to the eastern line of Lot 7 and Second Avenue (U.S. Highway 421).
- 4. The defendants have failed to prove that the easement or right of way granted to the plaintiffs and their predecessors in title across Lot 7, Block 16, Fort Fisher Sea Beach, Kure Beach, North Carolina was extinguished by adverse possession.
- 5. The Court concludes that the plaintiffs' four foot wide easement lies within an area parallel to the southern 100 foot property line dividing Lots 6 and 7 and is bound on the north by a 100 foot parallel line running no more than five and one-half feet north from the referenced property line.
- 6. The Court concludes that the plaintiffs have failed to establish that the concrete apron of the pool is an encroachment which constitutes an unreasonable impediment or interference with the plaintiffs' easement or right of way; however, that portion of the wooden fence surrounding the swimming pool and across the easement does constitute an unreasonable impediment and must be removed by the defendants within 30 days.

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- 7. The plaintiffs shall have the right to construct such steps or ramps to and across the concrete apron of the swimming pool sufficient to facilitate access across the easement, which steps or ramps shall be constructed and installed at the plaintiffs' expense. The plaintiffs shall also have the right to install, at their expense, a pedestrian gate in the chain link fence at the center of the pedestrian easement.
- 8. The plaintiffs are entitled to an order and judgment enjoining the defendants or their successors in title from obstructing or interfering with the plaintiffs' pedestrian easement except as provided herein.
- 9. Robert H. Goslee is entitled to a fee of \$200.00 to be taxed as costs to the defendants.
- 10. The defendants' defense of abandonment was dismissed at the close of the evidence, without objection by the defendants.
 - It is, therefore, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED as follows:
- 1. That the plaintiffs' easement or right of way across the southernmost 15 feet of Lot 7, Block 16, Fort Fisher Sea Beach, Kure Beach, North Carolina, now owned by defendant KLN Enterprises, Inc. has not been extinguished and is valid as evidenced in the deed from Therman J. Fry and wife, Hary Lee Fry, to the plaintiffs, which deed was recorded on 13 December 1982 in Book 1213, Page 1339, New Hanover County Registry.
- 2. That the width of the plaintiffs' pedestrian easement, as referred to above, shall be four (4) feet in width and shall be located as follows: Within an area parallel to the southern 100

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foot property line dividing Lots 6 and 7, Block 16 and bound and defined on the north by a parallel line running no more than five and one-half feet north from the referenced property line.

- 3. That the plaintiffs shall have the right to construct and install, at their expense, a pedestrian gate in the chain link fence at the center of the pedestrian easement and such steps or ramps to and across the concrete apron surrounding the swimming pool so as to facilitate access across the easement.
- 4. That the portion of the wooden fence surrounding the swimming pool and across the easement, as referred to above, must be removed by the defendants within 30 days.
- That entry of judgment shall be deemed complete when this
 Order and Judgment is signed.
- 6. That a fee of \$200.00 shall be paid to Robert Goslee as an expert witness fee and shall be taxed as costs.
- 7. That the costs of this action shall be taxed to the defendants.

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Real Estate **Excise Tax**

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NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL WARRANTY DEED

THIS DEED made this /S

day of March , 19 93 , by and between

GRANTOR

GRANTEE

RAYMOND F. GRANDON and wife, DOROTHY A. GRANDON

P. O. Box 34 Fleming, OH 45729 MICHAEL TURNER BENTON and wife, VICKIE P. BENTON

314.1 Well Road Charlotte, NC 28212

Enter in appropriate block for each party: name, address, and, if appropriate, character of entity, e.q. corporation or partnership.

The designation Grantor and Grantee as used herein shall include said parties, their heirs, successors, and assigns, and shall include singular, plural, masculine, feminine or neuter as required by context.

WITNESSETH, that the Grantor, for a valuable consideration paid by the Grantee, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, has and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the Grantee in fee simple, all that certain lot or parcel of land situated in the CKy of Kure Beach Federal Point Township,

New Hanover County, North Carolina and more particularly described as follows:

BEING ALL of Lot 16 of Block No. 16 of Fort Fisher Sea Beach and BEGINNING at a point on the Easterly side of Third Avenue 200 feet southwardly from the southeastwardly intersection of Third Avenue and Avenue K; thence running eastwardly 100 feet to the center line of the block; thence southwardly along the center line of Block, 50 feet; thence westwardly 100 feet to the easterly side of Third Avenue; thence northwardly along the easterly side of Third Avenue 50 feet to the point or place of BEGIRNING, as now laid out on the map of Fort Fisher Sea Beach.



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