

Owner / Applicant Information

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Project Information

MEMORY CARE DOOR MURAL AT BETHLEHEM WOODS
4430 ELSDALE DR

FORT WAYNE 46835

County ALLEN

Project Type New Addition Alteration Existing Change of Occupancy

Project Status U F=Filed U or Null=Unfiled

IDHS Issued Correction order? Has Violation been Issued? yes

Violation Issued by: LFD

Local Building Official

Phone: Email:

Local Fire Official

Phone: Email:

Variance Details

Code Name: Other Code (Not in the list provided)

SEC 1020.2 CODE 1008.1 DOORS

Conditions:

Means of egress doors shall meet the requirements of this section. Doors serving a means of egress system shall meet the requirements of this section and Section 1020.2 Doors provided

for egress purposes in numbers greater than required by this code shall meet the requirements of this section. Means of egress door shall be readily distinguishable from such that the doors are easily recognizable. Means of egress doors shall not be concealed. Exit Doors from the memory care area were decorated to look like a cottage and meadow scene.

DEMONSTRATION THAT PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE ARE PROTECTED:

1=Non-compliance with the rule will not be adverse to the public health, safety or welfare

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2= Applicant will undertake alternative actions in lieu of compliance with the rule to ensure that granting of the variance will not be adverse to public health, safety, or welfare. Explain why alternative actions would be adequate (be specific).

Facts:

Our Assisted living memory care door has a vinyl decal photo of a cottage with meadow view. The vinyl decal mural does not block or impeded the bar to exit area in any way. We have a CNA staff member and a nurse staff 24/7 and an activity staff member 8 hours 7 days a week. We have 20 beds on the unit with 19 residents occupying units at this time. For safety we have Smoke Detectors in unit that are checked every 6 months, sprinkler system that are visually checked daily, fire extinguishers that are checked monthly, and emergency light/exit lights that are checked monthly. Key pad by door with code posted to enter and exit.

DEMONSTRATION OF UNDUE HARDSHIP OR HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT STRUCTURE:

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Imposition of the rule would result in an undue hardship (unusual difficulty) because of physical limitations of the construction site or its utility services.

Imposition of the rule would result in an undue hardship (unusual difficulty) because of major operational problems in the use of the building or structure.

Imposition of the rule would result in an undue hardship (unusual difficulty) because of excessive costs of additional or altered construction elements.

Imposition of the rule would prevent the preservation of an architecturally or a historically significant part of the building or structure.

Facts:

The vinyl mural on our Assisted Living Memory care door was placed there for the resident's safety and well being. Our facility deals in elderly resident's with dementia/Alzheimer diagnosis and if they were to leave the safety of the unit it could endanger their well-being.