

Penrose on Mass

530 Massachusetts Avenue

Indianapolis, IN 46204

Dear Mr. Zhang:

Thank you for the letter of May 1, 2017 requesting a local variance from Section 591-406, Chapter 591 of the Indianapolis-Marion County Fire Prevention Code which adopts NFPA 24, 1995 Edition, Section 3-3, requiring a post indicator valve for a fire service water supply line.

Your request and justifications for a variance from the provisions of Chapter 591-406 is in compliance with the provision of Section 591-246, Chapter 591 of the Indianapolis-Marion County Fire Prevention Code which was passed by the City-County Council on April 29, 2002 and signed by Mayor Bart Peterson on May 2, 2002, and approved by the Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission on May 8, 2002.

Based on your letter of May 1, 2017, a local variance to the above mentioned Section is granted by the Indianapolis Fire Department. A exterior Post Indicator Valve is not required for this project.

This approval must be presented to the Fire Prevention & Building Safety Commission as per IC 22-13-2-7. "The Commission shall review variances granted by a political subdivision to the fire safety laws and building laws adopted in its ordinances". This variance is not effected until it is approved by the Commission. There should be no fee but this item must be placed on the Commission's Agenda.

If you have any questions, you can contact me at 317-327-5529 or [Margie.bovard@indy.gov](mailto:Margie.bovard@indy.gov).

Respectfully,

Margie Bovard

Plan Review Analyst

Indianapolis Fire Department

PS,

You can keep this Local Variance in mind for future projects.

This approval must be presented to the Fire Prevention & Building Safety Commission as per IC 22-13-2-7.

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**From:** Liming Zhang  
**Sent:** Monday, May 1, 2017 4:30 PM  
**To:** 'Bovard, Margie F.' <[Margie.Bovard@indy.gov](mailto:Margie.Bovard@indy.gov)>  
**Subject:** Penrose on Mass

Attention: Margie F. Bovard — Plan Review Analyst

Re: Local Variance Request for:

Penrose on Mass

530 Massachusetts Avenue

Indianapolis, IN 46204

Dear Margie:

On behalf of the Owner, this letter is to request a variance to the Marion County Code Section

591-406 that requires post-indicator valves on private fire service mains servicing the fire sprinkler system for Penrose on Mass, Indianapolis, IN.

The requirement for the post indicator valve would create practical difficulties due to the fact that the building property lines are typically located immediately on the right of way and the post indicator would have to be located either in the public sidewalk or street and would also create an unnecessary hardship for the owner in trying to meet this requirement. We are thereby requesting relief from the requirement to install exterior indicator valves on this project. The interior control valves will be electrically supervised.

Additionally we are proposing to locate the fire department connection on the building wall. It will be located on the exterior wall facing southeast in the northeast corner of the building. The fire department connection will be accessible from Massachusetts and unobstructed on the sides as well as area above.

Please contact me at 317-263-6226 and [lzhang@schmidt-arch.com](mailto:lzhang@schmidt-arch.com) if you need additional information.