



February 1, 2017

Indiana Fire and Building Safety Commission  
Division of Code Services  
302 W Washington St., Room W246  
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2739

Commissioners:

SIGMA Equipment is committed to providing a safe work environment for our employees, as well as an innovative space for us to thrive and reach our fullest potential. We are in the process of building a space for our Developer teams where they can group and regroup into different teams as the need arises, all without leaving their office space behind. This is accomplished by allowing the individual offices to be movable little homes (8' x 10').

We are modeling our space after a company called Developer Town in Marion County just outside of Broad Ripple. Their area was granted a variance for their huts and they were granted this variance just last year. They were granted the variance with the stipulation that their area would be regularly inspected both on a schedule and also when individual developer homes were moved. We have applied for the exact same two variances and that is what I'm writing about today. This is in reference to variance 16-12-39 (our variance application) and we are mirroring the variance application from Developer Town in Indianapolis, variance number 16-01-48 which was approved.

As the operations manager, I oversee our maintenance team, and our lead maintenance person, Mark Arnett, is a man of integrity and of high attention to detail. His entire team of maintenance staff reflect the same tenacity when it comes to making sure that our other teams here are safe. They have assured me that the fire system that we currently have in place is one of the best fire systems available, and that it can handle vastly more hazardous conditions than a small developer home. The fire system is rated to handle extinguishing large process equipment with fuel inside that could be explosive and cause huge fires. The entire building is rated for this, and frankly the Developer Village office space will be more than adequately protected from fire, even if the developer homes are fully engulfed.

The maintenance team has also assured us that they will do even more inspections on a more regular basis with these developer homes once built, and that they will enforce current rules that do not allow personnel to keep flammable items within their office spaces. Other rules include no candles, only LED lights in fixtures, turning off lights and computers when leaving the office, and keeping a regularly inspected fire extinguisher attached to the wall near the door at all times.



The electrical would also be inspected on a regular basis, and there would be no wires exposed for anyone to trip on them. The connections for all wires would be inspected and adjusted only by authorized personnel to ensure that no mishandling happens.

We appreciate the freedom that we have to apply for a variance for these two state codes, and we respectfully request that we be granted these variances.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Wes Weaver". The signature is written in a cursive style and is followed by a horizontal line.

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