

Gilead Raviv
40 Maplewood Street
Portland, ME 04103
March 6, 2014

Ms. Marge Schmuckal, Zoning Administrator
Department of Urban Development
City of Portland
389 Congress Street
Portland, ME 04101

Dear Ms. Schmuckal:

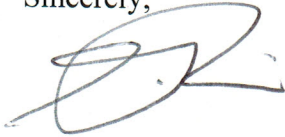
I am requesting a permit to allow me the use of my residence at 40 Maplewood Street for a home occupation. I intend to use my kitchen, approximately 15% of the time, to prepare pastries – specifically a vegan baklava – to be sold at local food establishments or delivered to customers. This home occupation is intended to only be part time, to supplement my full time income/occupation. My kitchen was licensed by the State of Maine as a home food processor on Monday March 3, 2014. The following is an explanation of how my home occupation, although not listed in paragraph (b) of Section 14-410 of the Portland Zoning Ordinance, is similar to and no more objectionable than those home occupations listed; also it is not in the list of the home occupations that cannot be included.

- a. My home occupation will occupy the kitchen which is approximately 198 square feet (15%) of the floor area of the residence
- b. No goods will be stored, displayed or be visible from outside the residence for my home occupation
- c. Storage of the material necessary to perform my occupation are minimal and included in the 198 square feet of floor space mentioned above
- d. There will be no external signage related to my home occupation
- e. No exterior or interior alterations to the residence are necessary for my home occupation
- f. I will not be meeting clients or customers at the residence, so no additional parking is necessary for my home occupation
- g. No objectionable effects (offensive noises, vibrations, smoke, dust or particulate matter, odorous matter, heat, humidity or glare) will result from my home occupation
- h. I will not require the service of any employees for my home occupation
- i. I will not be meeting clients or customers at the residence, so no additional traffic will be generated by my home occupation
- j. No vehicles, other than my existing small automobile, will be stored or are necessary for my home occupation

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My home occupation is a secondary and incidental use of my residence. The external activity level and impact is so limited and negligible and in keeping with the residential character of the neighborhood. Attached is the General Building Permit Application, Dimensional floor plans, letter from the owner giving me permission to conduct the specific business and the plot plan.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gilead Raviv', with a stylized, cursive flourish.

Gilead Raviv

Enclosure