

FLOOD PLAIN REGULATION (138) VARIANCE APPLICATION  
**City of Cortland**

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
GML referral \_\_\_\_\_  
Site Plan Review \_\_\_\_\_

Determination \_\_\_\_\_

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**Information to be provided by Applicant**

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Address of proposed relief \_\_\_\_\_

Address of applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of aggrieved party, if other than applicant:  
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**(information to be included with application)**

1. A certified survey map of parcel indicating floor elevations, location of building on property and proposed dimensional changes if any.s.
2. Completed first page of the Environmental review form (SEQR) as required.
3. Flood plain maps and FEMA firm and any flood insurance rating information.
4. Complete description of proposed construction activity including buildings and parking lots operation, any physical changes to the property.

The following is criteria will be considered in the boards decision on the Flood Plain variance application:

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In passing upon such applications, the Zoning Board of Appeals shall consider all technical evaluations, all relevant factors, standards specified in other sections of this chapter and:

- (1) The danger that materials may be swept onto other lands to the injury of others;
- (2) The danger to life and property due to flooding or erosion damage;
- (3) The susceptibility of the proposed facility and its contents to flood damage and the effect of such damage on the individual owner;
- (4) The importance of the services provided by the proposed facility to the community;
- (5) The necessity to the facility of a waterfront location, where applicable;
- (6) The availability of alternative locations for the proposed use which are not subject to flooding or erosion damage;
- (7) The compatibility of the proposed use with existing and anticipated development;
- (8) The relationship of the proposed use to the Comprehensive Plan and floodplain management program of that area;
- (9) The safety of access to the property in times of flood for ordinary and emergency vehicles;
- (10) The costs to local governments and the dangers associated with conducting search and rescue operations during periods of flooding;
- (11) The expected heights, velocity, duration, rate of rise and sediment transport of the floodwaters and the effects of wave action, if applicable, expected at the site; and
- (12) The costs of providing governmental services during and after flood conditions, including search and rescue operations, maintenance and repair of public utilities and facilities such as sewer, gas, electrical, and water systems and streets and bridges.

**(Applicant may address these above criteria in writing to be submitted with the completed application.)**

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

The original application and ten copies of the completed application must be submitted, with the fee, to the City Clerk's Office. Lack of a completed application with appropriate copies may cause delay in the process.

Applicant is requested to notify neighboring property owners.