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Minutes

Board of Elevator Regulations
One Ashburton Place, 21st Floor
September 01, 2015, 1:00PM

Board Members Present:

Walter Zalenski, Chairman
David Gaudet, Member
David Morgan, Member
John O'Donoghue, Member
Tom Riley, Member

Board Members Absent:

Cheri Davis, Member
Michael Nicoloro, Member
Harold McGonagle, Member

Guests Present:

Mark Goodman (A Prime Handling)
James Rossier (A Prime Handling)
Dennis Driscoll (Atlantic Elevator)
Ben Haaulk (Historic New England)
Trinh Chu (Austin Architects)
Paul Hasbrouck (Worcester Elevator)
Thomas Douglas (Thomas Douglas Architects)
Ethan J. Clough (DPS)

1. The Board of Elevator Regulations ("Board") tabled the Minutes from the August 25, 2015 Board of Elevator Regulations ("Board") Meeting.

The Board discussed the following:

1. **1426 Canton Avenue - Milton, MA**

524 CMR 35 Part XX 2000.7(a)

Owner: Historic New England

Petitioner: Jonathan Austin

The petitioners came before the Board requesting a variance to allow an extra 6-inches of travel height on their wheel chair lift. The proposed wheel chair lift is being installed at 1426 Canton Avenue in Milton. A motion was put forth by John O'Donoghue to allow travel of 12'-6" under 524 CMR 35 Part XX 2000.7a. The motion was seconded by Dave Gaudet.

Motion by: John O'Donoghue

Seconded by: Dave Gaudet

Vote: 5-0, Granted

2. **2941 Acushnet Avenue - New Bedford, MA**

524 CMR 32.06(3)

Owner: Trucchi's Supermarket

Petitioner: Above and Beyond Elevator

The petitioner came before the Board requesting a variance for the top and bottom gates on the PFLOW VRC (ID# 201-V-530). The top level gate is a two part vertical rise with a closed height of 4'-8" and width of 10'-0". This unit has barely enough clearance to load and unload the unit properly. The issue with the bottom level gate is the 6 inches from the front edge of the car. A motion was put forth by Tom Riley to table this petition until November 3, 2015 in order for the petitioner to return with proper code citation. The motion was seconded by John O'Donoghue.

Motion by: Tom Riley

Seconded by: John O'Donoghue

Vote: 5-0; Placed on Hold

3. 196 Pleasant Street – Northampton, MA

(ASME A17.1-2004 § 2.4.7) (524 CMR § 35 Part 5.2.1.4.2)

Owner: Manhan Narrow

Petitioner: Thomas Douglas

The petitioner came before the Board seeking a variance from 524 CMR § 35 Part 5.2.1.4.2 which requires a minimum pit depth of 24-inches. The petitioners are requesting a variance to allow a 15-inch pit depth. Also, the petitioners are requesting a variance ASME A17.1-2004 § 2.4.7 (Top Car Clearance for Uncounterweighted Elevators). A motion was put forth by David Morgan to (1) grant the variance from 524 CMR § 35 Part 5.2.1.4.2 (Pit Depth) with the condition that a Gillespie Safety Device be added with a safety circuit featuring DOGS, electrical interlocks and signage (2) grant the variance for ASME A17.1-2004 Part 2.4.7 under the condition that permanent signage is added to the top of car that reads "Low Overhead". The motion was seconded by Tom Riley.

Motion by: David Morgan

Seconded by: Tom Riley

Vote: 4-0, Granted, Zalenski Recused.

4. 11 Elizabeth Drive – Chelmsford, MA

524 CMR 32.09

Owner: Brooks Automation

Petitioner: Dennis Driscoll

The petitioner came before the Board requesting a variance from a DPS Inspector's Report dated 3/18/15. The inspector cited 524 CMR 32.09 "Install lift safeties or provide variance from the Board – Lift was not designed with safeties" A motion was put forth by Dave Gaudet to place this petition on hold until October 20, 2015 when the petitioner can provide the Board with plans to install safeties. The motion was seconded by Tom Riley.

Motion by: Dave Gaudet

Seconded by: Tom Riley

Vote: 5-0; Placed on Hold

5. Code Review

The Board discussed how they will move forward with the adoption of ASME A17.1-2013.

Matters Not Reasonably Anticipated 48 Hours in Advance of Meeting

Exhibit List:

Exhibit 1: Meeting Minutes from September 01, 2015

Exhibit 2: 1426 Canton Avenue - Milton, MA

Exhibit 3: 2941 Acushnet Avenue - New Bedford, MA

Exhibit 4: 196 Pleasant Street – Northampton, MA

Exhibit 5: 11 Elizabeth Drive – Chelmsford, MA

Exhibit 6: Code Review

Motion to Adjourn by John O'Donoghue, seconded by David Morgan. Hearing concluded at 4:00 p.m.

Prepared by: Ethan J. Clough

