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Board Meeting Minutes – August 10, 2020
Teleconference

This meeting was open to the public and began approximately 9:04am.

Architectural Access Board member attendance:

Walter White – Chair (WW)
Jane Hardin – Vice Chair (JH)
Jeffrey Dougan (JD)
Mary Mahon McCauley (MM)
Dawn Guarriello (DG)
David Johnson (DJ)
Patricia Mendez (PM)
Harold Rhodes (HR)

Division of Professional Licensure Employees attendance:

William Joyce – AAB Executive Director (WJ)
James Plotkin – Legal Counsel (JP)
Marc Lesser – Compliance Officer (ML)

WW opened the meeting for Roll Call:

MM, JD, DG, JH, DJ, PM & HR Present;

1. 9:05 AM V20-128 – 152 Hampden St., Boston:

WJ advised to requested delay by applicant, should be ready for review by next Board meeting

2. 9:05 AM V20-137 – 73 Sheridan St., Gt. Barrington:

WJ presented documentation – discussion:

Motion to Grant 1st Variance requested by JH
2nd by JD
By acclamation/Carried

Motion to continue the 2nd Variance requested for test drawings to show how the units could be made into a group 1 unit building and further explain the impact and difficulties to why they want the variance by JH
2nd by JD
By acclamation/Carried





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3. 9:17 AM V20-138 – 3 - 5 Washington St., Boston:

WJ presented documentation – discussion:

Motion to Grant on usual condition and timeframes by JD

2nd by DG

By acclamation/Carried

4. 9:18 AM V20-139 – 33-41 Farnsworth St., Boston:

WJ presented documentation – discussion:

Motion to Grant providing lift is to be in compliance with dimensions by JD

2nd by JH

By Roll Call - JD/Y; DG/Y; JH/Y; DJ/ABS; PM/N; HR/Y; WW-Carried

5. 9:31 AM V20-140 – 8 Park St., Boston:

WJ presented documentation – discussion:

Motion to continue for further clarification and additional information on side entrance lighting conditions and a drafted accommodation policy to support a guest w/disability challenge by JH

2nd by DJ

By acclamation/Carried

Motion to continue until information regarding the side entrance is received by JD

2nd by JH

By acclamation/Carried

6. 9:51 AM Packet V20-131 – 225 Cabot St., Beverly:

WJ presented documentation – discussion:

Motion to move to a hearing, sending advisement to petitioner that Variances 3, 4 & 5 will need further information by JD

2nd by JH

By acclamation/Carried

7. 9:49 AM Packet V20-134 – 60 Hodges Ave., Taunton

WJ presented documentation – discussion:

Motion to Grant Var 1 with the condition of product and policy of request to be reviewed by JD

2nd by JH

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Motion to Grant Var 2 with the condition of product and policy of request to be reviewed by JD

2nd by JH

By acclamation/Carried

Motion to Grant Var 3 as proposed by JD

2nd by JH

By acclamation/Carried

Motion to Grant Var 5 as proposed by JD

2nd by DJ

By acclamation/Carried

Motion to Continue Var 6 & 7 for clarification of the use of stairs and by whom by JD

2nd by JH

By acclamation/Carried

Motion to Continue Var 4 for review of the accommodation policy to address: 1. How an individual will submit a request for accommodation, 2. The logistics to how the request will be implemented and 3.

What an appeal process would be should someone be denied the accommodation - by JD

2nd by HR

By acclamation/Carried

Break – 5 minutes

8. 10:32 AM C17-060 – 141 Sea St., Quincy

WJ presented documentation – discussion:

Motion to accept the report by JD

2nd by DJ

By acclamation/Carried

9. 10:35 AM V18-218 – 46 Milmont St., Roxbury:

WJ presented documentation – discussion:

Motion to accept status report by JH

2nd by JD

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10. 10:36 AM V19-137 – 50 Kirkbride Dr., Danvers:

JD recused from review

WJ presented documentation – discussion:

Motion to packet by JH

2nd by DG

By acclamation/Carried

11. 10:37 AM V19-273 – 26 Middleton Rd., Boxford:

WJ presented documentation – discussion:

Motion to Grant by JH

2nd by DJ

By acclamation/Carried

12. 10:39 AM V20-034 – 136 Lenox St., Boston:

WJ presented documentation – discussion:

Motion to table until next meeting, offering BCIL opportunity to comment by PM

2nd by JH

By acclamation/Carried

13. 10:46 AM V20-055 – 1 Oak St., Harwich:

WJ presented documentation – discussion:

Motion to Grant by PM

2nd by JH

By acclamation/Carried

Motion to Deny the Var by HR

2nd DJ

Roll Call JD/Y; DG/Y; JH/Y; DJ/Y; PM/Y; HR/Y; WW-Motion Carries

14. 11:02 AM Hearing declared with regard to Barnum Hall, V18-332 – 163 Packard Ave., Medford

WW introduced Board and established procedures. Participants – Gretchen Von Grossman, Michael Muehe are sworn in. Exhibit #1 – hearing packet AAB 1-23 is noted. Ms. Von Grossman presented project information, additional Exhibit introduced, accepted by the Board and noted as Exhibit #2, comment by Michael Muehe, questions and discussion:

Motion to Grant Time-Variance with 1. Updated report in 2 years on 9/1/2022, and 2. Visible signage directing individuals toward accessible entrance by HR





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2nd by DJ to discuss

Further discussion led to HR withdrawal of Motion.

Motion to Grant time relief for 2 years ending on 9/1/2022 with expressed intent to be informed on status of ramp and rail variance, to be advised of adequate signage with directions to accessible entry and for wayfinding to be available on the web by JD

2nd by HR

By acclamation/Carried

Short Break – 5 minute

15. 11:40 AM V20-090 – 48-50 Tileston St., Boston:

WJ presented documentation – discussion:

Motion to Grant both Variances for this tenant use only, with the condition of building the side entrance in compliance by MM

2nd by JH

By acclamation/Carried

16. 11:47 AM V20-096 – 24 Porter St., E. Boston:

WJ presented documentation – discussion:

Motion to continue for further information: 1. Height of 1st floor ceiling and 2. A feasibility study to show lift extending to 2nd floor by JD

2nd by PM

By acclamation/Carried

Lunch Break:

Return from lunch - JH to Preside

17. 13:16 PM V20-119 – 14 Green St., Charlestown:

WJ presented documentation – discussion:

Motion to Grant with annual reporting to begin on 1/1/2021 by HR

2nd by JD

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18. 13:20 PM V20-127 – 41 Bradford St. Rear, Provincetown:

WJ presented documentation – discussion:

Motion to Deny by HR

2nd by DJ

By acclamation/Carried

19. 13:25 PM ADVISORY

WJ presented documentation – How to deal with the conditions of additions connecting existing buildings to come to full compliance:

Motion to Packet by HR

2nd JD

By acclamation/Carried

20. 13:34 PM Personnel

Update provided by WJ

Check in with ML

21. 13:39 PM Minutes and Decisions

Motion to approve the minutes from 7/13/2020 by HR

2nd by JH

By acclamation/Carried

Motion to approve the minutes from 7/27/2020 by HR

2nd by JD

By acclamation/Carried

22. 13:43 PM Update regarding the Complaint toward the Open Meeting Law by JP

End of meeting noted 13:46 PM

Respectfully submitted:

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Division of Professional Licensure

