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# <u>Board Meeting Minutes – November 14, 2022 Teleconference</u>

This meeting was open to the public and began approximately 9:00AM.

Architectural Access Board member attendance Dawn Guarriello, Chairperson (DG) Patricia Mendez, Vice-Chairperson (PM) Jeffrey Dougan (JD) David Johnson (DJ) Ana Julian (AJ) Elizabeth Myska (EM)

Division of Occupational Licensure Employees attendance: William Joyce – AAB Executive Director (WJ) James Plotkin – Legal Counsel (JP)

### **AAB** Personnel

WJ informed the Board that Marc Lessor has accepted another position within DPL and a new Compliance Officer will need to be hired.

JD moved to authorize the staff to begin the hiring process, PM seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

Cannabis Dispensary, 1589 Columbus Avenue, Boston (V22-176) Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

JD moved to grant, DJ seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

### JD Left

Shasheen Pines Kayak Launch, 87 Lowell Junction Road, Andover (V22-177) Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

PM moved to grant, DJ seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

### JD Returned

The Cove at Rockport, 1 King Street, Rockport (V22-178) Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

JD moved to packet, PM seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

## PM Left

Fresh SB LLC, 232 Old Colony Avenue, Roxbury (V22-179) Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

DJ moved for a hearing, JD seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

Malcolm X Park, 150 Martin Luther King Boulevard, Roxbury (V22-180) Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

JD moved to grant on the condition of appropriate wayfinding signage subject to the Board's approval, DJ seconded.

Adopted by acclamation.

## **PM Returned**

New England Historic and Geonealogical Society, 99-101 Newbury Street, Boston (V22-181) Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

DJ moved to packet, AJ seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

Artemas, 65 Norman Street, Everett (V22-182) Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

JD moved to grant Group 1 Sink Depths on usual conditions, DJ seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

JD moved to grant shower doors on the condition that  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 2A units do not have them, and that work to remove shower door shall be completed within 48 hours of reciept of a request.

Old North Church, 193 Salem Street, Boston (V19-045) Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

JD moved for a hearing, DJ seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

Shattuck Hospital Replacement, 88 East Newton Street, Boston (V22-065) Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents

# WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

JD moved to grant, EM seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

Hearing Waverly Commuter Rail Station, 525 Trapelo Road, Belmont (C12-033 & V13-076)

DG opened the hearing, introduced Board and established procedures.

Laura Brelsford, Betsy Taylor, Desire Patrice, Jillian Linnell, Christopher Brennan, Cathryn Quigley, and Michael Muehe were sworn in.

Exhibit 1 – Hearing Packet AAB 1-24

Exhibit 2 – Powerpoint Presentation

Presentation on current state of accessibility of the MBTA.

JD moved to accept the report, DJ seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

Advisory Opinion – Armless Seats Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

JD moved to find that the swing-away armrest shown would comply, DJ seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

Cannabis Dispensary, 31 Church Street, Cambridge (V22-109) Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

JD moved to grant as revised for this tenant and use only, DJ seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

Hearing Dormitory, Tufts University, 114 Professor's Row, Somerville (V22-108)

DG opened the hearing, introduced Board and established procedures.

Jeff Paras, Kimberly Barnett, Heidi Sokol, Christopher Hogan, and Michael Muehe were sworn in.

Exhibit 1 – Hearing Packet AAB 1-49

Exhibit 2 – Detail drawing of existing ramp.

Mr. Paras and associates discuss the variance request and answered the Board Members questions.

DJ moved to continue request #2-#5 for info on the cross slope and running slope of the ramp, JD seconded.

Adopted by acclamation.

PM moved to accept the withdrawal of request #6, JD seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

JD moved to grant request #7, DJ seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

DJ moved to continue requests #1 & #8 for a study on a LULA, JD seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

<u>Hearing</u> Commercial Building, 211 Cochituate Road, Framingham (V22-124) DG opened the hearing, introduced Board and established procedures.

Christopher Gonzalez, Patrick Thornton, Annette Hines, and Keaton Sakowich were sworn in. Exhibit 1 – Hearing Packet AAB 1-

Mr. Gonzalez and associates discuss the variance request and answered the Board Members questions.

JD moved to grant as proposed for this tenant and use only on the condition that the ramp handrails fully comply and that the ramp runs are appropriately lit, DJ seconded.

Adopted by acclamation.

JD moved to expedite, DJ seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

Tower Court at Wellesley College, 106 Central Street, Wellesley (V22-175) Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

#1-3

JD moved to grant as proposed, DJ seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

#4

JD moved to grant on the condition of signage indicating affected toilet rooms are for residents only and wayfinding signage indicating the location of the accessible toilet rooms, DJ seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

#5-7

JD moved to grant for the northern entrances, DJ seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

JD moved to continue on southern entrances for photos of the current southern entrances and proposed floor plans, DJ seconded.

Adopted by acclamation.

# DG left for the day.

#8-13

JD moved to continue for cost estimate for making basement and 1<sup>st</sup> floor doors comply, DJ seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

JD moved to table, DJ seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

Two Story Building, 1127 Harrison Avenue, Boston (V19-295) Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

JD moved for a hearing, DJ seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

Third Baptist Church, 149 Walnut Street, Springfield (V21-189) Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance DJ moved to continue for more info on fundraising, JD seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

The Brant, Multiple Streets, Nantucket (V22-084) Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

JD moved to grant as proposed for #4 & #7, DJ seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

JD moved to grant as proposed for #5 & #6 on the condition that directional signage is provided at the inaccessible entrances, DJ seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

Decisions to approve from October 31, 2022 Church, 38 Edgell Road, Framingham (V22-152)

JD move to approve, AJ seconded. Adopted by acclamation.

# **Meeting Adjourned**