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# Board Meeting Minutes – July 24, 2023 Teams Meeting

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

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

Division of Occupational Licensure Employees attendance: William Joyce – AAB Executive Director (WJ) Jamie Dalton – Board Counsel (JaD) Bradley Souders – Office Support Specialist (BS)

DG opened the meeting for Roll Call: PM, JD, RG, EM, AJ

1. 9:07 AM V23-125 44 North Pleasant Street, Amherst

JD Recused

Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance:

Motion to Grant on the condition that notice of the ramp is provided on website, and the ramp is deployed any time the audience is participating on stage by PM 2nd by AJ

By Acclamation/Carried

2. 9:16 AM V23-129 300 Linden Ponds Way, Hingham Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents



TELEPHONE: (617) 727-0660 FAX: (617) 979-5459 http://www.mass.gov/aab

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance:

Motion to Grant on the conditions that language is added to contract to request accommodations and accommodation policy is reviewed and approved by the Board by JD 2nd by PM

By Acclamation/Carried

3. 9:28 AM V23-134 85 Trapelo Road, Belmont

Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance:

Motion to Continue for plans showing toilet on opposite wall with sink moved to toilet side, with cost estimates by JD

2nd by RG

By Acclamation/Carried

4. 9:33 AM V23-135 15 Hinkley Road, Hyannis

Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance:

Motion to Continue for more information for a detailed drawing of existing clearances and deck size, including door clearances and turning radiuses by JD

2nd by RG

By Acclamation

5. 9:41 AM V23-136 149 High Street, Newburyport

Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance:

Motion to Grant on the condition that if on street parking is provided, then one space is reserved for accessible parking by JD

2nd by PM

By Acclamation/Carried

6. 9:50 AM V23-137 550 Cochituate Road, Framingham

Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance:

Motion to Packet by JD

2nd by PM

By Acclamation/Carried

7. 9:52 AM V23-138 Main and Walden Street, Concord

Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance:

Motion to Find that no variance is required as exceptions are met for apex curb cuts by JD 2nd by PM

By Acclamation/Carried

8. 9:53 AM V23-139 616 Western Avenue, Gloucester

Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance:

Motion to Packet by PM

2nd by EM

By Acclamation/Carried

9. 9:56 AM V19-273 26 Middleton Road, Boxford

Exhibit – Status report and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Status report:

Motion to Accept with reminder from Board staff of project due date by JD

2nd by PM

By Acclamation/Carried

10. 9:57 AM V22-023 1141 Brayton Avenue, Somerset

Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance:

Motion to Table until August 7 2023 by JD

2nd by PM

By Acclamation/Carried

11. 9:59 AM V22-114 686 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge

Exhibit – Amended Variance Application and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance:

Motion to Grant on the condition the last open tattoo station remain available for walk-ins or other types of needs with current conditions from previous variance in place, for this tenant only by JD

2nd by PM

By Acclamation/Carried

12. 10:03 AM V22-175 106 Central Street, Wellesley

Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance 5-7:

Motion to Grant as proposed by JD

2nd by EM

By Acclamation/Carried

Discussion of Variance 2:

Motion to Grant on the condition the outer handrail is compliant by JD

2nd by AJ

By Acclamation/Carried

13. 10:07 AM V23-024 345 Chelsea Street, East Boston

Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

Motion to Continue for clarification of proposed work to be done by JD

2nd by PM

By Acclamation/Carried

14. 10:15 AM V23-054 25 Prospect Street, Northampton

Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance (25.1)

Motion to Table until receipt of MHC letter by JD

2nd by AJ

By Acclamation/Carried

Discussion of Variance (30.1)

Motion to Grant on the condition that the 00btk restroom provides door that swings outward by

JD

2nd by PM

By Acclamation/Carried

15. 10:38 AM V23-092 258 Chestnut Street, Chelsea

Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

Motion to Continue for detailed test drawings and cost estimates for why the elevator shaft cannot be expanded to meet minimum run by JD

2nd by RG

By Acclamation/Carried

16. 10:48 AM V23-122 491 Broadway, Cambridge

Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

Motion to Find that no variances is required as space is employee-only and plans should be clearly marked on the stamped permit set accordingly by JD

2nd by AJ

By Acclamation/Carried

17. 10:52 AM V23-126 275 Pleasant Street, Worcester

Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

Motion to Grant by JD

2nd by PM

By Acclamation/Carried

18. 10:53 AM Staff Complaint 209 North Harvard Street, Allston

Exhibit – Staff Complaint and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Complaint

Motion to Instruct staff to file complaint by JD

2nd by PM

By Acclamation/Carried

19. 11:00 AM Hearing declared regarding V18-218 46 Millmont Street, Roxbury: DG opened the hearing, introduced Board and established procedures. Participants Jean Thompson and Michael Muehe are sworn in. Exhibit #1 – the hearing packet AAB 1-66 is noted. Jean Thompson

presented application. William Griffin is sworn in. Additional comments and testimony provided by Michael Muehe. Discussion and Questions of Hearing:

Motion to Grant extension until August 2027 with 6 month status reports by JD 2nd by AJ

By Acclamation/Carried

20. 11:30 AM V23-128 103 Mercer Street

Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

Motion to Continue for more information on justification of apex curb usage when the provided information does not indicate exceptions have been met by JD

2nd by EM

By Acclamation/Carried

21. 11:38 AM Complaint report

Exhibit - Complaint report and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Report:

Motion to Accept Complaint Report by JD

2nd by PM

By Acclamation/Carried

22. 11:55 AM Minutes and Decisions

Motion to Accept July 10 2023 minutes and Decisions by JD

2nd by EM

By Roll Call PM/A, JD/Y, EM/Y, AJ/Y, DG/A, RG/Y

23. 1:00 PM Hearing declared regarding V23-059 7 Middlesex Street, Framingham: DG opened the hearing, introduced Board and established procedures. Participants Humberto Cherritte, Sanjo Ramos are sworn in. Exhibit #1 – the hearing packet AAB 1-33 is noted and Exhibit #2 – drawings and plans. Humberto Cherritte presented application. Additional comments and testimony provided by Sanjo Ramos and Mark Dempsey. Exhibit #3 – photo of front entrance is noted and accepted. Exhibit #4 – photos from Mark Dempsey are noted and accepted. Mark Dempsey is sworn in. Discussion and Questions of Hearing:

Motion to Take under advisement by JD

2nd by PM

By Acclamation/Carried

24. 1:57 PM V23-124 44 JFK Street, Cambridge

Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance 1:

Motion to Continue for test drawings showing archway is compliant with height requirements, the two doors in series compliance by JD

2nd DG

By Acclamation/Carried

Discussion of Variance 2:

Motion to Continue for clarification for what spaces are open to the public and which spaces are employee-only by JD

2nd by DG

By Acclamation/Carried

Discussion of Variances 3-4

Motion to Table by JD

2nd by DG

By Acclamation/Carried

25. 2:26 PM V23-131 684 Purchase Street, New Bedford

Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance

Motion to Continue for plans and cost estimates for wheelchair lift as well as alternative location at the accessible level for green room by JD

2nd by AJ

By Acclamation/Carried

Discussion of Variance 2:

Motion to Deny by JD

2nd by DG

By Acclamation/Carried

Discussion of Variance 3:

Motion to Continue for test drawings for improving height requirements at end of stairs by JD

2nd by DG

By Acclamation/Carried

Discussion of Variance 4-5:

Motion to Table until Variance 1 is adjudicated by JD

2nd by AJ

By Acclamation/Carried

Discussion of Variance 6:

Motion to Grant for this use only by JD

2nd by DG

By Acclamation/Carried

26. 2:39 PM V23-133 101 Wilbraham Road, Monson

Exhibit – Variance Application and associated documents

WJ presented documentation – Discussion of Variance 1:

Motion to Continue for stamped plans with accessible routes highlighted by JD

2nd by DG

By Acclamation/Carried

Discussion of Variance 2:

Motion to Table by JD 2nd by DG By Acclamation/Carried

# Discussion of Variance 3:

Motion to Continue for test drawings showing compliance by JD

2nd by AJ

By Acclamation/Carried

## Discussion of Variance 4:

Motion to Table by JD

2nd by EM

By Acclamation/Carried

# Discussion of Variance 5:

Motion to Deny by JD

2nd by RG

By Acclamation/Carried

## Discussion of Variance 6:

Motion to Continue for site plan and clarification of non-portable toilets are provided to the public by JD

2nd by DG

By Acclamation/Carried

Motion to Find that if portable toilets are provided to the public then an accessible portable toilet is required by JD

2nd by AJ

By Acclamation/Carried

#### 27. 3:08 PM Ouasi-Judicial Session Vote

Motion to Enter Quasi-Judicial Session by JD

2nd by AJ

By Roll Call DG/Y, JD/Y, RG/Y, EM/Y, AJ/Y,

The Board entered closed quasi-judicial session. The recording ended. The Board will not resume after this session, this is the end of the public portion of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Bradley Souders, Office Support Specialist

## **Exhibit List**

- The Drake, 44 North Pleasant Street, Amherst (V23-125)
  - o Exhibit Variance Application and associated documents
- Assisted Living Facility, 300 Linden Ponds Way, Hingham (V23-129)

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- Restaurant, 85 Trapelo Road, Belmont (V23-134)
  - o Exhibit Variance Application and associated documents
- Pain d'Avignon, 15 Hinkley Road, Hyannis (V23-135)
  - o Exhibit Variance Application and associated documents
- Bartlet Mall, 149 High Street, Newburyport (V23-136)
  - o Exhibit Variance Application and associated documents
- TJX Workplace, 550 Cochituate Road, Framingham (V23-137)
  - o Exhibit Variance Application and associated documents
- Curb Cuts, Main and Walden Street, Concord (V23-138)
  - o Exhibit Variance Application and associated documents
- 3 Unit Residential, 616 Western Avenue, Gloucester (V23-139)
  - Exhibit Variance Application and associated documents
- Harry Lee Cole School, 26 Middleton Road, Boxford (V19-273)
  - Exhibit Status report and associated documents
- Somerset Middle School, 1141 Brayton Avenue, Somerset (V22-023)
  - o Exhibit Variance Application and associated documents
- Luckys Tattoo and Piercing, 686 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge (V22-114)
  - o Exhibit Amended Variance Application and associated documents
- Tower Court, Wellesley College, 106 Central Street, Wellesley (V22-175)
  - o Exhibit Variance Application and associated documents
- Commercial Building, 345 Chelsea Street, East Boston (V23-024)
  - o Exhibit Variance Application and associated documents
- Talbot House, 25 Prospect Street, Northampton (V23-054)
  - o Exhibit Variance Application and associated documents
- Salvation Army, 258 Chestnut Street, Chelsea (V23-092)
  - o Exhibit Variance Application and associated documents
- Cambridge Fire HQ, 491 Broadway, Cambridge (V23-122)
  - o Exhibit Variance Application and associated documents
- Public Housing Facility, 275 Pleasant Street, Worcester (V23-126)
  - o Exhibit Variance Application and associated documents
- Staff Complaint, 209 North Harvard Street, Allston
- Refugee Church of Christ, 46 Millmont Street, Roxbury (V18-218)
  - o Exhibit Hearing packet AAB 1-66
- Walkways, 103 Mercer Street, Boston (V23-128)
  - o Exhibit Variance Application and associated documents
- Complaint Report
- Decisions and Minutes to approve from July 10, 2023
  - o July 10, 2023 minutes
  - o South Boston Municipal Courthouse, 535 East Broadway, Boston (V23-020)
  - o Tower Court, Wellesley College, 106 Central Street, Wellesley (V22-175)
- Church, 7 Middlesex Street, Framingham (V23-059)
  - Exhibit #1 Hearing packet AAB 1-33
  - Exhibit #2 Drawings and plans
  - Exhibit #3 Photo on entrance

- Exhibit #4 Photo from Mark Dempsey
- Fox Club, 44 JFK Street, Cambridge (V23-124)
  - o Exhibit Variance Application and associated documents
- Zeiterion Performing Arts Center, 684 Purchase Street, New Bedford (V23-131)
  - o Exhibit Variance Application and associated documents
- Winery, 101 Wilbraham Road, Monson (V23-133)
  - o Exhibit Variance Application and associated documents
- Cash Energy Condominium, 231 Sutton Street, North Andover (C21-005)