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Minutes

BRS Building Code Appeals Board (BCAB)
Meeting Location: Virtual Microsoft Teams-Meeting
August 23, 2022

Meeting Called to order by the Chairman Steven Frederickson, at 9:30 a.m. followed by Roll call:

Board Members Present:

David Riquinha
Steven Frederickson, Chairman
Jennifer Hoyt

Guests Present:

See sign-in sheet for each case:

- Case Number:** 22-0068
Appellant: Walter H. Jacobs, Esq. (Owner-Bechara Fren)
Property Address: 267 Mill Street, Worcester, MA. 01610
Summary of Case: Appellants sought relief from 780 CMR Section 102.8, with respect to an existing building.

Prior to the hearing, the Appellant withdrew the appeal.

- Case Number:** 22-0069
Appellant: Andrew Gordetsky
Property Address: 60 Dudley Street, Unit #206, Chelsea, MA. 02150
Summary of Case: Appellants sought relief from 780 CMR Section 505.1, with respect to an existing building.

Jennifer Hoyt made a **MOTION** that was **SECONDED** by David Riquinha, to **GRANT** a variance from **780 CMR 505.1** to allow a clear height of 6'-8" from the first floor to the underside of the new mezzanine and a clear height of 6'-0" from the finished floor of the new mezzanine to the "existing beam" in the ceiling above the new mezzanine. The BCAB also noted, as part of its motion, that the relief applies only to 780 CMR 505.1, thus all other applicable Code requirements for the proposed work must be met. Further, the BCAB noted that no one on behalf of the City appeared at the hearing and the City provided nothing in addition to the July 25, 2022 letter from the Director of



Inspectional Services issued to Gordetsky. The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.

3. **Case Number:** 22-0071
Appellant: George Morancy (Owner-Sing Ming Chan)
Property Address: 191 Main Street, Charlestown, MA. 02129
Summary of Case: Appellants sought relief from 780 CMR 705.8 & 780 CMR 107, with respect to new construction.

David Riquinha made a **MOTION** that was **SECONDED** by Jennifer Hoyt, to **GRANT** relief from **780 CMR 705.8** and it was noted that no one on behalf of the City appeared at the hearing. The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.

4. **Case Number:** 22-0017
Appellant: Russell Forsberg (Owner-Gary Cormier)
Property Address: 655 Washington Street, Brighton, MA. 02135
Summary of Case: Appellants sought relief from 780 CMR 9th Edition Section 903.2, IEBC Section 1004 & Section 1012, with respect to an existing building.

At the close of the hearing session on August 23, 2022, Appellant informed the BCAB that he was withdrawing the Appeal Application. By email on September 12, 2022 Appellant said. "At the request of the property owner, Gary Cormier, of 555 Washington Street, Brighton, MA. In the matter of appeal BCAB22-0017, we respectfully request withdrawing our appeal at this time and it is our intent to install an automatic sprinkler system which was the subject of the appeal. Russell Forsberg".

Accordingly, the hearing is closed and the Appeal is **DISMISSED**.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.