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Minutes

BBRS Building Code Appeals Board (BCAB)
Meeting Location: Virtual Microsoft Teams-Meeting
November 19, 2024

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

Board Members Present:

Jacob Nunnemacher Michael McDowell, Chairman John Couture

Guests Present:

See sign-in sheet for each case:

1. Case Number: 24-0109

Appellant: Caroline Morel (Owner-Rhino Capital Advisors, LLC)

Property Address: 55 Dever Drive, Taunton, MA. 02780

Summary of Case: Appellants sought relief from MSBC, 780 CMR Section 507.2.1, with

respect to new construction.

Jacob Nunnemacher made a **MOTION** that was **SECONDED** by John Couture, to **GRANT** a variance to **780 CMR Section 507.2.1** for the reduction from 40 feet to no less than 35 feet 7 inches as requested. This variance is also granted due to the fact that both the Building and Fire Departments are not opposed. The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.

2. Case Number: 24-0110

Appellant: Trevor Rabidou (Owner-207 South Street Realty Trust)

Property Address: 201 South Street, Boston, MA. 02111

Summary of Case: Appellants sought relief from 780 CMR 9th Edition Section 1011.2,

1011.5.3 & 1011.6, with respect to an existing building.

John Couture made a **MOTION** that was **SECONDED** by Michael McDowell, to **GRANT** a variance to **780 CMR** 9th **Edition Section 1011.2, 1011.5.3 & 1011.6** conditioned on that per the appellant's testimony they are going to increase the sprinkler density by one level in all common areas. The Motion was approved by a 2-1 Vote, Jacob Nunnemacher was opposed.

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3. Case Number: 24-0111

Appellant: Trevor Rabidou (Owner-STJ Devonshire Equity Partners, LLC)

Property Address: 85 Devonshire Street, Boston, MA. 02108

Summary of Case: Appellants sought relief from 780 CMR 1011.5.3, 1023.4, 504.4 & 3006.2,

with respect to an existing building.

Jacob Nunnemacher made a MOTION that was SECONDED by John Couture, to ACCEPT a variance to 1023.4 contingent on they increase the sprinkler density throughout the building except in the residential sleeping areas. This is also granted because of no opposition from both the Building and Fire Departments. (Motion #1). The Motion was approved by unanimous vote. Jacob Nunnemacher made a MOTION that was SECONDED by John Couture, to GRANT a variance to 780 CMR 1011.5.3 contingent on they increase the sprinkler density throughout the building except in the residential sleeping areas. This is also granted because of no opposition from both the Building and Fire Departments. (Motion #2). The Motion was approved by unanimous vote. John Couture made a MOTION that was SECONDED by Jacob Nunnemacher to GRANT a variance to 504.4 to increase the corridor ratings by one hour from Type 3B to Type 3A conditioned on: 1) Appellant must increase the sprinkler density in all common areas except in the residential sleeping areas and 2) Appellant puts in automatic smoke detection throughout all of the common areas. (Motion #3). The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.

4. Case Number: 24-0112 Appellant: Anton Orlik

Property Address: 212 South Quinsigamont Avenue, Shrewsbury, MA. 01545

Summary of Case: Appellants sought relief from 225 CMR 22 Table R406.5, with respect

to an existing building.

John Couture made a **MOTION** that was **SECONDED** by Jacob Nunnemacher, to **GRANT** A variance to **225 CMR Table R406.5** to allow appellant to not have to comply with the HERS Rating. The Motion was a 2-1 Vote, Jacob Nunnemacher was opposed.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.