



**HEARING MINUTES**  
**Revised Agenda**

Board Chair Dong called the meeting to order promptly at 9:30 AM and commenced with a brief description of the hearing process and, pursuant to the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law, advised those in attendance that the hearings would be broadcast and recorded and hearing minutes would be kept. The Chair announced that the hearing was being conducted remotely via an online meeting platform and subject to the below advisory which was part of the publicly posted hearing agenda. The Board members then commenced with discussion of the following Agenda items which were announced on the record by Board Secretary Norm Stembridge:

**PLEASE BE ADVISED OF THE FOLLOWING APPEALS TO BE HEARD ON JULY 25, 2023 BEGINNING AT 9:30 AM AND RELATED ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

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**EXTENSIONS: 9:30AM**

**Case: BOA-826724 Address: 1199-1203 Blue Hill Avenue Ward 14 Applicant: George Minasdis**

**Discussion/ Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board granted an extension until August 18, 2024

**Case: BOA-1176005 Address: 1717-1719 Hyde Park Avenue Ward 18 Applicant: David Linhart, Esq**

**Discussion/ Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board granted an extension until August 24, 2024

**BOARD FINAL ARBITERS: 9:30AM**

**Case: BOA-606484 Address: 64-64C Allandale Street Ward 20 Applicant: Marc LaCasse, Esq**

**Discussion/ Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board approved the Board Final Arbitr request.

**Case: BOA-606486 Address: 66-66C Allandale Street Ward 20 Applicant: Marc LaCasse, Esq**

**Discussion/ Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board approved the Board Final Arbitr request.

**Case: BOA-606487 Address: 68-68B Allandale Street Ward 20 Applicant: Marc LaCasse, Esq**

**Discussion/ Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board approved the Board Final Arbitr request.

**Case: BOA-606488 Address: 70-70B Allandale Street Ward 20 Applicant: Marc LaCasse, Esq**

**Discussion/ Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board approved the Board Final Arbitr request.

**Case: BOA-606489 Address: 72-72B Allandale Street Ward 20 Applicant: Marc LaCasse, Esq**

**Discussion/ Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board approved the Board Final Arbitr request.

**Case: BOA-1365467 Address: 100 Allstate Road Ward 15 Applicant: Joseph Hanley, Esq**

**Discussion/ Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board approved the Board Final Arbitr request.



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## **CALL OF THE CHAIR:9:30AM**

**Case: BOA-1432589 Address: 336R Pond Street Ward 19 Applicant Antonio Ferrara**

**Purpose:** Appellant seeks a determination that the Inspectional Services Department erred in its interpretation of the Zoning Code and refusal of a building permit application on grounds that the proposed project violates Article 55 of the Boston Zoning Code. Appellant contends that ISD incorrectly cited Article 55, Section 41.1, Conformity with Existing Building Alignment and improperly denied Permit # ERT1104783.

**Discussion:** The applicant spoke on their appeal and mentioned that a violation was cited incorrectly

**Votes:** Board member Barraza moved to approve and grant the permit. Collins seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

## **HEARINGS:9:30AM**

**Case: BOA- 1478134 Address: 361 Belgrade Avenue Ward 20 Applicant: Upton Belgrade Investment Partners, LLC-ARTICLE 80**

**Article(s):** Article 67 Sect 12 Will exceed dimensional FAR of 1.0. The Project proposes a FAR of 3.0. Article 67 Sect 12 Will exceed dimensional Height of 35' (feet). The Project proposes Height of 63'(feet). Article 67 Sect 12 Will exceed dimensional stories height of 3. The Project proposes height of 5 stories. Article 67 Sect 12 Will not meet the dimensional Front Yard setbacks of 10' (NS). The Project proposes Street Conformity (Modal Alignment). Article 67 Sect 12 Will not meet dimensional Side Yard setbacks of 10'(NS). The Proposed project has a Side Yard setback of 3'. Article 67 Sect 12 Will not meet dimensional Rear Yard setbacks of 10' feet (NS). The proposed Project will not have a Rear Yard setback, it will be 0' feet. Article 67 Section 32 Off Street Parking & Loading Req - The number of Parking Spaces & Loading Bays are subject to BPDA Large Project Reviews. The Project proposes a garage for 86 vehicles. Article 67, Section 9 Front Yard Insufficient - Will not meet dimensional Front Yard setbacks of 20' (feet) for 2F 5000. Art. 67 Sec. 09 Side Yard Insufficient - Will not meet the dimensional Side Yard setbacks of 10' for 2F 5000 Article 67, Section 9 Rear Yard Insufficient - Will not meet dimensional Rear Yard setback of 40' for 2F 5000. Art. 29 Sec. 04 Greenbelt Protection Overlay District Applicability The proposed project is subject to Greenbelt Protection Overlay District Applicability. Article 67, Section 8 Use Regulations - Use Accessory Parking in the 2F 5000 subdistrict for the MFR use. (underground parking).

**Purpose:** Erect a 5 story, 129,000 gsf building with 124 Residential units, 2600 sf of commercial space garaged parking for up to 86 vehicles and overall site upgrades.

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to erect a new 5 story dwelling with 21 IDP units and change the grade, make MBTA accessible, and have underground parking.

The Board asked about the plans, proposal, retail space, configuration

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Councilors Murphy, Flaherty, Arroyo, and abutters are in support. A local association and an abutter are in opposition.

**Documents:** Building plans,

**Votes:** Board member Barraza moved to approve. Valencia seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



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**Case: BOA-1481408 Address: 1320 Dorchester Avenue Ward 15 Applicant: Doug George-ARTICLE 80**

**Article(s):** Article 65, Section 41 Off Street Parking & Loading Req - Off street parking is insufficient.  
Article 65, Section 16 Floor area ratio is excessive Article 65, Section 16 Building height in feet is excessive Article 65, Section 16 Rear Yard is insufficient,

**Purpose:** Proposed new six story residential apartment building with 70 studio units, 4 parking spaces and ground floor commercial component. Project will be fully compliant with City of Boston Compact Living Guidelines.

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to erect a 6 story residential apartment with 70 studio units.

The Board asked about the plans, proposal, units

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Councilor Baker is in support. An abutter is in opposition.

**Documents:** Building plans,

**Votes:** Board member Barraza moved to approve with BPDA design review. Valencia seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**Case: BOA- 1428646 Address: 42 East Street Ward 15 Applicant: Bonnie Tan**

**Article(s):** Article 65, Section 9 Usable Open Space Insufficient Article 65, Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Stories)  
Article 65, Section 9 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 65, Section 9 Front Yard Insufficient Article 65, Section 9 Side Yard Insufficient Article 65, Section 9 Rear Yard Insufficient

**Purpose:** Demolish existing single family building and erect a new 3 story 3 unit townhouse will require variance for dimensional setback, FAR, and Lot Size.

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to demo a 1 family and erect a 3 story 3 family with open space and 6 off street parking spaces.

The Board asked about the plans, proposal, setback, frontyard

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Councilor Coletta is in support.

**Documents:** Building plans,

**Votes:** Board member Barazza moved to approve with BPDA design review and eliminate 3 parking spaces..Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



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**Case: BOA-1411034 Address: 177 Harvard Street Ward 14 Applicant: Stuart Schrier**

**Article(s):** Art. 60 Sec. 40 Off street parking insufficient Article 60, Section 8 Use: Forbidden - Accessory food pantry (Accessory retail) Article 60, Section 9 Lot Area Insufficient Article 60, Section 9 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 60, Section 9 Usable Open Space Insufficient Article 60, Section 9 Side Yard Insufficient Rear deck Article 60, Section 9 Rear Yard Insufficient Rear deck

**Purpose:** Change of occupancy from Adult education/offices to Place of Worship, 2 Residential Units (Parish house) and Accessory Food Pantry for ministry. Scope includes extension of floor area into basement for pantry, rebuild & extend existing 2 story rear porch, construction a new side accessible ramp down to basement, and a new rear stair down to basement. Also, includes renovation of parish building with new life safety, insulation, electrical, plumbing and heating. (See ALT39328 for previous approval by the ZBA on 3/8/2011, the work was not done due to financial hardship forcing a re application).

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to change the occupancy from adult education to worship space. Only exterior changes are ramp and porch access. The footprint will remain the same.

The Board asked about the plans, proposal, units

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Councilor Worrell is in support.

**Documents:** Building plans,

**Votes:** Board member Barraza moved to approve. Valencia seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**Case: BOA- 1475908 Address: 78 Rutland Street Ward 9 Applicant: Ben Wild**

**Article(s):** Art. 64 Sec. 09 Town House/Row House Extensions into Rear Yard

**Purpose:** SF1277295, SF1277289, SF1277298 Change of Occupancy from 3 family to single. new windows front, new main entry, rear deck, restore bay window, 2 windows on side. Emergency structural work bow front window.

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to change the occupancy from a 3 family to a 1 family with a new roof deck.

The Board asked about the plans, proposal,

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board.

**Documents:** Building plans, letters in support.

**Votes:** Board member Pinado moved to approve. Langham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**Case: BOA- 1435105 Address: 5 Swift Terrace Ward 1 Applicant: Marc LaCasse, Esq**

**Article(s):** Article 53, Section 9 Rear Yard Insufficient Article 53, Section 9 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 53, Section 56 Off Street Parking & Loading Req Article 27T 5East Boston IPOD Applicability - ARTICLE 27T 8

**Purpose:** Demolish existing structures on separate permit. Construct new 7 unit dwelling with parking for 5 vehicles; 3 private roof decks; basement storage.

**Discussion/Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board moved to defer this proposal until September 9, 2023.

**Case: BOA-1476698 Address: 964 Bennington Street Ward 1 Applicant: Diana Aponte**



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**Article(s):** Article 27T 5East Boston IPOD Applicability - East Boston Interim Planning Overlay District Applicability  
Article 25 Section 5 Flood Plain Regulations - Flood Hazard District Article 53 Section 12 Floor Area Ratio Excessive  
**Purpose:** Make the Basement part of the First floor Unit. Install connecting stairs, new partitions, do all electrical, plumbing, and new windows to bring it up to Code.

**Discussion/Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board moved to deny this proposal.

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**Case: BOA- 1455410 Address: 2 Wilkins Place Ward 19 Applicant: Patrick Michaud**

**Article(s):** Article 67, Section 9 Lot Area Insufficient Article 67, Section 9 Lot Width Insufficient  
Article 67, Section 9 Add'l Lot Area Insufficient Article 67, Section 9 Front Yard Insufficient  
Article 67, Section 9 Rear Yard Insufficient

**Purpose:** Erect 1515 square foot two story single family home with 2 parking spaces similar in design to existing homes on Wilkins Place.

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to erect a new single family dwelling with 2 off street parking spaces.

The Board asked about the plans,

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. An abutter is in support, and there are abutters in opposition.

**Documents:** Building plans,

**Votes:** Board member Barazza moved to approve with permeable pavers for the driveway. Langham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



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**Case: BOA- 1443137 Address: 43-45 Stanton Street Ward 17 Applicant: Marc LaCasse, Esq**

**Article(s):** Art. 55 Sec. 65 41 Off Street parking insufficient - Parking spaces required: 21 Proposed: 191 accessible parking required, see building code refusal letter. Art. 65 Sec. 08 Forbidden - Multifamily use Art. 65 Sec. 41 Off St. Loading Req'mnts - 1 loading bay required Article 65, Section 9 Floor Area Ratio Excessive - Max. allowed: 0.4 Proposed: 1.2 Article 65, Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Stories) - Max. allowed: 2.5 Proposed: 4 Article 65, Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Feet) - Max. allowed: 35' Proposed: 45' 2" Article 65, Section 9 Rear Yard Insufficient - Min. required: 30' Proposed: 13.1'

**Purpose:** Change of occupancy from convent to multifamily with 14 dwelling units with 19 parking spaces; renovate existing structure and add new 4 story addition at rear of existing building; demolish one story garage at rear of property (Short Form #); new systems and add sprinkler system.

**Discussion/Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board moved to defer this proposal until September 26, 2023.

**Case: BOA- 1473828 Address: 114-122 Harvard Street Ward 14 Applicant: Travis Lee-ARTICLE 80**

**Article(s):** Article 60, Section 9 Addl' lot area Insufficient Article 60, Section 9 FAR insufficient  
Article 60, Section 8 Use: Forbidden - 16 units MFR Forbidden Article 60, Section 9 Usable open space insufficient  
Article 60, Section 9 Front Yard insufficient Article 60, Section 9 Rear Yard Insufficient Art. 60 Sec. 37 Off St. Parking Requirements - Parking space insufficient Art. 60 Sec. 40(4) Off Street parking location - Non combine Lot Article 60, Section 41.2 Traffic Visibility Across Corner - Harvard St./Standish St.

**Purpose:** Applicant submits nominal fee application to obtain zoning refusal letter for a proposed 3 story building with 16 residential units, about 1250sf of ground floor commercial space and 8 off street parking spaces.

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to erect income restricted housing with 16 homeownership units and 8 off street parking spots.

The Board asked about the plans, proposal, units

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Councilor Worrell and Flaherty are in support.

**Documents:** Building plans,

**Votes:** Board member Barraza moved to approve. Valencia seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



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**Case: BOA- 1473831 Address: 18-24 Standish Street Ward 14 Applicant: Travis Lee**

**Article(s):** Article 60, Section 9 Add'l lot area insufficient Article 60, Section 9 FAR Excessive Article 60, Section 9 Usable Open space insufficient Article 60, Section 9 Side yard insufficient Article 60, Section 9 Front yard insufficient Article 60, Section 9 Rear Yard insufficient Art. 60 Sec. 37 Off St. Parking Requirements - Parking space insufficient Article 60, Section 8 Use: Forbidden - 8 units MFR Forbidden

**Purpose:** Applicant submits this nominal fee application to obtain a zoning refusal letter to facilitate the construction of a new 3 story building with 6 residential units and 3 off street parking spaces.

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to erect income restricted housing with 16 homeownership units and 8 off street parking spots.

The Board asked about the plans, proposal, units

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Councilor Worrell is in support.

**Documents:** Building plans,

**Votes:** Board member Barraza moved to approve. Valencia seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**Case: BOA- 1481099 Address: 222 Bowen Street Ward 6 Applicant: Anthony Monahan**

**Article(s):** Art 68 Sec 29 Roof Structure Restrictions - Max allowed height on parcel exceeded Art. 68 Sec. 33 Off Street parking Req. - Maneuvering areas Art 68 Sec 8 Insufficient lot area per unit 1000/unit req. Art 68 Sec 8 Excessive f.a.r 2.0. max. Art 68 Sec 8 Excessive height in sub district 40' max Art 68 Sec 8 Insufficient open space 200sf/unit Art 68 Sec 8 Insufficient front yard setback 5' minimum (Note side walk narrower than 39") Art. 68 Sec.08 Insufficient front yard setback 5' minimum (Note side walk narrower than 39") Art.68 Sec. 33 Off Street Loading Req. - Insufficient parking unit

**Purpose:** Erect new 4 unit residential building with 2 full parking spots, per plans \* Clarification: Combine Parcel #'s 0600999000 and 0600998000 and Erect a new Four story, 4 unit residential building with two private roof decks and 2 full parking spots per plans on the newly created lot consisting of 2,289sf. \*Existing structures to be razed on a separate permit demolition application w/article 85 approval.

**Discussion/Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board moved to defer this proposal until September 12, 2023.



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**Case: BOA-1446767 Address: 340 West Second Street Ward 6 Applicant: George Morancy**

**Article(s):** Art 68 Sec 29 Roof Structure Restrictions - Proposing penthouse, stairway #2

Article 68, Section 33 Off Street Parking & Loading Req - Reduction in the number of spaces from 70 to 54

Article 68, Section 8 Bldg Height Excessive (Feet) - Increased non conformity from previously approved ERT

Article 68, Section 8 Bldg Height Excessive (Stories) - Increased non conformity from previously approved ERT

**Purpose:** Amendment to ERT236651 to reduce the original approved 70 parking spaces to 54 parking spaces in garage with new automated parking lift system; Relocate 2nd means of egress from garage; Extend Stair #2 to roof and create new headhouse same construction as stair#1; Install new rubber roof mats; Eliminate roof covers at light wells at two locations.

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to reduce parking and amend the parking spaces.

The Board asked about the plans, proposal, penthouse

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Councilors Flynn and Flaherty are in support.

**Documents:** Building plans, letters in support.

**Votes:** Board member Barazza moved to approve. Langham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**Case: BOA- 1456430 Address: 119 Addison Street Ward 1 Applicant: DCM Realty, LLC**

**Article(s):** Art. 53 Sec. 08 Forbidden - 9 unit Forbidden use Article 27T Section 9 IPOD Enforcement

**Purpose:** Change occupancy from 9 executive suites to 9 residential units with 1 voluntary inclusionary development unit. No work to be done.

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to change the occupancy from 9 executive suites to 9 residential units.

The Board asked about the plans,

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board.

**Documents:** Building plans,

**Votes:** Board member Pinado moved to approve with IDP agreement. Barazza seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



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## **RECOMMENDATIONS: 11:30 AM**

*(The Zoning Advisory Subcommittee held hearings for the following cases July 20, 2023. Board Secretary Norm Stenbridge reported the Subcommittee's recommendations from these hearings to the Board.)*

**Case: BOA-1464901 Address: 44 Brooks Street Ward: 1 Applicant: Hector Martinez**

**Article(s):** Art. 53 Sec. 08 Forbidden Take in in 3F 2000 is Forbidden

**Purpose:** Two (2) Residential Units and Grocery Store for Ice cream (incidental use) With Takeout

**Discussion/Vote:** At the request of the Subcommittee, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed use in detail, stating the reasons for this appeal. The applicant described the proposed project. Following a brief discussion regarding the violations, the Subcommittee voted to recommend approval.

**Case: BOA- 1416327 Address: 964 Saratoga Street Ward: 1 Applicant: MI Pueblito Orient Heights**

**Article(s):** Art. 9 Sec. 1 Ncnfrm'g Use:Structl Change Art. 25 Sec. 5 Flood Hazard Districts

Article 27T Section 9 IPOD Enforcement

**Purpose:** Construct at the outdoor seating, a seasonal canopy over the existing outdoor patio, which is currently being utilized by the restaurant.

**Discussion/Vote:** At the request of the Subcommittee, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed use in detail, stating the reasons for this appeal. The applicant described the proposed project. Following a brief discussion regarding the violations, the Subcommittee voted to recommend approval.

**Case: BOA- 1480844 Address: 500 Boylston Street Ward: 4 Applicant: Oxford Properties Group**

**Article(s):** Art. 08 Sec.07 Use: Conditional 36A Retail Catering for Starbucks Coffee Shop/Café Art. 08 Sec.07 Use: Conditional 37 Take out for Starbucks Coffee Shop/Cafe

**Purpose:** Former retail space "Talbots" to be converted to a new Starbucks Coffee café. We request a zoning use review with nominal fee as we are considered a takeout use 36A /37 and may need BOA.

**Discussion/Vote:** At the request of the Subcommittee, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed use in detail, stating the reasons for this appeal. The applicant described the proposed project. Following a brief discussion regarding the violations, the Subcommittee voted to recommend approval.

**Case: BOA- 1480839 Address: 2 Park Plaza Ward: 5 Applicant: Moskow Holdings LLC**

**Article(s):** Art. 06 Sec. 04 Other Protectional Conditions Remove for this petitioner only

**Purpose:** Tenant fit up for a new Starbucks Coffee shop. The space is currently a Boloco restaurant. Remove the proviso of this petitioner only.

**Discussion/Vote:** At the request of the Subcommittee, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed use in detail, stating the reasons for this appeal. The applicant described the proposed project. Following a brief discussion regarding the violations, the Subcommittee voted to recommend approval subject to BPDA Design Review.

**Case: BOA- 1447530 Address: 1250 Boylston Street Ward: 5 Applicant: Hashem Alatiyat**

**Article:** Art. 06 Sec. 04 Other Protectional Conditions

**Purpose:** Food trailer

**Discussion/Vote:** At the request of the Subcommittee, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed use in detail, stating the reasons for this appeal. The applicant described the proposed project. Following a brief discussion regarding the violations, the Subcommittee voted to recommend approval.



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**Case: BOA- 1467752 Address: 10 Saint Margaret Street Ward: 7 Applicant: Justin Byrnes**

**Article(s):** Art. 07 Sec. 03 Conditions for Variance - Removal of previous BOA proviso order of record on parent permits conditions of variance approval; "No side yard variance granted" Art. 65 Sec. 9 Insufficient rear yard setback Art. 65 Sec. 9 Insufficient side yard setback Art. 65 Sec. 9 Excessive f.a.r. Art. 65 Sec. 9 Insufficient open space

**Purpose:** Project to construct a 2-story addition, including garage and bedroom, to an existing one family residence. The ALT associated with this amendment is ALT1174108. Additional two story addition on left side of dwelling.

**Discussion/Vote:** At the request of the Subcommittee, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed use in detail, stating the reasons for this appeal. The applicant described the proposed project. Following a brief discussion regarding the violations, the Subcommittee voted to recommend approval subject to BPDA Design Review.

**Case: BOA- 1399573 Address: 16 Holborn Street Ward: 12 Applicant: Oswald Webbe**

**Article:** Art. 50 Sec. 01 Floor Area Ratio excessive

**Purpose:** Extension of living space into the basement from unit 1. Repair concrete basement floor, frame walls according to plans, install plumbing for bathroom and laundry, new electrical work, frame and insulate walls, blue board walls and ceilings, install doors and trims, tile floors and paint all walls and trims.

**Discussion/Vote:** At the request of the Subcommittee, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed use in detail, stating the reasons for this appeal. The applicant described the proposed project. Following a brief discussion regarding the violations, the Subcommittee voted to recommend approval with no building code relief.

**Case: BOA- 1399546 Address: 45 Winthrop Street Ward: 12 Applicant: Steve Desmangles**

**Article(s):** Article 50, Section 29 Front Yard Insufficient Article 50, Section 29 Side Yard Insufficient Article 50, Section 43 Off Street Parking & Loading Req

**Purpose:** Relocate existing curb cut.

**Discussion/Vote:** At the request of the Subcommittee, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed use in detail, stating the reasons for this appeal. The applicant described the proposed project. Following a brief discussion regarding the violations, the Subcommittee voted to recommend a deferral until August 8, 2023.

**Case: BOA- 1461000 Address: 86 Grampian Way Ward: 13 Applicant: Maureen Marotta**

**Article(s):** Article 65, Section 9 FAR insufficient Article 65, Section 9 Side Yard Insufficient Art. 09 Sec. 01 Reconstruction/Extension of Nonconforming Bldg - Extension of Non conforming use.

**Purpose:** 3rd floor rear addition extending the existing bedroom and adding a bathroom and rear balcony. City of Boston Board of Appeal

**Discussion/Vote:** At the request of the Subcommittee, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed use in detail, stating the reasons for this appeal. The applicant described the proposed project. Following a brief discussion regarding the violations, the Subcommittee voted to recommend approval subject to BPDA Design Review.



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**Case: BOA- 1019280 Address: 10-12 Bentham Road Ward: 15 Applicant: Arlene Cruthird**

**Article(s):** Article 65, Section 42 Application of Dimensional Req 65.42.7 driveway providing access to off street parking shall be not less than 10 feet Art. 10 Sec. 01 Limitation of off street parking areas

**Purpose:** Off street parking for two residential vehicles.

**Discussion/Vote:** At the request of the Subcommittee, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed use in detail, stating the reasons for this appeal. The applicant described the proposed project. Following a brief discussion regarding the violations, the Subcommittee voted to recommend approval with one parking space.

**Case: BOA-1436951 Address: 10-10A Walk Hill Street Ward: 19 Applicant: Emiliano Amoroso**

**Article:** Art. 06 Sec. 04 Other Protectional Conditions - Remove proviso for a "petitioner only"

**Purpose:** Remove proviso of this applicant only

**Discussion/Vote:** At the request of the Subcommittee, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed use in detail, stating the reasons for this appeal. The applicant described the proposed project. Following a brief discussion regarding the violations, the Subcommittee voted to recommend approval.

**Case: BOA-1472867 Address: 210 Roslindale Avenue Ward: 20 Applicant: William Seweryn**

**Article(s):** Article 67, Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Stories) Article 67, Section 9 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 67, Section 9 Front Yard Insufficient Article 67, Section 9 Side Yard Insufficient Art. 09 Sec. 01 Reconstruction/Extension of Nonconforming Bldg.

**Purpose:** New single story addition to rear of structure to serve as a family room. New back porch to accommodate addition. New dormers on 3rd floor to allow for unfinished attic to become master bedroom with full bath.

**Discussion/Vote:** At the request of the Subcommittee, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed use in detail, stating the reasons for this appeal. The applicant described the proposed project. Following a brief discussion regarding the violations, the Subcommittee voted to recommend approval.

**Case: BOA-1471763 Address: 247 Willow Street Ward: 20 Applicant: James Feeney**

**Article(s):** Article 56, Section 8 Rear Yard Insufficient Article 56. Section 8 Side Yard Insufficient

**Purpose:** Amending ALT1165872 scope of work. Removal of Attic scope; shed dormers and third floor living area removed from original plans. New scope involves rear addition now extending 2 stories; instead of 1 story. Reconfiguration of interior spaces included.

**Discussion/Vote:** At the request of the Subcommittee, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed use in detail, stating the reasons for this appeal. The applicant described the proposed project. Following a brief discussion regarding the violations, the Subcommittee voted to recommend approval.

**Case: BOA- 1440414 Address: 89 Willowdean Avenue Ward: 20 Applicant: Matthew Palmer**

**Article:** Article 56. Section 8 Side Yard Insufficient

**Purpose:** Construct 15x23 Addition and expand enclosed porch 8x14'2"

**Discussion/Vote:** At the request of the Subcommittee, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed use in detail, stating the reasons for this appeal. The applicant described the proposed project. Following a brief discussion regarding the violations, the Subcommittee voted to recommend approval.



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**Case: BOA- 1431753 Address: 12 Amherst Street Ward: 20 Applicant: Anthony Ross**

**Article(s):** Article 67, Section 8 Use Regulations Ancillary commercial parking for bank on adjacent lot Forbidden  
Article 67, Section 9 Dimensional Regulations Parking in minimal front yard setback on a lot is not allowed

**Purpose:** Raze existing 2 family dwelling on a separate permit, grading and paving of lot for use as ancillary parking (11 parking spaces) for employee parking for adjacent bank.

**Discussion/Vote:** At the request of the Subcommittee, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed use in detail, stating the reasons for this appeal. The applicant described the proposed project. Following a brief discussion regarding the violations, the Subcommittee voted to recommend denial.

**Case: BOA- 1433343 Address: 141 Colberg Avenue Ward: 20 Applicant: Eric Zachrison**

**Article(s):** Article 67, Section 9 Rear Yard Insufficient Art. 29, Section 4 Greenbelt Protection Overlay District

**Purpose:** Addition to an existing single-family home.

**Discussion/Vote:** At the request of the Subcommittee, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed use in detail, stating the reasons for this appeal. The applicant described the proposed project. Following a brief discussion regarding the violations, the Subcommittee voted to recommend approval subject to BPDA Design Review.

**Case: BOA-1412546 Address: 36 G Street Ward: 6 Applicant: James Christopher**

**Articles (s):** Art 68 Sec 29 Roof Structure Restrictions - Reconfiguration of existing structures roof profile Art 68 Sec 8 Dim reg app in res sub dist - Extensions into rear >1,000GSF Conditional Art 68 Sec 8 Dim reg app in res sub dist - Extension of dimensional in an undesized lot 25% Insufficient lot size

**Purpose:** Confirm Occupancy as a One family dwelling and erect a rear addition as per the attached plans with no change to occupancy.

**Reason for Prior Deferral: This was deferred due to the applicant changing the plans and having to refile with ISD.**

**Discussion/Vote:** At the request of the Subcommittee, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed use in detail, stating the reasons for this appeal. The applicant described the proposed project. Following a brief discussion regarding the violations, the Subcommittee voted to recommend to deny without prejudice.

**Case: BOA-1450701 Address: 33-35 Shaw Street Ward: 20 Applicant: Ruben Rodriguez**

**Articles (s):** Art. 56, Section 8 Excessive f.a.r. Article 56, Section 8 # of occupied stories has been exceeded  
Art. 09 Sec. 01 ,Extension of Non Conforming Use - Two family in a one family subdistrict <25% Conditional

**Purpose :** Confirm occupancy as 2 family and then perform extension of living space into attic from unit 2.

**Reason for Prior Deferral: A deferral was requested to allow time to add more necessary details to the plans.**

**Discussion/Vote:** At the request of the Subcommittee, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed use in detail, stating the reasons for this appeal. The applicant described the proposed project. Following a brief discussion regarding the violations, the Subcommittee voted to recommend approval with no building code relief.



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## **RE-DISCUSSIONS :11:30 AM**

**Case: BOA-1309386 Address: 75 Maywood Street Ward 12 Applicant: Fred Manigat**

**Article(s):** Violation Description Article 50, Section 29 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 50, Section 29 Front Yard Insufficient Article 50, Section 29 Side Yard Insufficient Art. 50 Sec. 18 Roof Structure and Building Height Restrictions

**Purpose:** Proposal to erect 6 condo units with 6 parking spaces.

**Reason for Prior Deferral: The applicant requested a deferral to update the plans**

**Discussion/Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board moved to defer this proposal.

**Case: BOA-1319563 Address: 1-3 Elmwood Street Ward 9 Applicant: Minkoo Kang-ARTICLE 80**

**Article(s):** Article 50, Section 43 Off Street Parking & Loading Req - No off street parking or loading provided Article 50 Section 24 Use Reg's Community Fac Dist - Restaurant is Forbidden in a Community College CF District Art. 50, Section 25 Building height in feet is excessive Max allowed 45'. Art. 50, Section 25 Usable open space is insufficient. 50sf/unit required. Art. 50, Section 25 Floor area ratio is excessive. Art. 50, Section 25 Rear yard is insufficient 20' required.

**Purpose :** Combine parcels to create a new 5,331sf lot and construct: a seven (7) story 40 unit apartment building with elevator access. The basement and first floor will have commercial space Core shell only(retail/restaurant) and tenant amenities. Floor 2 7 will have compact living units with one owner occupied unit. The roof will have a common roof deck and private deck. The building will be type IV construction.

**Reason for Prior Deferral: 5 Member Board**

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to erect a new 40 unit residential dwelling with gym roof deck, common space, with sidewalk expansion. With new trees with MBTA accessibility and in context.

The Board asked about the plans, proposal, windows

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Abutters, the Nubian Square Association is in support and other local associations are in support. Councilor Arroyo, TFA and abutters are in opposition.

**Documents:** Building plans,

**Votes:** Board member Valencia moved to approve with BPDA design review. Pinado seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



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**Case: BOA-1443969 Address: 404 West Second Street Ward 6 Applicant: Victoria Banos**

**Article(s):** Art 68 Sec 29 Roof Structure Restrictions - Roof deck access via stairs Art 68 Sec 8 Dim reg app in res sub dist - Insufficient rear yard setback

**Purpose:** Add roof deck and stair.

**Reason for Prior Deferral: To allow BPDA to review plans**

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to add private access by new spiral staircase on a rear balcony.

The Board asked about the plans, proposal,

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Councilor Flynn and Flaherty are in opposition.

**Documents:** Building plans,

**Votes:** Board member Valencia moved to approve. Langham seconded and the motion carried unanimously. Barraza is opposed.

**Case: BOA-1475285 Address: 304 Paris Street Ward 1 Applicant: Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston**

**Article(s):** Article 27T 5 East Boston IPOD Applicability - IPOD Article 32, Section 4. GCOD, Applicability - GCOD Article 53, Section 9 Usable Open Space Insufficient - Usable open space insufficient. Art. 53 Sec. 09 Rear Yard Insufficient. Art. 53 Sec. 09 Side yard insufficient Art. 53 Sec. 09 Lot area insufficient. Art. 53 Sec. 09 Add'l lot area insufficient. Art. 53 Sec. 09 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Art. 53 Sec. 56 Off St. Parking Requirements - Parking space insufficient.

**Purpose:** Erect a three (3) unit residential dwelling with a roof deck.

**Reason for Prior Deferral: 5 Member Board**

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to erect a new 4 story 3 unit residential dwelling and demo the existing garage. New roofdeck with an internal hatch.

The Board asked about the plans,

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Councilor Coletta, Flaherty, and abutters are in support. An abutter is in opposition.

**Documents:** Building plans,

**Votes:** Board member Collins moved to approve with BPDA design review. Barraza seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



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## **COURT REMAND: 1:00PM**

**Case: BOA-1177912 Address: 82-84 Boston Street Ward 7 Applicant: Media Partners MRV LLC**

**Article(s):** Art. 09 Sec. 01 Extension of Non Conforming Use - Conditional Art. 11 Sec. 06 Signs Subject to Other Reg. b) no new billboards shall be allowed within six hundred sixty (660) feet of a federally funded highway subject to the Federal Highway Beautification Act unless approved by the Board of Appeal in accordance with Article 6 after receipt by the Board of Appeal of a planning recommendation from the Boston Redevelopment Authority.

Art. 65 Sec. 9 Residential Dimensional Reg.s - side yard Article 65, Section 40 Sign Regulations - (3) Free standing signs (USE Forbidden) Article 11, Section 7 Electronic Signs – Conditional Art. 33 Sec. 16 Air Right OS Applicability - Pylon Sign Forbidden

**Purpose:** Construct a single faced digital billboard Free Standing Pylon Sign to the rear of 82 Boston street per attached plans.

The Suffolk County Superior Court has ordered that the Zoning Board hold a remand hearing on the above listed appeal, pursuant to its May 19, 2023 order in Media Partners MRV, LLC v. Boston Board of Appeal Et al, case No. 2284CV01482. The Board will determine whether it will grant or deny the required relief at the above listed address that would satisfy the requirements need for the Board to issue a Conditional Use Permit under Article 6, Section 6-3, or Variance under Article 7, Section 7-3 of the Zoning Code.

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to add a digital billboard and knock down other billboards.

The Board asked about the plans, hours, land use

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Councilors Flaherty, Murphy, the Andrew square association, the strand theatre, and the Polish Club are in support.

**Documents:** Building plans

**Votes:** Board member Barazza moved to approve with demoing the other billboards from the locations as indicated. Langham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



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## **HEARINGS: 1:00PM**

**Case: BOA-1482725 Address: 247-251 Hancock Street Ward 15 Applicant: AU Manager LLC-ARTICLE 80**

**Article(s):** Art.65 Sec. 8 Use: Forbidden - MFR Forbidden Article 65, Section 9 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 65, Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Stories) Article 65, Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Feet) Article 65, Section 9 Side Yard Insufficient Art. 65 Sec. 41 Off street parking requirements Art. 65 Sec. 41 Off St. Loading Req'mnts Article 65, Section 42.2 Conformity w Ex Bldg Alignment

**Purpose:** New construction of a multifamily residential development, comprised of a six story building with 47 residential units, approximately 1,500 square feet public open space, roof deck, 18 accessory off street parking spaces and 57 bike storage spaces. Existing building shall be razed on a filed demolition permit.

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to erect 47 residential units 6 story dwelling with solar panels and green space.

The Board asked about the plans, proposal, units

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Councilor Baker is in support.

**Documents:** Building plans,

**Votes:** Board member Pinado moved to approve with BPDA design review. Barraza seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**Case: BOA-1450131 Address: 60-70 Geneva Avenue Ward 14 Applicant: Michael P. Ross, Esq**

**Article(s):** Article 50, Section 43 Off Street Parking & Loading Req Article 50, Section 29 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 50, Section 29 Bldg Height Excessive (Stories) Article 50, Section 29 Bldg Height Excessive (Feet) Article 50, Section 29 Usable Open Space Insufficient Article 50, Section 29 Side Yard Insufficient Article 50 Section 28 Use Regulations Article 50, Section 29 Add'l Lot Area Insufficient

**Purpose:** Applicant proposes to construct a 5 story, 50 unit residential building, inclusive of the existing masonry structure. (Job Site: 66 Geneva St.)

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to erect a 5 story 50 unit dwelling with homeownership [ units that is MBTA accessible.

The Board asked about the plans, proposal, sustainability.

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Councilors Flaherty, Worrell, Arroyo, and an abutter are in support. A local neighborhood association is in opposition.

**Documents:** Building plans,

**Votes:** Board member Shepard moved to approve with BPDA design review. Valencia seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



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**Case: BOA-1475349 Address: 361 Centre Street Ward 10 Applicant: John Pulgini-ARTICLE 80**

**Article(s):** Art. 55, Section 8 Use: Conditional - Community Center Art. 09 Sec. 01 Reconstruction/Extension of Nonconforming Bldg. Art. 55 Sec. 55 40^Off street parking insufficient - To be determined by BPDA through large project review process Art.55 Sec.41Appl of Dimensional Req. - Seven buildings in the same lot. Article 55, Section 9 Add'l Lot Area Insufficient - 55,000 sqft required in existing lot Article 55, Section 9 Floor Area Ratio Excessive - Increased with new addition Article 55, Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Feet) - Max. allowed: 35' Proposed addition: 46' Article 55, Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Stories) - Max. allowed: 3 Proposed: 5 Article 55, Section 9 Side Yard Insufficient - Several buildings are being affected by the rear yard addition Article 55, Section 9 Rear Yard Insufficient - Several buildings are being affected by the rear yard addition Article 55, Section 9 Usable Open Space Insufficient - 8,250 sqft required for the proposed 55 units.

**Purpose:** The proposed adaptive reuse of the Blessed Sacrament Church will include 55 affordable rental units and new community space on the ground floor, 22 off street parking spaces. New construction additions and selective demolition/exterior renovations will improve site safety and accessibility for future residents and neighbors. Subject to BPDA Large Project review.

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to erect 55 affordable housing units with 22 off street parking spaces.

The Board asked about the plans,

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Councilors Murphy and Ruthzee are in support.

**Documents:** Building plans, letters in support.

**Votes:** Board member Pinado moved to approve with BPDA design review. Langham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**Case: BOA-1466320 Address: 465 East Eighth Street Ward 7 Applicant: Ivonne Zapata**

**Article(s):** Art 68 Sec 29 Roof Structure Restrictions - Max allowed height on parcel has been exceeded

**Purpose:** \*Clarification: Construct a third floor addition on top of the existing structure, (i.e. Third story addition) Exterior: new stair from level 3 to roof level, new headhouse at roof level, new roof deck + railing at roof level interior: plumbing and electrical circuit replacement.

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to add a new stair level to a third floor roof deck.

The Board asked about the plans, proposal,

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Councilor Flynn is in support.

**Documents:** Building plans, letters in support.

**Votes:** Board member Barazza moved to approve with BPDA design review. Pinado seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



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**Case: BOA- 1463156 Address: 524 East Seventh Street Ward 7 Applicant: George Morancy**

Article(s): Art. 68 Sec.31 Screening and Buffering - Screening and buffering required Article 68, Section 8 Usable Open Space Insufficient - Required 200 sf. per unit Art. 68 Sec. 33 Off Street parking Req. - Location off street parking  
Purpose: Create four off street accessory parking spaces in the rear yard, to be accessed via an easement to be granted over an existing driveway, for the use of residents of 524 East Seventh Street.

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to add curb cuts to allow for off street parking

The Board asked about the plans, proposal

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Councilors Flynn and Flaherty are in support.

**Documents:** Building plans, letters in support.

**Votes:** Board member Barazza moved to approve with only three spaces and to coordinate with BTB on maneuverability. Pinado seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**Case: BOA- 1291960 Address: 17-19 Barrett Avenue Ward 7 Applicant: Peter Vanko**

Article(s): Article 68, Section 8 Add'l Lot Area Insufficient - Lot area required: 3,000 sqft Proposed: 2,766 sqft  
Article 68, Section 8 Side Yard Insufficient - Min. required: 3' Proposed: 0' (R) Article 68, Section 8 Rear Yard Insufficient - Min. required: 20' Proposed: 9.7'  
Article 68, Section 8 Usable Open Space Insufficient - Min. required: 400 sqft Proposed: 342 sqft  
Purpose: Construct a new 2 family, 3 story > (reduced to a 2 story 03/13/23) building with 3 outdoor off street parking spaces. See companion, lot combination ALT1286497.

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to erect 2 townhouse units with 3 off street parking spaces.

The Board asked about the plans, setback, parking, greenspace

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Councilors Flynn, Flaherty, Murphy, Collins, and abutters are in opposition.

**Documents:** Building plans, letters in support.

**Votes:** Board member Barazza moved to deny without prejudice. Langham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



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**Case: BOA-1471767 Address: 556 East Broadway Ward 6 Applicant: Marc LaCasse**

**Article(s):** Art 68 Sec 29 Roof Structure Restrictions - Max allowed height on parcel exceeded Art 68 Sec 8 Max allowed height in the sub district has been exceeded Art 68 Sec 8 Excessive f.a.r. Art 68 Sec 29 Roof Structure Restrictions - Proposed Roof deck on lower roof Art 68 Sec 8 Insufficient side yard setback Art 68 Sec 8 Insufficient rear yard setback

**Purpose:** Gut renovation of existing 3 family dwelling; proposed new 4th floor addition; new roof deck at second floor on roof of existing rear addition; renovate entire structure; remove rear masonry wall at 2nd and 3rd floors and install glass curtain wall on 2nd, 3rd and proposed 4th floor; new MEP systems.

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to gut a 3family and add a new 4<sup>th</sup> story addition with a new roof deck.

The Board asked about the plans, proposal,

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Councilors Flynn and Flaherty are in support.

**Documents:** Building plans,

**Votes:** Board member Barazza moved to approve with BPDA design review. Langham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**Case: BOA-1468765 Address: 251-255 West Third Street Ward 6 Applicant: Steven Deering**

**Article(s):** Art 68 Sec 29 Roof Structure Restrictions - Max allowed height on parcel exceeded Art. 68 Sec. 34 Appl. of Dim. Req. - Insufficient traffic visibility across a corner lot Article 68, Section 8 Max allowed height in sub-district exceeded Article 68, Section 8 Max allowed f.a.r. exceeded Article 68, Section 8 Insufficient lot area per additional unit Article 68, Section 8 Insufficient front yard setback Article 68, Section 8 Insufficient side yard setback

**Purpose:** Erect a four story Three family structure consisting of a (3) Unit Townhouse design with garage parking and roof decks, per plans filed herewith. (note: Combining lots/parcel# 0601647000 + 0601647000 = 2731sf lot size)  
\*Existing structure to be razed on a separately filed and issued SF demolition permit \*Three family (Townhouse units)

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to erect a new 3-unit 4 story

The Board asked about the plans, proposal, windows

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Councilor Flynn is in opposition. An abutter is in support.

**Documents:** Building plans,

**Votes:** Board member Pinado moved to approve. Langham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



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**Case: BOA- 1449394 Address: 99 Blackstone Street Ward 3 Applicant: Sterling Sign Systems, LLC**

**Article(s):** Article 11, Section 7 Electronic Signs

**Purpose:** Installation of one 40"x 15' 10" internally illuminated wall sign for "Gordon Ramsay Burger".

**Discussion:** The applicant is seeking to install an interior illuminated sign

The Board asked about the plans, proposal, visibility

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services spoke on the community process and deferred judgement to the Board. Councilor Coletta is in support.

**Documents:** Building plans,

**Votes:** Board member Barazza moved to approve with BPDA design review with attention to the sign. Langham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### **RECONSIDERATION: 1:00PM**

**Case: BOA-1421808 Address: 1 Mount Vernon Street Ward 7 Applicant: Jake Federico**

**Article:** Article 65, Section 8 - Use Regulations - Recreational cannabis establishment is a forbidden use in a 3F 5000 Sub district. Definition of cannabis establishment includes delivery. Art. 65 Sec. 08 Forbidden - Table A: Fn14.

Cannabis Establishment, provided that any cannabis establishment shall be sited at least one half mile or 2,640 feet from another existing cannabis establishment and at least 500 feet from a pre existing public or private school providing education in kindergarten or any of grades 1 through 12. Distances shall be determined from the nearest lot line of the proposed establishment to the nearest lot line of an existing establishment or school. Use approval shall be applicable to the applicant only.

Appellant seeks reconsideration of the Board's vote on May 9, 2023 to deny Appellant's appeal of BOA1421808, seeking to change occupancy of the property at 1 Mount Vernon Street from food processing and warehouse for food products to a recreational cannabis establishment. The applicant is not proposing any construction. The applicant intends to utilize the current footprint of the building. The building will be occupied as-is, without need of building modifications.

**Discussion:** The applicant explained in detail their previous appearance before the Board where their appeal was denied.

**Documents:** Building plans,

**Votes:** Board member Barazza moved to deny, and the motion failed. Stembridge moved to reconsider, and the motion failed. This appeal has been denied.

### **Discussion Of Open Meeting Complaint Regarding BOA1444979, BOA1475322 & BOA1464137**



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