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Petition of Irene F. Hedges

Pursuant to due notice the Board of Appeal held a public hearing in the hearing room on the second floor of the Town Hall at 8:25 p.m. on December 14, 1966, on the petition of Irene F. Hedges requesting permission to continue to use a portion of the dwelling located at 16 Eaton Court, for a Telephone Answering Service as provided under Section XXIV of the Zoning By-law.

On November 28, 1966, the petitioner filed with this Board her request for a hearing and thereafter due notice of the hearing was given by mailing and publication.

The petitioner appeared at the hearing in support of her request.

Statement of Facts

The house involved is located within a single-residence district in which the above-mentioned use is not permitted unless permission is obtained from the Board of Appeal.

For several years, permission has been granted annually by this Board to use a portion of the property involved as a Telephone Answering Service on a temporary and conditional basis. The petitioner now requests permission to continue its use in the same manner for another year. The petitioner stated that she needs to support herself and that her service is needed by the doctors and professional people in the Town. This is her only livelihood and she and two others cover the service during the twenty-four hour period. She has no roomers and no other type of business operating from the premises.

Decision

The circumstances not having changed, the Board finds that a real need continues to exist and that the continued use of the property as a Telephone Answering Service will not substantially reduce the value of any property within the district or otherwise injure the neighborhood.

Accordingly, the requested permission is granted to use the premises for the specific use requested in the petitioner's application on file upon the condition that:

1. That all calls and messages shall be conveyed by telephone.

2. That the petitioner shall not employ more than three employees in addition to herself.

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3. That no portion of said building shall be let or sublet.

4. That said premises shall not be used as a mail-drop or as an address by any person or business other than the petitioner.

5. That said permit shall expire one year from this date, or upon the alteration or use of the subject premises in violation of any provision of the Zoning By-law or hereof whichever shall first occur.

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