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Petition of Alma D. Worley

Pursuant to due notice the Permit Granting Authority held a public hearing in the hearing room on the second floor of the Town Hall at 8:00 p.m. on September 27, 1979, on the petition of Alma D. Worley, requesting a variance from the terms of Section II of the Zoning By-law, which will allow her to continue to use the premises at 637 Washington Street as a rooming and lodging house as provided under Section XXIV-D of the Zoning By-law.

On September 11, 1979, the petitioner filed an application for a hearing before this Authority and thereafter due notice of the hearing was given by mailing and publication.

The petitioner spoke in support of the request at the hearing.

Statement of Facts

At the hearing the petitioner requested a renewal of the variance which was granted a year ago by this Authority. She stated that conditions were the same as they were a year ago and that she cannot afford to live in the house without some revenue from the property. She has an average of five or six roomers and uses only the first and second floors as restricted in the Zoning Board of Appeals' decision.

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Decision

This Authority finds that the conditions in this case are substantially the same as they were a year ago when a variance was granted to use the premises as a rooming and lodging house for one year.

It is the opinion of the Authority that because of the size of the house and the number of rooms it contains, that it cannot be used or adapted at a reasonable expense with a fair financial return for a use regularly permitted within a Single Residence District. The Authority, however, is concerned with the appearance of the house and the condition of the grounds and landscaping and would like to see the improvement continued.

Accordingly, the requested variance is granted under the provisions of Section XXIV-D of the Zoning By-law for one year from the expiration of the permit for which this is a renewal and upon conditions set forth in the Board of Appeal's decision on, "Petition of John L. Worley" filed with the Town Clerk on February 9, 1959.

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