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Petition of Wellesley Community Children's Center (Unitarian Church)

Pursuant to due notice, the Special Permit Granting Authority held a Public Hearing in the second floor hearing room of the Town Hall at 8 p.m. on Thursday, June 10, 1982, on the petition of Wellesley Community Children's Center, requesting a renewal of a Special Permit which will allow the premises located at the Unitarian Church, 309 Washington Street, to be used as an infant/toddler day care center. Said location is in a General Residence District and the request is made pursuant to Section IX and Section XXV of the Zoning Bylaw.

On May 21, 1982, the petitioner filed a request for a hearing before this Authority, and thereafter due notice of the hearing was given by mailing and publication.

Peter Larkowich, 110 Wellesley Avenue, President of the Wellesley Community Children's Center, presented the request and stated that the operation has had no changes since last years request. He stated that twenty children are enrolled, and that the parking lot behind the Unitarian Church is used for dropping off and picking up children. Several parents of children enrolled in the program were present.

Other than the above mentioned, no others were present either favoring or opposing the petition.

Statement of Facts

The Wellesley Community Children's Center is seeking a renewal of a Special Permit to operate an infant toddler day care center at the Unitarian Church, 309 Washington St, in a General Residence District.

The Wellesley Community Children's Center has other day care facilities in Wellesley. Deborah Toal, Director of the Center for the past three years, resigned in June, 1982 and Gina Greeley has been appointed as Agency Director.

The facility located at the Unitarian Church at 309 Washington Street has twenty children enrolled, the hours of operation being 7:30 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. weekdays. Three ground level rooms located at the back of the building are used, as well as a small grassy plot to the west of the church. The parking lot behind the church is used for dropping off and picking up children.

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A letter, dated May 21, 1982, was received from W. Ward Fearnside, Property Chairman, Unitarian Church, endorsing the operation of the Center, and requesting that the permit be renewed.

The Planning Board, at its regular meeting of May 25, 1982, voted to offer no comment on the petition.

Decision

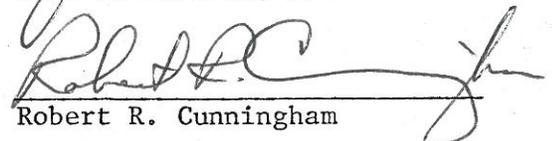
This Authority has made a careful study of the evidence submitted regarding this petition and is of the belief that the day care program located at 309 Washington Street has not changed in the past year.

Therefore, a Special Permit to operate an infant toddler day care center is granted with the following conditions:

1. That the maximum number of children at any one time be no more than twenty.
2. That the hours of operation be from 7:30 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. weekdays.
3. That the pick-up and delivery of children shall take place in the parking lot of the Unitarian Church, at the rear of the building, and that there shall be no pick-up or delivery of children on Washington Street.
4. This Special Permit is subject to the full compliance of any regulations or restrictions as may be imposed by either the Public Safety Inspector, the Fire Inspector or the Building Inspector.
5. This Special Permit shall expire one (1) year from the date of this decision.


Stephen S. Porter, Chairman


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