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ZBA 98-83

Petition of Town of Wellesley/Hunnewell School  
28 Cameron Street

Pursuant to due notice, the Special Permit Granting Authority held a Public Hearing on Thursday, September 24, 1998 at 8 p.m. in the Great Hall at the Town Hall, 525 Washington Street, Wellesley, on the petition of TOWN OF WELLESLEY/HUNNEWELL SCHOOL requesting a Special Permit pursuant to the provisions of Section XXIIA and Section XXV of the Zoning Bylaw to allow installation of a one-sided 2 foot by 5 foot standing sign at a height of 4 feet, set back 18.5 feet from the front property line at the HUNNEWELL SCHOOL, 28 CAMERON STREET, in a Single Residence District, which will exceed the allowed area of one square foot.

On September 4, 1998, the petitioner filed a request for a hearing before this Authority, and thereafter, due notice of the hearing was given by mailing and publication.

Presenting the case at the hearing was Laurie Jacob, representing the Hunnewell School, who said that they were requesting permission to install a 10 square foot standing sign at a height of 4 feet, to identify the school. They have chosen a location for the sign which will not intrude on the playground or the library parking lot, and will identify the school. The sign will be located in front of the circle, 18.5 feet from the front property line, and 17 feet in front of the flagpole.

Mrs. Jacob said that the sign will be attached to the posts without intervening brackets, as the Design Review Board had recommended.

No other person present had any comment on the petition.

Statement of Facts

The Hunnewell School is located at 28 Cameron Street, in a Single Residence District. The school is requesting a Special Permit to install a one-sided 2 foot by 5 foot non-illuminated standing sign, at a height of 4 feet and set back 18.5 feet from the front property line, which will exceed the allowed area of one square foot in a Single Residence District. The lettering on the sign states "Est. 1800" and "Hunnewell School". The sign will have gold leaf letters on a maroon ground.

A site plan, a sign plan, and photographs were submitted.

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On May 29, 1998, the Design Review Board reviewed the proposal and recommended that the sign be attached directly against the posts rather than separated by steel brackets.

On September 14, 1998, the Planning Board reviewed the petition, and had no objection to the granting of the request.

Decision

This Authority has made a careful study of the materials submitted and the information presented at the hearing. The area of the proposed sign is greater than that allowed in a Single Residence District.

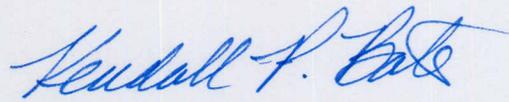
It is the opinion of this Authority that the proposed sign is in harmony with the general intent and purpose of Section XXIIA of the Zoning Bylaw.

Therefore, a Special Permit is granted by this Authority, as voted unanimously at the Public Hearing, to install the one-sided non-illuminated 10 square foot sign at a height of 4 feet, subject to construction in accordance with the submitted site plan, and further subject to the recommendation of the Design Review Board that the sign be attached directly against the supporting posts rather than separated by steel brackets.

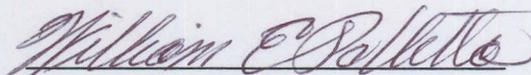
The Inspector of Buildings is hereby authorized to issue a permit for the sign upon receipt and approval of an application and any other information he requires. No sign can be installed until said permit is issued.

APPEALS FROM THIS DECISION,  
IF ANY, SHALL BE MADE PURSUANT  
TO GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 40A,  
SECTION 17, AND SHALL BE FILED  
WITHIN 20 DAYS AFTER THE DATE  
OF FILING OF THIS DECISION IN  
THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK.

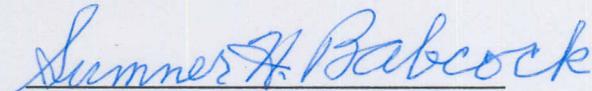
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Inspector of Buildings  
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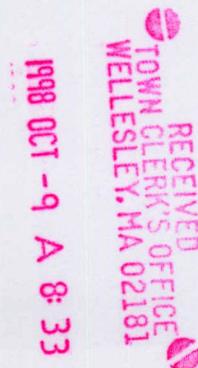
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Noah Luskin, *Planner*

May 29, 1998

Wellesley Zoning Board of Appeals  
Wellesley Town Hall  
Wellesley, Massachusetts 02181

RE: Hunnewell School, 28 Cameron Street

Members of the Wellesley Zoning Board of Appeal:

At its regular meeting of May 28, 1998, the Design Review Board reviewed the proposal for a standing sign at 28 Cameron Street. The sign will be maroon with gold leaf letters and not be illuminated. Because the sign is located in a single residence district, the application will need a special permit from the Zoning Board of Appeals to:

- Exceed the allowed height of 4' (4' 8" proposed)
- Exceed the allowed area of 1 sq.ft. (10sq.ft. proposed)

The Design Review Board recommended that the sign be attached directly against the posts rather than be separated by steel brackets. DRB members stated that the brackets, when separated, rust and discolor and the sign must be continually repaired.

The DRB moved, seconded and voted unanimously to approve the proposal as modified.

Sincerely,

Noah A. Luskin  
Planner, Town of Wellesley

cc: Laurie Jacob

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5'-0"

1/4" GOLD LEAF TRIM

GOLD LEAF DATE ON BLACK  
OVAL

CARVED LETTERING (INCISED)  
23 KT. GOLD LEAF WITH  
BLACK OUTLINE

P.T. 4x4 POSTS  
WITH PAINTED  
CAPS

STEEL BRACKETS

EBONY STAIN

EST. 1800

HUNNEWELL  
SCHOOL

2'-0"

2'-1"

GRADE

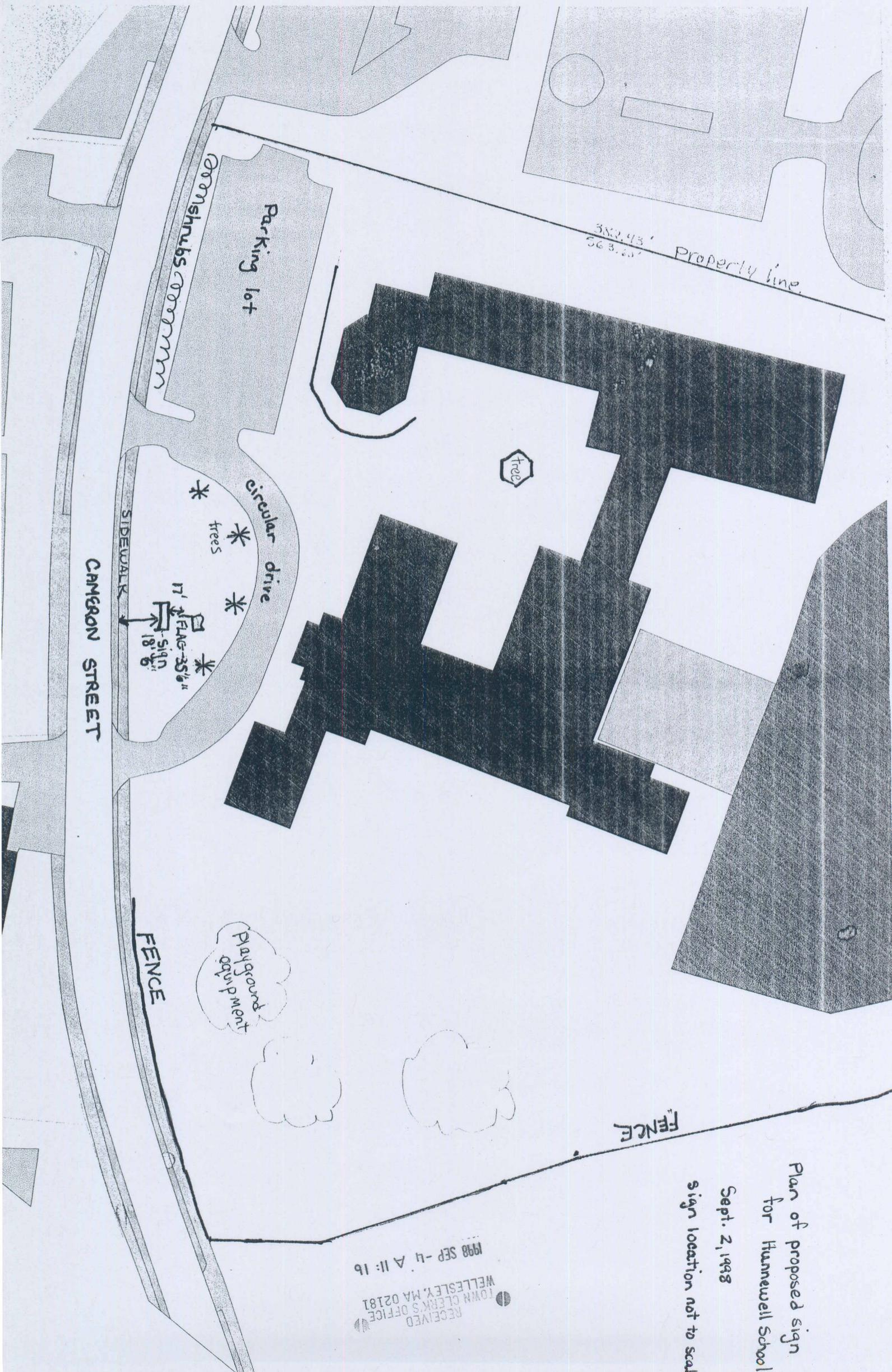
BACKGROUND COLOR CHOICES

MAROON BACKGROUND COLOR

POSTS 3'  
Below GRADE

1-SIDED CARVED SIGN

OR RED (HINGHAM SCHOOL)



Plan of proposed sign  
for Hunnewell School

Sept. 2, 1998

sign location not to scale

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