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Petition of Dorothy E. Howells

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 8:10 p.m. on November 23, 1976, on the petition of Dorothy E. Howells, requesting permission to use a part of her dwelling at 11 Strathmore Road as a mailing address and workspace for an editorial service, as provided under Section XXIV-E. 1, of the Zoning By-law.

On October 4, 1976, the petitioner filed her request for a hearing before this Board 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

The house involved is located within a Single-residence District, a district in which the desired use of the property is not permitted unless special permission is granted by the Board of Appeal.

The petitioner seeks permission to use a portion of her dwelling for work space for her editorial services company as well as a mailing address to receive and send occasional business letters and short manuscripts. Permission is also sought for a business telephone number to be listed in both the Wellesley and Boston Telephone Books, and an occasional advertisement in the "Townsmen."

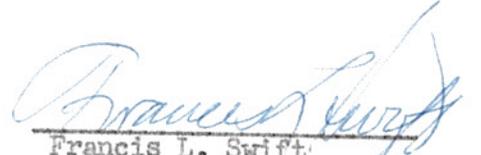
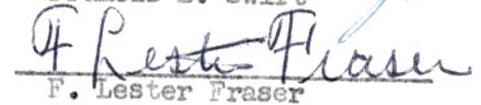
It was stated that the petitioner will work with one associate, Grace Sheldrick of 9 Tappan Road, Wellesley, and together they desire to conduct a small editorial service. They have been employed by an educational publishing company, it was stated, and would now like to start a small company of their own. They plan to handle one project at a time which will consist of editing a manuscript and returning it to the publisher as well as performing the necessary clerical duties involved. As soon as they become established, they plan to rent office space in a Business District.

Decision

The Board has considered all the facts in this case and is of the opinion that a temporary need exists and that the proposed use, subject to the conditions hereinafter set forth, will not substantially reduce the value of any property within the district and will not otherwise injure the neighborhood.

The Board, therefore, grants the desired permission under Section XXIV-E of the Zoning By-law, subject to the following conditions:

1. That no trucks shall make any deliveries to the premises incidental to the business involved at any time.
2. That no signs advertising or incidental to the business shall be displayed on the property.
3. That said permit shall expire one year from this date or sooner in case of a breach of any of the above conditions.


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