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Petition of Bay Bank/Norfolk Trust

Pursuant to due notice, the Special Permit Granting Authority held a Public Hearing in the second floor hearing room of the Town Hall on Thursday, April 1, 1982, at 8 p.m. on the Petition of Bay Bank/Norfolk Trust, requesting a Special Permit to erect an accessory sign at their place of business at 342 Washington Street to identify and illuminate a 24-hour teller machine. Said request is made pursuant to Section XXIIA, Part C, Subpart 3-a-3 and Section XXIIA, Part C, Subpart 3-a-4 (b) and Section XXV of the Zoning Bylaw.

On March 12, 1982, the petitioner filed a request for a hearing before this Board, and thereafter due notice of the hearing was given by mailing and publication.

Present at the hearing and speaking on behalf of the request was Steven Emery of Thompson Sign Service, Westwood, representing the petitioner. Mr. Emery had met with the Design Review Board twice concerning the proposed sign, and stated that he had agreed to modify the proposed sign per their requests. Robert Broder, Chairman of the Design Review Board, confirmed that Bay Bank had agreed to the recommendations by the Board. Eleanor Angelakos, a member of the Design Review Board, was also present. There were no other persons present either in favor or in opposition to the petition.

Statement of Facts

The property involved, known as Bay Bank/Norfolk Trust, is located at 342 Washington Street on the corner of Abbott Road, in a Business District.

A permit was granted on April 14, 1981 by the Board of Appeals to Bay Bank/Norfolk Trust for an illuminated standing sign subject to conditions on file at the Board of Appeals office (Case 81-12). A permit was also granted on April 14, 1981 for a wall sign no higher than 19'3" above ground elevation by the Board of Appeals (Case 81-13).

Plans of the proposed sign were submitted by Steven Emery of Thompson Sign Service, Inc., 176 Winter Street, Westwood, Ma. Photos were also submitted.

The Design Review Board held a preliminary meeting on March 10, 1982. Additional information was requested of the petitioner in a letter from the Design Review Board dated March 11, 1982. A final meeting of the Design Review Board was held on April 1, 1982, at which time the Board voted to approve the petitioner's sign package providing "the following recommendations are complied with: a) All curved corners and ends of the metal frame should be replaced by straight corners; b) The sign should be bronze with white letters; c) Lighting should be soft white; d) A wood kick plate should be installed at the base of the machine frame so as to match the color of the moulding."

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The Planning Board, at its regular meeting of March 30, 1982, voted to offer no comment on the petition other than supporting the preliminary recommendations of the Design Review Board.

Decision

This Authority has made a careful study of the evidence submitted.

This Board is of the opinion that the proposed internally illuminated sign is necessary in order to identify the 24-hour teller machine, and that the sign is in harmony with the building and the general purposes and intent of the Zoning Bylaws.

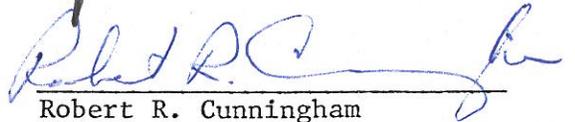
Therefore, the Special Permit is granted for the sign as recommended by the Design Review Board, and the Building Inspector is authorized to issue a permit for the sign upon his receipt and approval of an application.



Stephen S. Porter, Chairman



John A. Donovan, Jr.



Robert R. Cunningham