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Petition of Harvard Community Health Plan

Fursuant to due notice the Special Permit Granting Authority held a public hearing in the hearing room on the second floor of the Town Hall at 9:50 PM on May 20, 1980, on the petition of the Harvard Community Health Plan, seeking a variance from the provisions of Section XXIIA, Part C, Subpart 3, 1B of the Zoning By-law, in order to erect a wall sign at 230 Worcester Street, which requires that an accessory sign affixed to a building shall be not more than 15' feet above ground elevation at the first floor entrance.

On April 25, 1980, the petitioner filed its request for a hearing, and thereafter due notice of the hearing was given by mailing and publication.

Ms. Judy Dolkoff spoke in support of this petition.

Statement of Facts

The property involved is located on the corner of Worcester Street and Hastings Street. The multi-story building and garage on the property is being constructed under a Special Permit granted by the Special Permit Granting Authority and filed with the Town Clerk on April 12, 1979.

The petitioner seeks a Special Permit to erect a wall sign, the bottom of such proposed sign would be 15' from the ground elevation and the top would be 20' above ground elevation. Petitioner explained this variance is being requested in order to provide visibility of the sign from Route 9 and for prevention of vandalism to the sign. There are to be exterior lights set at 13' above ground level to focus in on the sign. A plan, numbered A5 signed by Peter Steffian, Registered Architect, dated May 21, 1980, showing the location and height of the proposed sign on the building face was submitted following a public hearing to supplement a sketch accompanying the application.

Decision

The Authority has made a study of the evidence submitted and at least one member has taken a view of the locus.



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With consideration of the report of the Design Review Board, it is the unanimous opinion of this Authority that the proposed wall sign will be in harmony with the general purpose of the Zoning By-law and will not be injurious to the neighborhood nor to traffic and safety conditions or otherwise detrimental to the public safety and welfare. Accordingly, this Authority hereby grants permission for the installation of the requested wall sign, the top of which is to be no higher than 20' feet above ground elevation as shown on the plan submitted.

The Inspector of Buildings is hereby authorized to issue a permit for the sign as approved herein.

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