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ZBA 95-57

Petition of Boston Federal Savings Bank
200 Linden Street

Pursuant to due notice, the Permit Granting Authority and the Special Permit Granting Authority held a Public Hearing on Thursday, September 28, 1995 at 8 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room (Conference Room B) at the Town Hall, 525 Washington Street, Wellesley, on the petition of BOSTON FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK requesting the following Special Permit and two variances to install a 4.25 square foot, internally illuminated, tri-color wall sign on the LINDEN STREET facade of its premises at 200 LINDEN STREET, in a Business District:

1. A Special Permit pursuant to the provisions of Section XXIIA and Section XXV of the Zoning Bylaw to allow the proposed sign to be internally illuminated.
2. A variance from the terms of Section XXIIA and pursuant to the provisions of Section XXIV-D of the Zoning Bylaw to exceed the allowed number of wall signs (1) on the facade of a building.
3. A variance from the terms of Section XXIIA and pursuant to the provisions of Section XXIV-D of the Zoning Bylaw for the internally illuminated tri-color wall sign to exceed the number of colors (2) allowed for such a sign.

On July 10, 1995, the petitioner filed a request for a hearing before these Authorities, and thereafter due notice of the hearing was given by mailing and publication.

The requested sign was to identify a proposed 24 hour ATM drive-through facility. As the Board had continued the Special Permit petition for the drive-through window (ZBA 95-56) to September 28, 1995, the Board decided to continue the sign petition to that date also.

Due notice of the continued hearing on September 28, 1995 was given by mailing and publication.

Presenting the case at the hearing was Nancy Leger, Assistant Manager, who said that the bank would like to add an internally illuminated wall sign identifying the ATM on the surround above and to the left of the drive-through windows. The lights on the canopy above the drive-through facilities would be removed.

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The Board stated that the ATM sign could be internally illuminated only during the hours that the bank is open to the public.

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No other person present had any comment on the petition.

Statement of Facts

The subject premises is located at 200 Linden Street, in a Business District. Boston Federal Savings Bank occupies the southernmost space in a store block owned by William Diehl Realty Trust, perpendicular to Linden Street.

The petitioner is requesting to install a 4.25 square foot, internally illuminated, tri-color wall sign containing the bank logo and the words "24 Hour Drive-Thru ATM" below their existing wall sign, which is externally illuminated. A Special Permit for internal illumination and variances for a second wall sign on the same facade, and for the internally illuminated sign to contain three colors have been requested.

Front and Right Side Elevations (A2) dated 5/30/95, drawn by Nilsson Siden Associates; and photographs were submitted.

The Design Review Board reviewed the signage on June 22, 1995. The original signage package contained a modification of the existing wall sign, an internally illuminated wall sign located over the ATM unit, and two internally illuminated "directional" signs on the facade of the brick canopy. The bank representatives agreed to eliminate the two internally illuminated "directional" signs. The Board voted to approve the amended sign package.

On July 20, 1995, the Planning Board voted to recommend that action on the proposed sign be deferred pending resolution of the drive-through window petition.

Decision

This Authority has made a careful study of the material submitted and the information presented at the hearing. The petitioner is requesting a Special Permit and two variances to install an internally illuminated, tri-color wall sign, below an existing wall sign, on the Linden Street facade of its premises at 200 Linden Street, in a Business District. The sign is to identify the location of its 24 hour ATM drive-through facility.

It is the unanimous decision of this Authority that the proposed sign can be allowed as it is in harmony with the general intent and purpose of Section XXIIA of the Zoning Bylaw. The requested Special Permit and variances to internally illuminate the tri-color second wall sign

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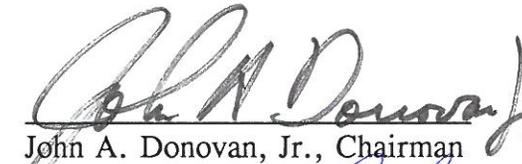
are hereby granted subject to construction in accordance with the submitted plan, and subject further to the following conditions:

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1. The 24 hour ATM sign shall be the only internally illuminated sign on any facade of the bank premises.
2. The ATM sign shall be internally illuminated only during the following hours:
Monday through Thursday - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Friday - 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Saturday - 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
3. This Special Permit shall expire one year from the date of this decision.

The Inspector of Buildings is hereby authorized to issue a sign permit upon receipt and approval of an application, and said sign cannot be installed until this permit has been 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.


John A. Donovan, Jr., Chairman


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