

Tuesday, February 6, 2024

**BOARD OF APPEAL** 

City Hall Room 801

# **HEARING MINUTES**

Board Chair Dong called the meeting to order promptly at 9:30 AM and commenced with a brief description of the hearing process and, pursuant to the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law, advised those in attendance that the hearings would be broadcast and recorded and hearing minutes would be kept. The Chair announced that the hearing was being conducted remotely via an online meeting platform and subject to the below advisory which was part of the publicly posted hearing agenda. The Board members then commenced with discussion of the following Agenda items which were announced on the record by Board Secretary Norm Stembridge:

PLEASE BE ADVISED OF THE FOLLOWING APPEALS TO BE HEARD ON FEBRUARY 6, 2023 BEGINNING AT <u>9:30 AM</u> AND RELATED ANNOUNCEMENTS.

ALL MATTERS LISTED ON THIS FEBRUARY 6, 2023 HEARING AGENDA HAVE BEEN NOTICED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ENABLING ACT.

PLEASE BE ADVISED OF THE FOLLOWING PARTICIPATION INSTRUCTIONS:

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Interested persons can participate in the hearing REMOTELY by going to <a href="https://bit.ly/ZBAHearings2024">https://bit.ly/ZBAHearings2024</a>. You may also participate by phone by calling into the Zoom Webinar at (301) 715-8592 and entering the Webinar ID: 819 2218 4516 followed by # when prompted.

If you wish to offer testimony on an appeal, please click <a href="https://bit.ly/February6Comment">https://bit.ly/February6Comment</a> to sign up. Please provide your name, address, the address and/or BOA number of the appeal on which you wish to speak, and if you wish to speak in support of or opposition to the project.



For individuals who need translation assistance, please notify the Board at least <u>48 HOURS</u> in advance either by signing up at <a href="https://bit.ly/February6Comment">https://bit.ly/February6Comment</a>, 617-635-4775, or emailing <a href="mailto:zba.ambassador@boston.gov">zba.ambassador@boston.gov</a>.

The ZBA Ambassador will be available within the Zoom Webinar Event from 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM to answer questions about ZBA procedures and offer instructions on how to participate in the hearing via Zoom. Questions and/or

concerns can also be emailed to the ZBA Ambassador at zba.ambassador@boston.gov.

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IF YOU WISH TO OFFER TESTIMONY ON AN APPEAL, PLEASE LOG IN TO THE HEARING NO LATER THAN 8:30AM TO ENSURE YOUR CONNECTION IS PROPERLY FUNCTIONING.

The hearing can also be viewed via live-stream on the City's website at <a href="https://www.boston.gov/departments/broadband-and-cable/watch-boston-city-tv">https://www.boston.gov/departments/broadband-and-cable/watch-boston-city-tv</a>. Closed captioning is available.

Interested persons who are unable to participate in the hearing remotely may make an appointment to offer testimony. Please notify the Board at least <u>48</u> <u>HOURS</u> in advance either by calling 617-635-4775 or emailing <u>isdboardofappeal@boston.gov</u> for accommodations to be made.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO HELP FACILITATE THE VIRTUAL HEARING PROCESS BY EMAILING LETTERS IN SUPPORT OF OR OPPOSITION TO AN APPEAL TO ZBAPublicInput@boston.gov IN LIEU OF OFFERING TESTIMONY ONLINE. IT IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED THAT WRITTEN COMMENTS



# BE SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD AT LEAST 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THE HEARING. WHEN DOING SO, PLEASE INCLUDE IN THE SUBJECT LINE THE BOA NUMBER, THE ADDRESS OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT AND THE DATE OF THE HEARING.

# **EXTENSIONS: 9:30AM**

Case: BOA-1279801 Address: 120 Braintree Street Ward 22 Applicant: Derric Small, ESQ

Discussion/Votes: Upon a motion and a second, the Board voted unanimously to grant an extension until

March 11, 2025

Case: BOA-1228936 Address: 7-11 Curtis Street Ward 1 Applicant: Jeffrey Drago, ESQ

Discussion/Votes: Upon a motion and a second, the Board voted unanimously to grant an extension until

February 11, 2025

Case: BOA-1253082 Address: 21 Walworth Street Ward 20 Applicant: Ana Ruiz

Discussion/Votes: Upon a motion and a second, the Board voted unanimously to grant an extension until

January 28, 2025

Case: BOA-1050294 Address: 382 Sumner Street Ward 1 Applicant: Doreen Amato

**Discussion/Votes:** Upon a motion and a second, the Board voted unanimously to grant an extension until

February 17, 2025

Case: BOA-1085883 Address: 197 Chelsea Street Ward 1 Applicant: Richard Lynds, ESQ

Discussion/Votes: Upon a motion and a second, the Board voted unanimously to grant an extension until

February 26, 2025

Case: BOA- 979536 Address: 346-348 West Broadway Ward 6 Applicant: George Morancy, ESQ

Discussion/Votes: Upon a motion and a second, the Board voted unanimously to grant an extension until

February 6, 2025

Case: BOA-798863 Address: 11 Inwood Street Ward 15 Applicant: Hai Tran & Niem Nguyen

Discussion/Votes: Upon a motion and a second, the Board voted unanimously to grant an extension until

February 6, 2025

Case: BOA-388758 Address: 1102-1106 Blue Hill Avenue Ward 14 Applicant: Joseph Jeudy

Discussion/Votes: Upon a motion and a second, the Board voted unanimously to grant an extension until

February 27, 2025



# **GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION OVERLAY DISTRICT ONLY: 9:30AM**

Case: BOA- 1539319 Address: 76 Webster Street Ward 1 Applicant: 76 Webster, LLC

Article(s): Article 32, Section 4. GCOD, Applicability - GCOD District

Purpose: Renovate three units per plans, replace kitchen cabinets, renovate bathrooms, new heating system and new

windows. (New rear deck with 2nd egress)

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to receive Boston Groundwater Relief

**Votes:** Board member Logue moved to approve. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

# **BUILDING CODE: 9:30AM**

Case: BOA-1552781 Address: 167 Maverick Street Ward 1 Applicant: Jacob Simons-City Real Estate Development

**Purpose:** Erect a new residential four-story building with eleven units, roof decks, and four rear parking spaces (accessed through Easement bk.63710 pg.307). Existing structure to be razed under separate demo permit Violation Description Violation Comments 9th 780 CMR 1011 Stairways 1011.12.2 Roof access. Where a stairway is provided to a roof, access to the roof shall be provided through a penthouse complying with Section 1510.2. [Hatches are provided to roof deck in lieu of penthouses]

9th Edition 780 CMR CHPT 02 Chapter 02 Dwelling Unit. A single unit providing complete, independent living facilities for one or more persons, including permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking and sanitation. [Condenser units locate on private roof, requiring passage for access/maintenance through a dwelling unit, therefor, no longer an independent dwelling unit. Also refer to 2015 IMC 306.5. Separate common passage required]

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to add a private roof deck for each with hatch access.

Board members asked about the plans, proposal

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board.

**Votes:** Board member Barraza moved to approve with building code relief. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### **HEARINGS: 9:30AM**

Case: BOA-1550055 Address: 89 Condor Street Ward 1 Applicant: 89 Condor Street, LLC

**Article(s):** Article 53, Section 9 Rear Yard Insufficient Article 53, Section 9 Side Yard Insufficient Article 53, Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Feet) Article 53, Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Stories) Article 53, Section 9 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 53, Section 57.2 Conformity Ex Bldg Alignment - Front yard Art. 53 Sec. 08 Forbidden - Multiple Families 4 Units Use Forbidden. Art. 53 Sec. 56 Off street parking insufficient - Req. 1.5/unit. Proposed 2 spaces. Article 27T – 5 East Boston IPOD Applicability - IPOD overlays

Proposed 2 spaces. Article 2/1 – 3 East Boston IPOD Applicability - IPOD over

Purpose: Erect a new four (4) story four (4) unit residential dwelling.



**Discussion/Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board moved to defer this until March 26, 2024.

Case: BOA-1530534 Address:41 Wordsworth Street Ward 1 Applicant: Sharron Menninger

**Article(s):** Article 53, Section 52 Roof Structure Restrictions Article 53, Section 9 Side Yard Insufficient **Purpose:** Amending plans to add roof deck to existing structure and add egress stairs (amending ALT1277234).

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to add exclusive roof decks to the third floor with porches to the rear with new stairs.

Board members asked about the plans, proposal

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board.

**Votes:** Board member Barraza moved to approve. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Case: BOA-1528615 Address: 158 Athens Street Ward 6 Applicant: Bridgitte Mott and Alex Hornat

**Article(s):** Art 68 Sec 29 Roof Structure Restrictions - Max alowed height on parcel exceeded Art 68 Sec 8 Insufficient rear yard setback Art 68 Sec 29 Roof Structure Restrictions - New roof deck access via

existing head house

**Purpose:** The scope of this project is to construct an about 14'x12' roof deck for Unit 1 exclusive use. Access to roof deck is via existing headhouse. Unit 2 roof deck is existing to remain. Legal use and occupancy is a 2 family (i.e. alt646208/2018 address formerly known as 131hf WEST third street modified via an amendment connected with issued permit and order) ALT646201/BOA#686328.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to reconstruct the roof deck for exclusive use.

Board members asked about the plans, proposal

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board. An abutter is in support and Councilor Flynn is in opposition.

**Votes:** Board member Valencia moved to approve. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Case: BOA-1548018 Address: 27-29 Farragut Road Ward 6 Applicant: Rise Construction-ARTICLE 80

Article(s): Art 68 Sec 29 Roof Structure Restrictions Max allowed height on parcel has been exceeded Art 68 Sec 8 Insufficient additional lot area/unit Art 68 Sec 8 Excessive F.A.R. Art 68 Sec 8 Max allowed building hieght in subdistrict has been exceeded Art 68 Sec 8 Insufficient usable open space per unit Art 68 Sec 8 Insufficient side yard setback Art 68 Sec Insufficient rear yard setback Art 68 Sec 8 Insufficient front yard setback Art. 68 Sec. 33 Off Street parking Req. - Design with clear maneuvering areas (car stacker system) Art. 68 Sec. 34 Appl. of Dim. Req. - Traffic visibility across a corner lotArt.68 Sec. 33 Off Street Loading Req.

**Purpose:** Erect a multi family residential four-story building with 21 dwelling units and up to 21 off street stacker parking spaces. Existing structure to be razed under separate permit.



**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to demo an existing mixed use building and erect a 4 story dwelling.

Board members asked about the plans, proposal

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board. Councilor Flynn is in support. An abutter is in opposition.

**Votes:** Board member Valencia moved to approve. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### Case: BOA- 1536310 Address: 18 Gardner Street Ward 11 Applicant: Evan Smith

Article(s): Article 50, Section 29 Rear Yard Insufficient Article 50, Section 29 Side Yard Insufficient Article 50, Section 29 Front Yard Insufficient Article 50, Section 29 Usable Open Space Insufficient Article 50, Section 29 Bldg Height Excessive (Feet) Article 50, Section 29 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 50, Section 29 Bldg Height Excessive (Stories) Article 50, Section 29 Add'l Lot Area Insufficient Art. 50, Section 43 Off Street Parking Insufficient Purpose: Erect a 4 unit Building with 2 parking spots on the Combine 2 lots see ALT1535882.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to demo a structurally unsafe building and erect a 4 story dwelling in context.

Board members asked about the plans, proposal

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board. Councilor Worrell is in support. An abutter is in opposition.

**Votes:** Board member Valencia moved to approve with BPDA design review and Highland design review. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### Case: BOA-1545997 Address: 472-474 Western Avenue Ward 22 Applicant: George Morancy

Article(s): Article 51 Section 16 Use Regulations - Residential accessory uses in basement and 1st floor Conditional Article 51 Section 17 Excessive f.a.r. 1.0 max Article 51 Section 17 Max allowed building height has been exceeded 35' Max. Article 51 Section 17 Insufficient rear yard setback 20' min. required Article 51 Section 17 Insufficient open space per unit 50sf per unit required Article 51 Section 17 Insufficient front yard setback 7' required Article 51, Section 56 Off Street Parking & Loading Req - Insufficient parking None proposed/28 spaces required Article 51, Section 57.3 Traffic Visibility Across Corner Article 51, Section 53 Screening & Buffering Req Purpose: New construction a 5 story 14-unit residential building. Short form demolition filed under separate permit.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to erect a 14 unit residential dwelling with no parking. The Board noted that no parking helps with affordability.

Board members asked about the plans, proposal

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans



**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board. The BAIA is in support.

**Votes:** Board member Valencia moved to approve. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

# **HEARINGS: 11:00AM**

Case: BOA-1554122 Address: 519 East Second Street Ward 6 Applicant: Michael Clark

**Article(s):** Art. 06 Sec. 04 Other Protectional Conditions

**Purpose:** Install 6 roof decks and 2 headhouses (Amending Permit ERT1026325)

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to install 6 private roof decks and two head houses.

The Board noted that this project previously had too many head houses but that two were appropriate.

Board members asked about the plans, proposal

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board. Councilor Flynn is in support.

**Votes:** Board member Valencia moved to approve. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Case: BOA-1546075 Address: 1853 Commonwealth Avenue Ward 21 Applicant: Rita Kraner

**Article(s):** Article 51, Section 8 Use: Forbidden - Multiple Family Use Forbidden. Proposed 6 units Art. 51 Sec. 09 Additional lot area insufficient. Art. 51 Sec. 09 Usable open space insufficient. Article 51, Section 56 Off Street Parking Insufficient Article 51, Section53 Screening & Buffering Req - Screening and buffering requirement. **Purpose:** Change use from office to residential building with 6 units and 4 parking spaces

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to change the occupancy from dental offices to an additional dwelling unit. The rest of the building is already has dwelling units as part of the occupancy. The two car garage is existing. The occupancy is in context.

Board members asked about the plans, proposal, parking

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board. The BAIA is in support.

**Votes:** Board member Barraza moved to approve with BPDA design review. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Case: BOA-1552790 Address: 226-228 Washington Street Ward 22 Applicant: George Morancy

**Article(s):** Article 51, Section 8 Use: Forbidden Article 51, Section 9 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 51, Section 9 Rear Yard Insufficient Article 51, Section 56. Off Street Parking & Loading Req Article 51, Section 9 Usable Open Space Insufficient Article 51, Section 9 Side Yard Insufficient Article 51, Section 9 Lot Area Insufficient



Purpose: Construct new 6 unit multifamily residential dwelling. Raze existing building on separate SF permit.

**Discussion/ Votes:** The applicant requested a deferral to review the plans and look at the BPDA recommendations. Upon a motion and a second the Board moved to defer until March 26, 2024.

Case: BOA-1547506 Address: 224-232 Market Street Ward 22 Applicant: Patrick Lee

**Article(s):** Article 51 Section 54 Add'l Req's in NB Subdistricts - Expansion of Bar Seating or Standing : Conditional Article 9 Section 1 Extension of NonConforming Use

**Purpose:** ALT133055 Amendment to building permit ALT1330555. This includes fire sprinkler, fire alarm, and Place of Assembly. Occupant load increase of 30 within the new additions for a total of 150 Persons.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to add an ADU to an existing two-family dwelling.

Board members asked about the plans, proposal

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board. Councilor Worrell is in support. An abutter is in opposition.

**Votes:** Board member Valencia moved to approve. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Case: BOA- 1413004 Address: 560-562 Washington Street Ward 22 Applicant: Ozan Dokmecioglu DND Homes, LLC

Article(s): Article 51, Section 27 Use: Forbidden - Multifamily Article 51, Section 50.2 Conformity Ex Bldg Alignment Article 51, Section 56 Off Street Parking Insufficient Article 51, Section 9 Add'l Lot Area Insufficient Article 51, Section 9 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 51, Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Stories) Article 51, Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Feet) Art. 51 Sec. 09 Open Space insufficient Article 51, Section 9 Front Yard Insufficient Article 51, Section 9 Side Yard Insufficient Article 51, Section 9 Rear Yard Insufficient Purpose: Seeking to erect a new residential building with 14 units and 9 parking spaces. Existing structure to razed on a separate permit building has 1 elevator and 1 car lift that provides vehicular access to parking spaces on garage.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to erect a 7 condo unit with 7 parking spaces and lot access.

Board members asked about the plans, proposal

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board. The BAIA and the Carpenters Union is in support. An abutter is in opposition.

**Votes:** Board member Barraza moved to approve with BPDA design review and accessibility review. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### **RE-DISCUSSIONS: 11:30 AM**

Case: BOA- 1514378 Address: 3915 Washington Street Ward 19 Applicant: Owen Kierman



**Article(s):** Art. 55 Sec. 55 40 Off street parking insufficient - Off street parking Forbidden Art. 55, Section 8 Use: Forbidden - Multi Family Use: Forbidden. Art. 55 Sec. 09 Floor Area Ratio Excessive. Art. 55 Sec. 09 Lot Width

Insufficient. Art. 55 Sec. 09 Lot Frontage Insufficient.

**Purpose:** Erect proposed new 6-unit multi family, as per plans.

Reason for Prior Deferral:

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to erect a 6 unit dwelling with no parking

The Board noted that this proposal would redevelop a vacant lot and is MBTA accessible and is thoughtfully designed.

Board members asked about the plans, proposal, affordability

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board.

**Votes:** Board member Barraza moved to approve with BPDA design review. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### Case: BOA-1473941 Address: 820 Hyde Park Ward 18 Applicant: Tyrone Hardy & Cain Hardy

Article(s): Article 69, Section 9 Front Yard Insufficient Article 69, Section 9 Side Yard Insufficient Article 69, Section 9 Lot Area Insufficient Article 69, Section 9 Lot Frontage Insufficient Article 69, Section 9 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 69, Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Feet) Article 69, Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Stories)

Article 69, Section 9 Usable Open Space Insufficient Article 69, Section 9 Rear Yard Insufficient

Article 69, Section 8 Use: Forbidden

Purpose: Erect new structure, and demolish existing. (8) condominium units. Proposed parking below structure, and in rear, adding (8) parking spots, as per plans.

**Reason for Prior Deferral:** 

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to erect an 8-unit development with 8 off street parking spaces.

The Board noted that this proposal has too much paving and not enough open space

Board members asked about the plans, proposal, context, height.

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board.

**Votes:** Board member Barraza moved to approve with BPDA design review. Langham seconded and the motion carried 6-1.

### Case: BOA-1304433 Address: 10 Thompson Square Ward 2 Applicant: Sing Ming Chan

Article(s): Art. 62 Sec. 14 Usable open space insufficient Article 62, Section 14 Excessive f.a.r.

Article 62, Section 14 Excessive height Article 62, Section 14 Insufficient rear yard setback Article 62, Section 29 Off-Street Loading Insufficient - None proposed Art. 62 Sec. 62-29 Off street parking requirements - None proposed **Purpose:** Erect a new mixed use building with commercial space (RETAIL) on first floor and 12 dwelling units above. Existing building to be razed under separate permit. \*4.10.23: Reduced project scope at ZBA to 12 units and 4 stories

Reason for Prior Deferral: To continue community process



**Discussion/Votes:** The applicant requested a deferral. Upon a motion and a second the Board moved to defer until March 26, 2024.

Case: BOA-1448246 Address: 24 Common Street Ward: 2 Applicant: Kimmerly Perry

Articles (s): Article 62, Section 8 Front Yard Insufficient Art. 62 Sec. 19 Neighborhood Design Overlay Districts

Purpose: Parking spot for residential owner use.

Reason for Prior Deferral: To continue community process

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to add a curb cut behind the dwelling. Off street parking will not take away any off-street parking spaces.

Board members asked about the plans, community process

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board. Abutters are in support and opposition.

**Votes:** Board member Barraza moved to deny the proposal. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried 5-2.

Case: BOA#1475953 Address: 169 Maverick Street Ward 1 Applicant: Trichilo Development, LLC

Purpose: Erect addition, renovate, and change occupancy from three (3) to four (4) residential units with rear and roof decks.

Violation: Violation Description: 9th 780 CMR 1006 Number of Exits and Exit Access Doorway Violation Comments: ART.IBC Table 1006.3.2(1) Fourth stories above grade: Not Permitted.

Reason for Prior Deferral: The Board moved to defer.

**Discussion/Votes:** The applicant requested a deferral and upon a motion and a second a deferral was approved. The hearing date is April 9, 2024.

### **HEARINGS: 1:00PM**

### Case: BOA-1460666 Address: 61 Brooks Street Ward 1 Applicant: Edward Devaeau

**Article(s):** Article 27T – 5 East Boston IPOD Applicability - East Boston Interim Planning Overlay District (IPOD). Art.53 Sec. 08 Use: Forbidden - Change of use from a Three family to a Four family. Art. 53 Sec. 09 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 53, Section 9 Add'l Lot Area Insufficient Article 53, Section 9 Usable Open Space Insufficient Article 53, Section 9 Rear Yard Insufficient Art. 53 Sec. 56 Off Street Parking - Requires 1 Proposes 0 (None) Art. 53 Sec. 52 Roof Structure Restrictions - Proposes a Roof Deck exclusively for Unit #3

**Purpose:** Change occupancy from a three unit residential dwelling to a four-unit residential dwelling and erect a roof deck exclusive to top unit.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to change the occupancy from a three unit to a four-unit dwelling.

Board members asked about the plans, proposal

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board.



Votes: Board member Barraza moved to approve. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Case: BOA-1548361 Address: 27 Mystic Street Ward 2 Applicant: Rose Locke

Article(s): Article 62, Section 8 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 62, Section 8 Side Yard Insufficient
Art. 62 Sec. 62 25 Roof Structures Restricted - The project proposes to build a roof deck exclusively for Unit #3.
Purpose: New addition for extension of kitchens in the rear of building for all 3 story's, plumbing, electric, siding, board

plaster, fire alarm, sprinkler and new windows; new roof deck

**Discussion:** The applicant requested a deferral.

**Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board moved to defer this case until April 9, 2024.

Case: BOA-1552194 Address: 457-469A West Broadway Ward 6 Applicant: South Boston Das, LLC

Article(s): Art. 68 Sec. 07 Use Regs. - Professional office

**Purpose:** Interior fit out to approximately 5011/sf of the 1st floor space. Fit out work will include all new finishes: Drywall, paint, flooring, acoustical and hard ceilings, and M.E.P.S.&F.A. systems. New Occupancy will be professional office / medical (URGENT CARE CLINIC)

**Discussion:** The applicant requested the option to withdraw this proposal.

**Votes:** Upon a motion and a second, the Board moved to withdraw the appeal.

Case: BOA-1540339 Address: 675 East Fourth Street Ward 6 Applicant: F.L. Caulfield & Sons, Inc.

Article(s): Art 68 Sec 8 Insufficient side yard setback Art 68 Sec 8 Insufficient rear yard setback

Purpose: Installation of a new pressure treated ramp on the exterior of the building, rooming house #ALT434042/2014

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to add a new ramp to an existing dwelling for the Gavin Foundation.

Board members asked about the plans, proposal

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board. Councilors Flynn and Flaherty are in support.

**Votes:** Board member Langham moved to approve. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

## Case: BOA-1553384 Address: 8-10 Mercer Street Ward 7 Applicant: Mark Little

Article(s): Art 68 Sec 8 Max allowed building height in sub-district exceeded Art. 10 Sec. 01 Limitation of parking areas - 5' buffer Art. 06 Sec. 04 Other Protectional Conditions Art. 68 Sec. 33 Off Street parking Req. - Insufficient Driveway access < 10'Art. 68 Sec. 33 Off Street parking Req. - 4) Design and clear maneuvering areas Purpose: Erect new four-story building with five dwelling units, two fourth-story decks, rear balconies at second and third stories, and 10 5 accessory off-street parking spaces. (5 Stackers1/1) Parking access to be provided by driveway shared with 12 Mercer Street. 8 Mercer Street lot and 10 Mercer Street lot are being combined under ALT1056673. The purpose of this application is to convert the issued permit numbered ALT1056666(REVOKED) to an ERT permit, as the previously-existing structure was damaged during reconstruction and was razed. All zoning relief was granted under ALT1056666 and BOA1066911 and is active and valid. (REVOKED) Zoning relief for 12 Mercer Street, for shared driveway, was granted under U491056686 and BOA1066917 and is active and valid. (Not yet issued).



**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to rebuild a structural wall that collapsed during construction.

Board members asked about the plans, proposal, last approval date

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board.

**Votes:** Board member Barraza moved to approve. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

# Case: BOA-1530363 Address: 28 Evergreen Street Ward 10 Applicant: Jesse Wilson

Article(s): Article 9, Section 2 Change in Non Conforming Use Art. 55, Section 8 Use: Forbidden - MFR in 2F

Article 55, Section 9 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 55, Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Feet)

Article 55, Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Stories) Article 55, Section 9 Side Yard Insufficient Article 55, Section 9 Rear Yard Insufficient Art. 55, Section 40 Off Street Parking Insufficient

Purpose: Change of occupancy from 3 family to 4 family dwelling. Scope includes a new 3 story rear addition, new dormer on existing portion of roof, new side entry and upgrades to life safety (FA/FP). Additional rear unit features ground & roof decks, and habitable basement. Existing barn to be demolished under separate permit.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to change the occupancy from a three family to a four family dwelling and add dormers and add a third story rear addition and demo the existing barn structure.

Board members asked about the plans, proposal

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board. An abutter is in support.

Votes: Board member Barraza moved to approve. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### Case: BOA-1486693 Address: 16 Mather Street Ward 16 Applicant: Shanti Kleiman

Article(s): Article 65, Section 9 Rear Yard Insufficient Article 65, Section 42.13 Two or More Dwellings on Same Lot Purpose: In conjunction with ALT1334733, at 16R Mather St, for Two Dwellings on the Same Lot. 16 Mather is an existing 2 family dwelling. No work proposed.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to add an ADU to an existing two-family dwelling.

Board members asked about the plans, proposal

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board. Councilor Worrell is in support. An abutter is in opposition.

**Votes:** Board member Valencia moved to approve. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



Case: BOA-1486752 Address: 16R Mather Street Ward 16 Applicant: Shanti Kleiman

**Article(s):** Article 65, Section 9.2 Dim Regs: Location of Main Entrance Article 65, Section 9 Rear Yard Insufficient Article 65, Section 9 Side Yard Insufficient Article 65, Section 9 Front Yard Insufficient Article 65, Section 9 Usable Open Space Insufficient Article 65, Section 9 Lot Frontage Insufficient Article 65, Section 42.13 Two or More Dwellings on Same Lot

**Purpose:** Change of occupancy from barn into single family, featuring two bedrooms, two bathrooms, living areas and kitchen. Includes new roof dormers. New heating and domestic hot water equipment to be installed. All living spaces to be fully sprinklered.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to add an ADU to an existing two-family dwelling.

Board members asked about the plans, proposal

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board. Councilor Worrell is in support. An abutter is in opposition.

**Votes:** Board member Valencia moved to approve. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### Case: BOA-1552468 Address: 42 Waverly Street Ward 22 Applicant: 40 Waverly, LLC

Article(s): Article 51, Section 8 Use: Forbidden - Multifamily Article 51, Section 9 Add'l Lot Area Insufficient Article 51, Section 9 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Art. 51 Sec. 09 Open Space insufficient Article 51, Section 9 Front Yard Insufficient Article 51, Section 9 Rear Yard Insufficient Art. 51 Sec. 57.2 Exst'g Bldg Algnmnt Conformity - Modal calculation not provided so to verify compliance. Art.51 Sec. 56 Off St Parking Design - Dimensions of spaces Article 51, Section 56 Off Street Loading Insufficient - Min. required: 28 spaces. Proposed: 14

Purpose: Build a new 14 unit residential building (by special permit) with 14 underground parking spaces on the proposed combined lot at 42 Waverly St, Brighton MA (filed under the permits ALT1529573 and ALT1529575). The existing houses at 40 and 42 Waverly St will be razed under SF1529580 and SF1529584.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans and described the proposed project in detail to erect a new 14 unit dwelling with 3 stories of mixed unit counts and 14 off street parking spaces. All units will be accessible.

Board members asked about the plans, proposal

The Board noted that the scale is too large, there was not enough open space, and maximizes the lot coverage.

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board. The BAIA and an abutter are in support. Numerous abutters are in opposition.

**Votes:** Board member Barraza moved to deny without prejudice. Langham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



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