

Tuesday, August 13, 2024

**BOARD OF APPEALS** 

City Hall Room 801

# **HEARING MINUTES**

PLEASE BE ADVISED OF THE FOLLOWING APPEALS TO BE HEARD ON AUGUST 13, 2024 BEGINNING AT <u>9:30 AM</u> AND RELATED ANNOUNCEMENTS.

ALL MATTERS LISTED ON THIS AUGUST 13, 2024 HEARING AGENDA HAVE BEEN NOTICED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ENABLING ACT.

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## **EXTENSIONS: 9:30AM**

Case: BOA-788662 Address: 587 Albany Street Ward 8 Applicant: Jeffrey Drago, ESQ

**Discussion/Votes:** Upon a motion and a second, the Board voted unanimously to grant the extension until August 23, 2025.

Case: BOA- 1279022 Address: 198 Bunker Hill Street Ward 2 Applicant: Michael Courtney

**Discussion/Votes:** Upon a motion and a second, the Board voted unanimously to grant the extension until September 2, 2025.

Case: BOA- 947520 Address: 121 Brookside Avenue Ward 11 Applicant: James H. Greene, ESQ

**Discussion/Votes:** Upon a motion and a second, the Board voted unanimously to grant the extension until October 11, 2025.

Case: BOA-1097311 Address: 14 Schuyler Street Ward 12 Applicant: Michael Ross, ESQ

**Discussion/Votes:** Upon a motion and a second, the Board voted unanimously to grant the extension until March 11, 2025.

#### **BOARD FINAL ARBITER 9:30AM**

Case: BOA-667111 Address: 151 Liverpool Street Ward 1 Applicant: Anthony L. Leccese

**Discussion/Votes:** Upon a motion and a second, the Board voted unanimously to approve the board final arbiter request to increase the building height from 66ft 4 in to 68ft 4in and decrease off street parking from 33 to 13 spaces.



# **HEARINGS: 9:30AM**

Case: BOA- 1616380 Address: 36 Leyden Street Ward 1 Applicant: David Gradus

**Article(s):** Article 53 Section 9 Rear Yard InsufficientApplicant will need to seek relief for rear yard set back of 23.8'(feet). Existing Non Conforming Article 53 Section 9 Front Yard InsufficientApplicant will need to seek relief for front yard set back of 6.9' (feet). Existing Non Conforming.

**Purpose:** To subdivide the lot at 36 Leyden St into two lots, Lot 1 to remain 36 Leyden St with a lot area of 2450 SF and Lot 2 to be known as 36A Leyden St with a lot area of 2450 SF; see companion case ERT1585421

**Discussion:** Votes: Upon a motion and a second the Board moved to defer until October 8, 2024.

#### Case: BOA- 1616384 Address: 36A Leyden Street Ward 1 Applicant: David Gradus

Article(s): Article 53 Section 8 Use: ForbiddenApplicant will need to seek relief for the change of use from a two family to a three family. Article 53 Section 9 Lot Width InsufficientApplicant will need to seek relief for insufficient lot width of 35' (feet). Article 53 Section 9Lot Frontage InsufficientApplicant will need to seek relief for insufficient Lot Frontage of 35' (feet). Article 53 Section 9 Floor Area Ratio ExcessiveApplicant will need to seek relief for excessive Floor Area Ratio of 1.79. Article 53 Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Stories)Applicant will need to seek relief for excessive story building height of 3 stories. Article 53 Section 9 Front Yard InsufficientApplicant will need to seek relief for insufficient front yard set back of 5' (feet). Article 53 Section 9 Rear Yard InsufficientApplicant will need to seek relief for insufficient rear yard set back of 10.2' (feet).

**Purpose:** Erect a new residential building with 3 units and 2 parking spaces on newly created lot with a total lot area of 2450 SF to be known as 36A Leyden St; see companion subdivision case at 36 Leyden St

**Discussion: Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board moved to defer until October 8, 2024.

Case: BOA- 1615932 Address: 40 Mount Vernon Street Ward 2 Applicant: Gabls Morais

**Article(s):** Article 62 Section 8 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 62 Section 25 Roof Structure Restrictions **Purpose:** Amendment to ALT 1540640 Adding additional living space in lower level of unit 1 as well as a roof deck exclusive to unit 3 with a direct access bubble hatch within the unit. All applicable licenses can be found in the referenced ALT application.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to add additional living space into the lower level of unit one and add an exclusive roof deck for unit three with a hatch within the unit

Board members asked about the plans,

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

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

**Votes:** Board member Whewell moved to approve with the roof deck to be set back five feet from the roof line. Stembridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



Case: BOA-1599326 Address: 46 High Street Ward 2 Applicant: 46 High Street Residences LLC

Article(s): Article 09 Section 02 Nonconforming Use Change Article 10 Section 01 Limitation of off street parking areas Parking within 5ft of side lot line Article 62 Section 25 Roof Structure Restrictions Article 62 Section 29 Off-Street Loading Insufficient Article 62 Section 7 Use: Forbidden MFR – Forbidden Article 62 Section 8 Bldg Height Excessive (Stories) Article 62 Section 8 Bldg Height Excessive (Feet) Article 62 Section 8 Usable Open Space Insufficient

**Purpose:** Change occupancy from 5 residential units to 9 residential units by constructing a 3 1/2 Story addition in the rear with on site parking. Building proposed to feature 4 stories with decks (at roof/floors), new elevator, and upgrades to life safety.

**Discussion: Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board moved to defer until October 8, 2024.

### Case: BOA- 1596915 Address: 175 F Street Ward 6 Applicant: Marc LaCasse

Article(s): Article 68 Section 8 Add'l Lot Area Insufficient Article 68 Section 8 Rear Yard Insufficient
Article 68 Section 8 Front Yard Insufficient Article 68 Section 8 Usable Open Space Insufficient Article 68 Section 8
Bldg Height Excessive (Feet) Article 68 Section 8Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 68 Section 29Roof Structure
Restrictions Article 68 Section 33 Off Street parking Req. Article 68 Section 34.2Traffic Visibility Across Corner
Article 68 Section 8 Side Yard Insufficient

**Purpose:** Erect a new, 3 1/2 story, 9 unit residential building with garaged parking for 6 vehicles on newly created 3,750sqft lot. Building features private roof decks, basement amenity space, and balconies. Demolish existing structure under separate permit. See also lot combination permits ALT1571658 and ALT1571663.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to erect a new three and a half story, nine residential unit building with garage parking for six vehicles.

Board members asked about the plans,

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

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

**Votes:** Board member Barraza moved to approve with BPD review with attention to the site planning, rear setback, elevations, and to minimize visiblity from the street. Langham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



Case: BOA-1600437 Address: 139-141 Minot Street Ward 16 Applicant: Margaret mancuso

Article(s): Article 65 Section 9 Side Yard Insufficient Article 65 Section 9 Front Yard Insufficient Article 65 Section 9

Bldg Height Excessive (Stories) Article 65 Section 9 Floor Area Ratio Excessive

**Purpose:** adding a 3rd floor living space and roof, adding a garage out the back of the house/replacing new windows and siding, new plumbing and electric, insulation on outside walls.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to add a third-floor addition with a roof deck and garage in the rear of the property.

Board members asked about the plans,

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

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

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

Case: BOA- 1587720 Address: 52R River Street Ward 17 Applicant: Juan M Soto

Article(s): Article 65 Section 64 34 Restricted Roof Structure District

**Purpose:** I own Unit 3 in the 52R River Street Condo in Mattapan, and the HOA has granted me easement to make an outdoor patio out of a common area that is only accessible from my apartment. The area is currently the roof of a section of the garage on the first floor.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to convert a roof section of the applicants unit to convert it into a deck.

Board members asked about the plans,

Documents/Exhibits: Building Plans

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

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



Case: BOA- 1586587 Address: 1086 Hyde Park Avenue Ward 18 Applicant: Petaree Blair-James

Article(s): Article 69 Section 9 Side Yard Insufficient

Purpose: DEMOLISH BEDROOM, KITCHEN AND LAUNDRY ROOMS DUE TO WATER PIPE DAMAGES AND RECONSTRUCT NEW KITCHEN WITH PANTRY, THE BEDROOM WITH EN SUITE BATHROOM AND CLOSETS, AND RECONSTRUCT THE LAUNDRY ROOM.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to rebuild a rear addition to include a kitchen, pantry, bedroom, en suite bathroom and closet.

Board members asked about the plans,

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

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

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

Case: BOA- 1600186 Address: 67 Billings Street Ward 20 Applicant: Thomas Dever

Article(s): Article 56 Section 8 Side Yard Insufficient Article 56 Section 8 Front Yard Insufficient

Purpose: Add new 2nd floor to home, front porch, and rear addition.

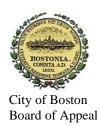
**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to add a new second floor to the home with a front porch as well as a rear addition.

Board members asked about the plans,

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

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

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



Case: BOA- 1617226 Address: 53-55 Dustin Street Ward 21 Applicant: Vincent Bisconte, Andrew Bisconte, Joseph Biscont

Article(s): Article 51 Section 8 Use: Forbidden3 Family Detached Forbidden Article 51 Section 9Side Yard Insufficient Article 51 Section 9 Front Yard Insufficient Article 51 Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Stories) Article 51 Section 9 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 51 Section 56 Off St Parking Design51 56.5.d Size Article 51 Section 56^Off street parking requirements51 56.4.a Location. Diagonal parking more than 10ft wide of side yard. Article 10 Section 01 Limitation of off street parking areas Parking less than 5 feet from side lot line. Purpose: Change of occupancy to a three family dwelling. The project consists of renovating an existing two family dwelling to convert into a three family dwelling, extend living space into basement, and create a new rear deck at the third floor. The work will also include a full gut renovation of all floors and the addition of two dormers on the third floor. Each new unit will have an automated sprinkler system, fire alarm, and all new systems throughout. New side yard parking spot.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to change the occupancy from a two family to a three family dwelling with a rear deck on the third floor.

Board members asked about the plans,

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

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

**Votes:** Board member Hansy moved to approve with the proviso to eliminate a parking space. Collins seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Case: BOA- 1608586 Address: 353 Cambridge Street Ward 22 Applicant: Gregg Donavan

Article(s): Article 06 Section 04 Other Protectional Conditions

Purpose: Remove proviso Takeout 36A granted to this petitioner only. Under BZC# 31355

**Discussion/Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board moved to defer this proposal until October 29, 2024



Case: BOA- 1546868 Address: 3A Glenley Terrace Ward 22 Applicant: Timothy Burke

Article(s): Article 10 Section 01 Limitation of off street parking areas 5' SIDE YARD BUFFER 3A-GLENLEY TERRACE (6.5.24 REVISED PLANS REVIEWED) Article 51 Section 09 Dimensional Regulations Insufficient lot size Article 51 Section 09 Dimensional Regulations Insufficient lot size Article 51 Section 09 Dimensional Regulations Insufficient open space Article 51 Section 09 Dimensional Regulations Insufficient front yard setback Article 51 Section 09 Dimensional Regulations Insufficient rear yard setback Article 51 Section 09 Dimensional Regulations Insufficient rear yard setback Article 51 Section 56 Off St Parking Design Clear access and maneuvering areas 3A Glenley Terrace (6.5.24 REVISED PLANS REVIEWED) Article 51, Section 56 Off-Street Parking & Loading Req Insufficient parking Purpose: Construct a new two family dwelling on an undeveloped lot, 6.5.24 CLARIFICATION: Scope of work modified at BOA: Construct a new two family dwelling on an undeveloped lot, to include the creation of a common shared 10' CUT THROUGH driveway easement between the 3 parcels of land going from 5, 3A Glenley Terrace through 3 Glenley Terrace with through access to Brayton road per plans submitted.

Purpose of common shared drive shall serve access for: ·5 Glenley Terrace (2 PROPOSED OFF STREET PARKING SPACES IN REAR YARD filed under UOP PERMIT #491588173 ·3 Glenley Terrace (3 PROPOSED TANDEM PARKING SPACES IN SIDE YARD filed under UOP PERMIT #491588172) with existing garage to be razed under a separate permit·3A Glenley Terrace (1 PROPOSED parking space in sideyard accessed via the newly created shared drive per plans provided)

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to use common driveway for off street parking.

Board members asked about the plans, spaces, lots,

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board. Two local civic associations and abutters are in support. An abutter is in opposition.

**Votes:** Board member Collins moved to approve with BPD review. Collins seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

#### Case: BOA- 1613162 Address: 1-3 Glenley Terrace Ward 22 Applicant: Timothy Burke

Article(s): Article 10 Section 01 Limitation of parking areas 5' sideyard buffer requirement

Article 51 Section 56<sup>^</sup> Off street parking requirements Insufficient parking

Purpose: Demolish garage and install new driveway to connect to 3A Glenley Terrace and 3 5 Glenley Terrace. See ERT1540170 3A Glenley Terrace for associated work. All three properties are in common ownership.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to use common driveway for off street parking.

Board members asked about the plans, spaces, lots,

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board. Two local civic associations and abutters are in support. An abutter is in opposition.

**Votes:** Board member Collins moved to approve with BPD review. Collins seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



Case: BOA- 1613166 Address: 5 Glenley Terrace Ward 22 Applicant: Timothy Burke

Article(s): Article 51 Section 09 Dimensional Regulations INSUFFICIENT OPEN SPACE

Purpose: Install new driveway to connect 3A Glenley Terrace and 1 3 Glenley Terrace and create new parking space.

See ERT1540170 3A Glenley Terrace for associated work. All three properties are in common ownership.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to use common driveway for off street parking.

Board members asked about the plans, spaces, lots,

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board. Two local civic associations and abutters are in support. An abutter is in opposition.

**Votes:** Board member Collins moved to approve with BPD review. Collins seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### **HEARINGS: 11:00AM**

Case: BOA- 1620976 Address: 82 Bunker Hill Street Ward 2 Applicant: Gabls Morais

Article(s) Article 62, Section 8 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Extension of living space into basement

**Purpose:** Change occupancy from 2 residential and one commercial to three residential. Extension of living space of unit one into the basement

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to change the occupancy from a two residential one commercial space to three residential units by extending unit #1 into the basement.

Board members asked about the plans,

**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.



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Case: BOA- 1611971 Address: 58 Russell Street Ward 2 Applicant: Matthew Wood

Article(s) Article 62 Section 30.12 Two or More Dwelling Same Lot Article 62 Section 62 25 Roof Structures Restricted Article 62 Section 08 Dimensional Regulations

Purpose: Renovate existing 5 bed / 3.5 bath home. New kitchen, bathrooms, roof and dormers, roof deck, new siding, windows, replace slab, and paying, new landscaping, outdoor kitchen. Consolidate existing lots. Confirm single family occupancy. See also ERT1589263.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to renovate existing structures into a four bed four bath with garage and rear roof deck.

Board members asked about the plans,

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

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

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

Case: BOA- 1611976 Address: 58R Russell Street Ward 2 Applicant: Matthew Wood

Article(s) Article 62 Section 8 Dimensional Regulations Article 62 Section 30.12 Two or More Dwelling Same Lot Purpose: Sister permit application to ALT1575330 (renovate existing home). Construct new double garage / carriage house to replace existing tandem parking / paved area with in law unit / studio above.

Discussion: At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to renovate existing structures into a four bed four bath with garage and rear roof deck.

Board members asked about the plans,

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

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

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

Case: BOA- 1605291 Address: 457-469A West Broadway Ward 6 Applicant: Sean George

Article(s) Article 68 Section 10 Use Regulations The proposed use as a Dental Office (Professional Office) is a Conditional Use based on its location on the ground floor.

Purpose: Interior Fit out for a Dental Space (Tend) at 457 West Broadway. Use is conditional so ZBA is required.

**Discussion: Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board moved to defer until October 29, 2024.



Case: BOA- 1619159 Address: 54 Dorset Street Ward 7 Applicant: 54 Dorset LLC

Article(s) Article 65 Section 08 Forbidden MFR use Article 65 Section 9 Residential Dimensional Reg.s Insufficient front yard setback Article 65 Section 9 Residential Dimensional Reg.s Insufficient rear yard setback Article 65 Section 41 Off-Street Parking Regulations Insufficient parking Article 65 Section 9 Dimensional Regulations Insufficient lot size Article 65 Section 9 Dimensional Regulations Insufficient lot width frontage Article 65 Section 9 Dimensional Regulations Excessive f.a.r. Article 65 Section 9 Dimensional Regulations Number of allowed stories exceeded Article 65 Section 9 Dimensional Regulations Insufficient side yard setback

**Purpose:** Erect a new 6 unit residential building with 5 parking plans per the attached plans.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to erect a new 6 unit dwelling with 5 parking spaces.

Board members asked about the plans, parking

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board. Councilors Louijeune, Fitzgerald, Santana and Murphy are in support. A local civic association is also in support of the proposal.

**Votes:** Board member Barraza moved to approve with BPD review with attention to the amount of parking, permeable surfaces, and massing of the building to allow for manuverability and saftey. Langham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### Case: BOA-1595669 Address: 22 Mitchell Street Ward 7 Applicant: John Meunier

Article(s) Article 08 Section 07 Use: Forbidden Change of use from a single family to a Two family is forbidden. BOA relief is required. Article 13, Section 1 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Required F.A.R 1.0 The proposed unit will increase the F.A.R to 1.18 BOA relief required. Article 13 Section 1 Rear Yard Insufficient The proposed rear stair compromises the rear set back. BOA relief required. Article 17 Section 1Usable Open Space Insufficient Proposed project will have insufficient usable open space. Article 09 Section 01 Reconstruction/Extension of Existing & Proposed project (change of use from a Nonconforming Bldg. single family to a two family) use of residential is conditional. Article 13 Section 02 Lot Area or Yards required The proposed project will not meet the minimum yard space required for Additional Dwelling Unit

**Purpose:** Change occupancy from Single family to 2 Family. Add garden level unit per plans, new MEP, for lower unit Add rear deck and rear stairs. Applying for zoning denial.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to change the legal occupancy from a single unit to a two family.

Board members asked about the plans,

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

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

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



Case: BOA- 1590922 Address: 131 Devon Street Ward 14 Applicant: Mayely DeLopez, Project 77 LLC Article(s) Article 50 Section 29 Usable Open Space Insufficient Article 50 Section 29 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 50 Section 29 Add'l Lot Area Insufficient Article 50 Section 43 Off Street Parking Insufficient Article 50 Section 32 Use: Forbidden

Purpose: Change the occupancy from a three family dwelling to a four family dwelling by converting the existing basement into an apartment. The new apt. will be 3 beds/2 baths and appx. 1,342 GSF. The project is located within a three family zoning subdistrict (3F 4000) of the Roxbury Neighborhood.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to change the occupancy from a three to a four family by covering the existing basement into an apartment.

Board members asked about the plans, apartments, parking

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

**Testimony:** The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgement to the Board. Councilor Worrell, Project Right and a local civic association are in support.

**Votes:** Board member Barraza moved to approve with two parking spaces eliminated for preservation of open space. Whewell seconded and the motion carried unanimously

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

Case: BOA-1576978 Address: 164 Old Colony Avenue Ward 7 Applicant: Timothy Johnson

Article(s): Article 14 Sec. 14-1 Lot size insufficient; Article 14 Sec. 14-2 Additional Lot Area Required; Article 14 Sec. 14-3 Lot Width Insufficient; Article 21, Section 1 Setback of Parapet Insufficient; Article 23 Section: 1 Off-Street Parking (Residential) Insufficient; Article 25 Sec. 5 Flood Hazard Districts; Article 8, Section 7 Use: Conditional - MFR – Conditional; Article 19 Sec.6(b) Side Yard Corner Lot: Special Provisions Article 14, Section 4 Lot Frontage; Article 15 Section 1 Floor Area Ratio Excessive; Article 16 Section 1 Building Height Excessive; Article 16, Section 1 Building Height Excessive (Stories); Article 17 Section 1 Usable Open Space Insufficient; Article 18, Section 1 Front Yard Requirements; Article 18, Section 3 Traffic Visibility Across Corner; Article 20 Section 4 Rear Yards in H Districts.

Purpose: Erect new 4 story, 4-unit residential building with balconies and elevator included. Demolish existing structure on separate permit.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to erect a new four story four unit residential dwelling with balconies and an elevator.

Board members asked about the plans, accessibility

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

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

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

Case: BOA-1526691 Address: 226 Magnolia Street Ward 14 Applicant: Shanti Acquisition, LLC



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 (Stories). Article 50, Section 29 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Art. 50, Section 32 Use: Forbidden Article 50, Section 29 Add'l Lot Area Insufficient Purpose: Proposing a new 4 story multifamily building with garage; consisting of 6 new residential units with 6 parking spaces in basement. Demolition of existing building located on site to be filed under a separate short form permit

**Discussion: Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board moved to defer until October 8, 2024.

#### Case: BOA-1515203 Address: 40-42 Temple Street Ward 17 Applicant: Hau Thi Minh Nguyen

Article(s): Art.65 Sec. 8 Use: Forbidden - Townhouse Forbidden Art.65 Sec. 8 Use: Forbidden - MFR Forbidden Article 65, Section 9.2 Dim Regs: Location of Main Entrance Article 65, Section 9 Side Yard Insufficient Article 65, Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Stories) Article 65, Section 9 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 65, Section 9 Lot Frontage Insufficient Article 65, Section 9 Lot Width Insufficient Article 65, Section 42.2 Conformity w Ex Bldg Alignment Art. 10 Sec. 01 Limitation of off street parking areas Parking less than 5ft from side lot line Purpose: Construct a 3 story attached Five Unit Townhouse. Building to have side porches and will be fully sprinklered. The lot will have 5 new on grade parking spaces at rear and 5 garages (one for each townhouse). Demolish existing Two family building and Single family building on lot (Raze on a separate permits). This lot to be known as 40 46B Temple Street.

**Discussion: Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board moved to defer until November 19, 2024.

#### Case: BOA- 1535566 Address: 94-96 Loring Street Ward 18 Applicant: Sebastien Michel

Article(s): Article 69 Section 29 Off-St.Prk'g/Load'g Parking Article 69 Section 8 Use: Forbidden 3F – Forbidden Article 69 Section 9 Floor Area Ratio Excessive Article 69 Section 9 Bldg Height Excessive (Stories) Article 69 Section 9 Usable Open Space Insufficient Article 69 Section 9 Side Yard Insufficient Article 69 Section 9 Rear Yard Insufficient Article 9 Section 1 Extension of Nonconforming Use Article 9 Section 2 Change in Non-Conforming Use

**Purpose:** Change of occupancy from two family into a three family. Scope includes new roof dormer, for new unit on 3rd story, and a new rear 3 story deck with stairs. On the first and second floors, we will be opening walls between kitchen and dining rooms. In the basement, we will be adding walls to create storage spaces and designated utility rooms. Convert existing driveway into parking area.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to change the occupancy from a two family to a three family by adding a new dormer with a new rear stair for egress.

Board members asked about the plans,

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

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

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



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

Case: BOA- 1622071 Address: 302 Chelsea Street Ward 1 Applicant: Reis Panorama Realty MA, LLC Article(s): Article 32 Section 04 GCOD Applicability Article 53 Section 09 Dimensional Regulations
Insufficient additional lot area per unit Article 53 Section 52 Roof Structure Restrictions Newly proposed private deck to be accessed from exterior rear stair tower Article 53 Section 56 Off-Street Parking Insufficient parking Article 53 Section 08 Forbidden MFR forbidden Article 53 Section 9 Dimensional Regulations Excessive f.a.r Article 53 Section 9 Dimensional Regulations
Insufficient side yard setback Article 53 Section 9 Dimensional Regulations Insufficient open space per unit
Purpose: Erect rear addition with a roof deck and change occupancy from three to four residential units as per plans.

**Discussion: Votes:** Upon a motion and a second the Board moved to defer until October 29, 2024.

Case: BOA- 1612951 Address: 83-89 Devonshire Street Ward 3 Applicant: John Pulgini-ARTICLE 80

Article(s): Article 17 Section 1 Usable Open Space Insufficient

**Purpose:** Change occupancy from offices to 95 apartment units from floors (2) through (11) with existing retail on 1st floor and mezzanine to remain. 8 bicycle spaces in Basement provided. Scope includes combining (3) buildings into (1) and keeping the lot lines the same; see ALT1576965 & ALT1576968 for combination of buildings. Application is in accordance with Downtown Residential Conversion Incentive Pilot Program.

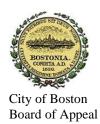
**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to change the occupancy from offices to 95 apartment units.

Board members asked about the plans,

**Documents/Exhibits**: Building Plans

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

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



Case: BOA- 1598851 Address: 88-90 B Street Ward 6 Applicant: John Mahoney

Article(s): Article 19 Section 4 Side Yards in H Districts Article 20 Section 4 Rear Yards in H Districts

Purpose: Extension of existing roof deck. New deck size 36' x 13', new structural framing, and to be divided into each

respective unit.

**Discussion:** At the request of the Board, the applicant presented plans to extend the existing roof deck and add a new deck.

Board members asked about the plans,

Documents/Exhibits: Building Plans

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

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

### **RECONSIDERATION: 1:00PM**

#### Case: BOA-1542657 Address: 548 East Third Street Ward 6 Applicant: Michael Ross

Article(s): Art 68 Sec 29 Roof Structure Restrictions -Max allowed height on parcel exceeded Art 68 Sec 8 Dim reg app in res sub dist - Insufficient lot size Art 68 Sec 8 Dim reg app in res sub dist - Excessive f.a.r. Art 68 Sec 8 Dim reg app in res sub dist - Insufficient open space per unit Art 68 Sec 8 Dim reg app in res sub dist - Insufficient front yard setback Art 68 Sec 8 Dim reg app in res sub dist - Insufficient rear yard setback Article 68, Section 33 Off Street Parking & Loading Req - Insufficient parking Art. 68 Sec. 33 Off Street parking Req. - Design and clear maneuvering areas Art 68 Sec 8 Dim reg app in res sub dist - Insufficient additional lot area per unit required

Purpose: Demolish existing structure pursuant to Article 85 and erect a three family building with parking.

**Discussion/Vote:** Upon a motion and a second the Board moved to postpone this case until September 24, 2024.



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