

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

BOARD ACTIONS

Wednesday, October 3, 2013

Present: Ald. Albright, Baker, Blazar, Ciccone, Crossley, Danberg, Fuller, Gentile, Harney, Hess-Mahan, Johnson, Kalis, Lappin, Laredo, Linsky, Rice, Salvucci, Schwartz, Swiston, Yates and Lennon

Absent: Ald. Fischman and Sangiolo 1 Vacancy

THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN DISCUSSED AND VOTED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ON SECOND CALL:

A MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO ALLOW THE CHAIR OF LAND USE TO REPORT THE FOLLOWING ITEM WITHOUT A WRITTEN REPORT WAS APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE

A MOTION TO POSTPONE THE FOLLOWING FIVE ITEMS TO A DATE CERTAIN OF OCTOBER 7, 2013 WAS APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE

REFERRED TO LAND USE COMMITTEE

Monday, September 30, 2013

#258-12(2) **BH NORMANDY RIVERSIDE, LLC/MASSACHUSETTS BAY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY** petition for a SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to construct a mixed use, transit oriented development including an office building of approximately 225,000 sq. ft., a residential building containing 290 apartments with 5,000 sq. ft. of retail space, a three story building containing approximately 15,000 sq. ft. of retail space and approximately 8,000 sq. ft. of community space, and related site improvements; to permit office use on the ground floor, medical office use, retail and personal establishments of more than 5,000 sq. ft., eating and drinking establishments of more than 5,000 sq. ft. ,retail banking and financial services, and health club establishments on the ground floor; and reduced minimum setbacks of side setback of office building, and front setback of retail/community building; parking facility design standards including stall width, stall depth, maneuvering space for end stalls, minimum width for entrance and exit driveways, tandem stalls, number of required off-street loading facilities and design standards of same, landscape screening requirements, surfacing and curbing requirements and one foot candle lighting at 327 GROVE STREET, Ward 4, on land known as SBL 42, 11, 3A containing approx. 9.4 acres of land in a proposed Mixed Use 3 Transit Oriented Zoned district. Ref: Sec 30-13(f), Table A Footnote ; 30-13(g); 30-15(v)(1); 30-15, Table 3; 30-19(d)(22); 30-19(h); 30-19(h)(2)a); 30-19(h)(2)b); 30-19(h)(2)e); 30-

19(h)(4)a); 30-19(h)(5)a); 30-19(i); 30-19(i)(1)a); 30-19(j); 30-19(j)(1)a); 30-19(j)(2)d); 30-19(l); 30-19(l)(2); 30-19(l)(3); 30-19(m); 30-23; 30-24; 30-24(i)(7) of the City of Newton Revised Zoning Ord, 2012. *(Public hearing opened on 10/16/12, continued on 11/27/12, closed on 12/18/12; 90 days 10/31/13)*
APPROVED 6-0

#258-12 BH NORMANDY RIVERSIDE, LLC/MASSACHUSETTS BAY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY petition for a change of zone to Mixed Use 3/Transit Oriented District for a portion of land located at 327 Grove Street, also identified as Section 42, Block 11, Lot 3A currently zoned Public Use.
(Public hearing opened on 10/16/12, continued to 11/27/12; continued to 12/18/12; closed 7/16/13; 90 days 10/14/13)
APPROVED 6-0

#272-12 BH NORMANDY OWNER, LLC petition for a SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL for several improvements to be completed over two phases. The first phase requires a special permit to (1) amend the current site plan by adding a pool deck awning; reconfiguring the delivery and trash pick-up area at the front of the hotel; reconfiguring the existing parking areas; reflecting existing and proposed signage; and reflecting existing wireless communications equipment; (2) extend a nonconforming structure by adding a pool deck awning; (3) obtain waivers for number of parking stalls and parking facility design standards including stall width, stall depth, handicap stall depth, maneuvering space for end stalls, maneuvering space for aisles, maximum width for entrance and exit driveways, landscape screening, interior landscaping, surfacing and curbing, one foot candle lighting, number of bicycle parking spaces, and design of loading facilities; and (4) authorize existing and proposed signage at 399 GROVE STREET, Ward 4.. The second phase anticipates that a portion of the applicant's lot will be conveyed or taken to provide rear access/egress to the proposed Riverside Development. This taking or conveyance would require special permit relief to (6) authorize an FAR greater than 1.0; (7) extend the existing nonconforming lot coverage; (8) obtain relief for the existing nonconforming building (i.e., height, number of stories and loading facility) as the building may be affected by a reduction in lot area; and (9) obtain a waiver for number of required parking stalls; all on land known as Section 42, Block 11, Lot 4 containing approximately 116,650 square feet of land in a Business 5 Zoned district. Ref: Sections 30-15, Table 3; 30-19(d)(3); 30-19(d)(13); 30-19(h); 30-19(h)(2)a); 30-19(h)(2)b); 30-19(h)(2)c); 30-19(h)(2)e); 30-19(h)(3)b); 30-19(h)(4)b); 30-19(i); 30-19(i)(1); 30-19(i)(2); 30-19(j); 30-19(j)(1)a); 30-19(j)(2)e); 30-19(k)(1); 30-19(l); 30-19(m); 30-20(f)(1); 30-20(f)(2); 30-20(f)(9); 30-20(l); 30-21(b); 30-23; 30-24; and 30-26(a)(1) of the City of Newton Revised Zoning Ordinances, 2012. *(Public hearing opened on 10/09/12, continued on 11/27/12, closed on 12/18/12; 90 days 10/31/13)*
APPROVED 6-0

#272-12(3) BH NORMANDY OWNER, LLC petition to AMEND Special Permit/Site Plan Approval application #272-12, for which a public hearing was opened on October

9, 2012, with respect to EXTENDING a NONCONFORMING STRUCTURE to allow construction of a ramp on the easterly side of the Hotel Indigo at 399 Grove Street, Newton Lower Falls. Ref: Sec 30-24, 30-23, 30-21(b) of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2012. *(Public hearing 10/31/13.)*

APPROVED 6-0

#272-12(2) BH NORMANDY OWNER, LLC petition for a change of zone to Mixed Use 3/Transit Oriented District for a portion of land located at 399 GROVE STREET, also identified as Section 42, Block 11, Lot 4, currently zoned Business 5. *(Public Hearing opened on 10/09/12, continued to 11/27/12; continued to 12/18/12; closed 7/16/13; 90 days 10/14/13)*

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