# City of Newton Planning and Development

#### **Petition #564-22**

Special Permit/Site Plan Approval to replace a existing sign with a 26 square foot free-standing sign at



2345 Washington Street

January 10, 2023

# **Zoning Relief**

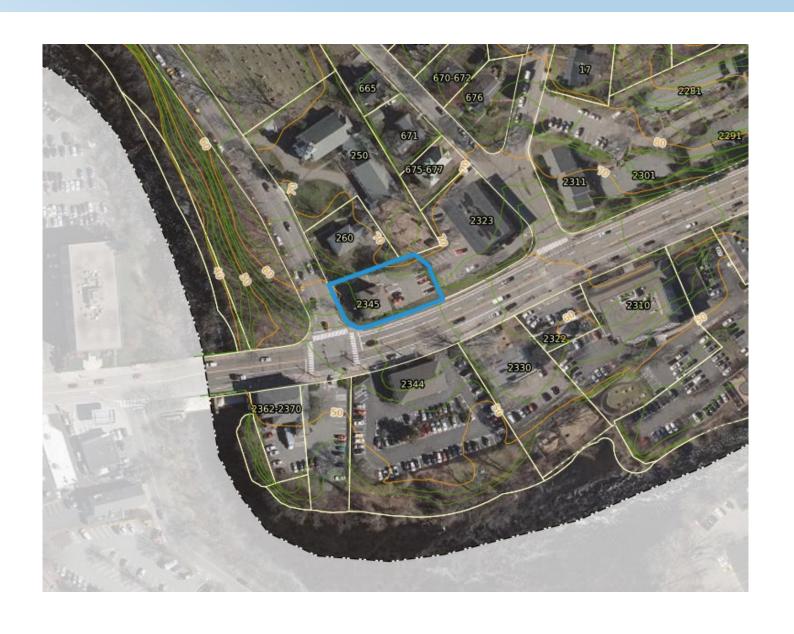
Zoning Relief Required		
Ordinance		Action Required
§5.2.13.A §5.2.13.B	To allow free-standing directory signs	S.P. per §7.3.3

### Criteria to Consider

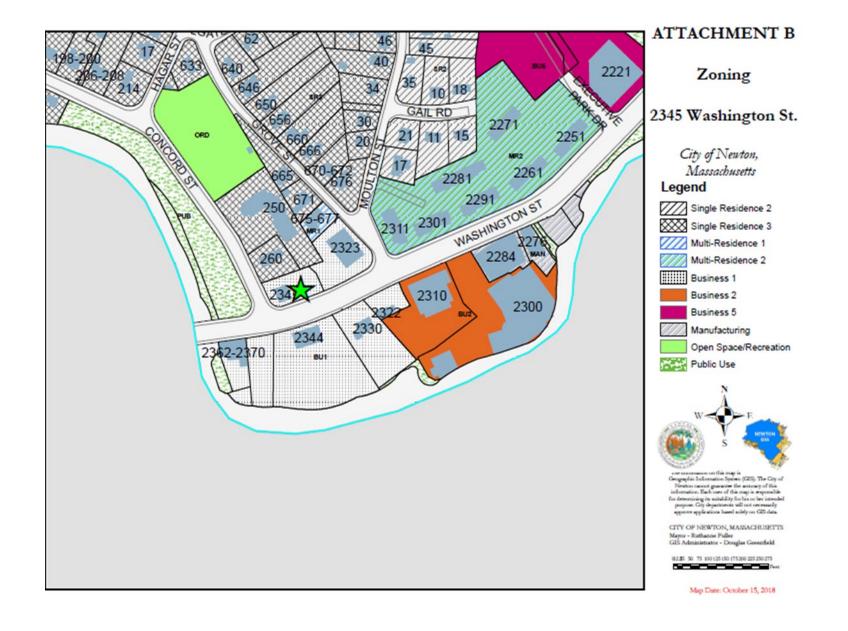
When reviewing this request, the Council should consider:

- Given its size, location and height, the nature of the use of the premises, the architecture of the building, or its location with reference to the street, permitting the proposed free-standing sign would be the public interest.
- The site in a Business 1 (BU1) district. is an appropriate location for the proposed 26 square foot free-standing sign (§7.3.3.C.1)
- > The proposed 26 square foot free-standing sign will adversely affect the neighborhood (§7.3.3.C.2)
- The proposed 26 square foot free-standing sign will create a nuisance or serious hazard to vehicles or pedestrians (§7.3.3.C.3)
- Access to the site over streets is appropriate for the types and numbers of vehicles involved (§7.3.3.C.4)

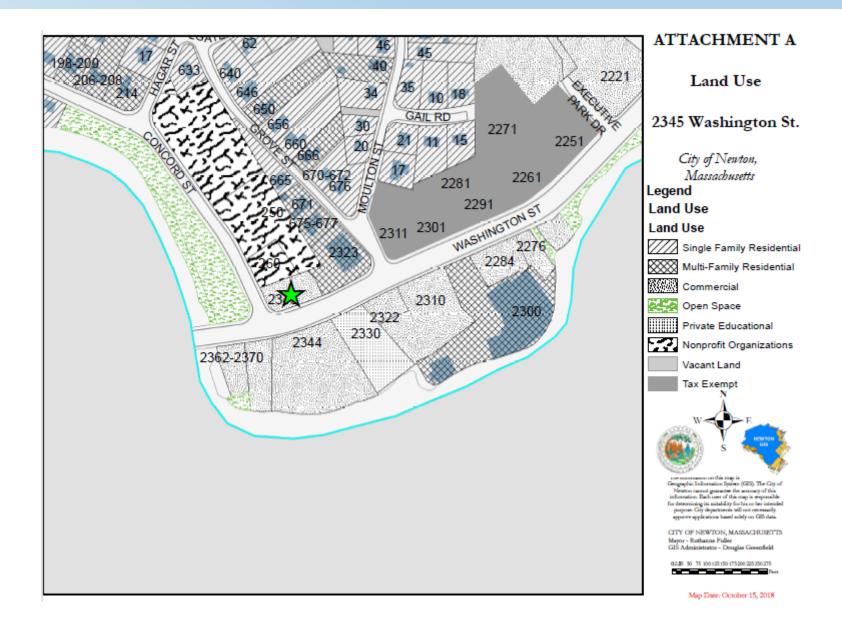
#### **Aerial Map**



#### **Zoning**



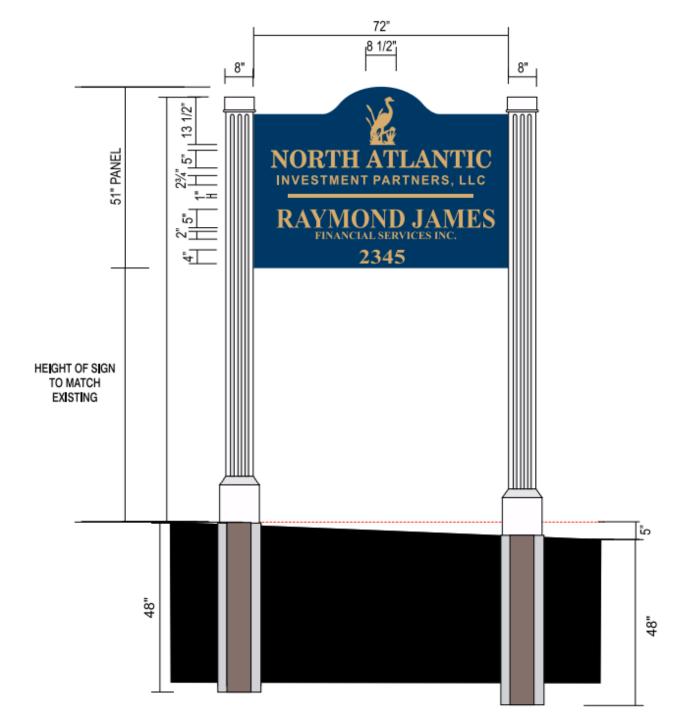
#### **Land Use**



#### Site Plan



#### **Elevation**

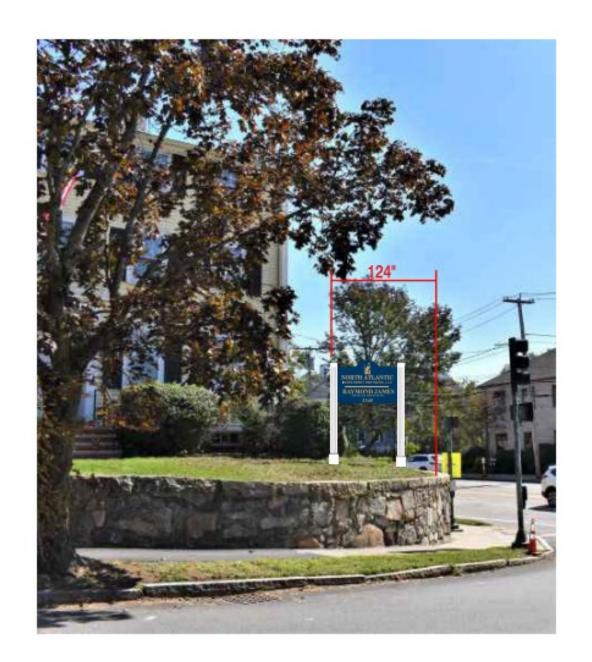


# Photo- existing



## Perspectives- proposed





#### **Findings**

- 1. Given its size, location and height, the nature of the use of the premises, the architecture of the building, or its location with reference to the street, permitting the proposed freestanding sign would be the public interest (§5.2.13.A; §5.2.13.B)
- 2. The site in a Business 1 (BU1) district. is an appropriate location for the proposed 26 square foot free-standing sign due to the site's commercial nature, multiple tenants, and its location on Washington Street (§7.3.3.C.1)
- 3. The proposed 26 square foot free-standing sign will not adversely affect the neighborhood as the sign is well placed on the site. (§7.3.3.C.2)
- 4. The proposed 26 square foot free-standing sign will not create a nuisance or serious hazard to vehicles or pedestrians (§7.3.3.C.3)
- 5. Access to the site over streets is appropriate for the types and numbers of vehicles involved (§7.3.3.C.4)

#### **Conditions**

- Plan Referencing Condition
- The signs shall be designed and installed to comply with applicable building codes
- Standard Building Permit Condition
- Final Inspection/Certificate of Occupancy Condition
  - File statement by a licensed design professional that the sign has been installed to comply with applicable building codes.
  - File final as-built plans in paper and digital format signed and stamped by the sign installer