

WORK SESSION OF JULY 14, 2008

The work session of July 14, 2008, was called to order by Chairman Peter Kortright III, at 7:00 p.m. The notice of the open Public Meetings Law was read.

Roll Call

Present: Chairman Peter Kortright III,, Deputy Mayor Lisa Swain, Philip Cassidy, Larry Metzger, Dr. Michael Cohen, Honey Morgenstern, Barry Winston, Joseph Baladi, Joseph D'Arco Absent: Vice-Chairman Todd Malkin, Barry Winston and Alan Neggia

Also present: Board Engineer John Rottenbacher, Attorney Douglas Bern and Board Secretary Cathy Hochkeppel

Statutory Review of Ordinance Number 2119-08

There was discussion relative to the effect of the ordinance. There was concern whether this would permit a McMansion effect. Many members were not comfortable with the ordinance without review by the planner. Deputy Mayor Lisa Swain stated that the Council had looked into it and she was comfortable with its adoption.

Philip Cassidy wondered what the exact effect of the ordinance would be. Chairman Peter Kortright III, suggested that the planner look into it and issue a brief report.

13-21 & 13-29 River Road; Block 5610, Lots 33-38; conceptual

Jeffrey Kantowitz appeared on behalf of the applicant. He explained that it was an informal exchange and nothing binds the applicant or the Board. He explained that it was a different plan and different application. The applicant has shrunk the footprint of the building. The impervious coverage is conforming. The building coverage was formerly 54.4% and has been reduced to 47.3%. They have increased the rear yard setback and enlarged the front yard setback form 5 feet to 6 feet. The side yard has been

increased from zero to five feet. The rear buffer has been increased to 13 feet. The footprint of the building has been reduced and there are 18 units. This new application is responsive to many of the critiques by the Board. Affordable housing will be provided and they will be seeking cooperative parking spaces. The Board members felt it was an improved application.

Adjournment

Upon motion by Philip Cassidy and a second by Dr. Michael Cohen, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Hochkeppel
Land Use Administrator/
Secretary of the Planning Board

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