#### **PRESENT:**

Stephen Hunter, Chairman Stephen Brosnahan Allen Hale Laura Haupt Rob Lane Peter Winder, 1<sup>st</sup> Alternate Member

#### ALSO PRESENT:

Ed Manley, Building Inspector Dan Roemer, Assistant Building Inspector Elizabeth Dreaper, Village Clerk Trustee Liaison Donna Cassell Daniel Pozin/Attorney for the Village. Dwight H. Douglas, Village Consulting Planner Mr. George Pommer/Village Consulting Engineer (connected via telephone at 8:25 p.m.)

EXCUSED: None.

Chairman Hunter called the meeting to order.

#### 1. Adopt Minutes for Planning Board Meetings of May 7, 2020, June 4, 2020 & August 6, 2020

Chairman Hunter said he has been working with Ms. Elizabeth Dreaper/Village Clerk who has come up with a way to do this that she feels is appropriate.

Chairman Hunter noted that the following amendments to the meeting minutes of August 6, 2020 were necessary:

For the following motion: "Motion by Chairman Hunter, seconded by Mr. Brosnahan to approve the meeting minutes of January 2020 as submitted."; the amendment would be to change "January 9, 2020" to "May 7, 2020".

For the following motion: "Motion by Chairman Hunter, seconded by Mr. Brosnahan to approve the meeting minutes of February 6, 2020 as submitted."; the amendment would be to change "February 6, 2020" to "June 4, 2020".

Motion by Chairman Hunter, seconded by Mr. Brosnahan to approve the meeting minutes of October 6, 2020 with the following amendment: "Motion by Chairman Hunter, seconded by Mr. Brosnahan to approve the meeting minutes of January 2020 as submitted."; the amendment would be to change "January 9, 2020" to "May 7, 2020".

No vote was taken.

Motion by Chairman Hunter, seconded by Mr. Brosnahan to approve the meeting minutes of February 6, 2020 with the following amendment: "Motion by Chairman Hunter, seconded by Mr. Brosnahan to approve the meeting minutes of February 6, 2020 as submitted."; the amendment would be to change "February 6, 2020" to "June 4, 2020".

No vote was taken.

Ms. Dreaper said there was only one motion needed and that was to approve the meeting minutes of August 6, 2020, with the two amendments that Chairman Hunter stated, changing the January 9, 2020 date to May 7, 2020 and changing the February 6, 2020 date to June 4, 2020. Ms. Dreaper said after this motion has taken place and been approved by the Board we are done with the approval of minutes because they have all then been approved.

Motion by Chairman Hunter, seconded by Mr. Brosnahan to approve the meeting minutes of August 6, 2020 with the following amendments: "Motion by Chairman Hunter, seconded by Mr. Brosnahan to approve the meeting minutes of February 6, 2020 as submitted."; the amendment would be to change "February 6, 2020" to "June 4, 2020"; and "Motion by Chairman Hunter, seconded by Mr. Brosnahan to approve the meeting minutes of January 2020 as submitted."; the amendment would be to change "January 9, 2020" to "May 7, 2020".

ALTERNAATE MEMBER	AYE			ABSENT/EXCUSED
PETER WINDER, 1 <sup>ST</sup>				
LAURA HAUPT	AYE	□ NAY	RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED
ALLEN HALE	AYE	□ NAY	RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED
ROB LANE	🛛 AYE			ABSENT/EXCUSED
STEPHEN BROSNAHAN	🛛 AYE	□ NAY	RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED
CHAIRMAN HUNTER	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		ABSENT/EXCUSED

# 2. 12 Irving Place – Public Hearing for Site Plan Approval for Proposed New One (1) Family Residence with Two (2) Car Garage

Motion by Chairman Hunter, seconded by Mr. Hale to open the public hearing for 12 Irving Place for site plan approval for proposed new one (1) family residence with two (2) car garage.

CHAIRMAN HUNTER	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED	
STEPHEN BROSNAHAN	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED	
ROB LANE	🖂 AYE	D NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED	
ALLEN HALE	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED	
LAURA HAUPT	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED	
PETER WINDER, 1 <sup>ST</sup> ALTERNAATE MEMBER	🗌 AYE	NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED	
VOTE TOTALS	5 AYE	0 NAY	0 ABSTAIN	0 RECUSE	0 ABSENT/EXCUSED	
RESULT:	MOTION: PASSES					

Mr. Kacper Tokarski was present to represent the application.

## **Discussion:**

- Mr. Tokarski said unless there were any questions for us he will let the Board proceed.
- No one from the public addressed the Board regarding the proposed application.
- Mr. Lane asked if it was possible to make the driveway narrower.
- A discussion was held and Mr. Tokarski addressed questions from the Board.
- Chairman Hunter said he wanted to confirm that now that the tree is gone that the plan is to put in a sidewalk along both sides.
- Mr. Roemer said the applicant is all done at the AHRB.
- Mr. Douglas said a resolution has been prepared for this evening. Mr. Douglas said we should add to resolution that we make it a requirement that a sidewalk will be placed on Irving Place; and to narrow the driveway to the extent that the Village Engineer finds suitable and safe.
- Mr. Tokarski said the drawing has already been altered to show the sidewalk on both sides, on Odgen and Irving. Mr. Tokarski said per Village Code the driveway is where it's supposed to be. Mr. Tokarski said he would like the driveway to be as big as possible and that he tried to comply with the Village Code and impervious areas and we should be under on all those calculatons.
- Mr. Douglas said we prepared a resolution and the plans that were sent out were very complete and the issues that came up, we felt we could deal with as conditions in the resolution, and that is to put a sidewalk on Irving and if the Board desires, to then also give some authority to the Village Engineer to determine that the width of the driveway be adequate but as narrow as can be done safely.

## Action:

Motion by Chairman Hunter, seconded by Mr. Hale to close the public hearing for the application of 12 Irving Place for site plan approval for proposed new one (1) family residence with two (2) car garage.

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CHAIRMAN HUNTER	🖂 AYE	□ NAY			ABSENT/EXCUSED			
STEPHEN BROSNAHAN	🖂 AYE	□ NAY			ABSENT/EXCUSED			
ROB LANE	🖂 AYE	□ NAY			ABSENT/EXCUSED			
ALLEN HALE	🛛 AYE	□ NAY			ABSENT/EXCUSED			
LAURA HAUPT	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED			
PETER WINDER, 1 <sup>ST</sup> ALTERNAATE MEMBER	AYE			RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED			
VOTE TOTALS	5 AYE	0 NAY	0 ABSTAIN	0 RECUSE	0 ABSENT/EXCUSED			
RESULT:		MOTION: PASSES						

Chairman Hunter offered the following resolution which was seconded by Ms. Haupt:

#### **RESOLUTION 8-2020**

#### RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF DOBBS FERRY PLANNING BOARD GRANTING SITE PLAN APPROVAL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SINGLE FAMILY HOUSE AND RELATED SITE IMPROVEMENTS AT 12 Irving Place

**WHEREAS**, Izabela Tokarski, owner, has applied for site plan approval to construct a single family house and make other site improvements on the property at 12 Irving Place. and denoted on the tax assessment maps as Section 3.100, Block 95, Lot 7, and located in the OF-6 zoning district, and

**WHEREAS,** the following plans and documents were submitted as part of the application:

"Notes", Dated 12/20/19, Sheet 1 of 14.

"Existing Conditions & Details", Revised 7/10/20, Sheet 2 of 14.

"Plot Plan", Revised 7/15/20, Sheet 3 of 14.

"House Elevations", Revised 6/25/20, Sheet 4 of 14.

"Sky Elevation Diagrams", Revised 6/25/20, Sheet 5 of 14.

"Street View", Revised 6/25/20, Sheet 6 of 14.

"Floor Plan", Revised 6/25/20, Sheet 7 of 14.

"Garage Elevations", Revised 6/25/20, Sheet 8 of 14.

"Gar. Floor Plan & Roof Plan", Revised 6/25/20, Sheet 9 of 14.

"Landscaping Plan", Revised 6/25/20, Sheet 10 of 14.

"Electrical Plans", Revised 6/25/20, Sheet 11 of 14.

"Landscaping Plan & Street View", Revised 6/25/20, Sheet 12 of 14.

"Landscaping Plan & Street View", Revised 6/25/20, Sheet 13 of 14.

"Details", Revised 6/4/20, Sheet 14 of 14.

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Board is familiar with the site and surrounding area and the proposed improvement plans and at their meeting of September 3, 2020 held a duly noticed public hearing and all comments were considered, and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed construction of a single family house and other site work as herein proposed constitutes a type II action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), and is therefore exempt from further environmental review.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Planning Board of the Village of Dobbs Ferry herein grants site plan approval for the subject application, conditioned on the following:

- 1. All applicable provisions of the Village, County and State regulations shall be met.
- 2. A section of sidewalk shall constructed along Irving Place from the corner of Irving Place and Ogden Avenue to extend the length of the applicant's property along Irving Place.
- 3. The width of the proposed driveway shall be to the final decision of the Village's consulting engineer.
- 4. Prior to the issuance of a Building Permit, all required site plan and Village consultants' review fees shall be paid and all items in the Village Consulting Engineer's memos dated July 31 and August 30, 2020 shall be addressed to his satisfaction.
- 5. The following Language shall be added to the plan:

"Approved subject to all requirements and conditions of an September 3 2020 resolution of the Planning Board of the Village of Dobbs Ferry, New York. Any change, erasure, modification, or revision of this plan, absent re-approval from the Planning Board, shall void this approval".

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall have an effective date of September 3, 2020.

CHAIRMAN HUNTER	🛛 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
STEPHEN BROSNAHAN	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
ROB LANE	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
ALLEN HALE	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
LAURA HAUPT	🛛 AYE	□ NAY			ABSENT/EXCUSED		
PETER WINDER, 1 <sup>ST</sup> ALTERNAATE MEMBER	AYE			RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
VOTE TOTALS	5 AYE	0 NAY	0 ABSTAIN	0 RECUSE	0 ABSENT/EXCUSED		
RESULT:		MOTION: PASSES					

Mr. Tokarski thanked the Board for their time.

## 3. 555 Broadway – Public Hearing for Five (5) Year Extension of Special Permit for Hudson Hall

Mr. Seth Mandelbaum/Attorney, Mr. Tom Simmonds/Mercy College Vice President of Operations and Facilities were present to represent the application.

#### **Discussion:**

- Mr. Mandelbaum gave synopsis of the proposed application.
- Mr. Simmonds gave the following presentation on the proposed application:



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Final Site Concept

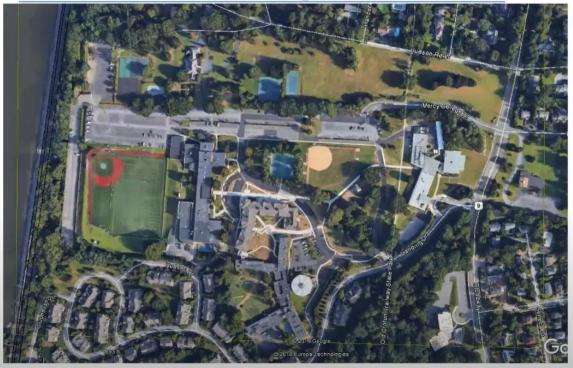


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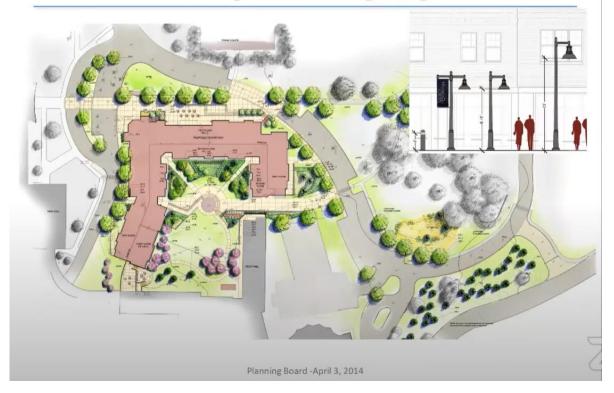
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## Site Image 2016



## Landscape & Site Lighting Plan

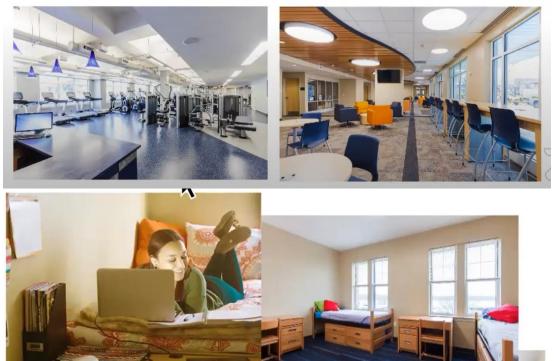


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## Student Commons and Pedestrian Connection



## Residential Life 680 beds DF -15% of Population



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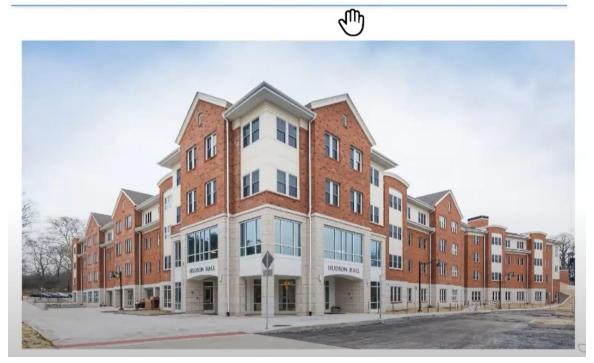


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Questions or Comments



#### **Discussion continued:**

- A discussion was held and Mr. Simmonds and Mr. Mandelbaum addressed questions from the Board.
- The following people addressed the Board: Mr. Bill Chimos/ 18 Landing Drive. Mr. Chimos asked the Board to not grant the five year extension, and for the Board to allow further public comment on this issue.
- The discussion continued.
- Mr. Chimos addressed the Board.

#### Action:

Motion by Chairman Hunter, seconded by Ms. Haupt to close the public hearing for 555 Broadway –for Five (5) Year Extension of Special Permit for Hudson Hall.

CHAIRMAN HUNTER	🛛 AYE	□ NAY			ABSENT/EXCUSED	
STEPHEN BROSNAHAN	🛛 AYE	□ NAY			ABSENT/EXCUSED	
ROB LANE	🖂 AYE	□ NAY			ABSENT/EXCUSED	
ALLEN HALE	🖾 AYE	□ NAY	ABSTAIN	RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED	
LAURA HAUPT	🖂 AYE	□ NAY	ABSTAIN	RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED	
PETER WINDER, 1 <sup>ST</sup> ALTERNAATE MEMBER	AYE				ABSENT/EXCUSED	
VOTE TOTALS	5 AYE	0 NAY	0 ABSTAIN	0 RECUSE	0 ABSENT/EXCUSED	
RESULT:	MOTION: PASSES					

Mr. Hale offered the following resolution which was seconded by Ms. Haupt:

## **RESOLUTION 9-2020**

#### RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF DOBBS FERRY PLANNING BOARD EXTENDING SPECIAL PERMIT APPROVAL FOR THE MERCY COLLEGE DORMITORY/RELATED IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

**WHEREAS**, Mercy College (the "College") by letter dated July 7, 2020 (annexed hereto) has applied for an extension of the Special Permit granted by the Planning Board on May 27, 2014 for the dormitory now known as Hudson Hall together with related improvements and located at 555 and 565 Broadway in the EI zone and designated on the tax assessment map as tax lots 3.40-4-21 and 3.40-4-19, and

WHEREAS, said May 27, 2014 resolution, annexed hereto and made a part of this resolution, contains enumerated compliance conditions regarding emergency access, noise monitoring, parking,

traffic, the upgrade of the main entrance intersection, and other items and it is anticipated that these conditions should continue in full force and effect with the extension of the special permit, and

**WHEREAS,** a temporary certificate of occupancy was issued on January 7. 2016 for Hudson Hall, the five year term of the special permit will expire on January 7, 2021, and the College has requested a five year extension until January 7, 2026, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board is familiar with the site and surrounding area and the improvements and the conditions and obligations enumerated in the May 27, 2014 resolution and at their meeting of September 3, 2020 held a duly noticed public hearing and all comments were considered, and

**WHEREAS,** permit renewals where there will be no material change in permit conditions or the scope of permitted activities constitutes a type II action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), and is therefore exempt from further environmental review.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Planning Board of the Village of Dobbs Ferry herein grants a five (5) year extension of the special permit approval for the subject application, conditioned on the following:

- 6. All applicable provisions of the Village, County and State regulations shall be met.
- 7. All conditions and requirements contained in the adopted May 27, 2014 resolution shall remain in full force and effect.
- 8. The College shall diligently pursue necessary DOT approvals and proceed to construct the entranceway as detailed in the approved plans
- 9. The subject special permit shall have a term beginning on January 7, 2021 and expiring on January 7, 2026.
- 10. The following Language shall be added to the plan:

"Approved subject to all requirements and conditions of an September 3 2020 resolution of the Planning Board of the Village of Dobbs Ferry, New York. Any change, erasure, modification, or revision of this plan, absent re-approval from the Planning Board, shall void this approval".

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall have an effective date of September 3, 2020.

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CHAIRMAN HUNTER	🛛 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
STEPHEN BROSNAHAN	🖂 AYE	□ NAY			ABSENT/EXCUSED		
ROB LANE	🖂 AYE	D NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
ALLEN HALE	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
LAURA HAUPT	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
PETER WINDER, 1 <sup>ST</sup> ALTERNAATE MEMBER	🗌 AYE	🗌 NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
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RESULT:		MOTION: PASSES					

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# 4. 13 English Lane – Public Hearing for Site Plan Approval for Proposed New Multi-Family Building, Three (3) Units

Motion by Chairman Hunter, seconded by Mr. Brosnahan to open the public hearing for 13 English Lane for site plan approval for proposed new multi-family building, three (3) units.

CHAIRMAN HUNTER	🛛 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
STEPHEN BROSNAHAN	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
ROB LANE	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
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LAURA HAUPT	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
PETER WINDER, 1 <sup>ST</sup> ALTERNAATE MEMBER	🗌 AYE			RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
VOTE TOTALS	5 AYE	0 NAY	0 ABSTAIN	0 RECUSE	0 ABSENT/EXCUSED		
RESULT:		MOTION: PASSES					

Ms. Christina Griffin/Architect and Mr. Andrew Cortese were present to represent the application.

#### **Discussion:**

• Ms. Griffin discussed the proposed application and displayed the following slides:

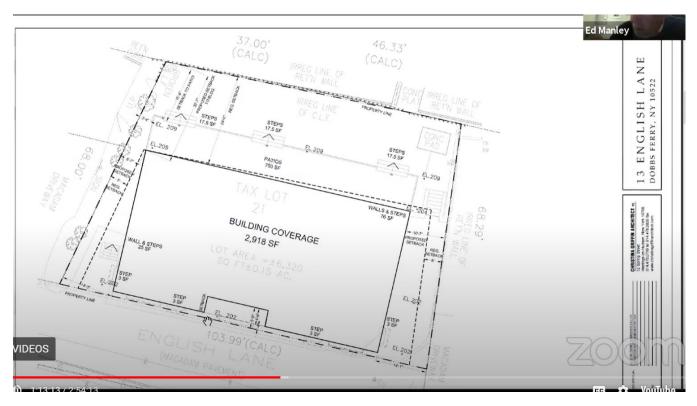
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Motion by Chairman Hunter, seconded by Mr. Hale to open the public hearing for 13 English Lane for site plan approval for proposed new multi-family building, three (3) units.

CHAIRMAN HUNTER	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED	
STEPHEN BROSNAHAN	🛛 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED	
ROB LANE	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED	
ALLEN HALE	🛛 AYE	□ NAY			ABSENT/EXCUSED	
LAURA HAUPT	🛛 AYE	□ NAY			ABSENT/EXCUSED	
PETER WINDER, 1 <sup>ST</sup> ALTERNAATE MEMBER	AYE	NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED	
VOTE TOTALS	5 AYE	0 NAY	0 ABSTAIN	0 RECUSE	0 ABSENT/EXCUSED	
RESULT:	MOTION: PASSES					

- A discussion was held and Ms. Griffin addressed questions from the Board.
- No one from the public addressed the Board.
- Deputy Mayor Cassell said when the Planning Board members plan a site visit, since it is a project that will be before the Board of Trustees, that perhaps the Board of Trustees could be included in the site visit.
- Chairman Hunter suggested having a site visit on September 19<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup>.

- Mr. Manley said Ms. Griffin was going to stake out the property and let him know that she has done so and then he was going to inform the Planning Board and Board of Trustees and they could just visit the site at their leisure.
- Mr. Douglas said it would be a good idea to continue the public hearing to the next meeting of the Board.

#### Action:

Motion by Mr. Hale, seconded by Chairman Hunter to continue the Public Hearing for Site Plan Approval for Proposed New Multi-Family Building, Three (3) Units, on October 1, 2020.

CHAIRMAN HUNTER	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
STEPHEN BROSNAHAN	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
ROB LANE	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
ALLEN HALE	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
LAURA HAUPT	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
PETER WINDER, 1 <sup>ST</sup> ALTERNAATE MEMBER	AYE	NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
VOTE TOTALS	5 AYE	0 NAY	0 ABSTAIN	0 RECUSE	0 ABSENT/EXCUSED		
RESULT:		MOTION: PASSES					

# 5. 12 Parkway Drive – Public Hearing for Site Plan Approval for Proposed New Two (2) Car Garage with Deck Above & New Two (2) Story Extension

Ms. Christina Griffin/Architect, Mr. Michael Blatter and Ms. Amanda Blatter were present to represent the application.

Motion by Chairman Hunter, seconded by Mr. Brosnahan to open the public hearing for the application of 12 Parkway Drive for proposed new two (2) car garage with deck and above & new two (2) story extension.

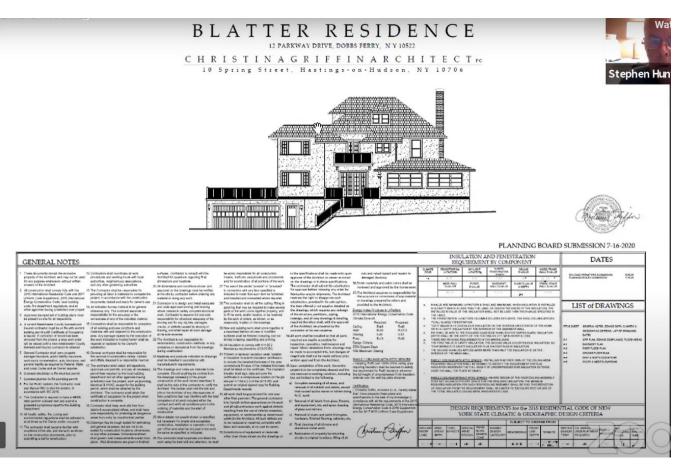
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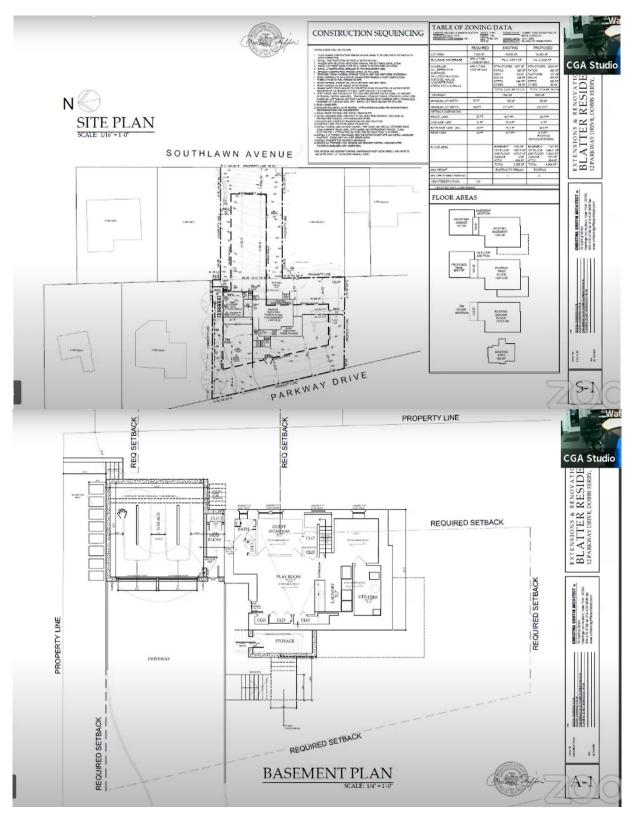
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ROB LANE	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED	
ALLEN HALE	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED	
LAURA HAUPT	🛛 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED	
PETER WINDER, 1 <sup>ST</sup> ALTERNAATE MEMBER	🗌 AYE	NAY			ABSENT/EXCUSED	
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RESULT:	MOTION: PASSES					

#### **Discussion:**

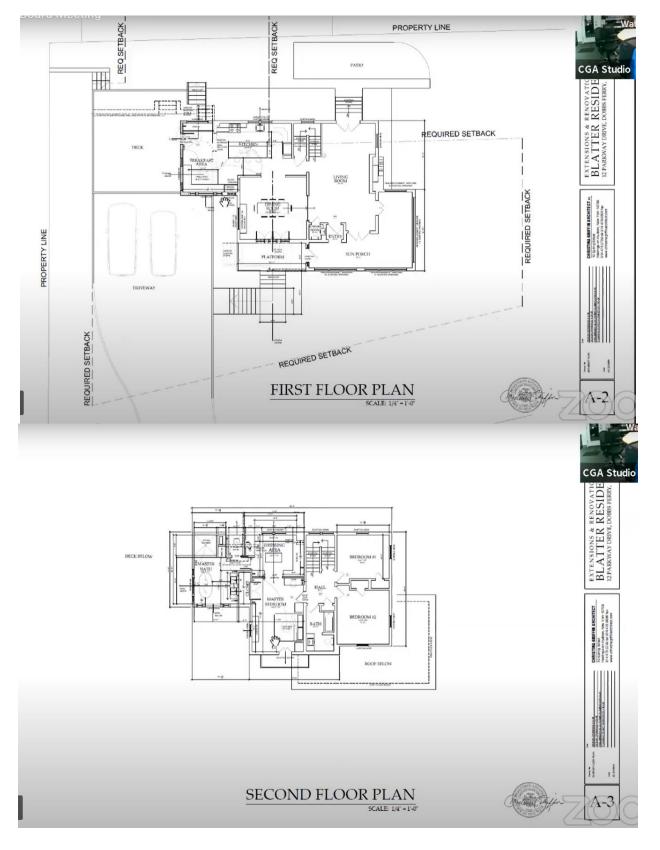
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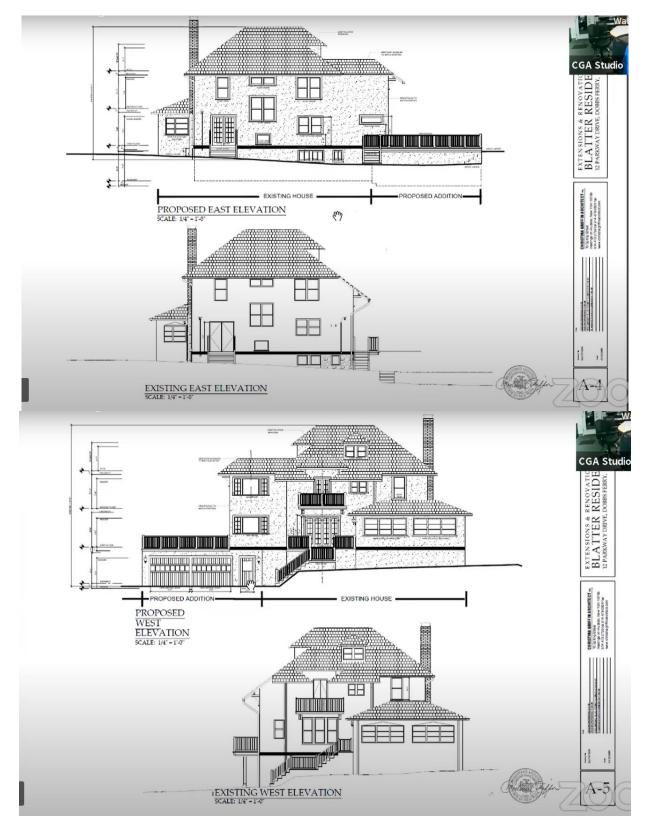


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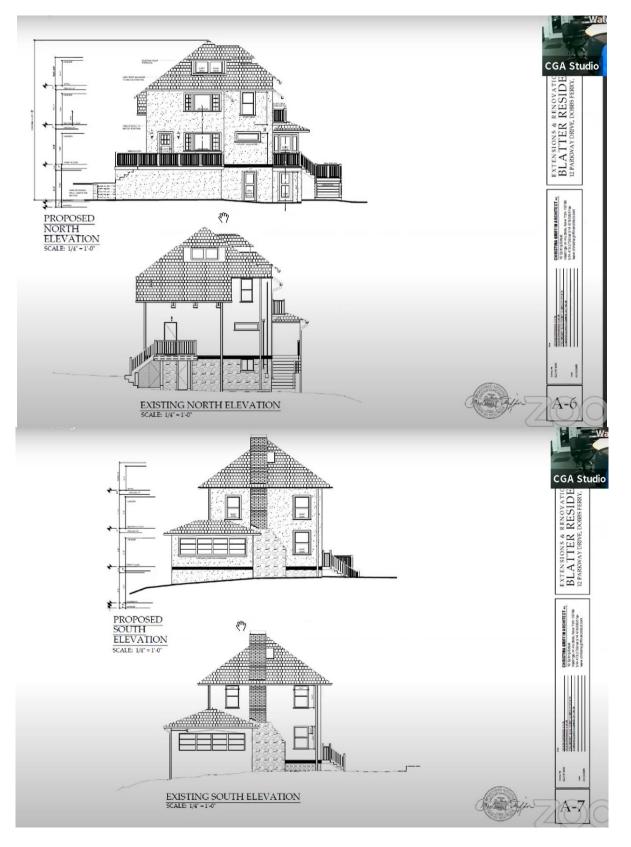
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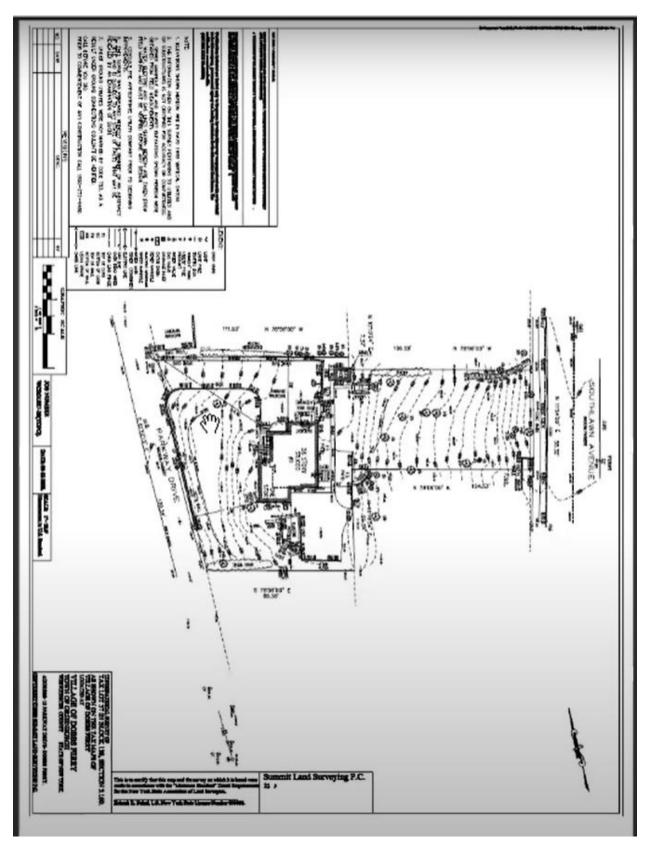


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- A discussion was held and Ms. Griffin addressed questions from the Board.
- Ms. Griffin said she has received the comments from Hahn Engineering and she will be responding to them.
- Ms. Griffin asked if she can apply to the AHRB simultaneously when she is before the Planning Board.
- No one from the public addressed the Board.
- Mr. Manley suggested to adjourn the public hearing to October 1, 2020 and urge the applicant to go before the AHRB.

#### Action:

Motion by Chairman Hunter, seconded by Mr. Hale to adjourn the public hearing for the application of 12 Parkway Drive for site plan review for proposed new two (2) car garage with deck above & new two (2) story extension on October 1, 2020.

CHAIRMAN HUNTER	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
STEPHEN BROSNAHAN	🛛 AYE	D NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
ROB LANE	🛛 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
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PETER WINDER, 1 <sup>ST</sup> ALTERNAATE MEMBER	🗌 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED		
VOTE TOTALS	5 AYE	0 NAY	0 ABSTAIN	0 RECUSE	0 ABSENT/EXCUSED		
RESULT:		MOTION: PASSES					

## 6. 189 Broadway – Continuation of Pre-submission Conference for Proposed Minor Subdivision & New Townhouses

Chairman Hunter said at the applicant's request the application of 189 Broadway for continuation of pre-submission for proposed minor subdivision & new townhouses will be continued to the October 1, 2020 meeting of the Planning Board.

#### **Discussion:**

- Mr. Manley said he believes the applicant is reconsidering his design based on the neighbor's letter.
- Chairman Hunter acknowledged receipt of the following letter from Mr. Clifford L. Davis, Esq. dated August 25, 2020:

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August 25, 2020

Honorable Stephen Hunter and Honorable Members of the Planning Board 112 Main Street Dobbs Ferry, NY 10522

Re: 189 Broadway Application

Dear Chairman Hunter and Honorable Members of the Planning Board:

I am counsel for the owner of 191 Broadway, Dobbs Ferry, historic Sussex Hall, adjacent to 189 Broadway, Dobbs Ferry, New York. We submit this letter in opposition to the preliminary proposal of the Applicants Ernest and Jean Howell ("Applicants") for their proposed two lot subdivision, upon the existing house is proposed on one lot and 4 townhouses are proposed on the other lot.

Initially it must be stated that the Applicants require a 5 lot subdivision. One lot for the existing house and four separate lots for each unit of the townhouses. The definition of townhouses requires each unit of townhouse to be on a separate lot. Dobbs Ferry Code §300-15.B.2(e). If the Applicants were to seek cluster zoning, they, of course, must show compliance with zoning and that they could build as of right 5 lots.

I reviewed the August Planning Board meeting regarding this application. What is glaring in its silence is to how this application will significantly impact Sussex Hall, which was constructed in or about 1930. Significantly, the location of the four townhouses with the garages facing Sussex Hall is a visual detriment to Sussex Hall. The Applicants put no thought in visually protecting my client's property and its sixty-six tenants and its superintendent. It will block significant views of between seven to ten tenants unnecessarily and will cause congestion and fumes backing up to Sussex Hall. The Applicants indicated locating solar panels on the townhouse roofs so that the Sussex Hall tenants can look at these eyesores. This must not be permitted.

Clearly, on these special properties more thought has to be considered in providing open space and not consolidating four townhouses virtually on top of Sussex Hall, blocking views of tenants. The property is certainly large enough so that any development can be built away from Sussex Hall and closer to the existing home. The Applicants have no right to maximize their profits at the expense of its historical neighbor and impacting so many tenants.

This analysis is only preliminary in its breadth as we expect the Planning Board, consistent with its comments, to limit the development, and to move the project further away from Sussex Hall. We look forward to the Planning insisting that my client and the tenants at Sussex Hall are protected.

Please provide me with information so that I can watch the proceedings live.

Respectfully. ifford L. Davis

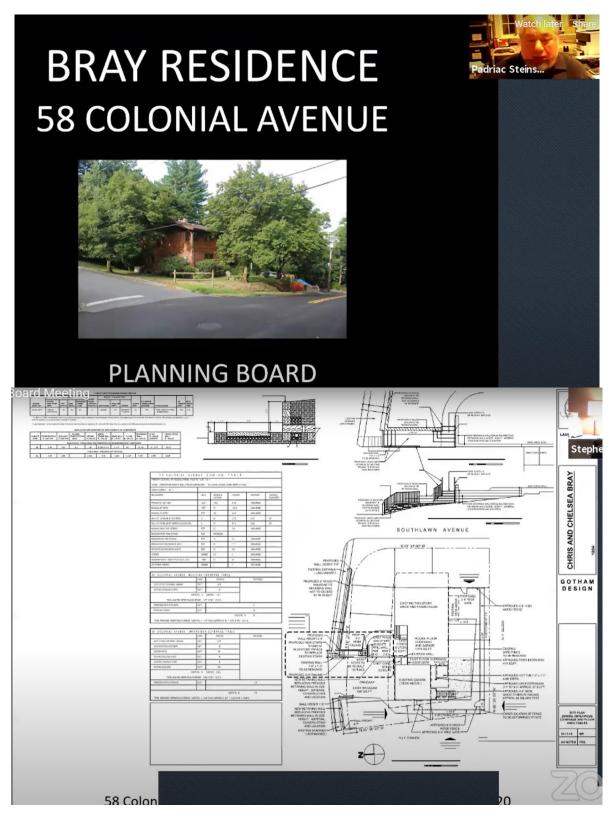
## 7. 58 Colonial Avenue – Referral from the Board of Trustees to Review Construction of a Retaining Wall on Village Right-of-Way

Mr. Paddy Steinschneider/Gotham Design and Ms. Laura Wakefield/Architect were present to represent the application.

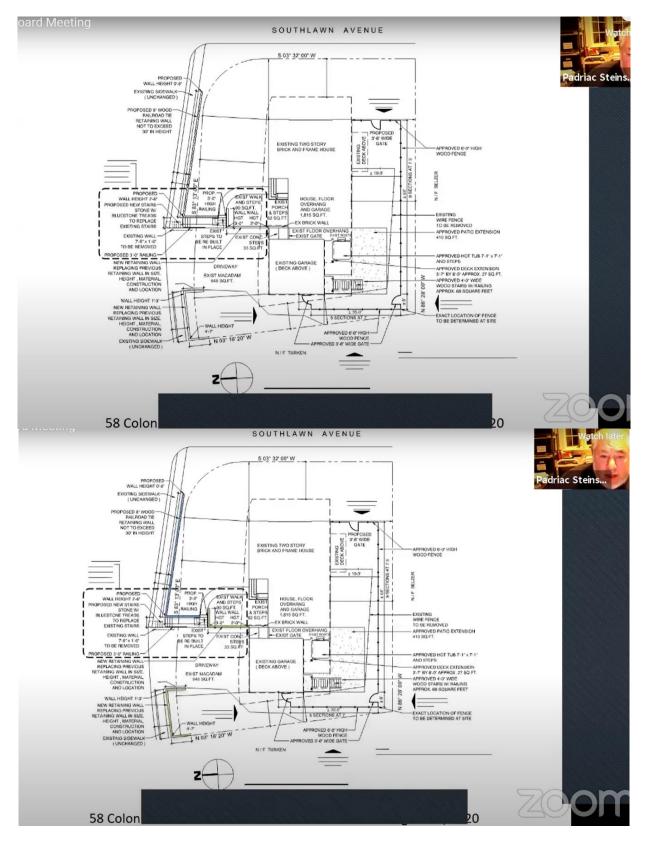
#### **Discussion:**

- Mr. Manley said this is a referral from the Board of Trustees because most of this retaining wall is on the public right-of-way. Mr. Manley said the Board of Trustees asked that the Planning Board see what portions of this retaining wall logically need to stay on the right-of-way and which portions could be moved back, closer to the property line. Mr. Manley said Mr. John Stone/Code Enforcement Officer found them building the retaining wall on public property.
- A discussion was held and Mr. Manley addressed questions from the Board.
- The Board would like to have a site visit. Mr. Manley said we can have the applicant stake out the property line.
- Mr. Manley said they are planning on putting landscaping on their property and that's fine, but they need to know where it needs to be.
- Mr. Steinschneider discussed the proposed application and displayed the following slides:

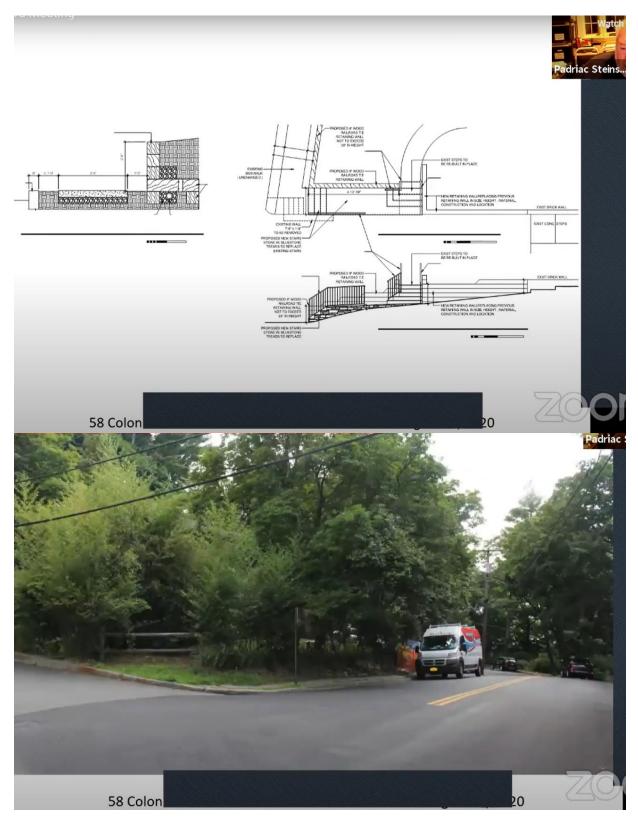
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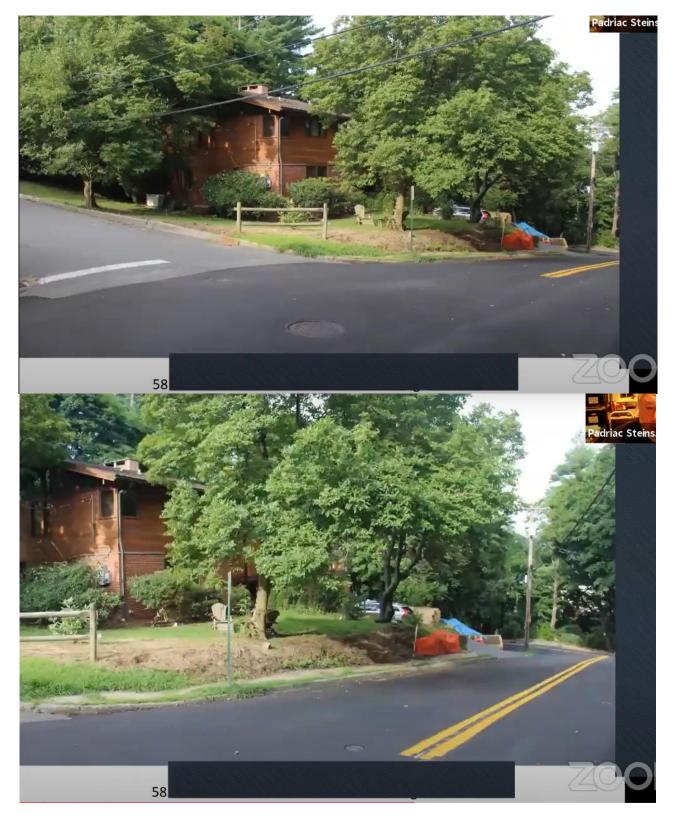
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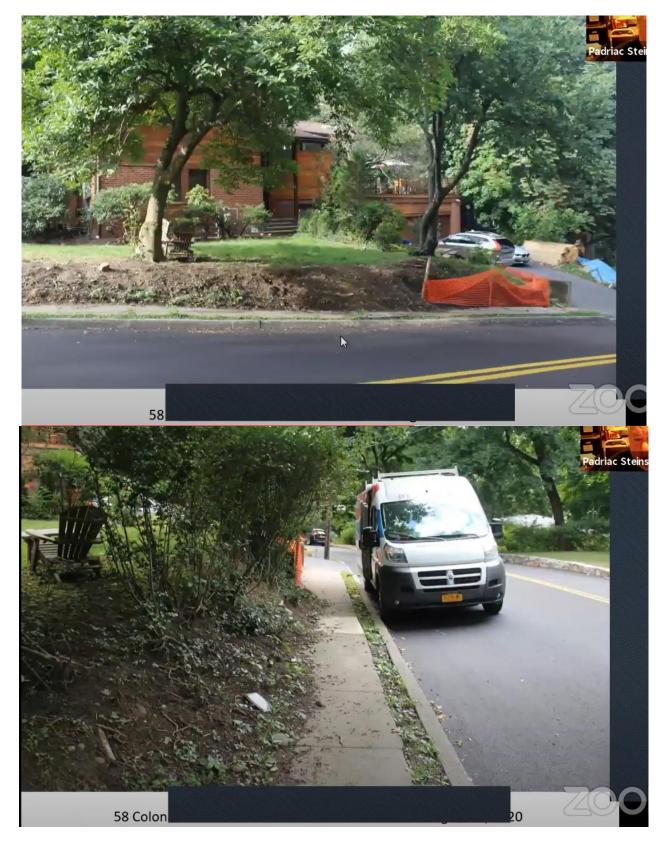
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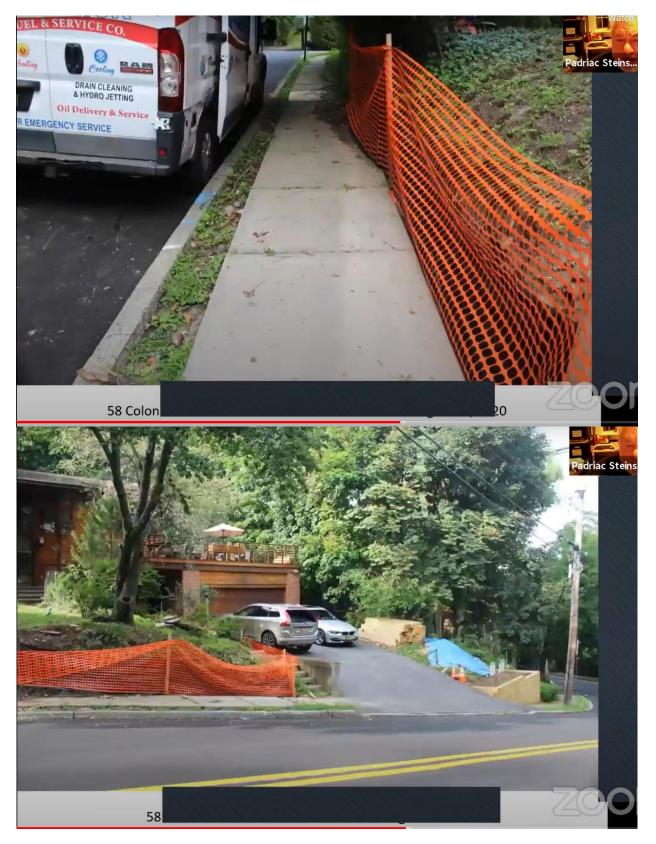
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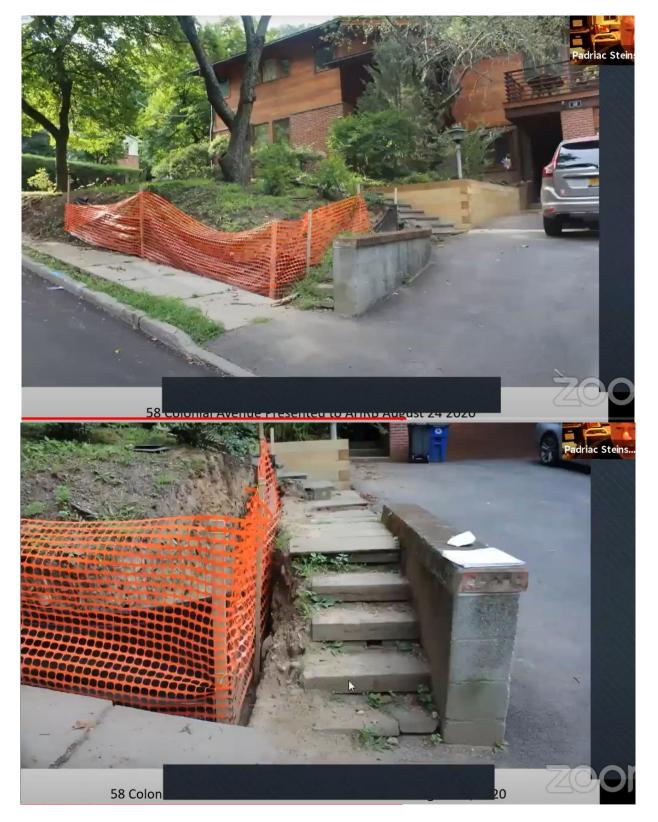
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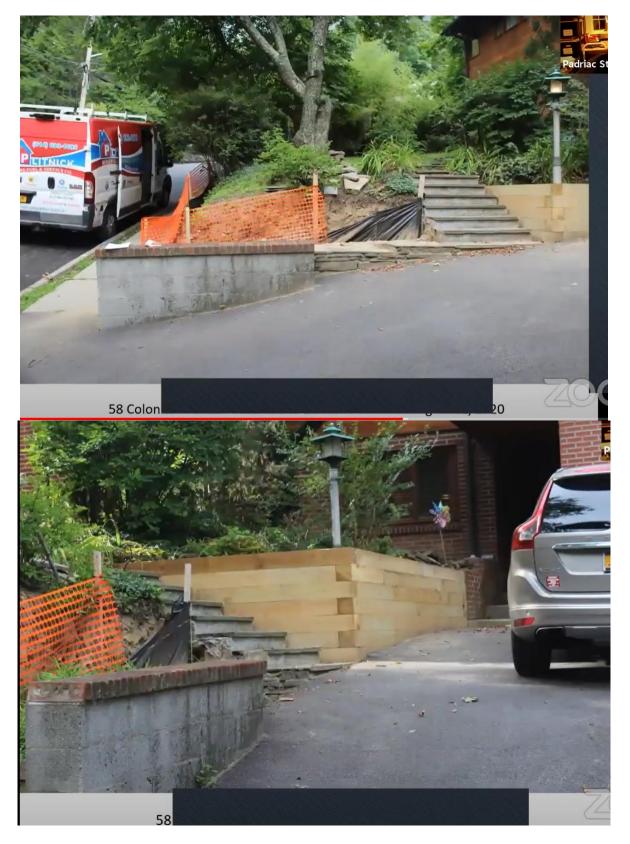
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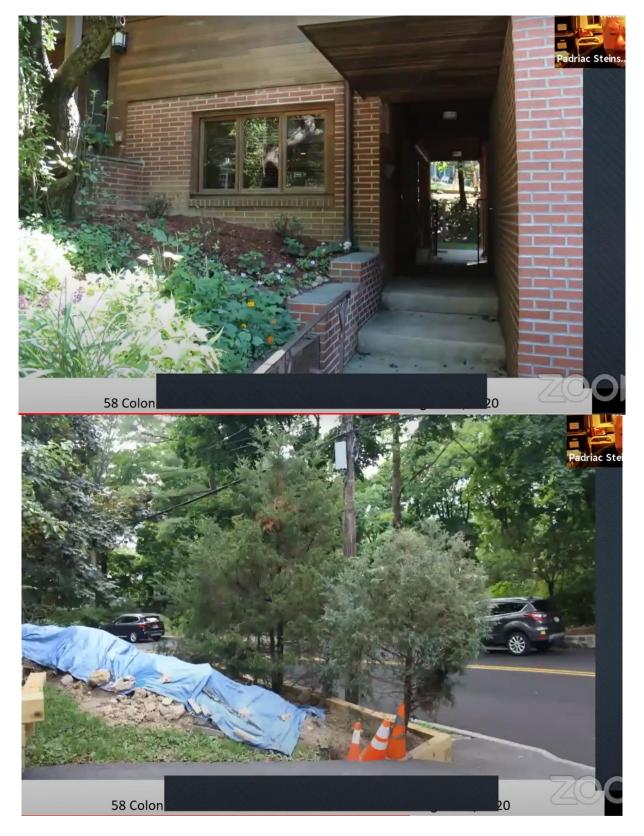
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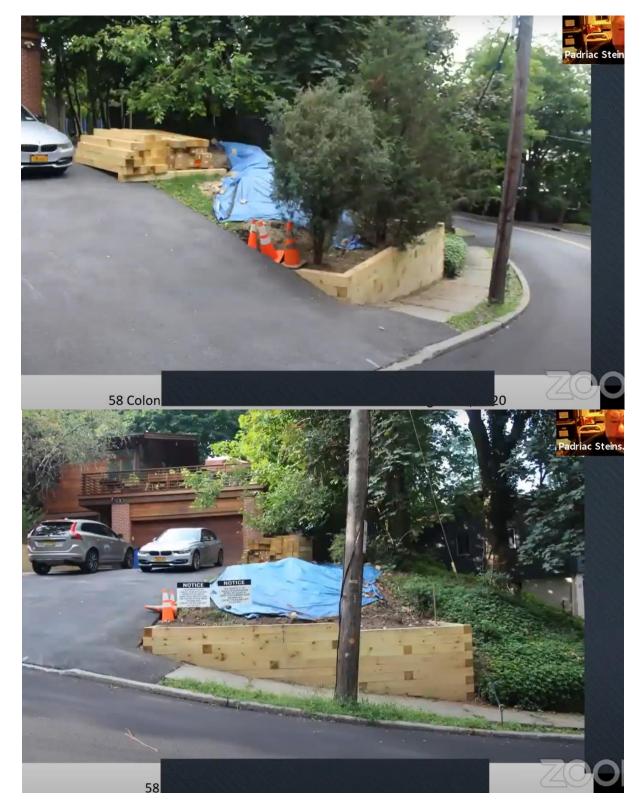
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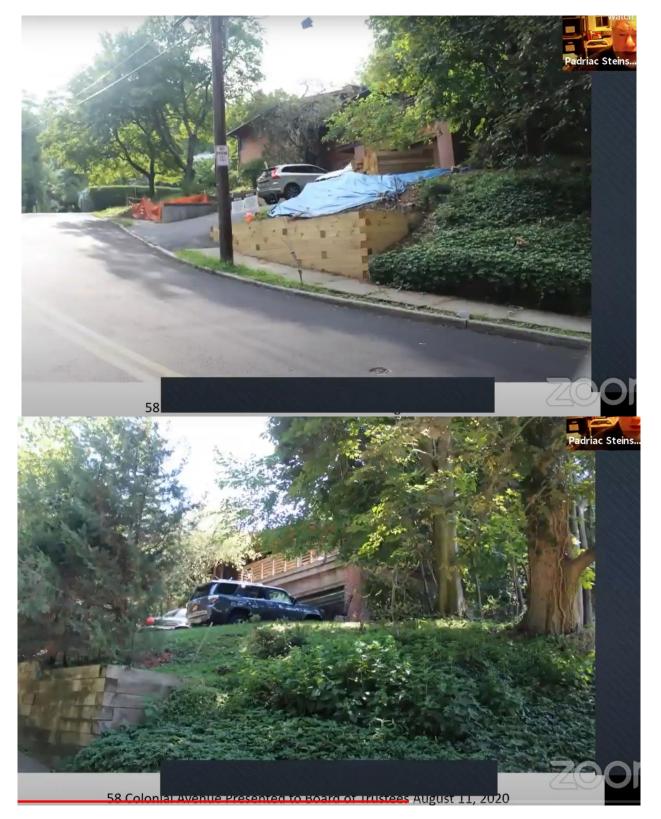
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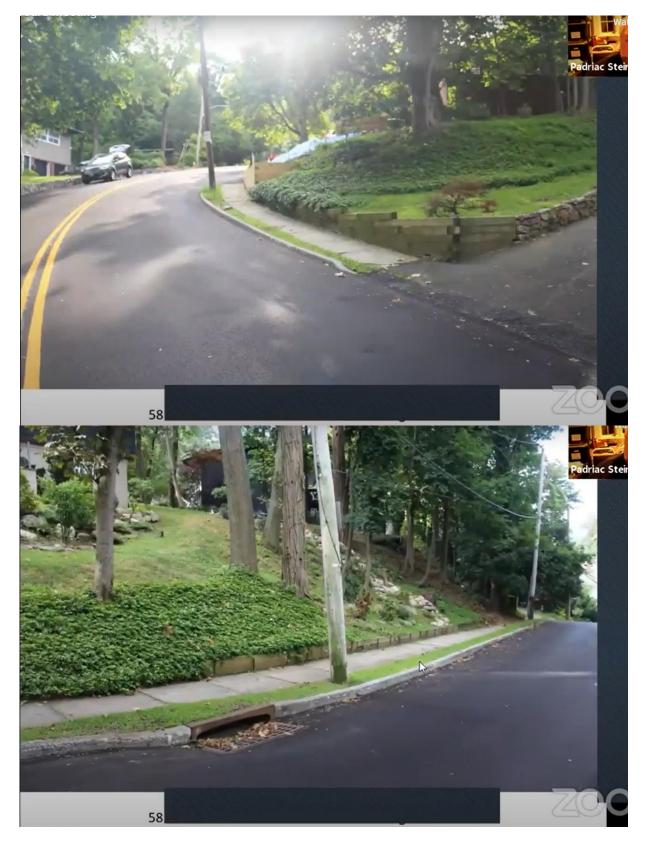
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#### **Discussion:**

- A discussion was held and Mr. Steinschneider addressed questions from the Board.
- Mr. Manley said the Board wants to see a property line stake out and the Board would then visit the site at their leisure.
- Mr. Pozin said as just a referral he does not think a public hearing is needed. Mr. Pozin noted that the Board did want to have a site visit.
- Mr. Steinscheider said he would put flags up along the property line and put caution tape or something similar to it for a week or so and the Board could go see it when it's convenient. Mr. Steinschneider said he would try to have this done by the end of Saturday. Mr. Steinschneider said he would let Mr. Manley know when it's ready.

#### Action:

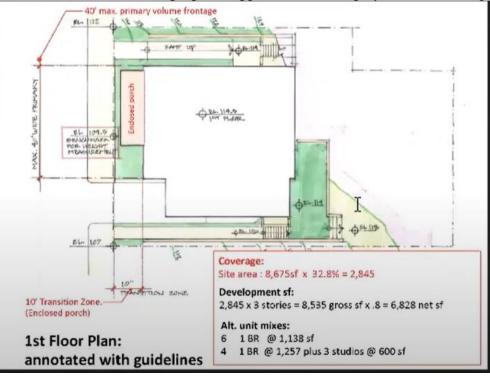
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# 8. 156 Palisade Street – Continuation of Pre-submission Conference for Site Plan Review for Proposed New Multi Family Building

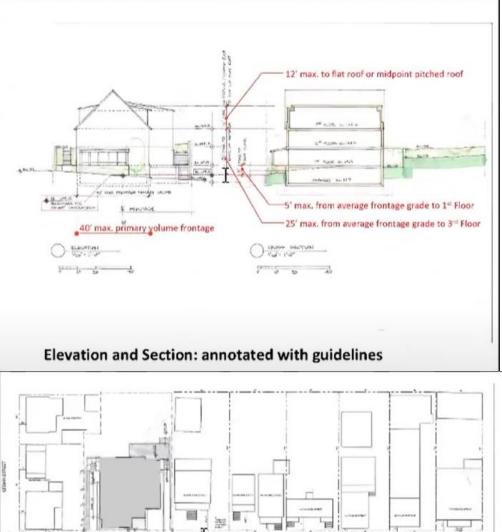
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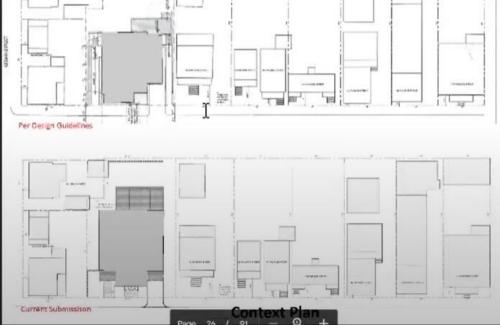
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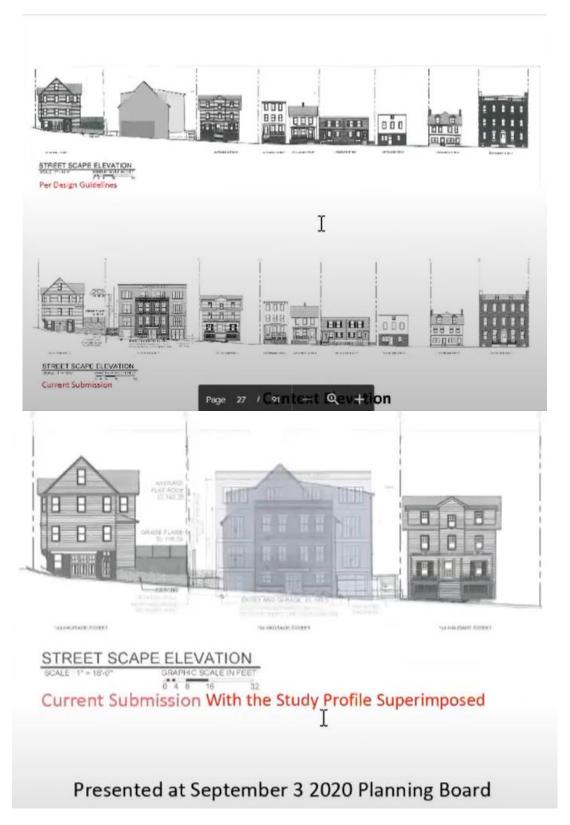


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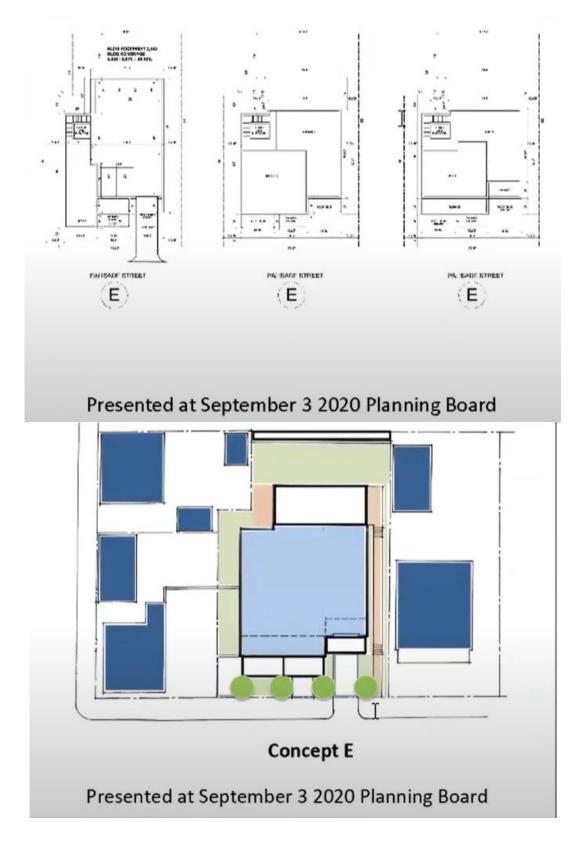




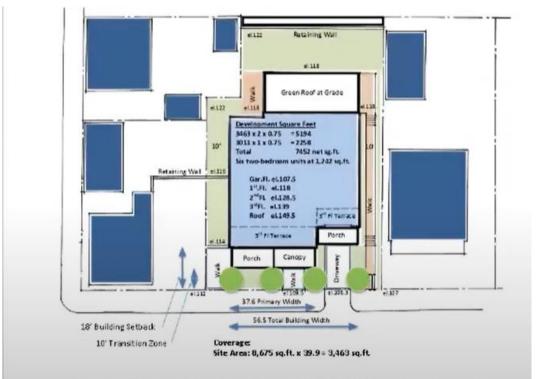
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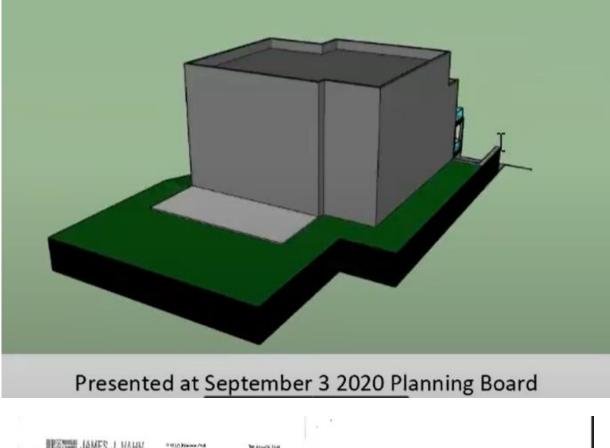
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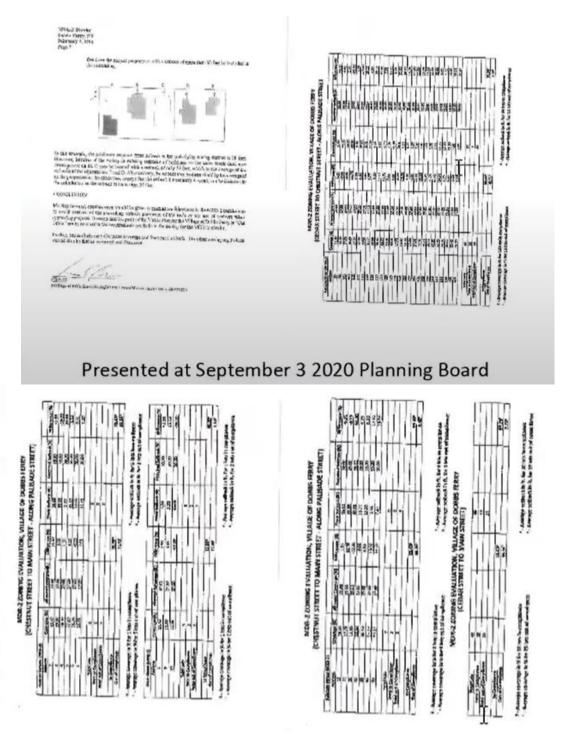
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With a height limit for a flat roof of 30 feet, we would be compliant with a height of elevation 148.52.

The concept submitted several months ago has a flat roof with an elevation of 151.5.

Following from some of the ideas investigated in Rob Lane's study, the Concept E plan that we created has an elevation height on the roof of 149.5.

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- 3. The manimum allowed lot coverage by buildinge to 27%. You have proposed 46.68%. Thus requiring a variance of 19.68%
- The maximum allowed to coverage by impervious surfaces is 54%. You have proposed 62.87%. Thus requiring a variance of 8.87%.
- The maximum allowed height to the eave is 28". You have proposed 29.33". Thus requiring a variance of 1.33"
- 6. The minimum required off street parking for 8 units and 12 be droom s is 11 spaces. You have proposed 8 spaces. Thus requiring a variance of 3 spaces. This variance may be dealt with in a minber of ways by the Planning Board.



## **Project Fundamentals:**

## Fit with Neighborhood Character Parking

- Height
- Massing
- Setbacks
- Solid Width Facing Street
- Street Life
  - Porches
    - Landscaping

#### Location of Driveway

- · Garage Door Facing the Street
- · Enclosed or Open Parking Lot

If there is parking on this site, it will need To be at street level. Because of the terrain, on site parking lift the building one storγ.

6 off-street spaces, and

3 curb side spaces.

Required: 9 parking spaces.

## Site Conditions

This site is different from every other site on Palisade Street. The backyard of 156 ranges From el.120 to el.126, whereas the street elevation ranges from el.107 to e.111. The back of The building is at a grade 14 feet higher than the street level. Even if there was not garage Below this building, the first floor of apartments would need to be raised up one story – Just like its neighbors.

Proposed:

# Presented at August 6 2020 Planning Board

- A discussion was held and Mr. Steinschneider addressed questions from the Board.
- Mr. Lane said Mr. Steinschneider needs to convince the Board that his scheme meets the new guidelines that they set up and that it looks contextual and appropriate.
- Mr. Manley said the Planning Board should enumerate the new Code proposal to send to the Board of Trustees.
- Mr. Manley said Mr. Steinschneider should submit his next proposal. Mr. Steinschneider said he would do that for the next meeting.
- Mr. Manley said if Mr. Steinschneider would like to submit a new set of plans based on the existing Code, he will review and write a denial and Mr. Steinschneider could to the Zoning Board of Appeals.
- The discussion continued.
- Mr. Manley noted that the Planning Board is the approving body.
- Mr. Douglas said the next step is for Mr. Steinschneider to submit an application responding to what has just been said, to submit an application that shows, to the degree that it can, compliance with the character guidelines, which you now start to call design guidelines, as a formal step. Mr. Douglas said, to the best that he can, Mr. Steinschneider should try to meet the design guidelines, submit it in a timely manner, and see how he can achieve something as close as he can get to what has been proposed and show us why he couldn't quite make the grade of the garage.

• Mr. Manley said the Board can grant waivers if he is meeting the proposed new Code, even before it is codified.

#### Action:

The applicant was asked to make the best efforts to comply with the draft Design Guidelines.

The pre-submission conference for the application of 156 Palisade Street for site plan review for proposed new multi-family building with basement garage, will be continued to October 1, 2020.

#### 9. MDR-2 Zone – Continuation of discussion on Possible Zoning Code Changes

The Planning Board, the AHRB and the Building Inspector will meet during the week to finalize the proposed Zoning Table amendments and Design Guidelines for discussion at the October 1, 2020 Planning Board meeting.

CHAIRMAN HUNTER	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED	
STEPHEN BROSNAHAN	🖂 AYE	□ NAY		RECUSE	ABSENT/EXCUSED	
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RESULT:	MOTION: PASSES					

Motion by Chairman Hunter, seconded by Mr. Hale to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 10:54 p.m.