Access Appeals Commission-Special Meeting: August 22, 2007



DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION

City & County of San Francisco 1660 Mission Street, San Francisco, California 94103-2414

ACCESS APPEALS COMMISSION

MINUTES

Special Meeting Wednesday, August 22, 2007 1275 Market Street

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

President Brown called the meeting of the Access Appeals Commission to order at 1:20 P.M.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms. Alyce Brown, President

Ms. Roslyn Baltimore, Vice-President Mr. Jurgen Dostert, Commissioner Mr. Arnie Lerner, AIA, Commissioner Mr. Walter Park, Commissioner 1

Wir. Waiter Fark, Commissioner

CITY REPRESENTATIVES: Mr. Neil Friedman, DBI

Ms. Nancy Curvino, DBI Mr. Rich Halloran, DBI Ms. Susan Pangilinan, DBI

Ms. Elaine Warren, Deputy City Attorney

1275 MARKET REPRESENTATIVE: Mr. Michael Garcia

Ms. Mabel Fong Ms. Denise Burian Ms. Heather Sanders

PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVE: Ms. Karen Kircher

2. PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

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3. REVIEW OF COMMUNICATION ITEMS:

None

4. TOPICS:

Appeal No. 07-08 (Permit Application 2007/0410/8451) 1275 Market Street/Level B1

Neil Friedman, Secretary to the Commission, read a brief summary of the case. He stated that either building provide the 8'-2" clear height in garage for the van parking or provide a hardship request not to have the-8'-2".

Michael Garcia, Project designer, summarized his testimony by stating the following:

- He did a study of the surrounding buildings like the Hotel next door and SF Mart.
- He looked at the use of the loading dock at 1275 Market and decided it was too hazardous and presented too much risk.
- He studied the modification of the ramp into the building garage for full compliance with an estimate of 500K.
- He mentioned that the building now meets the regular accessible parking requirements.

A discussion regarding code section 1130B exception 1 ensued.

Group proceeded to buildings' garage ramp.

Conversations and questions regarding the structural makeup of the ramp, concrete beams, fireproofing and alternative parking areas were discussed. It was noted that if a person were to park a van in the first two bays at the foot of the ramp that this might serve as a possible solution. The Path of travel to the elevator lobby is good.

The group reconvened and a discussion to continue to look for alternatives was mentioned. NEXT PART OF TAPE IN AUDIBLE.

Discussions to have the decision go back on the consent calendar pursued. It was noted that further discussions are needed regarding a Policy for consent calendars.

5. COMMISSIONERS AND STAFFS QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:

Neil discussed the case for 3384 Sacramento saying that some new information came in from the Health Department after the motion was made by the AAC. Neil said he would calendar it again so the commission could approve it as written subject to the limitations.

The Commission discussed the possibility of having the Mayor present a proclamation, for Enid Lim's dedication and service, with the AAC.

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6. PUBLIC COMMENT:

A member of the public spoke about being restricted from walking with the group to the parking garage. The city attorney reminded the commission that the public has to have access to the meeting. An apology was made by President Brown.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 PM.

Neil Friedman

Senior Building Inspector Department of Building Inspection Secretary to the Access Appeals Commission