# In The Matter Of: <br> CITY OF CAMDEN <br> ZONING BOARD 

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CHAIRMAN HANCE: Good evening and welcome to the Zoning Board of Adjustment regular scheduled meeting on April 3, 2023. Reading of the Sunshine Law.

In conformance of the Sunshine Law of New Jersey, notice of this meeting was posted in the Municipal Clerk's Office on Tuesday, March 28, 2023. Roll call.

MR. EINGORN: Chairman Hance. CHAIRMAN HANCE: Here.

MR. EINGORN: Vice-Chairman Cooper. VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Present.

MR. EINGORN: Reverend Martinez.
REVEREND MARTINEZ: Here.
MR. EINGORN: Ms. Atwood. Absent.
Ms. Merricks. Absent. Ms. Alston.
MS. ALSTON: Present.
MR. EINGORN: Mr. Brito Bueno.
MR. BRITO BUENO: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Very good. Ms. Washington is also absent.

Our first matter on the agenda would be the approval of the minutes from February 2023. Do I have a motion?

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Motion to accept.

MR. EINGORN: Do we have a second?
CHAIRMAN HANCE: Second.
MR. EINGORN: I'll take a roll-call vote.
Chairman Hance.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Vice-Chairman Cooper.
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Reverend Martinez.
REVEREND MARTINEZ: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Ms. Alston.
MS. ALSTON: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Mr. Brito Bueno.
MR. BRITO BUENO: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: All in favor, so moved.
I'll run through the list. If you hear your application, please let us know that you're here and ready to proceed. The first matter, 1060 Bergen Avenue, LLC. Not present. Joseph's House of Camden.

MR. SANDO: Present. Counsel.
MR. EINGORN: Good evening.
Hezekiah \& Rosita Adedoyin, 549 Pfeiffer Street.

MR. ADEDOYIN: Here.
MR. EINGORN: Good evening. As Promised Holdings, LLC.

MR. PAYTON: Present.
MR. EINGORN: Good evening. Maria A. Peralta Henriquez.

MR. IZZO: Here. Present.
MR. EINGORN: Good evening. Emelyn Peralta, 1315 S. 10th Street.

MR. IZZO: Also appearing tonight.
MR. EINGORN: Very good. Michael
McFarlane, 509 Randolph Street.
MR. MCFARLANE: Present.
MR. EINGORN: Ronald and Frances Abate. Notice for this application was deficient and it will be not heard tonight. And then the final matter is Tobi Rosario, 4120 Westfield Avenue.

MR. ROSARIO: Here.
MR. EINGORN: Good evening.
Then for the record, the matter of
50 S. Dudley had deficient notice. If you're here for 50 S. Dudley or you received any kind of notification for that and that's why you're here, that will not be heard tonight. And that goes for 423 Chambers Avenue as well. The notice for that was deficient and if you received a letter or notice of some sort, that will not be heard tonight.

And then, 1103 North 20th Street, we
received a late Proof of Service and, therefore, while publication and notice was proper, we couldn't get it on the agenda so that will be adjourned to the May meeting without further notice to the public. If you're here for that, it will not be heard tonight. That will be a first of May at 5:30.

So we will start with our first available matter which is Joseph's House of Camden, 555 Atlantic Avenue. Just for the record, as the public can see, the Zoning Board only has five members tonight. If you require a use variance from the Board, you will require a unanimous vote of all five members. That's just a heads-up if you wish to adjourn, we can discuss it. But as of right now, we only have five members. And you need five affirmative votes to receive a use variance.

MR. SANDO: Good evening, my name is Eric Sando. I'm here on behalf of the applicant, Joseph's House. With me is the executive director of Joseph's House, Shawn Sheekey. We submitted an application for the property located at 555 Atlantic Avenue in Camden, Block 345, Lot 11. It is zoned Light Industrial District. We're requesting relief to remove an existing chain link fence that's between seven-foot high and ten-feet high with barbed wire
across the top, and replace that with a modern-looking aluminum black seven-foot fence. Just a brief background on my clients.

Joseph's House is a 501-C3(ph) Nonprofit.
They primarily focus on helping the homeless citizens of Camden. They provide food and shelter. Between 75 and 80 people stay overnight each night. They provide various different types of referral sources and on-site consulting and things of that nature.

This property was previously a juvenile detention center which explains why they had such high fencing at the location. Joseph's House purchased the property ten years ago. They've applied for and they've obtained a grant for funding to remove the unsightly fence with the barbed wire and erect the aluminum fence. With that said, we have some exhibits that $I$ put in the binders.

MR. EINGORN: It think everybody received a copy.

MR. SANDO: It looks similar but can I give you these just in case they have changed. It might be the same but $I$ don't know. And if you'd like to swear in Mr. Sheekey, he can approach and I'll ask him a few questions for the record.

MR. EINGORN: That would be great. Mr.

Sheekey, would you raise your right hand?

SHAWN SHEEKEY, having first been duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

MR. EINGORN: Give your name and address for the record.

MR. SHEEKEY: Shawn Sheekey. Which
address do you need?
MR. EINGORN: Business.
MR. SHEEKEY: 555 Atlantic Avenue, Camden, New Jersey 08104.

MR. SANDO: Mr. Sheekey, you're the executive director of Joseph's House, correct?

MR. SHEEKEY: That's correct.
MR. SANDO: And Joseph's House owns the property at 555 Atlantic Avenue, right?

MR. SHEEKEY: Yes.
MR. SANDO: And looking at Exhibit A, that's the deed for the property, correct?

MR. SHEEKEY: That's correct.
MR. SANDO: And can you explain to the Board what you'd like to do with this property?

MR. SHEEKEY: Sure. We've applied and received grant money from the Department of Community

Affairs. We're trying to make some physical improvements to the property. We consider ourselves an important neighbor in the neighborhood. And we have neighbors behind us on Mechanic Street. The sight of a chain link fence with razor wire isn't that great so we are trying to upgrade that and replace it with a seven-foot fence.

MR. SANDO: And the current fence there is between seven-foot high with barbed wire at ten feet high, correct?

MR. SHEEKEY: Ten. Correct.
MR. SANDO: And if you look at Exhibit B,
that's an aerial view of your property, right?
MR. SHEEKEY: Correct.
MR. SANDO: And there's a yellow line marking the perimeter of the property, correct?

MR. SHEEKEY: Yes.
MR. SANDO: And that's where you'd like the seven-foot fence to be installed, correct?

MR. SHEEKEY: That's correct
MR. SANDO: If you look at page two of Exhibit B, that's the existing fence that was on the property, right?

MR. SHEEKEY: Yes.
MR. SANDO: And that's on Atlantic

Avenue?
MR. SHEEKEY: That's Atlantic.
MR. SANDO: And that fence you replaced
in 2021, correct?
MR. SHEEKEY: Yes.
MR. SANDO: And that's showed on page three?

MR. SHEEKEY: That's correct. That's the new fence fronting Atlantic.

MR. SANDO: In 2021 when this fence was replaced, you were under the understanding that a contractor obtained the proper permitting and any kind of variance, right?

MR. SHEEKEY: We did. We thought that they had gotten what we needed in terms of a variance, yes.

MR. SANDO: And presently, you're trying to install that same fence around the rest of the property. And you hired a new contractor, right?

MR. SHEEKEY: We did, yes, that's correct.

MR. SANDO: And in that process, you learned that you needed a variance, right?

MR. SHEEKEY: We needed a variance, correct.

MR. SANDO: And part of your reason you heard today is to ask for that variance to install the remainder of the fence as well as to permit this fence on Atlantic Avenue to remain, correct?

MR. SHEEKEY: To remain, yes.
MR. SANDO: And could you go through the pictures very quickly on Exhibit $B$ and just explain to the Board what they are?

MR. SANDO: Exhibit B, page 4.
MR. SHEEKEY: Yes, this is 6th Street. This is the 6th Street side. You can see on this fence, again, this has the razor wire on top. We're looking to replace that. The next page 5 is the, again, further down 6th Street. And you could see that's sections of the 10 -foot fence. We're going to fence -- there's a little break there with the door but we're going to fence all the way down the side there.

MR. EINGORN: Are you going to put a gate there or are you going to fence it all the way around.

MR. SHEEKEY: Yes, there's going to be a gate with a crash-bar.

MR. EINGORN: Thank you.
MR. SHEEKEY: Six of the 14 , there's also
more additional views of 6th Street. You can could see a gate on the right. That's kind of becoming our primary entrance because the traffic on Atlantic Avenue is too dangerous and we're trying to get people to cue on 6th and not on Atlantic.

Page 7 is the corner of 6 th \& Mechanic.
And then we run down Mechanic Street, page 8. Again, we have a really sweet woman across the street who is sort of the neighborhood watch and we deal with her quite a bit. And I told her some day it's going to be painted and we're going to have a new fence it's going to be much more esthetically-pleasing to the neighborhood so she's thrilled about that. Page 9, again, this is a shot of 6th Street. Page 10 you'll see the corner of Atlantic -I'm sorry, Atlantic. And where it touches the fence there, that's an industrial neighbor on the other side. And then on the right, there's Atlantic Avenue and 6th where, again, our existing new fence touches the fence we want to replace.

Page 11 shows some of the damage to the existing fence. We even had a wire and close things because of holes. Again, this is the side with the other neighbor where constant vegetation, the Poison Ivy that we have to go out and cut every year. And,
luckily -- unluckily we've gotten Poison Ivy twice doing that.

Page 13, that's the 6th Street gate. That will be upgraded as well. But you can see the barbed wire. Not very inviting to our homeless guests. And, again, 14 is just another example of the vegetation. But that fence is facing the adjacent property. And questions on those?

MR. SANDO: Mr. Sheekey, the Exhibit marked $C$, that's the specifications of the new fencing you'd like to install as well as the fence that was installed at Atlantic Avenue, correct?

MR. SHEEKEY: Yes. They'll match.
MR. SANDO: And Exhibit $C$ on page 2 starts the proposal from the contractor to provide additional information on the installation, correct?

MR. SHEEKEY: Yes. Correct.
MR. SANDO: If you look at Exhibit D, what does that picture show?

MR. SHEEKEY: That is the building. You'll see there's a section that isn't yellow. That's actually our sidewall with an adjacent property so there's obviously no need for a fence there. The fence will run up to both sides of the building there.

MR. SANDO: I think you'll still on
Exhibit C. Is this D?
MR. SHEEKEY: D. Sorry about that.
MR. SANDO: Take your time.
MR. SHEEKEY: This is across the street
in front of the methadone clinic. This, I believe, came out as part of a pedestrian safety study because there's too many people crossing there and Atlantic is a busy street with 18-wheelers rolling down so that smaller fence was installed. That's directly across the street from us. In addition to their fence, they have a fence and the people can't step on to Atlantic Avenue.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Is that property too?

MR. SHEEKEY: It's not. That's directly across the street from 555.

MR. SANDO: Mr. Sheekey, is it fair to say the property across the street has a similar style fence that you'd like to install on your property?

MR. SHEEKEY: Yes. Yes, indeed.
MR. SANDO: If you look at Exhibit E, this is the permit application which was submitted by your contractor, correct?

MR. SHEEKEY: Yes, that's correct.
MR. SANDO: And then the denial letter
because the fence that you'd like to install which is 7-feet high is higher than the permitted wire under the Zoning Code?

MR. SHEEKEY: Yes.
MR. SANDO: And can you explain to the Board why you'd like to install a 7-foot fence as opposed to a 6-foot fence as per the Ordinance?

MR. SHEEKEY: Yes. I think a lot of the contractors when we originally did this out, were recommending a 7 -foot fence. We don't need the 10 but, obviously, what's paramount here is the safety of our guests, our workers, the volunteers that come out because we're an overnight operation. So, yes, we don't think we need 10 feet that high but everyone recommended a 7 -foot fence and that makes sense.

And, again, $I$ just think to the neighborhood being part of the Bergen Square Neighborhood, we want to be good neighbors and we hope that it'll be a lot more esthetically-pleasing, as well as meeting our security needs.

MR. SANDO: And are you aware of any negative effects of installing this fence?

MR. SHEEKEY: No. No. I mean, if you
saw the new fence in person and what the methadone perimeter looks like, it's very nice. I think it'll really start to create a nice area there.

MR. SANDO: I have no further questions.
MR. EINGORN: Does the board have questions for the applicant?

CHAIRMAN HANCE: I'm curious. How many people do you hold there at one time?

MR. SHEEKEY: We do probably about 80 a night. Sometimes it's higher because each year we contract with the City of Camden for Code Blue. So a Code Blue runs through to the end of April. So on a Code Blue night, we'll take in probably an additional 12. But we're the point of contact. We park a van there from the South Jersey Transportation Authority. And then once we hit Guest No. 13, they take them to another site.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: So you want a 7-foot fence. But that's also for security and also for, I'll say, commercial to look like it blends in with the one across the street from you?

MR. SHEEKEY: Yes.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: I've lived in that area. I'm always around that area. We've passed you. You were here before; a few years ago to be there. And I
think it does need a facelift. I wasn't crazy about the barbed wire either. I think it's a safety issue.

MR. SHEEKEY: A lot of our donors don't like the idea. It's left over from the previous -CHAIRMAN HANCE: Correctional place. MR. SHEEKEY: Yes. Exactly. We want it to be welcoming and safe. That's the whole thing. We want guests to know when they come in, they're safe and secure.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: So are you going to have two entrances and just the one now?

MR. SHEEKEY: It'll be -- we have a new moving gate. That's for cars coming in. But the pedestrian and guest entrance is on 6th Street. We're also planning to paint it. We're getting a new canopy so it's really going to jazz up the shelter.

MR. EINGORN: Does the Board have any further questions?

MS. ALSTON: I do. This is the fence now?

MR. SHEEKEY: That's the --
MS. ALSTON: On 3?
MR. SHEEKEY: That's correct, yes.
MS. ALSTON: And this is the one that's

MR. SHEEKEY: Yes. So that'll match all the way around the perimeter.

MR. EINGORN: For the record, that was Exhibit B, page 3?

MS. ALSTON: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Thank you. Anything else? Hearing none, let's open this application to the public. Is anybody in the public here tonight to be heard on this application whether in support or against the granting of the requested variances? Hearing none, we'll close the public portion.

Now would be the time for the Board to discuss the Positive and Negative Criterias related to the requested variance for the removal of a 7 to 10-foot chain link fence with barbed wire and to replace it with a modern aluminum 7-foot fence. My recollection is that they're requesting a bulk variance.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: I think it's positive that you're going to change that fence. It's way past due. Like I said, I'm always in that area. I work in that area actually. I think it would be a great idea to have both sides of the street kind of matching each other and giving Camden a different look.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: I'm going to piggyback on the Chairman here. I think it's a good thing for the community to have a uniform fence there and it's going to be secured so it's not going to be that easy to climb because of the slats.

One concern I did have, I did go by there the other day. And when I pulled up to that stop sign, that pedestrian fence on that one side is blocking. If you talk to your counterpart there, maybe they could do something with that fence there.

MR. SHEEKEY: And that's the corner of?
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: 6th \& Atlantic.
Okay.
MR. SHEEKEY: It's a pretty scary
intersection too because you have the recycling place there and that's there the trucks are coming in at.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: I think it's a positive for that neighborhood.

MR. SHEEKEY: Thank you.
MR. EINGORN: Any other comments; a motion?

REVEREND MARTINEZ: Motion to pass.
MR. EINGORN: Do we have a second?
MS. ALSTON: Second.
MR. EINGORN: Roll-call vote.

MR. EINGORN: I'll take a roll-call vote.
Chairman Hance.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Vice-Chairman Cooper.
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Reverend Martinez.
REVEREND MARTINEZ: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Ms. Alston.
MS. ALSTON: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: And Mr. Brito Bueno.
MR. BRITO BUENO: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Having five in favor and none opposed, the motion passes.

While we're on this application, the applicant is in a little bit of a rush and provided the Resolution. I asked them to draft it. Counsel was nice enough to do that. Since we're doing this application, do you want to adopt the Resolution while we're here?

THE BOARD: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Okay. Great. So I need a motion and a second on adoption of the Resolution.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Motion to accept.
REVEREND MARTINEZ: Second.
MR. EINGORN: I'll take a roll-call vote.

Chairman Hance.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Vice-Chairman Cooper.
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Reverend Martinez.
REVEREND MARTINEZ: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Ms. Alston.
MS. ALSTON: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Mr. Brito Bueno.
MR. BRITO BUENO: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Five in favor and none opposed, the Resolution has been adopted. Thank you Counsel for doing that.

MR. SANDO: Thank you.
MR. EINGORN: Anybody appear for 1060 Bergen Avenue, LLC? No.

The next matter is Hezekiah \& Rosita Adedoyin, 549 Pfeiffer Street. Please come up.

MS. JOHNSON: This is Hezekiah Adedoyin.
And this is Rosita Adedoyin. My name is Mary Johnson. I'm their realtor and their niece.

MR. EINGORN: Great. So please raise your right hand, please.

MARY JOHNSON; HEZEKIAH ADEDOYIN; ROSITA

ADEDOYIN, having first been duly sworn/affirmed, was examined and testified as follows:

MR. EINGORN: And I'll need names and addresses for the record, please.

MS. JOHNSON: Mary Johnson, 31 Sandstone Drive, Sicklerville, New Jersey 08081.

MS. ADEDOYIN: Rosita Adedoyin, 4516 Ehemiah Way, Philadelphia, PA 19139.

MR. ADEDOYIN: Hezekiah Adedoyin. I live at the same address.

MR. EINGORN: So they're looking for a nonconforming use of a duplex $I$ see. Why don't you tell us a little bit about what's going on.

MS. JOHNSON: So when we went, we were under contract to sell the property. I originally sold it to them many moons ago. And the zoning office told -- well, they denied the zoning approval because they said that it was zoned as a single-family. However, when you look at all of the property records, everything there states two units. It states two bedrooms. In the total property, two bedrooms, two bathrooms, two living rooms. You'll notice that in the property record.

However, there is one little spot on the
property record which is at -- should be towards the back of your pamphlet where it says property record and appraisal card. And if you look at the top lefthand corner, that two that's next to apartment, looks like a one. And they said that's why, part of the reason why it was -- well, the woman who was the representative there was thinking that could be why. We went to the tax office. They said that all of their records dating from the beginning of the property was that of a duplex. You know how there are some properties that look like converted duplexes? This was clearly built as one.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Can you show me that paper?

MS. JOHNSON: You should have a packet with pictures.

MR. EINGORN: So for the record, there's a packet that looks like this --

MS. JOHNSON: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: -- box of content --
MS. JOHNSON: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: -- numbers 1 through 14 with corresponding documentation.

MS. JOHNSON: At the very top it says, property record and appraisal card.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: What was the year on that?

MS. JOHNSON: The year on this was 1942. The property was built in 1942. There's one more right before that. It looks like this. Actually, you just passed it.

MR. EINGORN: I don't think there's much question here that this was a duplex before the Ordinance. And the applicants have come here tonight asking for a Certificate of Nonconforming Use. Asking the Zoning Board to confirm that this is a preexisting nonconforming use. That way they can have a Certificate of -- not a Certificate of Occupancy so much but as a piece of paper that they can provide to their buyer to protect the buyer that they'll be able to continue this use once they purchase.

MS. JOHNSON: Will that Certificate of Nonconforming Use last throughout the life of the property?

MR. EINGORN: It'll run with the land.
MS. JOHNSON: Okay. So if the new buyer ever sells it, they won't have to go through this again.

MR. EINGORN: Unless somebody converts it
into something else --
MS. JOHNSON: Awesome.
MR. EINGORN: -- then you'll lose that use but, obviously, the certificate will carry forward.

MS. JOHNSON: Thank you.
MR. EINGORN: The Board is taking a second, for the record, to review the information in the packet. In the interim, if you have questions for the applicant, it does appear like the records reflect -- confirm the testimony that's being provided.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: I used to live in that area. I used to live on Boyd Street, 348. So I'm very familiar with Peiffer and Randolph. They've always been duplexes. I was there as a young man and I spent a lot of time right here in East Camden. So I have no quarrels with this. It says second and first floor on the paperwork.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: I have one question. It looks like you got three electrical meters in the basement? Can you explain that.

MR. ADEDOYIN: One is for the house to provide electricity for the landings. Where you enter there's a light upstairs and all those lights
up and controlled by the third meter. It's for the owner of the home to pay for that separately.

VICE-CHAIRMAN HANCE: Okay.
MR. EINGORN: So a common area.
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Thank you.
MR. EINGORN: Any other questions?
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: No.
MR. EINGORN: We'll open to the public.
Anybody in the public here tonight in favor or against the application for a Certificate of Nonconforming Use at the property at 549 Pfeiffer Street? Hearing none, we'll close the public portion. Now is the time for the Board to, I guess, put on the record their reasons and make a motion again.

This is an application for a Certificate of Nonconforming Use, meaning, they're asking the Board to confirm that this use predated the Zoning Ordinance and can continue in affect now that the Ordinance does not allow a duplex in this location.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Going over the pictures, they have two meters, two hot water, two heating units --

CHAIRMAN HANCE: Two gas meters.
MR. BRITO BUENO: Two boilers.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: It has been
duplex.
MR. EINGORN: It looks to be.
Do we have a motion?
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Motion.
MR. EINGORN: Motion to grant?
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Yes.
MR. BRITO BUENO: Second.
MR. EINGORN: I'll take a roll-call vote.
Chairman Hance.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Vice-Chairman Cooper.
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Reverend Martinez.
REVEREND MARTINEZ: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Ms. Alston.
MS. ALSTON: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Mr. Brito Bueno.
MR. BRITO BUENO: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: All in favor, the motion passes. Congratulations. Have a nice night.

MS. JOHNSON: Thank you. May I ask one
more thing, sir?
MR. EINGORN: Yes. Sure.
MS. JOHNSON: Could you tell me how long
it will take? Because we were actually suppose to go to settlement back in January.

MR. EINGORN: We weren't asked to do anything in advance so May 1 st is when, assuming there's a Board meeting, we'll adopt the Resolution. MS. JOHNSON: Got you. Thank you.

MR. EINGORN: But you can -- the Board has acted so the buyer -- you can tell the buyer that your application was granted.

MS. JOHNSON: Thank you very much.
MR. EINGORN: The next matter, As
Promised Holdings, LLC, 1600 Carman Street.
MR. PAYTON: Good afternoon.
MR. EINGORN: Good evening.
MR. PAYTON: Good evening. I would like to -- there's been a bit of miscommunication between counsel, myself and the city planner. We were waiting on a letter on comments to the site plan from Dr. Williams. We have not received that yet. So I was under the impression that we were not on for this evening.

MR. EINGORN: Oh okay.
MR. PAYTON: So everybody -- all of the engineers, Pennoni and the lawyer, all thought that we were off until May.

MR. EINGORN: Okay. So they sent you on your own?

MR. PAYTON: I've not been through this process a lot. I just showed up to familiarize myself. My name is Tony Payton, Jr. I'm with As Promised. I'm the chief operating officer. I just wanted to introduce myself and say hello. Do you guys -- was the packet transmitted? Do you not have the packet?

MR. EINGORN: We have some materials here as you can see, including these exhibits here which I'm assuming there's some kind of Powerpoint presentation?

MR. PAYTON: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: We can -- notice was proper for tonight so we can grant you an adjournment to May 1st. That's not a problem. It was nice to meet you.

MR. PAYTON: Pleasure to meet you all.
MR. EINGORN: For the public, if anybody is here tonight for 1600 Carmen Street, you received notice for As Promised Holdings, please note that the applicant has requested and has been granted an adjournment for the May lst meeting. There will be no further publication for this matter whether by certified mail, personal mail or publication. And
we'll see you on May 1st, sir.
MR. EINGORN: The next matter is
Maria A. Peralta Henriquez, 1714 S. 10th Street. Mr. Izzo.

MR. IZZO: Charles Izzo on behalf of
Maria A. Peralta Henriquez. So we have Maria
Peralta. She's a spanish-speaking person. Her friend is going to try to help her out.

MR. EINGORN: Okay. So we have a
translator. So let's start with Ms. Translator.
Raise your right hand, please.
Do you swear or affirm that the
translation you will provide tonight for the Zoning Board, will be true and accurate to the best of your abilities and knowledge?

MS. FERNANDEZ: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Can you state your name and address, please.

MS. FERNANDEZ: Rosie Fernandez, 5027
Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19139.
MR. EINGORN: Rosie, I'm going to have to ask you to speak louder. Everybody needs to hear you. It's your time to shine tonight.

MS. FERNANDEZ: All right.
MR. EINGORN: Now, I'm going to ask you
to translate everything back and forth so that everything comes from me to you, from you to the applicant and the applicant to you, from you to me. Okay?

MS. FERNANDEZ: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: That's your job tonight. I'm going to ask the applicant, will you please raise your right hand.

MARIA A. PERALTA HENRIQUEZ, having first been duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

MR. IZZO: Charles Izzo appearing as attorney for the applicant.

We have a nonconforming use application. And it's about a typical Camden-type convenience store at South 10th Street. The address exactly is 1714 South 10th. And at that location, this lady owns and operates the 10th Food Market which she was kind enough to print some pictures of a typical freestanding, one-building food market with a lighted awning sign over the front door. The pictures she brought also shows that she has handicapped ramp access on the side of the building. And she brought
interior pictures that shows that it's a very orderly and clean establishment that she operates on 10 th Street.

MR. EINGORN: Mr. Izzo, we don't have the interior pictures. Do you mind sharing those? Do you mind passing those on?

MR. IZZO: Okay.
MR. EINGORN: Sorry to interrupt.
MR. IZZO: She's here because the zoning officer noted that the awning sign exceeds the Camden Ordinance square footage allowed for a sign. And also, that there's no -- that's it's a nonconforming use; that the use, although long-established and presently operating and operating for years, has apparently no record of a variance at that location.

So she's here to make her business compliant with the Camden City code. Also, of course, to get a permit to continue to display that sign that lights up the front of her building there.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Can I ask a question? It was a sign on this building before, correct?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: It's been always the same one.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: The sign has been
up there.
MR. IZZO: In connection with getting the use blessed as a nonconforming use, the zoning officer also properly noted that the sign, although already in place, exceeds the square footage of the Ordinance, yeah. So she's here for both.

REVEREND MARTINEZ: For how long has been that sign in there?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: According to the old owners, because I've been there for a little bit of time. It's been there for a long, long time.

REVEREND MARTINEZ: My question is, when she purchased the property, it was there?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: Yes.
REVEREND MARTINEZ: And you bought it just as it is?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: Yes. She hasn't changed the sign.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: She didn't put the new one up.

MR. BRITO BUENO: Because the picture we have says 10th Street.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Yeah, that's what it says.

MR. EINGORN: Is that what triggered this
application? Are you replacing the sign?
MR. IZZO: No. The application is to permit the sign, although it's been there before my client bought the building.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: How long has she owned the building?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: I own the store, not the building.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: How long has she owned the store?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: Five months.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: Five months?
MS. HENRIQUEZ: Yes.
REVEREND MARTINEZ: A question. So you own the store, not the property?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: Correct.
REVEREND MARTINEZ: So you lease that?
MS. HENRIQUEZ: I'm leasing the property, yes.

MR. EINGORN: So I'm looking at the application. This is Roman Numeral 3. It says sign. It says, type sign. And they circled, awning. Is there an intention to attach an awning to this building?

MR. IZZO: It's the awning that's
attached presently.
MR. EINGORN: Because it says, two signs are proposed. I'm trying to figure out what triggered this application; why we're here and what's going on.

MS. HENRIQUEZ: I'm planning to have another sign but $I$ can only do it after $I$ get the approval. We're basically just changing like the fabric of the sign. It's going to be like the same size but it's going to be changed, the name and the fabric of sign.

MR. BRITO BUENO: I have a question. So you're basically relabeling the sign?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: Right.
MR. EINGORN: The applications says two signs are proposed. Is the applicant going to add an additional sign?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: So we're basically just changing the fabric to change the name but the size is going -- the sign is going to be the same.

MR. EINGORN: Okay. And then the window sign, is that changing also or was that not approved previously?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: The window is remaining the same. It's just the one with the name on the
top.
MR. EINGORN: So the window sign probably wasn't approved either and they're probably are asking for approval for the window sign also.

MR. BRITO BUENO: No. They're talking about wrapping the window. It's no really sign.

MR. EINGORN: But it's effectively a sign. You could paint the side of the wall and it still would still be a sign, right?

MR. BRITO BUENO: Oh, okay.
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Both of these signs have been up there.

MR. EINGORN: Right. But she's going to --

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: I know she's going to change it.

MR. EINGORN: So I'm assuming what happened was, she came in with the sign application to change out the sign. That's what triggered the request for a nonconforming use. So it was a sign variance and then they needed a certificate of nonconforming use as well.

MR. IZZO: I believe that is our application summed up exactly.

MS. ALSTON: If they're going to change
the sign, why not get it to the correct size that is allowed? She's going to change the awning and the fabric and the sign being changed. Have they already premeasured it or is it already completed? Is it already -- like did they go out and do it already?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: I thought the size could stay the same after the approval because basically changing the fabric is cheaper than changing the whole frame. So we were just going to change the fabric and the name of the store since we're new owners.

REVEREND MARTINEZ: So what you're trying to say is, you're going to go through whatever the size of the sign will be now, so you won't have this problem, right? Because you can't have the same size because it was denied, the application because the sign exceeds the size? No?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: If I have to change, I will change it. I'm willing to and just let me know what the size of the sign has to be.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: It's been there forever. It's sad to that. I work in that neighborhood. I work there. We're building new houses there right now on Lowell Street. And our shared apartment sits on Jackson and Lowell. That store has been there
forever. There's a church down from the store. I don't see anything wrong with changing just the name. This has been there since $I$ was a kid.

MR. IZZO: There's apparently a steel frame underneath the fabric that would remain.

MS. ALSTON: I think she's willing to change and just didn't know that there was a specific size that needed to be done. So it's not that she doesn't want to make it the size, she just didn't know. In my eyes if she's willing to do it, why not make it the size it's suppose to be.

MR. EINGORN: The issue is that the ordinance provides for a certain size sign and this would be the opportunity to have the applicant comply with the size requirements. Now, the issue may be and I don't know what the size sign requirement is in an $R-2$ Zone District. It may not be large enough to identify the store. Right? And because of the nature of the building, reducing the size of the sign may, one, lessen the visual impact and make it harder to identify as a store. Two, I'm assuming this awning also provides some protection from the rain. MR. BRITO BUENO: Protection from the elements.

MS. ALSTON: I think she's planning to
keep the awning and just make it a different color.
MR. EINGORN: Yes. She's just swapping out the fabric.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: My question to you. Wouldn't she have to, since she's leasing the store, would she have to ask the owner if she can change that? You would have to get permission from the owner.

MR. EINGORN: The applicant has to have permission from the owner to bring the application. So as part of her application, there should have been a document providing. And it looks like if you review the packet that's provided, the applicant provided the commercial lease agreement with her landord. So by virtue of her lease --

CHAIRMAN HANCE: She's allowed to make changes?

REVEREND MARTINEZ: Kyle, if we approve the application just the way it is, just changing, would that be considered of the license people would go to her and say, well, no, you have to change the size of the sign. So what would happen if you vote to leave it just the way it is, change the name, and then the inspector would come and say, well, no, no, you can't have it like that. If we vote yes, would
that just stay the way we vote?
MR. EINGORN: Well, you can grant the sign variance on the condition that --

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Site plan approval.

MR. EINGORN: No, no. On the condition that she just swaps out the fabric and maintains the preexisting frame. Right?

MR. BRITO BUENO: Right.
MR. EINGORN: So then she would get her approval but on the basis that the frame has to stay. She's just swapping the fabric. And if she wants to replace the entire thing then she has to come back.

MR. BRITO BUENO: Right.
MR. EINGORN: But $I$ think the concern is that there will be some kind of major change to the sign and then it will conform to the Ordinance and we won't have a chance to look at it. Is that the concern?

MR. BRITO BUENO: Yes.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: So we can make an addition that she just swap out the material of the sign.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: I make a motion.

MR. EINGORN: Wait. We can't make a
motion.
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: I'm just saying that the sign --

MR. EINGORN: Yes you can make a
motion --
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: That the sign has
to stay the same.
MR. EINGORN: You have to maintain the preexisting frame.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: The measurement has to stay the same.

MR. EINGORN: The other issue is the wrap on the window. I'm assuming that's the other sign.

MR. BRITO BUENO: Front window.
MR. EINGORN: So the application has two signs. It looks like the side of the building has some sort of sign as well. Can you tell us what this sign is?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: That's like a sign from the EBT Program.

MR. EINGORN: So this is like a billboard?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: Right. They are probably asking for information about EBT. It's not from the
store. EBT is the program food stamps. So basically that's what it's saying, to buy healthier foods with a EBT card, New Jersey EBT card. It's not really from the store. They probably ask maybe the old owner's permission to put it on the property.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: So you're not doing nothing with that sign?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: Yes. That's basically the program but they came in and asked permission to put it up there.

MR. EINGORN: So what I'm trying to understand is that the application from November 14 says how many signs are proposed and a number 2 is there. So in addition to the awning, what is the second sign that we're requesting permission for?

MR. IZZO: We see under the awning in the front window, appears to have a display on it.

MS. HENRIQUEZ: So is the window and the --

MR. EINGORN: The window and the awning. Okay. Is the window sign changing?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: No. Just the name on the top. That's it.

MR. EINGORN: What kind of material is on the window?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: I don't know exactly the material.

MS. FERNANDEZ: But I have a store too.
And we have a similar and it's like a plastic with pictures of whatever we're selling inside.

MR. EINGORN: Is it taped up? Is it glued on?

MS. FERNANDEZ: It comes like pre-glue and you just put it up on the window. They just like measure the size and just put it up like that.

MR. EINGORN: So I think what the applicant is pretty much asking is the ability to advertise on the window in addition to the replacement of the cloth sign.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: You're not going to change window?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: No.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: I mean the sign. I'm sorry. You're not going to change the sign?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: NO.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: Because I'm looking at a phone number down there. Would that affect your business? Is that your phone number?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: I got the same phone number. I only change the name of the store.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: Same number. Okay. MR. EINGORN: That's not like a weekly advertising thing or anything like that?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: No. That window, that's just like the same. That would always stay like the same. Unless they change another fixture. It's just like their -- it doesn't change.

MS. ALSTON: Just so I'm clear. This up here, the whole entire thing is what's changing?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: Correct.
MS. ALSTON: And you're to change the color of the top portion of the awning --

MS. HENRIQUEZ: Yes.
MS. ALSTON: And then this stays? That stays?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: I think we got the idea now.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: I'm good.
MR. EINGORN: Why don't we open to the public now that we got what's going on here, and then the Board may comment. So is anybody in the public here tonight in support or against the application of Maria A. Peralta Henriquez for property located at 1714 S. 10th Street, the relief requested being a

Certificate of Nonconforming Use and then a sign variance, bulk variance for the sign replacement of the awning cover, as well as the advertising on the window? Is anybody here for this? Hearing none, we'll close the public portion.

Now is the time for the Board to ask any
last questions, to discuss the signs, the Positive and Negative Criteria needed for the bulk variance. It seems to me that the nonconforming use isn't that big of an issue here. It's really the sign issue but I could be corrected if I'm wrong.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: So let us all be on the same page. So you're just going to change the cover to your name?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: Yes.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: It's the same phone number?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: Yes. Same phone number;
same --
CHAIRMAN HANCE: And the window sign
stays the same?
MS. HENRIQUEZ: Yes.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: You're not going to change it?

MS. HENRIQUEZ: No.

REVEREND MARTINEZ: I mean, if the sign is going to stay the way it is, I don't have a problem with it. Not that our City has that many stores. I'm good with it.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: I am. Being in the area often and the sign has been there for a while. So there's no need for you to have to take the whole thing down just to put up another sign.

MS. HENRIQUEZ: I had a confusion because I thought that I wasn't in compliance because I thought the area was residential -- changed to residential and wasn't commercial for me so I thought that was a big issue.

MR. EINGORN: So that's the Certificate of Nonconforming Use I just referenced. The applicant was coming here to say, this was commercial prior to the Zoning Code and can we pleases have something that confirms the use. I don't think that's the big issue for the Board. I think they were more concerned about what's going on with the sign right now. But if there's additional questions about the use, feel free to ask them.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: The use has been there for -- the use has been there for over 20 years or more.

MS. HENRIQUEZ: More. Over sixty years. CHAIRMAN HANCE: That's not the issue. It's just the sign that we're dealing with. MS. HENRIQUEZ: Thank you. CHAIRMAN HANCE: Anyone else? So I make a motion with conditions. MR. EINGORN: Okay.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: That the sign up top, the cover is going to change with your store name on there. Not the frame. Not the bottom window. But just the cover of the top sign.

MS. HENRIQUEZ: Correct.
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: I second.
MR. EINGORN: So we have a motion to
grant the application for Certificate of Nonconforming Use, as well as a bulk variance for the sign with the condition that the applicant only changes the cover on the awning and does not change the window sign. And we had a second:

MR. EINGORN: I'll take a roll-call vote.
Chairman Hance.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Vice-Chairman Cooper.
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Reverend Martinez.

REVEREND MARTINEZ: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Ms. Alston.
MS. ALSTON: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Mr. Brito Bueno.
MR. BRITO BUENO: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Having five in favor and none opposed, the motion passes and the application is granted with conditions.

MR. EINGORN: Congratulations. Good luck with your store. It looks like Mr. Izzo has the next matter as well.

The next matter is Emelyn Peralta, 1315 S. 10th Street. Change of use; site plan approval is needed; proposes a duplex.

MR. IZZO: Again, we have Ms. Emelyn
Peralta. She is the applicant and also a Spanish-speaking citizen. And we have her associate-friend here to help her through the process.

MR. EINGORN: Great. Ms. Interpreter, if you can raise your right hand.

You swear/affirm that the translation you'll provide tonight will be true and accurate to the best of you knowledge and abilities?

MS. NUNEZ: Yes.

MR. EINGORN: Can you state your name and address?

MS. NUNEZ: Isabel Nunez, 316 Boyd Street, Camden, New Jersey.

MR. EINGORN: I'm going to ask the applicant, please raise your right hand.

EMELYN PERALTA, having first been duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

MR. EINGORN: And your name and address for the record, please.

MS. PERALTA: Emelyn Peralta, 5522
Wisteria Avenue, Pennsauken, NJ 08101.
MR. IZZO: This is not a commercial application. This is a residential property in the R-2 Zone District. And the applicant has acquired the property and proposes to use it as a duplex residence. And she has gone as far as to have plans prepared and she's prepared to execute these plans by building out the property. And we note that the use is apparently legal in the $R-2$ Zone, a duplex use.

However, since she has changing the nature of the property, the zoning officer noted that a site plan approval would be required. And our
response in addition to making her application, was to ask the Board to consider waiving the site plan requirement because of the small size of the property, 16 by 95 feet, and because the building is already there. She's not altering the structure on the building. She's merely proposing interior renovations. And the renovations that are displayed on her plans are for two 2-bedroom apartments. One on the lower level and one on the second level.

MR. EINGORN: Anything else to add?
MS. NUNEZ: Did you want her to add anything else?

MR. IZZO: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Whatever you want to tell us that you think would help.

MS. PERALTA: So it's my understanding that the property was abandoned; totally destroyed inside. It was all trash in the outside of the property. So in that area it was the only property that's in that condition like deteriorated. Of course, it is going to be an investment property.

But I also want to beautify the rest of the area of the neighborhood because it's the only property that's destroyed. So what I'm proposing, that the sign that I'm proposing is, it's a living
property for someone to have a home. And I understand that it's the proper way to do it, to propose something that's going to beautify the area and provide someone a home. That's it.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: My question is, do you have pictures of the house the way it is right now? MS. PERALTA: I have pictures on my phone. I didn't know I had to bring pictures. MR. EINGORN: We can't accept pictures on the phone because they need to be part of the record. Just before we ask for pictures here, this is from our Zoning Ordinance. This is $870-42$ regarding waiver of site plan and subdivision standards. I'm going to forego the first sentence and a half because it's not really relevant.

It says, "If the applicant can clearly demonstrate that because of peculiar conditions pertaining to his land, the literal enforcement of this Ordinance is impractical or exact hardship, the Planning Board or in this case, the Zoning Board, may permit such exemptions and waivers as may be reasonable within the general purpose and intent of the rules, regulations and standards established by this Ordinance.

The Planning Board or in this case, the

Zoning Board, may waive the requirements for site plan approval, or there is a change in use or occupancy and no extensive construction or improvements or De Minimus construction or improvements are sought. The waiver may be granted only upon a Resolution of the Board's finding that the use will not affect the existing drainage, circulation, relationships to the buildings to each other, landscaping, buffering -- buffering means like fences and trees and stuff that protect the properties from each other -- lighting and other considerations of site plan approval. And that the existing facilities do not require upgraded or additional site improvements."

So the testimony was, I believe, they're not changing anything except for interior
improvements. So that's the testimony that you would consider as part of your discussion and your consideration for the site plan waiver under the Ordinance. And that was a lot. So I apologize for getting it all in there but maybe it's helpful for the applicant and for the Board.

Mr. Izzo, your letter of December 20th says, has included the fee for an interpretation. Are you requesting an interpretation also or just the
site plan?
MR. IZZO: No. A site plan waiver.
MR. EINGORN: Okay. So there's no interpretation.

MR. IZZO: I think that money was returned to me actually.

MR. EINGORN: Okay.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: So did you explain to her what you heard about the site plan?

MS. NUNEZ: Yes. I was kind of explaining a little bit how he was reading it.

MR. EINGORN: Sorry. I read it kind of fast. It wasn't east to interpret.

MS. NUNEZ: It was good information.
MR. EINGORN: Now, the Board is going to ask you for pictures because we haven't seen the outside of the property to know what the changes or what it's not going to be changed or the ability to determine the buffering, the landscaping, these types of things.

For your own protection, for the Board's protection, $I$ think in this situation, it's probably necessary that we at least see the outside of the property, the front, the side, the back. Just a little bit of something so the Board can make the
determination necessary that there is a site plan needed. And I hate to bring you back but I agree with Chairman Hance here.

MS. PERALTA: I wasn't aware that I had to bring pictures. Or like this. Oh, pictures like that.

MS. NUNEZ: We were kind of observing what was happening before us and we're like, maybe --

CHAIRMAN HANCE: And it also gives you a chance to digest what was just read. You may want to come back with a little bit more. While I got you here, did she start the work already?

MS. PERALTA: I tried to clean the back of the property; like kind of taking out the trash and stuff like that; removing the debris that was there. I have pictures of how it looked before I cleaned the trash.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Bring it all in.
MR. EINGORN: May 1st. No further notice is necessary. So if you're here for the application of Emelyn Peralta, 1315 S. 10th Street, there will be no further notice. It will be adjourned to May 1, 2023. The applicant to provide pictures.

MR. IZZO: Thank you.
MS. PERALTA: Thank you.

MS. NUNEZ: Thank you.
MR. EINGORN: Have a nice night.
The next application, Michael McFarlane, 509 Randolph Street. Are you Mr. McFarlane?

MR. MCFARLANE: Yes, sir.
MR. EINGORN: Very good. Will you raise your right hand?

MICHAEL MCFARLANE, having first been duly sworn/affirmed, was examined and testified as follows:

MR. EINGORN: Can you give your name and address, please.

MR. MCFARLANE: My name is Michael McFarlane at 509 Randolph Street.

MR. EINGORN: Tell us a little bit about what you want to do and what you're requesting?

MR. MCFARLANE: It's two things that I want to do was change the three-bedroom to a two-bedroom. And also a deck that was on the back. And for two reasons is that for water purposes, flood purposes which is try to stop the flooding in the back of the area. And also my house was on fire. So I'm kind of like changing things in the midst of
rehabbing.
MR. EINGORN: I got a little idea here. So you're the owner of the property at 509 Randolph Street?

MR. MCFARLANE: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: And you had a fire?
MR. MCFARLANE: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: And you're trying to rehab it?

MR. MCFARLANE: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Great. And it's currently
a 3-bedroom house?
MR. MCFARLANE: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: And you'd like to make it a 2-bedroom house.

MR. MCFARLANE: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: What's wrong with the deck right now?

MR. MCFARLANE: There's nothing wrong The deck is beautiful.

MR. EINGORN: Here is why I'm asking. It looks like a nice deck. Did you build the deck without a permit? Is that what it is? Or is this a preexisting deck?

MR. MCFARLANE: Yes -- no. I built it
because, you know, the house had burned down so I was pretty much homeless at the time. And in the rehabbing, it was my train of thought. It's like we have a flood. Ladies and gentlemen, every year the water comes up to like the third or fourth stairs downstairs in the basement. I can go there and swim. After being in there for so long and I really just got tired of it. And I'm like, how am I going to fix it. Because this is the whole neighborhood. This is on Randolph Street. This is what we go through every year.

So I was like, okay, the house is burnt down. My mindset is, how am I going to stop this flooding also? So I'm like, build a deck so the water won't come down on me. But also, it's the drainage in the back too which the City actually fixed. It was a drainage that the water would seep but it would come over and everything would flood down to my house. It was just really crazy. Like sometimes it would bypass the other neighbors, but it would float out to my house because it's coming downhill to me.

So I'm saying, how am I going to fix
this. So I was like, okay, a deck would be great just to stop the water flow coming down. But, also,
you know, you see the fence. If you can see in the pictures, a fence is there but the City came and fixed the drainage. That was the thing. They actually built around there so the water can actually go into the drainage. There was a problem like it was bypassing it, going around it but they fixed it and they fixed it. Since the deck was put up, guess what, ladies and gentlemen, no more flooding.

MR. EINGORN: Glad you're dry. So tell us a little bit about the rooms.

MR. MCFARLANE: So if you've seen the pictures, because my bedroom, it was pretty much the same. So my daughter's room at the time because she's no longer here; she's in Seattle now. So it's just me at the house. It's nobody else.

In her bedroom, you can see where the couch is. So that is where the divider of the two bedroom because it was just really a small bedroom; really tiny; minute. And I actually -- before when she went away to college, $I$ kind of made that into a closet, like a closet anyway.

When the house caught on fire and it burned the middle piece, I'm like, you know what she said and then my daughter was like -- I said, baby, do you want an open concept; do you want me to just
leave it like that or do you still want the middle piece? She said, no, dad, I just want it open and then put the rack of a closet in the back of the room so she can see it. So she just wanted an open concept.

MR. EINGORN: So they are adjoining rooms and you're going to remove the wall in between them?

MR. MCFARLANE: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Understood.
So we heard about the deck and the rooms. Here's what the applicant is requesting officially. A bulk variance for the height of the deck because it exceeds the height of six feet. And then there's the -- the proposed deck may exceed the maximum building coverage of 60 percent so a bulk variance for that. Then No. 3 was, need additional information regarding the rooms which we got.

Let's ask about the coverage. I'm looking at the photographs. Does the deck extend past the concrete in the back?

MR. MCFARLANE: No, it doesn't. That's why I made sure when $I$ was building it, to be in Ordinance with the City. So I made sure that it wasn't passed that. It's right there at the corner. So even if it flows over on the deck, it'll be
flowing over to the fence into the back area. So it goes right into the drainage.

MR. EINGORN: And that water would still fall on to your property, correct?

MR. MCFARLANE: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: But just further from the house?

MR. MCFARLANE: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Then I'm looking at this photograph of the deck. There's a man, I believe, who is currently constructing even in the photographs. This gate here, is this the gate that closes here or is this a fence? Can you explain what this is?

MR. MCFARLANE: It's a gate that opens and closes. But I'm going to change all of that. The firemen kicked it in. I kind of left it out there cause I didn't want anymore problems from the inspector or whatever. So I'm going to change that and put a 6-foot white gate there.

MR. EINGORN: And then this gate is yours that's on the property?

MR. MCFARLANE: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: It's not part of the neighboring property?

MR. MCFARLANE: Right. It's my property.
MR. EINGORN: Understood.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: My question is, how long has that deck been there, the first deck?

MR. MCFARLANE: The first deck?
CHAIRMAN HANCE: Yes.
MR. MCFARLANE: I built the deck.
MR. EINGORN: Did you get a like a Stop
Work Order or something?
MR. MCFARLANE: Right. Yes.
MR. EINGORN: So he built the deck or you hired somebody to build the deck?

MR. MCFARLANE: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: And they probably didn't ask for a permit?

MR. MCFARLANE: Right.
MR. EINGORN: And then you got cited and now he's here.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: My only concern is, the gentleman building the deck, does he have a business, does he have insurance?

MR. MCFARLANE: It's a friend. I was there building with him.

MR. EINGORN: He'll have to get an inspection from Code Enforcement and all that. The
building inspector will have to go out there and check --

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: To see if it's up to code.

MR. EINGORN: And if it's not up to code, they'll get him. That's not our job. Our job is about the height and then the maximum building coverage. So how do you access the deck? Does that come off of your bedroom?

MR. MCFARLANE: That actually is coming off of the living room. And I put French doors there so it opens up.

MR. EINGORN: Those doors didn't exist prior to the deck?

MR. MCFARLANE: Right. The fire.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: Under your deck, is there a garage that goes or is there a door?

MR. MCFARLANE: It's a garage. There's a picture there.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: I'm familiar with the area.

MR. MCFARLANE: Yes, I got you.
CHAIRMA HANCE: I'm from Boyd Street so I'm familiar with the area.

MR. MCFARLANE: Okay.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: Are you still using that garage as a garage or storage or?

MR. MCFARLANE: Storage much less because I kind of built a little thing so that the water won't go in cause that's where the water was actually going through the garage into the house and that's where the flooding. And I had to cement all the way across and it was just really crazy.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: Where the fence is right here, right, you got a neighbor on the other side.

MR. MCFARLANE: Yes.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: So that water is not
interfering with your neighbor on the other side?
MR. MCFARLANE: No, it's not.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: So there's a drain there you said?

MR. MCFARLANE: Yes, it's a drain right here.

MR. EINGORN: You'll be able to park your car under this deck?

MR. MCFARLANE: No, I'm not.
MR. EINGORN: You're not going to?
MR. MCFARLANE: No. I might put one back
there cause I have a couple of them.
MR. EINGORN: This is your driveway,
right?
MR. MCFARLANE: Yes. I can but right now I'm -- once I fix it up and everything then $I$ will. CHAIRMAN HANCE: Now, you're on Randolph Street.

MR. MCFARLANE: Yes.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: So Admiral Wilson
Boulevard is here. Are you near the liquor store or are you further back?

MR. MCFARLANE: I'm right behind the gas station. So the liquor store is right there and the gas station, Luke Oil, is right there. So I'm right -- if you pass --

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: And you're at where the trucks are parked at?

MR. MCFARLANE: Yes. Exactly?
CHAIRMAN HANCE: That area had major flooding problems all the time.

MR. MCFARLANE: Oh my.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: Admiral Wilson Boulevard would flood and they spent a lot of money to get that fixed.

MR. MCFARLANE: Oh, yes. Thank God.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: So I know exactly where you'd at.

MR. MCFARLANE: Yes.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: That's what I needed to know.

MR. MCFARLANE: That was the major thing from all the neighbors. I'm trying to tell you guys.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Mr. Mike, that one picture you're showing here, that's the front of your house or that's the back? That wasn't erected yet or what?

MR. MCFARLANE: That's the front of the house.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Okay. So that's the type of fence you're going to put up in the back --

MR. MCFARLANE: Yes, in the back.
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: -- so you're
showing us?
MR. MCFARLANE: Yes.
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: That's a 6-foot
fence?
MR. MCFARLANE: Six foot.
MR. EINGORN: You haven't constructed the fence yet, right?

MR. MCFARLANE: No, I haven't.

MR. EINGORN: I don't think you could do six feet across a frontage.

MR. MCFARLANE: I have another fence in front of it so it's inside.

MR. EINGORN: We're not here for the fence now.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: I'm just happy that someone is here and not trying to convert a single-family home into a duplex. That's what I'm happy about.

MR. MCFARLANE: I just try to modernize it now because since it's all burned down.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: How long have you lived there?

MR. MCFARLANE: Well, my mother's had it and she passed away. So she just kind of transferred it over to me. So I've been here. I left Baltimore and came up here. I work for the state and I actually was kind of working for you guys doing the grants over in Blackwood.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: Anymore questions?
MS. ALSTON: Is this the only house on the block with a deck?

MR. MCFARLANE: Another neighbor has one up front. Two neighbors have up front. A neighbor
all the way down the next block has one in the back. MS. ALSTON: So this is the back?

MR. MCFARLANE: Yes. It's just really -when $I$ did this, it was for the flooding. I'm not going to lie about it. I was so sick of it. It would flood and you know it's raining, so all the neighbors know. It's raining and it's raining hard like the hurricane that just came through. And you walk downstairs and you open the door and you see the water coming up. Do you know what I do? I turn back up and go upstairs.

MR. EINGORN: Turn up the music?
MR. MCFARLANE: Yes, turn up the music. What am I suppose to do? Had enough of this.

MR. EINGORN: Any other questions?
Anybody in the public here tonight to be heard on 509 Randolph Street, request for bulk variances regarding the deck and we obtained the additional information regarding the rooms. Hearing none, we'll close the public portion. Now is the time for the Board to discuss the Positive and Negative Criteria for the granting or denial of the requested bulk variances. CHAIRMAN HANCE: I think it's positive. He had a fire. He's regrouping; he's rebuilding. He's putting a deck up there to make it a little bit
more comfortable for him. And the flood is gone.
REVEREND MARTINEZ: That's the most
important thing about that flood.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: So I think it is something positive that he is hanging in there.

REVEREND MARTINEZ: Yes, I agree 100
percent. Because the last thing you want to see is a flood. It ain't no joke. But, yes, I second it. You got a motion.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: Anyone else?
MR. EINGORN: Anything for the record?
CHAIRMAN HANCE: So I make a motion for a bulk variance.

MR. EINGORN: Bulk variances for the height and the maximum building coverage.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: For the height and the maximum building coverage.

REVEREND MARTINEZ: And I second.
MR. EINGORN: I'll take a roll-call vote. Chairman Hance.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Vice-Chairman Cooper.
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Reverend Martinez.
REVEREND MARTINEZ: Yes.

MR. EINGORN: Ms. Alston.
MS. ALSTON: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Mr. Brito Bueno.
MR. BRITO BUENO: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Having five in favor and none opposed, the motion carries. Congratulations and enjoy your new deck.

MR. MCFARLANE: Thank you so much.
MR. EINGORN: The next one is Tobi
Rosario, 4120 Westfield Avenue. Is he here?
MR. ROSARIO: Yes.
MR. BRITO BUENO: Are we doing 1929 S. 4th Street?

MR. EINGORN: The Ronald and Frances Abate application had deficient notice. They won't be heard tonight. Counsel, are you ready?

MR. DIDUCH: Yes. Good evening, ladies and gentlemen. My name is Kevin Diduch. I'm the owner and principal attorney for $K D$ Law in Haddonfield, New Jersey. It's a pleasure to see you again.

This evening I have the privilege of presenting an application on behalf of Mr. Tobi Rosario. Mr. Rosario is the owner of a property located at 4120 Westfield Avenue in Camden. This
property is currently situated as a side-by-side duplex zoned in the $C-1$ Zone where duplexes are currently permitted. The reason for the application is, tonight we are seeking approval for four bulk variances. The first of which is for lot coverage for an existing structure. Where 3,000 square feet are required; 2,000 square feet exist.

The second is a front yard setback variance where ten feet are required, yet four feet are currently available. A side yard setback variance where ten feet are required and five feet are available. As well as a variance for the parking where four spaces are needed. There are no spaces available just given the nature of the community around it. So we are seeking to have approval for off-street parking to satisfy the requirements. We're seeking a variance for that as well.

Standing immediately to my right is Mr. Samir Mody from Keller Engineers. If I could ask for him to be sworn in. He has appeared before the Board before but just for the sake of getting that on the record.

MR. EINGORN: Mr. Mody, could you raise your right hand?

MR. MODY: Yes.
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SAMIR D. MODY, P.E., having first been
duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
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MR. EINGORN: State your name and address for the record.

MR. MODY: Samir Mody. My business address is 121 Market Street, 2nd floor, Camden, New Jersey 08102.

MR. EINGORN: Mr. Mody has been accepted as a professional engineer by this Board in the past. Does the Board want what they call voir dire or are they okay accepting Mr. Mody as a professional engineer?

CHAIRMAN HANCE: We accept.
MR. DIDUCH: Thank you very much.
The applicant has submitted the complete application. They originally had submitted a permit request. That permit was denied. The basis of the application tonight is an appeal from that initial denial. Mr. Mody has submitted together with his packet, some supporting documentation which, for purposes of the record, I believe we can submit as part of that application Exhibits A through I of the initial submission.

We also do have some blowups here that we'll expound upon the nature of the application. I would ask that Mr. Mody -- well, it's actually up to the Board. If you want to sort of cut-to-the-chase and ask if you have any questions, we can do that. We can go through a more formal round and have Mr. Mody go through the application. It's entirely up to you. We're happy either way.

MR. EINGORN: Why don't we start with what's preexisting; what's being proposed.

MR. DIDUCH: That's correct. Go ahead, Mr. Mody.

MR. MODY: In your packet you should have a number of these graphics. I apologize but my easel was giving me a hard time back there. So this is the tax map. This is where Mr. Rosairo's property is located. On the tax map you can see Mr. Rosairo's property here at 4120 Westfield Avenue, Lot 20.

The preexisting condition that we have, the first one and these are the four bulk, C-1 bulk variances that we securing tonight. The first one is the minimum lot area. The required square footage is 3,000. The existing is 2,800. This property is a duplex. It has been a duplex for many, many years. He's not doing any structural modification or any
retrofit of the property. Basically purchasing it as a duplex.

The second requirement is the front yard depth. The required footage is ten and he has four of existing condition. The third is the side yard width. Minimum is ten. He has five. And the fourth is the parking. And when $I$ show you the other graphics there, there is no parking on the property itself. There is a detached garage. The driveway is very, very narrow. And it's not being used as garage. It's just a --

CHAIRMAN HANCE: So how many cars can fit there?

MR. MODY: Well, the requirement is four. If I get a chance to bring the graphics here. There was suitable street parking in and around 4120 Westfield Avenue. You can see, this is Westfield Avenue. Front view of this property, there's parking available on the front. This is a corner view of 42 nd Street and Westfield Avenue. And right here there's a fire hydrant and there's a no-parking sign there.

So this section here, there is no parking available. When you go on the side of the property here which is this view right here, there is some
parking toward the back. This is a duplex with two families occupying the property. And along the street frontage between 42 nd and Westfield Avenue, there's suitable parking for the patrons that are using the building. This is the garage that I was talking about right here.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: Is that being used as a garage right now?

MR. MODY: That's something I want to ask Mr. Rosario here.

MR. DIDUCH: You have Mr. Rosario here.
MR. MODY: Yes, he is here.
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: You can use it as a parking spot.

MR. EINGORN: Mr. Rosario, please raise your right hand.

TOBI ROSARIO, having first been duly sworn/affirmed, was examined and testified as follows:

MR. EINGORN: State your name and address for the record.

MR. ROSARIO: Tobi Rosario, 4120 Westfield Avenue, Pennsauken, New Jersey 08110.

MR. DIDUCH: Mr. Rosario, if you could, describe for the Board how you became the owner of this property.

MR. ROSARIO: I purchased this property around two years ago, during COVID, but it was occupied. There were tenants in there. And it was zoned duplex when I purchased the property. The tax records show it as a duplex. And I have been trying to get it. Now that I'm trying to sell it, now I got denied the application for the zoning.

MR. DIDUCH: And presently there are how many occupants?

MR. ROSARIO: Currently right now there's one occupant.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: So let's go back to the garage. Are they using it for parking, storage?

MR. ROSARIO: Right now it's just empty.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: That's not what I asked you. If it wasn't empty, are they using it for parking or storage? Meaning, if that was rented out right now, is it for parking? Is what we're trying to do right now is establish four parking spots.

MR. ROSARIO: Yeah, I mean, you can use it for parking but the tenant doesn't use it for parking.

MR. EINGORN: That's fine. Whether or not they use it is not the issue. We got to establish how many spots you have on site.

MR. DIDUCH: Right.
MR. EINGORN: So how many cars can you put in the garage?

MR. ROSARIO: You can put one car in there.

MR. EINGORN: One car in the garage.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: And that is a driveway right there?

MR. ROSARIO: Yes. It's like a little ramp that you go to the garage.

MR. EINGORN: It's a curb-cub.
MR. MODY: The driveway is relatively
short. It would be more for a subcompact or a compact car. An oversized car would be sticking out in the street.

MR. EINGORN: How deep is the garage?
MR. ROSARIO: I don't know the measurements.

MR. EINGORN: Can you fit a full-size car in it?

MR. ROSARIO: I would say so, yeah.
MR. EINGORN: So you could potentially
park one car in the garage and a smaller vehicle in the driveway without blocking the sidewalk?

MR. ROSARIO: Correct.
MR. EINGORN: So you potentially have
two-car parking. If I'm looking at the frontage, the picture right in the middle, to the right of it, is that your property as well?

MR. ROSARIO: No. This is an empty lot.
MR. EINGORN: Just an empty lot.
MR. ROSARIO: Yeah.
MR. EINGORN: Okay.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: That's what I was
looking for.
MR. DIDUCH: Thank you.
MR. MODY: The other graphic that I brought here, a portion of it is in your packet, is just to show the configuration of the floor plan. There were no plans for this property so this was hand-drawn. I believe Mr. Rosario provided this to us. You can see how the access is controlled. You come into the building. This is the front entrance which is the dark-colored brick. You come in. The one-floor unit, the bedrooms, he has three bedrooms, kitchen living room. And the second -- the other unit which is the second-floor unit, you come in and
you go up a set of stairs to the second floor. There are three bedrooms in each of the units.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: Now, this has been a duplex when you purchased the property?

MR. ROSARIO: Correct.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: And you said you bought it about 2 years ago?

MR. ROSARIO: About two and a half years ago, give or take a few.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: Okay. Because right now I'm trying to understand if it's already a duplex and the proposal is a duplex --

MR. EINGORN: No. Their use is fine. They're allowed to have a duplex. That's not the issue. The issue is the bulk area requirements.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: The setback and all that.

MR. EINGORN: The setbacks are. Let's do this. Let's turn back. Can you grab that big poster with the big picture of the front of the property? Because I think this is going answer a lot of the questions regarding the bulk variance.

I'm going to ask you about the house on the right that's partially in view. Do you see it? Look at the middle picture. This picture here.

This house here. Is this a side-by-side? It has two units. It's like a townhome. Because I'm looking at the roof of your property and it looks like they torn down what was probably another house right next to it.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: So this at one point would share a party wall, right?

MR. DIDUCH: Like somebody put a saw right through the middle of it.

MR. EINGORN: So this probably shared a party wall with another house cause see how -- and I'll show Ms. Alston.

MS. ALSTON: No. I understand.
MR. EINGORN: The roof goes this way and then --

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Right. It stops. Yeah.

MR. EINGORN: So that probably explains a lot of the issues with the bulk requirements, right, because they can't have a setback anymore because there was never a setback on the right side of this property. It was another house.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: Right.
MR. EINGORN: So that's a big part of
their setback requirement there is, they're right up against the property line by virtue of this was constructed now. The person who buys the lot next door is going probably have a heck of time. But that's not your problem. This is what I'm talking about here.

MS. ALSTON: I understand.
MR. EINGORN: So I think that's one of the issues that made this unique at least. The applicant can testify to it but that seems to create a hardship for his property under the bulk standard.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: So you don't want to buy the lot next to your property?

MR. ROSARIO: No. I actually tried
to. They said it's a ton of taxes. It was like too much.

MR. EINGORN: Okay. Just to recap, the lot size the deficient.

MR. DIDUCH: That's correct.
MR. EINGORN: The front yard is deficient. The side yard setbacks are deficient, and then the off-street parking. So they need four bulk variances. Right? I'm assuming when this house was originally constructed, it probably had different
requirements or something of that nature. That garage is probably after the fact. So those are all the considerations. Is there anything else the applicant would like to add before you close your -MR. ROSARIO: Not that $I$ can think of. MR. DIDUCH: No. I believe we're okay. MR. EINGORN: Are there any questions from the Board?

CHAIRMAN HANCE: You answered the questions.

MR. DIDUCH: We did address and I know this question has come up in similar properties, the electrical and water hookups and the meters and whatnot, they're all intact and present.

MR. EINGORN: So at least we have one attorney that can anticipate the questions.

MR. DIDUCH: It wasn't that hard.
MS. ALSTON: So when you purchased the property, everything was this way?

MR. DIDUCH: That's correct.
MS. ALSTON: There's nothing really --
MR. DIDUCH: That's correct.
MS. ALSTON: -- that he could do about it. So this was all pre-existing?

MR. DIDUCH: Exactly.

MR. EINGORN: Is there anybody here in the public that would like to be heard for or against the application for four bulk variances at 4120 Westfield Avenue? Hearing none, we'll close the public portion.

Now is the time for the Board to discuss the Positive and Negative Criteria. Potentially the hardship I discussed of the way the house was previously constructed, and to make a motion.

REVEREND MARTINEZ: He purchased the house just the way it was; how it is. He wants to sell now. I don't see no reason why we should deny this application.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: I'm piggybacking off of my co-partner there. I see hardship. He purchased the house the way it was.

MR. DIDUCH: Correct.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: He can't change any of this. To me it's definitely a hardship. He has the parking from the garage to the driveway and to the street. We can't do nothing about the setback.

REVEREND MARTINEZ: I make a motion to pass.

MS. ALSTON: Second.
MR. EINGORN: I'll take a roll-call vote.

Chairman Hance.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Vice-Chairman Cooper.
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Reverend Martinez.
REVEREND MARTINEZ: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Ms. Alston.
MS. ALSTON: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Mr. Brito Bueno.
MR. BRITO BUENO: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Having five in favor and none opposed, the motion carries. Congratulations.

MR. DIDUCH: Ladies and gentlemen, thank you very much. We appreciate it.

MR. EINGORN: Did anybody show up for 1060 Bergen Avenue? No. That's a no appearance.

We have Resolutions from February.
Denying the Appeal of Omkarnath Prabhu.
That was an actual appeal. They're asking for an appeal of Dr. Williams' decision. We denied that. They might be back, right, for variances. They withdrew the application. All right.

Granting Use Variance Application for Northgate Preservation. That was the tower.

Granting Use Variance for Mt. Ephraim,

NJ, LLC. That was the warehouse with the restaurant or store in the front.

Use Variance and Bulk Variance granting that for Najwa Khalil. That was the one that Franchesca came in for.

Granting Bulk Variance for East Meridian, LLC. That was the duplex.

And Granting Use Bulk and Site Plan Waiver for David Porrato. He was the guy who had the little garage and wanted to do detailing and tinting. Let me just double check here. Everybody can vote on these except Ms. Alston who was not present. So do we have a motion to adopt these Resolutions?

REVEREND MARTINEZ: Motion to adopt the Resolutions.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Second.
MR. EINGORN: I'll take a roll-call vote. Chairman Hance.

CHAIRMAN HANCE: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Vice-Chairman Cooper.
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Reverend Martinez.
REVEREND MARTINEZ: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: Mr. Brito Bueno.

MR. BRITO BUENO: Yes.
MR. EINGORN: All in favor. Motion
passes.
At this time, we're going into Closed
Session.
(Whereupon the proceedings are off the
record at 7:25 p.m.)
(Whereupon the proceedings are back on
the record at 7:40 p.m.)

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MR. EINGORN: We now need a motion to
adjourn.
CHAIRMAN HANCE: So moved.
VICE-CHAIRMAN COOPER: Second.
MR. EINGORN: All in favor?
THE BOARD: Yays.

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* (Meeting concluded at 7:42 p.m.)*

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