

The Rhode Island Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal and Review met at its headquarters located at 1 Regan Court, Varley Building #46, in Cranston, RI on Tuesday, July 16, 2013 at 1:00 P.M. Present were Vice Chairperson Filippi and Commissioners Booth, Walker, Pearson, Thornton, Burlingame, Blackburn and Jackson. Chairman Newbrook and Commissioners Richard and Sylvester were absent. Also present were Executive Director Thomas B. Coffey, Jr. and Administrative Assistant Desiree Campanini.

The following cases were heard.

APPEAL #130126, 130127, 130128: Coastal Housing Corp., for the property located at 2243 West Main Road, Portsmouth. Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Booth, to accept the Applicant's proposed plan of action for buildings 2 through 4. The Board also granted the Applicant's variance request to remove the non-conforming stair from the second floor (entry level) to the first floor and to create a one-hour rated corridor to the nearest conforming stair as a single means of egress. This corridor will be protected by a limited sprinkler system which is currently installed. The motion passed with Commissioners Walker and Jackson abstaining from the vote.

APPEAL #130119: 35 Brown Street, LLC, for the property located at 35 Brown Street, North Kingston. ADSFM Gordon Walsh appeared for the North Kingstown Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Booth

recused himself from consideration of this case. Commissioner Blackburn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Thornton, to grant the Applicant a time variance of thirty (30) days to have the sprinkler system operational and bring the fire extinguishers into full compliance. The Board also advised the Applicant in the same thirty (30) days the Applicant must submit a plan of action to the North Kingstown Fire Marshal's Office to address all outstanding deficiencies in this facility and an additional (150) days to implement that plan, with the North Kingstown Fire Marshal's Office authorized to extend the above deadlines, if a good faith effort is being shown by the Applicant. The motion passed.

APPEAL #130115: Mr. Martin Clemens, for the property located at 9 Winnapaug Road, Westerly. DSFM Kaitlyn Iannone appeared for the State Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Blackburn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Booth, to grant the Applicant a time variance to bring this facility into full compliance, prior to the re-occupancy of this facility. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #130121: Mr. Joseph V. Balasco, Jr., for the property located at 110 Maple Avenue, Barrington. Chief Gerald Bessette and ADSFM Edward Owens appeared for the Barrington Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Burlingame made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jackson, to table this case until August 27, 2013 to allow the Barrington Fire Marshal's Office time to re-inspect this facility under the new 2012 fire code, review a plan of action with the

Applicant and return to the Board with that plan. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #130122: Mr. Eugene Butterfield, for the property located at 32-34 Bay Spring Avenue, Barrington. Chief Gerald Bessette and ADSFM Edward Owens appeared for the Barrington Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Burlingame made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jackson, to table this case until August 27, 2013 to allow the Barrington Fire Marshal's Office time to re-inspect this facility under the new 2012 fire code, review a plan of action with the Applicant and return to the Board with that plan. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #130120: Vice President Stephen Maiorisi, for the property located at 62-64 College Street, Providence. ADSFM Richard Vespia and ADSFM Timothy Lutz appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioners Blackburn and Thornton recused themselves from the consideration of this case. Commissioner Burlingame made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Booth, to accept the applicant's plan of action and grant the Applicant several variances on exit remoteness, common path of travel, and dead end corridor on the second floor, third floor, fourth and fifth floor of the List Art Building. The Applicant also was granted a variance on the 5th floor that requires the occupants of the paint studio to egress through the adjacent classroom space for a second means of egress. The Applicant advised the Board that, if granted this relief, the second

means of egress through this space will be marked as an emergency exit and notes that emergency lighting is provided to the main corridor system. The Board advised the Applicant and the Providence Fire Marshal's Office that item # 5 (Heat Detection above the suspended ceilings) will be tabled until August 27, 2013, to allow both parties to work on a plan to address this issue and if the parties cannot reach an agreement they may return to the Board. The motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted

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