NEWPORT ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2021 – 6:30 P.M.

THE MEETING WILL BE HELD REMOTELY IN COMPLIANCE WITH GOVERNOR RAIMONDO’S EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-25-1. (b) “SUCH MEANS MAY INCLUDE, WITHOUT LIMITATION, PROVIDING PUBLIC ACCESS THROUGH TELEPHONE, INTERNET, OR SATELLITE ENABLED AUDIO OR VIDEO CONFERENCING OR ANY OTHER TECHNOLOGY THAT ENABLES THE PUBLIC TO CLEARLY FOLLOW THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE PUBLIC BODY WHILE THOSE ACTIVITIES ARE OCCURRING”.

*The Zoning Board of Review will meet via the Zoom Platform. Public participation will also be available through remote means*

AGENDA

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

III. Minutes:
January 25, 2021

IV. Communications:
Special Meeting Request from Jeremiah Lynch received 2/9/21 by email regarding: Petition & Appeal of WELOVENEWPORT, LLC.
Supplemental Report from Paige Bronk received 2/12/21 from Attorney J. Russell Jackson Re: APPEAL OF CONCERNED CASEY COURT NEIGHBORS & JEFFERY GRONNING, appellants; STEPHEN & DIANE SAYERS, owners. (Previously emailed)
Memo and Exhibits of Appellees, Stephen & Diane Sayers received 2/8/21 from Attorney J. Russell Jackson Re: APPEAL OF CONCERNED CASEY COURT NEIGHBORS & JEFFERY GRONNING, appellants; STEPHEN & DIANE SAYERS, owners. (Previously hand delivered)
Action Items:

Request for Extension of Approval

PETITION OF JERRELL ANGELL, applicant and owner; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirement for permission to construct a new detached 1-1/2 story garage/studio which will be located 41.5’ from the west property line, (75’ required), applying to the property located at 8 Columbus Ave., TAP 42, Lot 40, (R-120 zone).

Decisions (Receive, review, and sign)

PETITION OF STEPHEN & CRISTA DURAND, applicants and owners; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to structure an outdoor grill/refrigerator structure which will be located 0’ from the south property line and 1’ from the east property line, (10’ required), and an outdoor shower all of which will increase the lot coverage from 60% to 63%, (20% allowed), applying to the property located at 5 Whitfield Pl., TAP 21, Lot 220, (R-10 zone).

Amended PETITION OF STEPHEN & CRISTA DURAND, applicants; 130 TOURO STREET LLC owner; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to structure an outdoor grill/refrigerator structure which will be located 0’ from the north property line and 1’ from the east property line, (10’ required), and an outdoor tv structure which will be located 5’ from the north property line, (10’ required), applying to the property located at 130 Touro St., TAP 21, Lot 121, (R-10 zone).

VI. Continued Petitions

1. PETITION OF SALVE REGINA UNIVERSITY, applicant and owner; for a special use permit for permission to construct a 214 bed dormitory with a staff dwelling unit applying to the properties located at 23, 45, & 51 Shephard Ave. and 26 Lawrence Ave., 74 & 80 Victoria Ave., TAP 36, Lots 36, 96, 98, 102, 103 & 104, (R-60 zone). (Set hearing date)

2. PETITION OF SALVE REGINA UNIVERSITY, applicant and owner; for a special use permit for permission to construct a 196 bed dormitory with a staff dwelling unit applying to the properties located at 204, 206 & 218 Ruggles Ave. and Lawrence Ave., TAP 36, Lots 48, 49, 89, 111 & 126, (R-60 zone). (Set hearing date)

3. PETITION OF HARBOUR REALTY, LLC, applicant; HARBOUR REALTY, LLC., TOMORL, LLC., 20 WEST EXTENSION, LLC., WAITES WHARF REALTY ASSOCIATION, LLC., AND THOMAS B. ABRUZESE, owners; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to demolish the existing structures and construct a 150-room transient guest facility, (91 rooms allowed), with a standard restaurant, banquet and wedding facilities, and provide 266 off-street parking spaces on a noncontiguous lot, (all off-street parking must be on the same lot as the use required), and to allow of use of public right of way to maneuver into and out of spaces, (Use of public right of way not allowed), applying to the property located on 0, 1, 16 & 25 Waite’s Wharf, 23 Coddington Wharf, and 20 West Extension St., TAP 32, Lots 155, 267, 268, 272, 248, & 293, (WB zone). (Cont. to March 22, 2021)
4. PETITION OF ISLAND MOVING COMPANY, applicant; CITY OF NEWPORT, owner; for a special use permit and a variance to the off-street parking design standards for permission to demolish the former administration building and construct a new dance studio, (school of limited instruction), and provide off-street parking which will be located 5' from the south property line, (10’ required), applying to the property located at 435 Broadway, TAP 6, Lot 11, (R-10 zone). (Cont. to March 22, 2021)

5. PETITION OF ISLAND MOVING COMPANY, applicant; CITY OF NEWPORT, owner; for a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to demolish the former school building and subdivide the property into 5 parcels. Parcel B to be 9, 58 sq. ft., parcel C to be 9,124 sq. ft. and parcel D to be 9,003 sq. ft., (10,000 sq. ft. required). Lot width/frontage of parcels A, B & C, to be 14.66’ and lot width/front of parcel D to be 41.07’, (80’ required), applying to the property located at 435 Broadway, TAP 6, Lot 11, (R-10 zone). (Cont. to March 22, 2021)

6. PETITION OF LES HELMERS, applicant and owner; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to construct a 3rd floor addition which will be located 0’ from the east property line, (3’ required), applying to the property located at 28 Ann St., TAP 27, Lot 155, (R-3 zone). 

7. Amended PETITION OF L. ROSS SINCLAIR & DIANE KAZARIAN, applicants and owners; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to demolish the existing structure and build a new single-family dwelling which will be located 22. 24.9’ from the east property line, (50’ required), and 18.8’ from the south property line, (40’ required), and which will reduce the lot coverage from 17.8% to 17.7% 16.5%, (10% allowed), applying to the property located at 40 Castle Hill Ave., TAP 44, Lot 92, (R-40A zone).

8. PETITION OF WEOVENEWPORT, LLC, applicant and owner; for a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to demolish the existing structure and construct a new 2-1/2 story, 18,000 sq. ft. single-family dwelling. Said dwelling to be located, 30' from the west property line, (50’ required), and 50' from the east property line, (75’ required). Total lot coverage of property to be increase from 8% to 13%, (8% allowed), applying to the property located at 1 Harborview Dr., TAP 42, Lot 10, (R-120 zone). (Cont. to special meeting date to be determined)

9. PETITION OF JOHN DUKES, applicant; Lee & Thames Associates, owner; for a special use permit for permission to construct a new 16’ x 18’ rooftop deck addition applying to the property located at the corner of 550 Thames St. and 6 Lee Ave., TAP 35, Lot 257, (LB zone).

10. APPEAL OF WEOVENEWPORT, LLC, appellant, CLAYTON DEUTSCH, owner; appealing the decision of the zoning officer’s approval of Building Permit 123863 applying to the property at 2 Harbor View Dr., TAP 42, Lot 39, (R-120 zone). (Cont. to special meeting to be determined)

11. PETITION OF ANTHONY LORUSSO, applicant and owner; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to add a 12' by 23', 3-story addition with a 12' by 17'6", 3rd floor deck, and a 1'6" by 7'2" bump out, which will be located 4' from the north property line, (15’required), and which will increase lot coverage from 23% to 34%, (20% allowed), applying to the property located at 37 Wellington Ave. TAP 39, Lot 137, (R-10 zone)
12. PETITITON OF BP REALTY, LLC, applicant and owner for a special use permit and variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to install a 14’2” by 7’6” retractable awning structure over the northern portion of the existing outdoor bar area which will be located 0’ from the north property line, (5’ required), applying to the property located at Banisters Wharf, DBA The Black Pearl, TAP 24, Lot 276, (WB zone).

13. APPEAL OF MR. & MRS. LES HELMERS, appellant and owner; appealing the decision of the Historic District Commission on the denial of a roof addition applying to the property located at 28 Ann St., TAP 27, Lot 155, (R-10 zone).

14. APPEAL OF MR. JASON PERKINS, appellant; NRI 12 GOODWIN ST PARTNERSHIP, owner; appealing the issuance of building permit #125985 applying to the property located at 12 Goodwin St., TAP 35, Lot 244, (WB zone).

15. Amended PETITION OF JUAN & ALBA CAMPOS, applicants and owners; for special use permit and a variance to the dimensional and off-street parking design requirements for permission to demolish the existing garage and constructing a 2-story, 3rd dwelling unit addition, which will be located 10.5’ from the east property line, (15’ required), and to provide off-street parking with less than a 20’ aisle and less than 90 degree parking spaces, applying to the property located at 132 Evarts St., TAP 10, Lot 203, (R-10 zone).

16. PETITITION OF SEAN & JESSICA QUIRK, applicants and owners; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to construct a rear deck and stair addition, a 36’ x 16’ inground pool and convert the existing non-conforming garage into storage, a pool house and a bathroom. Said additions will increase the lot coverage from 19% to 29%, (20% allowed), applying to the property located at 122 Ruggles Ave., TAP 40, Lot 346, (R-10A zone).

17. APPEAL OF TIMOTHY & MAUREEN WEST, appellants and owners; appealing the decision of the Historic District Commission denying permission to replace a slate roof with an asphalt roof and remove existing dormers, applying to the property located at 45 Everett St., TAP 22, Lot 17, (R-10 zone). (Continue to March 22, 2021)

18. PETITION OF LUKE & CYNTHIA MURRAY, applicants and owners; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to demolish the existing garage structure and construct a single-family dwelling which is located 2.5’ from the north property line, (10’ required), 3.6’ from the west property line, (20’ required), and which will increase the lot coverage from 39% to 45%, (20% allowed), applying to the property located on Tews Ct., TAP 26, Lot 32, (R-10 zone).

19. PETITION OF KEVIN & PATRICIA MEEHAN, applicants and owners; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to construct 3 new building each with 4 dwelling units and renovate the existing from 2 dwelling unit building, and convert the existing carriage house into a single dwelling for a total of 15 dwelling units, (one principle use per lot allowed), which will increase the lot coverage from 9% to 28%, (20% allowed), applying to the property located at 15 & 17 Sylvan St., TAP 33, Lot 36, (R-10 zone). (Cont. to March 22, 2021 pending review by the Planning Board and the Technical Review Committee.)
20. PETITION OF JEFFREY LIPSHIRES, applicant and owner; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to construct a 1 1/2-story addition and a second floor dormer addition to the existing detached garage which will be located 2.5’ from the south and west property lines, (10’ required), which will increase the lot coverage from 19% to 23%, (20% allowed), applying to the property located at 45 Kay St., TAP 22, Lot 104, (R-10 zone).

21. PETITION OF JOHN GULLISON, applicant; 2-4 LEDYARD PARTNERSHIP, owner; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to construct a rear 2nd floor dormer which will be located 5.75’ from the north property line, (20’ required), applying to the property located at 2-4 Ledyard St., TAP 6, Lot 197, (R-10 zone).

22. PETITION OF MARK & JANE ORAVEC, applicants and owners; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to construct a 10’ x 18’ pool with related equipment which will increase the lot coverage from 40% to 47%, (40% allowed), applying to the property located at 9 Lee’s Whf., TAP 32, Lot 253, (WB zone).

23. PETITION OF NAILL NUGENT applicant; KEITH LITTLEFIELD, owner; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to transfer approximately 1,175 sq. ft. of land from Lot 246 to abutting Lot 142. Lot 246 to be reduced to 4,683 sq. ft., (10,000 sq. ft. required). Lot coverage on Lot 246 to be increased from 20% to 25%, (20% allowed), applying to the property located at 395 Spring St., TAP 32, Lot 246, (R-10 zone).

24. APPEAL OF CONCERNED CASEY COURT NEIGHBORS & JEFFERY GRONNING, appellants; STEPHEN & DIANE SAYERS, owners; appealing the issuance of Building Permit #127330 for the construction of a new single-family dwelling applying to the property located on Casey Ct., TAP 37, lot 32, (R-10A zone).

25. PETITION OF DENNIS ROTUNNO, TRUSTEE, applicant and owner; special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to demolish the existing dwelling and construct a new 2-story dwelling which will be located 5’ from the west and 3.7’ from the east property lines, (10’ required), and which will reduce the lot coverage from 29% to 27%, (20% allowed), applying to the property located at 5 Sylvan Ter., TAP 33, Lot 95, (R-10 zone).

26. Amended PETITION OF BCM REALTY PARTNERS, LLC, applicants; ST. AUGUSTIN’S CHURCH OF NEWPORT, owner; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to convert the existing convent/rectory and 2 dwelling units into a multi-family dwelling with 4 dwelling units and construct a 8’ x 17’ storage shed which will be located 3’ from the east property line, (10’ required), and which will increase the lot coverage from 39% to 40%, (20% allowed), applying to the property located at 2 Eastnor Rd., TAP 40, Lot 192, (R-10 zone).

27. PETITION OF AUSTIN WILLIS, applicant and owner for a special use permit and variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to demolish the existing school buildings and add an 884 sq. ft. addition to the rear of the existing guest house which will be located 34’ from the south property line, (100’ required), applying to the property located at 75 Brenton Rd., TAP 43, Lot 24, (R-160 zone).
28. **PETITION OF DENNIS & KATHY TIGHE**, applicants and owners; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to remove the existing and construct a new 2½ detached dwelling/garage unit which will be located 5’ from the north property line, (10’ required), applying to the property located at 33 Merton Rd., TAP 29, Lot 157, (R-10 zone).

VII. **New Petitions:**

29. **PETITION OF DONALD TOFIAS**, applicant and owner; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to construct a 1-story, 19.5’ x 27.33’ greenhouse addition which will increase the lot coverage from 18% to 20%, (10% allowed), applying to the property located at 79-83 Dixon St., TAP 35, Lot 282, (R-60 zone).

30. **PETITION OF WILLIAM WINTHROP**, applicant and owner; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to place a standby generator approximately 7’ from the south property line, (10’ required), applying to the property located at 8 Andrew St., TAP 40, Lot 484, (R-10A zone).

31. **PETITION OF MICHAEL ROBINSON & ORLANDO ZAMBRANO**, applicants and owners; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to place 2 air conditioner condensers 2’ from the south and west property lines, (10’ required), applying to the property located at 41 Hunter Ave., TAP 23, Lot 108, (R-10A zone).

32. **PETITION OF CELIA & GREG MACDONNELL**, applicants and owners; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to construct a 368 sq. ft. rear deck addition which will increase the lot coverage from 24% to 28%, (20% allowed), applying to the property located at 13 McCormick Rd., TAP 40, Lot 422, (R-10A zone).

33. **PETITION OF ERIC PICARD**, applicant and owner; for a special use permit and variance to the off-street parking requirements for permission to convert one of two existing dwelling units and a professional office into a 5-bedroom guest house and provide 5 off-street parking spaces, (7 off-street parking spaces required), applying to the property located at 37 Powell Ave., TAP 11, Lot 56, (R-10 zone). *(Cont. to April 26, 2021 pending review by the Planning Board)*.

34. **PETITION OF CAMERON & MICHAELA STEWART**, applicants and owners; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to construct a 2-story rear addition which will be located 3.75’ from the south property line, (10’ required), a gas fireplace which will be located 2’ from the south property line, (10’ required), and add a new 12’ x 26’ rear deck with stairs all of which increase the lot coverage from 18% to 26%, (20% allowed), applying to the property located at 114 Champlin Pl. North, TAP 20, Lot 203, (R-10A zone).

35. **PETITION OF EDWARD McCARTHY, JR.**, applicant and owner; for a special use permit to convert the existing single-family dwelling into a two-family dwelling applying to the property located at 18 Keeher Ave., TAP 11, Lot 262, (R-10A zone). *(Cont. to April 26, 2021 pending review by the Planning Board)*.
36. PETITION OF WILLIAM & CRISTINA HELDEN, applicants and owners; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to slightly the existing garage and family room which will be located 5.75’ from the north property line, (10’ required) and which will increase the lot coverage from 28.5% to 29%, (20% allowed), applying to the property located at 18 Cliff Ave., TAP 31, Lot 122, (R-10 zone).

37. PETITION OF DONALD OCCASO, applicant and owner; for a use variance for permission to convert the existing building from 2 dwelling units and a professional office into 3 dwelling units, (3 dwelling units not allowed), applying to the property located at 292 Broadway, TAP 14, Lot 23-4, (R-10 zone). (Cont. to March 22, 2021 pending review by the Planning Board)

38. PETITION OF KEVIN & DINA QUIRK, applicant and owner; for a special use permit and a variance to the dimensional requirements for permission to add a new standby generator which will be located 49' from the north property line, (100' required), applying to the property located at 24 Brenton Rd., TAP 41, Lot 301, (R-160 zone).

**Adjournment:**

*Please note:*
Meetings begin promptly at the time posted and will not last for more than four (4) hours. The Board normally will take a short break after 1½ to 2 hours of hearings to reaccess the agenda and their ability to reach the remaining items pending before it.

The Board will not entertain/begin a new petition after 10:00 p.m. and will conclude all hearings at 10:30 p.m. therefore some petitions cannot be heard due to these time constraints and will be continued to the next regular meeting date.

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