

City of Somerville PLANNING BOARD

City Hall 3rd Floor, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville MA 02143

18 APRIL 2024 MEETING MINUTES

This meeting was conducted via remote participation via Zoom.

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NAME	TITLE	STATUS	ARRIVED
Michael Capuano	Chair	Present	
Amelia Aboff	Vice Chair	Present	
Jahan Habib	Clerk	Present	
Michael McNeley	Member	Present	
Debbie Howitt Easton	Alternate	Present	
Luc Schuster	Alternate	Present	

City staff present: Stephen Cary (Planning, Preservation, & Zoning)

The meeting was called to order at 6:02pm and adjourned at 6:15pm.

GENERAL BUSINESS: Meeting Minutes

Following a motion by Chair Capuano, seconded by Vice Chair Aboff, the Board voted unanimously (6-0) to approve the 7 March 2024 meeting minutes.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: 120-132 Middlesex Ave

The applicant team explained that this is a request for a two-year extension to a permit previously granted by the Board. A few modifications have been made to the plan to better align it with the Life Science market. A Hardship Variance was issued for this site about a month ago, as the original Variance had expired. A two-year extension is proposed due to the length of time it may take to work through the process with the amendments to the plan.

The Board noted that Staff recommends a two-year extension for this project.

Chair Capuano opened public testimony. Seeing no comments, Chair Capuano closed public testimony.

Following a motion by Chair Capuano, seconded by Vice Chair Aboff, the Board voted unanimously (6-0) to approve the two-year extension of the validity of the previously approved Master Plan Special Permit with considerations, findings, and conditions of approval as found in the Staff Memo.

RESULT: APPROVED

NOTICE: These minutes constitute a summary of the votes and key discussions at this meeting. To review a full recording, please contact the Planning, Preservation & Zoning Division at planningboard@somervillema.gov.