

City of Somerville

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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TO: Zoning Board of Appeals

FROM: Planning, Preservation, & Zoning (PPZ) Staff

SUBJECT: 28 Chestnut St, ZP25-000012

POSTED: May 28, 2025

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Withdrawal without Prejudice

Staff memos are used to communicate background information, analysis, responses to public comments, review of statutory requirements and other information from PPZ staff to the Review Board members.

This memo summarizes the Withdrawal request submitted for 100 Chestnut St (28 Chestnut St), identifies any additional discretionary or administrative development review that is required by the Somerville Zoning Ordinance, and provides related analysis or feedback as necessary. The application was deemed complete on May 12, 2025, and was advertised for a public hearing on June 4, 2025.

LEGAL NOTICE

ADA Forsyth Institute, Inc. seeks to install a noncompliant sign in the Commercial Industry (CI) Zoning District, which requires a Hardship Variance.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL

The Applicant previously submitted an application for a Hardship Variance for a noncompliant Skyline Sign in the CI zoning district. After the public hearing was advertised, the Applicant requested to withdraw this application without prejudice. Staff support the withdrawal of this application.