

# CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT JOSEPH A. CURTATONE MAYOR

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# AGENDA

#### Aldermanic Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue Wednesday, March 18, 2009 DECISIONS 6:00 P.M. followed by New HEARINGS

**Executive Session** 

Assistant City Solicitor David Shapiro will be present to discuss pending litigation.

#### **Old Cases Already Opened & Previously Requested Continuances**

369-371 Beacon Street (Case #ZBA 2008-61)	
Applicant:	Beacon Street Hotel
Property Owner:	George Makrigiannis
Agent:	Richard G. DiGirolamo, Esq.
Legal Notice:	Applicant Beacon Street Hotel & Owner George Makrigiannis seek a special permit with Site Plan Review (SZO §7.11.10.5.b) in order to construct and establish a hotel of more than 10,000
	gross sq.ft. BA zone. Ward 2.
Date(s) of	1/21, 2/4, 2/18, 3/4, 3/18,
Hearing(s):	
Planning Board	No Planning Board report at this time.
Action:	
ZBA Action:	Voted on March 4, 2009 to grant the Applicant's request for a continuance to April 1, 2009.
Current Status:	Continued at previous hearing to April 1, 2009.

56 Webster Avenue/520 Columbia Street (Case #ZBA 2008-65)	
Applicant:	Royal Hospitality Services, Inc. (Royal White)
Property Owner:	Columbia Street Realty, LLC
Agent:	Richard G. DiGirolamo, Esq.
Legal Notice:	Applicant Royal Hospitality Services, Inc. (Royal White) & Owner Columbia St. Realty, LLC seek a special permit (SZO §4.4.1) for alteration of a nonconforming structure and special permit with site plan review (§7.11.12.1.c) in order to expand the existing laundry processing use. IP zone. Ward 2.
Date(s) of	1/21, 2/4, 2/18, 3/4, 3/18,
Hearing(s):	



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Planning Board	No Planning Board report at this time.
Action:	
ZBA Action:	Voted on March 4, 2009 to grant the Applicant's request for a continuance to April 1, 2009.
Current Status:	Continued at previous hearing to April 1, 2009.

600 Windsor Place (Case #ZBA 2008-66)	
Applicant:	Green Cab, Inc.
Property Owner:	The Windsor Company, LLC
Agent:	Richard G. DiGirolamo, Esq.
Legal Notice:	Applicant Green Cab, Inc. & Owner The Windsor Co., LLC, seek a special permit with site
	plan review (SZO §7.11.11.12.1.b) in order to establish a taxi storage and service use of more
	than 5,000 gross square feet. IP zone. Ward 2.
Date(s) of	1/21, 2/4, 2/18, 3/4, 3/18,
Hearing(s):	
Planning Board	No Planning Board report at this time.
Action:	
ZBA Action:	Voted on March 4, 2009 to grant the Applicant's request for a continuance to April 1, 2009.
Current Status:	Continued at previous hearing to April 1, 2009.

163 Hudson Stre	et (Case #ZBA 2008-53)
Applicant:	Afarin Bellisario
Property	Afarin Bellisario
Owner:	
Agent:	N/A
Legal Notice:	Applicant & Owner: Afarin Bellisario seeks Special Permit approval under SZO §4.4.1 for the alteration of a non-conforming structure in order to enlarge the existing structure with an increase of the gross floor area by more than 25 percent. This proposal would create a new unit as-of-right. RB zone. Ward 5.
Date(s) of	11/5, 11/19, 12/3, 12/17, 1/7, 1/21, 2/4, 2/18, 3/4, 3/18
Hearing(s):	
Planning Board	No Planning Board at this time.
Action:	
ZBA Action:	Voted on March 4, 2009 to grant the Applicant's request for a continuance to April 1, 2009.
Current Status:	Continued at previous hearing to April 1, 2009.

22 Benedict Street (Case #ZBA 2008-71)	
Applicant:	Oi Chao Ding
Property Owner:	Oi Chao Ding
Agent:	N/A
Legal Notice:	Applicant/Owner Oi Chao Ding seeks a special permit (SZO §4.4.1) to alter a nonconforming
	dwelling by adding 20' x 14' porch to the rear. RB zone. Ward 1.
Date(s) of	1/21, 2/4, 2/18, 3/4, 3/18
Hearing(s):	
Planning Board	No Planning Board report at this time.
Action:	
ZBA Action:	Voted on March 4, 2009 to grant the Applicant's request for a continuance to April 1, 2009.
Current Status:	Continued at previous hearing to April 1, 2009.



377 Summer Stree	377 Summer Street (Case #ZBA 2009-01)	
Applicant:	Christos Poutahidis	
Property Owner:	Christos Poutahidis	
Agent:	Richard G. DiGirolamo, Esq.	
Legal Notice:	Applicant & Owner Christos Poutahidis seeks a Special Permit (SZO §7.11.1.c) to establish 6 dwelling units. The dwellings would be part of a mixed-use building with office and retail. The Applicant also seeks a Variance to provide 4 fewer parking spaces than are required (SZO §5.5). CBD zone. Ward 6.	
Date(s) of	3/4, 3/18,	
Hearing(s):		
Planning Board	No Planning Board report at this time.	
Action:		
ZBA Action:	Voted on March 4, 2009 to grant the Applicant's request for a continuance to April 1, 2009.	
Current Status:	Continued at previous hearing to April 1, 2009.	

## New Cases to be opened and are requesting continuances

100 Fellsway West (ZBA #2009-03)	
Applicant:	Electro Sales, Inc.
Property Owner:	Craig Corporation
Agent:	Richard G. DiGirolamo, Esq.
Legal Notice:	Applicant Richard Berg and Owner Craig Corporation seek a Special Permit with Site Plan
	Review (SZO §7.11.1.c) to convert from a factory/industrial use to a residential use in order to construct a 19 unit residential building. BB zone. Ward 4.
Date(s) of	3/18,
Hearing(s):	
Planning Board	No Planning Board report at this time.
Action:	
ZBA Action:	
Current Status:	The Applicant will submit a request for a continuance to April 1, 2009.

## Previously Opened Cases to be Heard this Evening

7-9 Bowers Avenue (Case #ZBA 2008-68)	
Applicant:	Christina Yanhui Li
Property Owner:	Christina Yanhui Li
Agent:	N/A
Legal Notice:	Applicant & Owner: Christina Yanhui Li seeks a Special Permit (SZO §7.11.4.a) to establish three rooms to rent without kitchen facilities, for a tourist home, in an owner occupied dwelling. RB zone. Ward 6
Date(s) of Hearing(s):	1/7, 1/21, 2/4, 2/18, 3/4, 3/18
Planning Board Action:	Recommends conditional approval.
ZBA Action:	Voted on March 4, 2009 to continue the application to March 18, 2009 in order to perform a site visit.
Current Status:	Will be heard on March 18, 2009.



#### **Other Business**

343-349 Summer St: (ZBA #2002-23-R0109) Abutters' request to reopen proceedings.



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