MINUTES
Worcester Planning Board
September 24, 1997

Planning Board Members Present: George Russell
Joan Bagley
Joseph Sova
Joe Boynton
Samuel Rosario

Staff Present: Paul Moosey, DPW Engineering
Michael Caforio, DPW Engineering
James Sheehan, Code Enforcement
Alan Gordon, OPCD
Judith Stolberg, OPCD
Michael Traynor, Law Department
Stephen Madaus, Law Department

Regular Meeting (5:30 P.M.) - City Council Chambers, City Hall

1. Call to Order: Chairman George Russell called the meeting to
order at 5:30 P.M.

2. Approval of Minutes - August 27, 1997 and September 10, 1997:
Upon a motion by Joan Bagley and seconded by Joe Boynton, the
Board voted to approve the minutes.

3. Catherine Street Terrace - Private Street Removal: Notice of
the hearing was read by the Clerk. Antoinette Donovan spoke
in opposition. Upon a motion by Joan Bagley and seconded by
Joseph Sova, the Board voted to close the hearing. Upon a
motion by Joan Bagley and seconded by Joseph Sova, the Board
voted to recommend denial of the petition since a party of
interest objects.

4. Temporary Moratorium - Transmission Towers: Notice of the
hearing was read by the Clerk. City Councillor Paul Clancy
and Alan Gordon spoke in favor of the petition. Attorney
Jeffrey Cramer, representing Sprint PCS, requested that the by
law be passed expeditiously because licensed communications
carriers are under federal mandate to construct their network
in a prompt fashion. Upon a motion by Joseph Sova and
seconded by Joan Bagley, the Board voted unanimously to close
the hearing. Upon a motion by Joan Bagley and seconded by
Joseph Sova, the Board voted unanimously to recommend approval
of the ordinance amendment.
5. Zone Change - Extend BL-1.0 Zone From 110 Canterbury Street Up To and Including 130 Canterbury Street: Notice of the hearing was read by the Clerk. Jeffrey Bovier spoke in favor of the petition. Charles Lewis spoke in opposition. Upon a motion by Joan Bagley and seconded by Joe Boynton, the Board voted unanimously to close the hearing. Upon a motion by Joe Boynton and seconded by Samuel Rosario, the Board voted unanimously to recommend denial of the petition.

6. Zone Change - 452 Southwest Cutoff - Change RS-7 Zone To ML-0.5 Zone: Notice of the hearing was read by the Clerk. Representative Guy Glodis, City Councillor Paul Clancy, Noreen Joubert, Gloria Canerano-Higgins, Matthew LaCroix, Douglas Forte, Margaret Howe, Bob Coakley, Albina Proko and John Howe, Jr. spoke in opposition. Pastor Edred Black spoke in favor of the petition. Upon a motion by Joan Bagley and seconded by Samuel Rosario, the Board voted unanimously to close the hearing. Upon a motion by Joseph Sova and seconded by Joan Bagley, the Board voted unanimously to recommend denial of the petition.

7. 2 Granite Street (Y.O.U., Inc.) - Parking Plan Approval: Upon a motion by Joan Bagley and seconded by Joseph Sova, the Board voted to approve the parking plan with the following conditions:

* Fencing be repaired.

* Plan show striped crosswalk and pedestrian crossing sign.

* Three (3) copies of revised plan be submitted to the Office of Planning and Community Development before release of written decision to proponent.

8. 269 Brook Street (15% slope) - Site Plan Approval: Upon a motion by Samuel Rosario and seconded by Joseph Sova, the Board voted to approve the site plan with the following conditions:

* Snow storage area be designated on plan.

* Retaining wall be included in building permit.

* Landscaping in front of building be shown on plan.

* Fifteen feet in front of land be cleared of brush, etc. to improve site lines.

* All comments in Department of Public Works letter dated September 19, 1997 be addressed to the satisfaction of said department.

* Parking spaces be 9'x18' and so designated on plan.
* Subject to Zoning Enforcement Officer’s determination that the parcel complies with all other relevant provisions of the Zoning Ordinance.

* The appropriate soil erosion and sediment control measures, including hay bales and silt fence, should be installed and maintained throughout construction to the satisfaction of the Director of Code Enforcement.

* Three (3) copies of revised plan be submitted to the Office of Planning and Community Development before release of written decision to proponent.

9. 345 Greenwood Street (R.D.G. Realty Trust) – Parking Plan Approval: The item was continued to October 8, 1997.

10. 648 Chandler Street (Dunkin Donuts) – Permit Compliance: Upon a motion by Samuel Rosario and seconded by Joseph Sova, the Board voted unanimously to send a letter to Walcott-Marshall informing them of the Board’s dissatisfaction with the tree installation in front, the shrub installation and the fence which allows light from the vehicles utilizing the drive-thru to create a nuisance to the residential abutters. The Board will re-visit the site on October 8, 1997.

11. Hillside Estates Subdivision – Set Bond: Upon a motion by Joan Bagley and seconded by Samuel Rosario, the Board voted to set a bond in the amount of $220,000.00 with a work completion date of November 1, 1998 and a bond expiration date of January 1, 1999.

12. Trent Road – Request To Make Public: Upon a motion by Joseph Sova and seconded by Samuel Rosario, the Board voted to recommend a Priority 1 based on the recommendation of DFW and OPCD.

13. Willowbrook Lane – Request To Make Public: Upon a motion by Joseph Sova and seconded by Joan Bagley, the Board voted to recommend a Priority 1.

14. Pinebrook Lane – Request To Make Public: Upon a motion by Joseph Sova and seconded by Joan Bagley, the Board voted to recommend a Priority 1.

15. Moreland Green Drive – Request To Make Public: Upon a motion by Joseph Sova and seconded by Joan Bagley, the Board voted to recommend a Priority 1.

16. Plans To Be Ratified:

   #4857 Monticello Drive West
   #4858 Chester Street & Devonshire
17. Landscape Design Standards: Upon a motion by Joseph Sova and seconded by Joan Bagley, the Board voted unanimously to forward the zoning ordinance revision to the City Manager for transmittal to the City Council.

Other Business: None

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 7:35 P.M.
CITY OF WORCESTER
PLANNING BOARD DECISION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

DATE: September 11, 1997

At a meeting held on September 10, 1997 the Worcester Planning Board voted 4-1 to approve the Site Plan Approval application filed by Murray Outdoor Communications.

The petition involves erecting a single sign board to be visible to I-290 for the purpose of outdoor advertising on a parcel located at 28 Water Street, Worcester, Massachusetts.

Proper notice on August 13, 1997 was given for the meeting by the Planning Board.

The Site Plan Approval was granted with the following conditions:

* Curb cut on Water Street be closed in accordance with DPW standards.
* Berm be located along drive and area be grassed.
* Area be loamed and seeded.
* Petitioner meet with OPCD landscaping staff for technical assistance in landscaping for the area.
* Three copies of revised plan be submitted to the Office of Planning and Community Development before release of written decision to proponent.

AUTHORIZED PLANNING BOARD MEMBER

DATE: 2/3/97
CITY OF WORCESTER
PLANNING BOARD DECISION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

DATE: September 11, 1997

At a meeting held on September 10, 1997 the Worcester Planning Board voted unanimously to approve the Site Plan Approval application filed by Assumption College, Owner.

The petition involves the construction of a five story residence hall on a parcel located at 500 Salisbury Street, Worcester, Massachusetts.

Proper notice on August 27, 1997 was given for the meeting by the Planning Board.

The Site Plan Approval was granted with the following conditions:

* Dumpster be shown on plan.

* Three additional trees be placed at the right front of the residence hall and be shown on plan.

* All comments in Department of Public Works letter dated September 4, 1997 be addressed to the satisfaction of said department.

* Three copies of revised plan be submitted to the Office of Planning and Community Development before release of written decision to proponent.

AUTHORIZED PLANNING BOARD MEMBER

DATE: 23 Sept 97
CITY OF WORCESTER
PLANNING BOARD DECISION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

DATE: September 11, 1997

At a meeting held on September 10, 1997 the Worcester Planning Board voted unanimously to approve the Site Plan Approval application filed by Marathon Properties.

The petition involves the construction of a total of four (4) single family semi-detached housing units on a parcel located at Lots 22 & 23 on Orient Street, Worcester, Massachusetts.

Proper notice on August 27, 1997 was given for the meeting by the Planning Board.

The Site Plan Approval was granted with the following conditions:

* Land outside haybales remain untouched.
* Seven (7) inch berms be located on extremity driveways to control runoff to abutting property.
* All comments in Department of Public Works letter dated September 4, 1997 be addressed to the satisfaction of said department.
* Three copies of revised plan be submitted to the Office of Planning and Community Development before release of written decision to proponent.
* Subject to the Zoning Enforcement Officer's determination that the parcel complies with all other relevant provisions of the Zoning Ordinance.
* The appropriate soil erosion and sediment control measures should be installed and maintained throughout construction to the satisfaction of the Code Commissioner.

AUTHORIZED PLANNING BOARD MEMBER

DATE: 23 Sept 97