CITY of MALDEN PLANNING BOARD
Minutes of Regular Meeting
Meeting Date: May 8, 2019
Meeting Location: Malden Senior Community Center, Auditorium, First Floor, 7 Washington Street, Malden, MA

I. Call to Order: Chairman Charles Ioven called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call.
Planning Board Members in attendance:
Antonucci, Ken
Chiavelli, Jim
Chuha, Diane
Fitzgerald, Patrick
Gebreselassie, Tewedaj
Hayes, Patrick
Henry, Eric
MacCuish, Eric
Soucy, Henri
Ioven, Charles, Chair

Planning Board members absent: Ferguson, Charles
Planning Staff in attendance: Michelle Romero, City Planner; Linda Yarasitis, Clerk

III. Public Meeting:
A. Subdivision Control Law, M.G.L. c. 41 & Malden Planning Board Rules & Regulations

Governing the Subdivision of Land.

1) Applications for Tentative Approval of a Preliminary Plan/M.G.L.c.41,§81S.
   a) 100 Hospital Road/(Parcel ID# 025 104 401)/To subdivide 9.6 acres/To create five (5) new parcels, one new roadway off Murray Hill Road and one new roadway off Hospital Road.
   b) 57 Hospital Road (Parcel ID# 025 105 501)/To subdivide 5 acres to create five (5) new parcels and two new roadways off Hospital Road.

The notice of public meeting was read into the record by Planning Board clerk Antonucci.

The Board reviewed the following information filed by the property owner, MelroseWakefield Healthcare, Inc., formerly known as Hallmark Health System, Inc.:
1. For 100 Hospital Road:
   a) “Application for Tentative Approval of a Preliminary Plan,” (Form B).
   b) Plans, dated February 14, 2019 (signed/stamped February 19, 2019), prepared by Sandra A. Brock, P.E., Nitsch Engineering, Boston, MA:
      • “PRELIMINARY SUBDIVISION PLAN West Subdivision-100 Hospital Road, Malden, MA,”(Sheet C-1).
      • “PRELIMINARY GRADING AND DRAINAGE PLAN West Subdivision – 100 Hospital Road, Malden, MA,” (Sheet C-2).

2). For 57 Hospital Road.
   a) “Application for Tentative Approval of a Preliminary Plan,” (Form B).
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      • “PRELIMINARY SUBDIVISION PLAN East Subdivision - 57 Hospital Road, Malden, MA,” (Sheet C-1).
      • “PRELIMINARY GRADING AND DRAINAGE PLAN East Subdivision - 57 Hospital Road, Malden, MA,” (Sheet C-2).

No public testimony was taken at the meeting.

The Board received and reviewed the following documentation and information at the meeting:
2. Correspondence dated May 6, 2019 from Lieutenant Kevin Halpin Malden Fire Department to Planning Board.
4. Correspondence dated May 8, 2019 from Yem Lip, City Engineer and Robert Knox, DPW Director, to City Planner.

Decision: The Board disapproved the Application for 100 Hospital Road and the Application for 57 Hospital Road for the following reasons:
I. Failure to comply with the following Rules and Regulations of the Malden Planning Board Governing the Subdivision of Land:
1) §V.A.1.a. Connection to Public Way. The proposed street systems are not connected with a public way with suitable grades and adequate construction for the needs of vehicular traffic.
2) §V.A.1.b. Proposed Future Street System. There is no proposed future street system for the great majority of the subject property (88%).
3) §V.G.1. Adequacy of Access via Existing Adjacent Streets: Safety. Access to the proposed subdivisions and ways serving the subdivision are inadequate due to grade.
4) §V.A.1.c. Design of Streets in Subdivision. Given the noncompliance of the Plan with the rules and regulations regarding Connection to Public Way (§V.A.1.a); Proposed Future Street System (§V.A.1.b); and Adequacy of Access via Existing Adjacent Streets (§V.G.1), the proposed subdivisions do not ensure vehicular and pedestrian safety and adequate access and will not provide safe vehicular travel.
5) §V.A.2.c.iii. Street Elevations. The proposed subdivisions are not provided with adequate water service; §VI.B.4b. Streets and Utilities. The proposed water system is not of adequate capacity for fire protection; and there is insufficient water supply to conduct firefighting operations at the proposed subdivisions.

and
II. Given the outstanding public safety concerns and health hazards for Fire Department members at the subject property, the Plans are contrary to the purpose and intent of the Rules and Regulations of the Malden Planning Board Governing the Subdivision of Land, namely, to insure orderly future development of land for the safety, health and convenience of the general public and the future occupants of the subdivided land.

The decisions are described in the two attached correspondence to the City Clerk dated May 10, 2019.

**Record of Votes**: The vote on the motion to disapprove the Application re: 100 Hospital Road was nine in favor, none opposed, and the motion passed (9-0).

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2) Application for Determination of Planning Board Jurisdiction re: Approval Not Required Subdivision Plan/M.G.L. c.41, §81P.
   a) 57 Olive Avenue (Parcel ID# 148 627 711)/To subdivide to create one new lot on Monmouth Street.

The Board received information from the City Treasurer that the property owes the City $4,733.35 in outstanding real estate taxes (per dated May 8, 2019 email from Jaqueline Jones, Assistant Treasurer).

Decision: The Board disapproved the Application, in accordance with the provisions of Section 1.14, Revised Ordinances of 1991, as Amended of the City of Malden and M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 57, re: mandatory denial for failure to pay taxes.

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C. Status update items.
1) Master Plan Steering Committee. Ioven provided an update.
2) Community Preservation Committee. Antonucci provided an update.
3) Housing Production Plan Advisory Committee. Romero provided an update.

V. Old and New Business. None.

VI. Next Meeting. Ioven announced the date of the next regular meeting is June 12, 2019.

VII. Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Approved by:  

Charles Ioven  
Chairman, Malden Planning Board

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Thomas E. Brennan, City Clerk
110 Pleasant Street
Malden, MA  02148

RE:  Application for Tentative Approval of Preliminary Plan of Subdivision
Filed April 11, 2019
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