

**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
JULY 26, 2007  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD  
740 MAIN STREET  
EAST HARTFORD, CT 06108**



**REGULAR MEETING**

A Regular Session of the East Hartford Zoning Board of Appeals was called to order by Chairman Richard Torpey at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 26, 2007 in the Town Council Chambers, 740 Main Street, East Hartford, Connecticut.

**PRESENT:** Chairman Richard Torpey, Richard Begley, James McElroy, Tom Rup, Alternate Anne Fornabi.

Also present: Bonnie Nichols, Director/Inspections and Permits.

**ABSENT:** Terry Kitchen, Alternates: Randall Newbury, Lucien Plante.

**I. Chairman – Call to Order**

Chairman Torpey began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a reminder to the audience of the Fire Exits.

Chairman Torpey appointed Anne Fornabi as a voting member in the absence of Terry Kitchen.

**II. HEARING OF ITEMS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD; CALL OF ITEMS.**

1. FLB Architecture and Planning, **544 Tolland Street**, Requests a variance from Sections 404.1 and 205.1(b) & (c), to permit the change of existing lower floor office space to 8 residential apartments in an existing apartment building. **(Zone B-3)**

**NO RECESS**

**III. HEARINGS DISCUSSION AND BOARD DECISIONS:**

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**James McElroy made a motion to approve the application as submitted.  
Seconded by Richard Begley.**

James McElroy stated that he had concerns prior to the hearing this evening. He stated that the apartment building is well maintained and the office spaced is outdated. Additional apartments will be good for the neighborhood as well for the businesses in town.

Tom Rup stated the hardship is in the changing of the zoning laws and not the property itself.

**Approved : 5:0**

Reason #2 Relief can be granted without impairment to the integrity of the zoning regulations.

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**IV: NEW BUSINESS**

None

**V: MISCELLANEOUS**

Chairman Torpey reminded the members to contact the Inspections and Permits office one day prior to the meeting to inform the office as to whether they will be in attendance or not.

**VI: APPROVAL OF ZBA MINUTES FOR:**

A. May 31, 2007

Tabled until the August 30, 2007 meeting because members did not bring the minutes with them. The minutes were distributed for the June 2007 meeting that was cancelled.

**VII: PAYMENT OF BILLS**

ZBA Clerk

**Motion made by Richard Begley to approve payment to the ZBA clerk.  
Seconded by Anne Fornabi. Unanimous.**

**VIII: ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business a motion was made by Tom Rup to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Seconded by Anne Fornabi. Voted unanimously.

The next regular meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals is scheduled to Thursday, August 30, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Council Chambers.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Godreau