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     Arthur Magun, Chairman
     David Deitz, Board Member
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     Stanley Pycior, Board Member
     Denise Wagner Furman, Board Member
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     Brian P. Murphy, Board Member
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     Sheldon A. Sorokoff, Alternate Member
                        (In Absentia)
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     Deven Sharma, Building Inspector
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     Marianne Stecich, Board Counsel
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1 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 2 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: Good 3 evening, everyone. This is the zoning 4 board of appeals meeting of July 26, 2007. 5 As you can see, we have a bunch of empty б chairs here. We have two items on the 7 agenda, and we were supposed to have four 8 board members tonight, our alternate plus 9 the three of us. The other two board members couldn't make the meeting tonight 10 for a variety of reasons, and 11 12 unfortunately Sheldon, who is our 13 alternate, is unable to be here. Suddenly 14 something came up at home. So what that means is the 15 16 following. For the first case, Ling Ho, 17 Mr. Pycior is in the mailing district and has to recuse himself. Therefore, we 18 don't have a quorum for the case. So we 19 cannot actually go forward unfortunately. 20 21 MS. HO: What does that 22 mean? 23 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: If you come 24 up to the microphone, I'll explain to you. 25 In order to hear the case and vote on it,

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 we have to have three voting members
 present. We have three, but he has to
 recuse himself because he lives on your
 block. And therefore, you are only left
 with two members.

7 I had anticipated the third one 8 being here, in which case we would have 9 had three voting members. I will tell you 10 having three members is not the best way to go, because you have to have three yes 11 12 votes. So in some ways it is probably 13 better to wait for a fuller board. But we 14 have no choice. We can't hear your application tonight. 15 16 MS. HO: When is it going to 17 be? 18 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: The next meeting will be in September. I think it 19 is the second Thursday. 20 21 MR. SHARMA: September 13. 22 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: I'm not 23 totally sure of the date. I apologize. 24 We were planning to go ahead. 25 Mr. Sorokoff's wife took ill. He called

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 1 2 an hour ago and said he couldn't come. 3 MS. HO: Would the other 4 member be here, Mrs. Furman? 5 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: Neither б Denise nor David is able to be here 7 tonight. Denise told me it is 99 percent 8 she wasn't coming. Her daughter is flying 9 in. She has to pick her up. And she is not here. She is not here. So --10 11 MS. HO: It puts me in a 12 very bad place. I rush and rush and rush 13 to get this in because contractor -- you 14 know, I have a contract with people. If I'm late, my roof is really -- would not 15 16 hold this wintertime. 17 MS. STECICH: Legally the board can't do it. They just can't do it 18 under the law. 19 MS. HO: I understand that. 20 21 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: The next 22 meeting, it is six or seven weeks. 23 MS. HO: That's a long time 24 for me. 25 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: It is.

1 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 2 MS. HO: Because I make all 3 my plans. I go get a rental and 4 everything. So would they --5 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: I feel 6 badly. It is the first time in a long 7 time. In fact, I don't think I can 8 remember a meeting when we didn't have a 9 quorum for a case. We have had a three sometimes when somebody had to recuse 10 11 themselves. 12 MS. HO: Would they schedule 13 a meeting sooner than that? CHAIRMAN MAGUN: The next 14 15 meeting is going to be in September. 16 August is -- everybody is on vacation. 17 The likelihood of having a quorum is not 18 going to happen. I'm sorry. 19 MS. HO: You know --20 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: We all 21 spent time looking at your property and 22 thinking about it, so it is hard for all 23 of us who are ready to go. 24 MS. HO: You know, it is 25 just I rushed and rushed. I was so

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 1 2 excited. And just go through the whole 3 storm to get it all done and then just 4 feel disappointed. 5 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: I don't 6 think we have any other items we have had 7 on adjournment, so I think your case will 8 be the first one in September. 9 MS. HO: It is a long time 10 for me. CHAIRMAN MAGUN: I'm sorry. 11 12 Case No. 10-07, Michael Agate. Is there 13 someone here with regards to that? 14 MR. AGATE: You can hear mine tonight? 15 16 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: Yes. I 17 want to discuss that with you, yes, before you set anything up. Tell me your name 18 19 and address. MR. AGATE: Michael Agate, 20 21 I'm the applicant for 495 Warburton 22 Avenue. 23 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: Okay. As 24 you see, we have three people here tonight 25 and which means that if -- I'm not sure we б

1 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 can go ahead. I'm going to talk to the 2 3 attorney, our attorney, about it. For a 4 variety of reasons if we were to go ahead, 5 you'd have to have a yes vote from all б three of us.

7 If you have a full board, you have 8 the advantage in my opinion of having one 9 or two negative votes because you still 10 need three to pass any variance on view preservation issues. Now Marianne is 11 12 going to explain.

13 MS. STECICH: This is unusual procedurally. It is before the 14 15 zoning board only for view preservation 16 approval. As the board knows, before a 17 case gets to you for view preservation 18 approval, it first has to be approved by the planning board. It is a two-step 19 process. The planning board has to 20 21 approve it. And then if they don't 22 approve it, it doesn't come to you. If 23 they do approve it, then you can approve 24 it or not. 25

Now, this application, when it came

1 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 before the planning board, showed a 2 3 building higher than what was there 4 before. I don't know how much higher, 5 maybe like 6 feet higher, four or 5 feet 6 higher than it was before. And the 7 planning board would not recommend view 8 preservation approval. It didn't vote it 9 down. But ordinarily it would have just said come back with different plans or 10 11 whatever. 12 But there were a lot of neighbors 13 at the meeting who had -- some of them are 14 here tonight -- who had some concern, because the building has been just a shell 15 16 really for it's about five years now. Was 17 it about five years ago, Michael? 18 MR. AGATE: Five and a half. MS. STECICH: 19 So when the planning board realized that the zoning 20 21 board wouldn't be meeting again until 22 September and that could really hold 23 things up, they made an unusual approval 24 and that was a conditional approval. And 25 the approval is that they would recommend

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 1 view preservation approval as long as the 2 3 building is no higher than it was before 4 the fire and that the roof line remained 5 the same as it was before the fire. I 6 think the shell of the building is still 7 up. The roof line is still up, Deven? 8 But it needs to be replaced. 9 MR. SHARMA: It is closed. It is burnt down. And yes, the roof line 10 is pretty much not there. You may see 11 12 some pictures of what the roof line used 13 to be. 14 MS. STECICH: Anyway, the thinking there -- they didn't have 15 16 drawings of what the building was like 17 before. But their thinking was if it is 18 the same outline it was before, that they felt comfortable giving him view 19 preservation approval. And --20 21 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: Okay. 22 MS. STECICH: That's where 23 you are. 24 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: So before 25 we even go any further then, my question

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 1 to you would be, the documents that you 2 3 submitted to us for consideration for view 4 preservation showed a different roof line. 5 MR. AGATE: Yes. б CHAIRMAN MAGUN: And I don't 7 know that we can go ahead anyway without 8 seeing new drawings. But what is your 9 feeling about what our attorney just said 10 in terms of planning board -- what the planning board recommended? We can't 11 12 really hold the case unless you were going 13 to redesign the building. MR. AGATE: We did have ARB 14 approval, and that's the drawings that we 15 16 had submitted, which is at the 40 foot 17 line. So we don't have drawings for the 18 existing. 19 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: I guess my feeling, and I want to ask the board about 20 21 this -- is that -- well, let me clarify. 22 Are you prepared then if we -- at the next 23 meeting to submit a different design with 24 a roof line that is in accordance with 25 what the planning board wishes, or do you

1 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 not want to do that? Because if you 2 3 don't, then we can't really hear the 4 application. 5 MS. STECICH: The more 6 relevant question is that even though you 7 may not go forward tonight, but is 8 tonight -- is his application for -- is 9 his application for the, I guess, 36 foot 10 building? MR. AGATE: The application 11 12 is actually for the 40 foot height. I do 13 have an approval for the existing height. 14 MS. STECICH: This board without the planning board approval on the 15 16 40 foot, the zoning board couldn't approve 17 that even if they thought it was great. 18 They just can't. 19 MR. AGATE: I understand. MS. STECICH: 20 Okay. 21 MR. AGATE: What are you 22 asking from me then? 23 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: I guess 24 what I'm asking -- it sounds to me like 25 the planning board is not going to approve

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 1 2 or has not approved your 40 foot design. 3 MR. AGATE: Right. 4 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: And I guess 5 the way they wrote it up, maybe they were 6 hoping that you would come in here with 7 drawings and an idea to keep things as 8 they were and --9 MR. MURPHY: Well, I think 10 you have to decide what you want to do. 11 The planning board approved conditionally 12 what they are willing to permit. We can't 13 override that. 14 MR. AGATE: That, I 15 understand. 16 MR. MURPHY: If you want to 17 go back and redraw something in accordance 18 with the planning board's conditional approval, then come back to us. We can 19 consider that. If you don't like that 20 21 decision, you can go back to the planning 22 board and try something different. 23 MR. AGATE: Let me ask, what 24 do you mean by "conditional approval"? Is 25 that conditional at 36 or conditional that

1 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 2 it may be lower than 36? 3 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: The way I 4 understood it, the way I understood, and 5 you can clarify this, is they gave 6 conditional approval if the height of the 7 building were to remain the same as --8 MS. STECICH: No. No 9 higher. 10 MR. MURPHY: It says no 11 higher than it was before the fire. 12 MR. AGATE: Existing. 13 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: Right. And I assume -- I don't remember what it 14 15 looked like before the fire, but I assume 16 it was a straight line. So I'm not sure -- I don't really think we can go 17 18 ahead tonight. 19 MR. AGATE: I thought maybe 20 we could come to a decision on what the 21 zoning board was looking for, if that is the 36 foot preexisting existing 22 23 condition. 24 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: I don't 25 really know what the zoning board is

1 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 2 looking for. 3 MR. AGATE: The reason I 4 ask, the only reason why I ask is because 5 I feel time is of the essence also, and I б believe my neighbors also feel that time 7 is a factor. 8 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: It is 9 always a factor in every case we have 10 before us. We understand that. MR. MURPHY: Marianne --11 12 MR. AGATE: I don't know 13 what to build. MR. MURPHY: -- he is 14 looking for guidance. 15 16 MS. STECICH: Maybe we should have a session for advice of 17 counsel on this one. 18 19 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: Okay. We are going to take an adjournment for a 20 brief discussion. 21 22 (Recess taken.) 23 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: We are 24 going to come back into session. 25 Mr. Agate, we just needed to get some of

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 1 2 the history from the building inspector 3 and advice of counsel to understand some 4 issues. I don't think the board is 5 prepared tonight to consider the б application without drawings --7 MR. AGATE: Okay. 8 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: -- which I 9 think you can certainly understand that. 10 MR. AGATE: That's fine. CHAIRMAN MAGUN: It sounds 11 12 like the planning board is not going to 13 recommend anything other than a building 14 that is in line with the adjacent buildings on both sides. So I guess it is 15 16 just a straight line across. MR. AGATE: Straight line or 17 18 existing -- preexisting? 19 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: I don't 20 know what the preexisting --21 MR. AGATE: It was 36. 22 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: Is that 23 lower than the adjacent buildings? 24 MR. AGATE: I didn't --25 actually, the new building that was built

1 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 2 used to be the same height. It used to be 3 one structure. When it was rebuilt it was 4 rebuilt at a lower height. 5 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: So I don't 6 want to speak for the planning board. 7 What is written here is that the building 8 be no higher than it was before the fire 9 and that the roof line remain the same as 10 before the fire. 11 MR. AGATE: Okay. 12 MR. SHARMA: May I say 13 something? If the building is 36 foot or 14 higher than the adjacent buildings, it still has to be approved for view 15 16 preservation by the architectural review 17 board. 18 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: Architectural review board and the 19 planning board? 20 21 MS. STECICH: No. 22 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: It wouldn't 23 have to go back to the planning board 24 because they gave conditional approval? 25 MR. SHARMA: Provided the

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 1 2 building before and the existing height is 3 36. And the architectural review board 4 has to approve that 36 foot height, you 5 know, before he can do it. б CHAIRMAN MAGUN: Adjacent 7 building to you, I guess the address is 8 491-493, one of the adjacent, is that 36 9 feet? 10 MR. AGATE: No, they are not at the pre-existing height. They are 11 12 lower than the pre-existing height. 13 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: I don't 14 know who you are. 15 MS. LISTERMAN: I'm Amy 16 Listerman. I'm in one of the adjacent buildings, as these guys are. 17 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: You need to 18 go to the microphone and give your name 19 20 and address. MS. LISTERMAN: Amy 21 22 Listerman, from 491 Warburton Avenue. I 23 have no idea what the existing buildings 24 were. I do have a picture that shows the 25 buildings at one point were all the same

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 1 height. If ours is lower, I'm kind of 2 3 confused because it matches the one next 4 to us. 5 All of that being said, again, I 6 don't think that that's a major -- we just 7 want to -- you know, the question it 8 should be to what it was and it should be 9 to ours. I don't know that I know the facts. And I don't know that anyone --10 you sound like you know the facts. But it 11 12 is just weird. I would love to get the 13 answer to that. Again, I don't know that 14 you've got a really strong view one way or 15 another. But the question of if our 16 building is lower than the prior 17 buildings, why does it appear to match the 18 building next to it? That's just the 19 question. MR. PYCIOR: You mean the 20 21 building south --22 MS. LISTERMAN: Exactly. 23 MR. PYCIOR: In the photo it 24 shows a straight line. 25 MS. LISTERMAN: Right. And,

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 1 again, I don't even know if this should be 2 3 the decision factor, because it appears 4 historically they were all the same 5 height, but I can't help this. I would 6 love clarity on that point more so than we 7 have a strong view either way. 8 MR. AGATE: I have photos if 9 you would like to see them. 10 MS. LISTERMAN: I would, 11 because that would be great. 12 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: Let's make 13 sure we all understand the process. Since 14 we can't go ahead tonight, you are going 15 to come up with a redesign that will 16 either be, again, no higher than -- that 17 will be no higher than before the fire, and the roof line remains the same as 18 before the fire. 19 MR. AGATE: Yes, 20 21 preexisting. 22 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: That may 23 not be in line with the adjacent 24 buildings. 25 MR. AGATE: It is not.

1 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 2 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: It is not. MR. AGATE: I do have one 3 4 wall that is still up there, and you have 5 to add twelve inches, if not more, to it 6 when you put the roof rafters on. 7 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: So you 8 will -- it will need to be brought to the 9 architectural review board, is that 10 correct? MR. SHARMA: No. He needs 11 12 to do that before or after he gets an okay 13 from you. You see, the architectural 14 review board may not approve a 36 foot building down to 34 feet and whether that 15 16 can be a condition of the zoning board --CHAIRMAN MAGUN: Shouldn't 17 18 he go to them first, though? I'm not sure where the architectural review board comes 19 20 in here in timing. 21 MS. LISTERMAN: It is August 22 6. I checked. 23 MS. STECICH: He did 24 before, right? He went before the ARB 25 before he went before the planning board.

1 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 2 MR. AGATE: Right. 3 MS. STECICH: One is not 4 contingent on the other. 5 MR. SHARMA: The 6 architectural review board can do a ruling 7 conditioned on the zoning board also 8 approving. 9 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: View 10 preservation is the only issue we actually 11 vote on in this board which is, as you 12 know, a subjective thing. So if for some 13 reason your building comes in this way, we may feel that that affects the view in 14 some significant way. I'm just -- that 15 16 could happen. MR. AGATE: I understand. I 17 18 was --19 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: We were 20 hoping to go ahead. 21 MR. AGATE: No, no, no. You 22 do realize, though, I have to remove a 23 wall which is attached to my neighbor's 24 roof if I have to lower the building. And 25 it may not be structurally -- which I

1 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 would more than welcome any engineer, 2 3 Deven himself, to come in and so on and so 4 forth, because that wall stands, is 5 existing. б CHAIRMAN MAGUN: I don't 7 know what more we can do. 8 MR. MURPHY: No, there is 9 nothing more we can do. You need plans. We will look at them. Maybe they can make 10 them consistent with the recommendation. 11 12 And Deven will tell you if you need the 13 architectural review board. MR. SHARMA: He definitely 14 needs an architectural review board. It 15 16 is just a matter of when, before or after. 17 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: It would seem to make sense to do it before he 18 19 comes to us. MS. STECICH: 20 No. 21 MR. SHARMA: You may have to 22 do that as well. 23 MR. AGATE: Deven, you will 24 see me on Monday anyway, because I don't 25 know how to move forward with this.

1 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 2 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: If someone 3 has some important comments to make that 4 might affect this process, you are welcome 5 to come to the microphone. Otherwise, we б are going to adjourn. 7 MR. NOVAK: Andrew Novak, 8 son of owner of 493-A. Should I proceed? 9 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: One of 10 the --MR. NOVAK: Immediate 11 12 neighbor adjacent to the south side. I 13 just want to make sure we understand 14 clearly. CHAIRMAN MAGUN: This is a 15 multi-family residence, is that correct, 16 17 or it is one separate building? MR. NOVAK: Well, it is four 18 units, each a single family. 19 20 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: Go ahead. MR. NOVAK: If I understand 21 22 correctly, there is an architectural 23 review board, I take it, which we have not 24 gone before. And it sounds like that 25 board has already approved some plan?

1 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 2 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: I think 3 they approved this plan. MR. NOVAK: I guess my 4 5 question -- maybe this is not a fair 6 question to this board, but we -- our 7 neighbors, we had absolutely no --8 MS. STECICH: Yes. The ARB 9 doesn't require public notice. 10 MR. NOVAK: But do they --MS. STECICH: It probably 11 12 would have been in a paper or something, 13 but they don't mail you a notice. MR. NOVAK: So there is an 14 15 architectural review board that approves 16 something, an architectural plan? Is that 17 what the concept is? CHAIRMAN MAGUN: The 18 architectural review board is a board that 19 20 looks at the aesthetics, not at the zoning 21 issues. 22 MR. NOVAK: And I guess --23 again, I'm not trying to be rhetorical. 24 How would the architectural review board 25 approve a plan that affects the

1 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 architectural and historical view of the 2 3 place without hearing the views of the 4 public or the affected neighbors and the 5 like? In other words, I'm trying to 6 understand, because last week's 7 preservation board, we all got notice of 8 that and came and expressed our views and 9 concerns as to the potential impact to us 10 from a more preservation perspective. I'm just trying to understand, what is the 11 12 mandated difference between the two 13 boards? 14 MR. SHARMA: Can I try to explain? Architectural review board 15 16 strictly looks at the architectural 17 matters of the scheme presented. MR. NOVAK: Such as the 18 integrity of the building? 19 MR. SHARMA: As long as 20 21 they are not overriding what the planning 22 or zoning board might do. But if 23 supposing 40 feet height is permitted by 24 code, so they would look at the 25 architectural aspect matters of the scheme

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 1 2 in relation to the buildings on either 3 side of it. 4 MR. NOVAK: But is that 5 subjective? б MR. SHARMA: They are not 7 going to the view preservation issues. It 8 would be outside their purview. Again, 9 let me complete. So their approval is subjective to, conditioned upon two other 10 boards, and the boards' approval are 11 12 conditioned on the architectural review 13 approval. So one can happen before the 14 other. 15 MR. NOVAK: So the 16 architectural review board has to first take the action, assuming the applicant 17 18 gets approval from that board. And the next step is the preservation board? 19 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: The 20 21 planning board. 22 MR. NOVAK: That was the 23 last week's board? 24 MR. SHARMA: Yes. 25 MR. NOVAK: I am assuming if

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 1 2 they get approval from them, the 3 application finally comes before your 4 audience? I see. 5 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: If the б zoning variance is required or view 7 preservation issue is required. 8 MR. NOVAK: Anywhere along 9 the way, if an applicant is not able to successfully obtain approval of either 10 11 board, this board is in automatic decline 12 or do you still consider that application? 13 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: It wouldn't 14 come to us if the planning board didn't 15 approve it. 16 MR. NOVAK: I see. He will 17 not get to the planning board if the 18 architectural review board did not approve 19 it? MS. STECICH: 20 That's not 21 true. And I don't think we need to get 22 into it. But just the architectural 23 review board is just an advisory board. 24 It has meetings. It has the same notice 25 and anything else to us. It does not have

1 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 public hearings, which is why you wouldn't 2 3 have had an opportunity to participate. 4 They don't have public hearings. 5 But the zoning board and the б planning board do have public hearings, 7 which is why you get notice and get to 8 participate. It depends on the 9 application. You can't answer in the abstract. A lot of applications don't 10 require ARB approval. A lot of 11 12 applications don't require planning board 13 approval. This particular one because it is more than -- it is a multi-family; it 14 is a mixed building -- it requires ARB 15 16 approval, planning board approval, and 17 because this is in a view preservation 18 district, zoning board approval. MR. NOVAK: I understand. 19 Thank you. Follow-up question. The 20 21 architectural review board meeting, is 22 that a closed session? In other words, 23 the public is not allowed to attend? 24 MS. STECICH: No. The 25 public is allowed to attend all the

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meetings. It is an open meeting. You are
allowed to attend. And I believe the
notice is published on the Web site, and
the people who are in the E-mail list get
notice of it.

7 MR. NOVAK: Understanding I don't want to pick a fight with you about 8 9 what you are implementing under the law, 10 but I think from our perspective, since we all have a vested interest in making sure 11 12 that we are good neighbors and all can 13 agree to whatever the heck this thing is 14 going to look like ultimately when it is finished, I think we all have an interest 15 in making sure we come to whatever proper 16 17 form that we can. And it appears to me 18 the architectural review board to the extent -- if I understand this correctly, 19 20 you are now required -- I think you are 21 recommending the applicant go back to the 22 architectural review board, correct, with 23 the designs of what it is going to look 24 like, if he were to build it back to the 25 pre-fire conditions, correct?

1 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 2 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: That's 3 correct. 4 MS. STECICH: First of all, 5 he is not going because it is recommended. 6 He is going because it is required under 7 the law because he is doing --8 MR. NOVAK: To go back to 9 the architectural review board? 10 MS. STECICH: Yes. It is not based on this board's recommendation. 11 12 He just has to go back to the ARB because 13 the design is different than the design 14 they approved before. The design they approved before was not the design. 15 16 Essentially the height they approved 17 before was not allowed by the planning 18 board. So he has to come up with a new design. It is a new design. It has to 19 get approved by the ARB. Correct, Deven? 20 21 MR. SHARMA: Again, the 22 issue of who wants to hear it first, the 23 architectural review board looks at 24 architectural matters. But what if they 25 approve 36 feet height building, whereas

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 these boards will have to say no, 36 is
 not allowed. You can't have that for the
 view preservation issue, and you need to
 go back again.

б MR. NOVAK: I thought I 7 heard Mr. Sharma say a moment ago, if I 8 understand you right, Mr. Sharma, I think 9 what you are saying is -- but he has the 10 ability to go to the architectural review board at the time of his own choosing. In 11 12 other words, you are saying he can go --13 he doesn't have to go before coming back 14 to this board?

CHAIRMAN MAGUN: You know. 15 Actually, the zoning board doesn't know 16 17 the answers to these questions. That's 18 why we don't really -- I don't know the answer. I don't think any of us know. I 19 think you should discuss it with 20 21 Mr. Sharma and he can -- because I don't 22 think -- it is not something that we 23 really deal with on any regular basis. 24 And so I think what counsel said is that 25 by law this application has to be reviewed

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 1 by the architectural review board. Then 2 3 it has to go to the planning board, and it 4 has to go to the zoning board. But I 5 think we should not continue this 6 discussion here. 7 MR. NOVAK: That's fair 8 enough. 9 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: It is 10 beyond our purview. 11 MR. SHARMA: You can talk to 12 me or call me tomorrow. 13 MR. NOVAK: Maybe after the 14 meeting. Thank you. 15 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: Yes, sir. 16 MR. FRANK: My name is Eric 17 Frank, and I am at 493 Warburton so several doors to the south. So just one 18 further point of clarification, if the --19 if it does come back before this board, 20 this board would only be looking at view 21 22 preservation, right? That is the singular 23 issue when it arrives back here. 24 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: Yes, unless 25 the applicant wants to obtain a variance

1 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 2 of some kind. 3 MR. FRANK: For something 4 that is not in the existing? 5 MS. STECICH: In which б event it would be in a different notice. 7 MR. FRANK: Okay. Thank 8 you. All right. 9 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: Okay. I'm sorry if there was some confusion. So I 10 11 think you know where to go. Good luck. 12 The only other item on the agenda --13 Marianne has something. 14 MS. STECICH: Yes. Just 15 one matter is this is so anybody who was 16 paying attention to the notice for the Iris Burcat (ph) view preservation 17 18 approval, which is in River Glenn, it was approved by the planning board at the last 19 meeting, and it will be on for the 20 21 September zoning board meeting. 22 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: Okay. MS. STECICH: That notice 23 24 was in the newspaper. It is not on our 25 agenda. So we are going to make sure we

1 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 2 say it is noticed for September. 3 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: We can't 4 approve the minutes because we don't have 5 a board to approve the minutes. I'm 6 sorry. This meeting we don't have enough 7 people to accomplish very much. We didn't 8 really accomplish anything. I think the 9 next meeting is September --10 MR. SHARMA: September 13. CHAIRMAN MAGUN: That is the 11 12 second Thursday? 13 MR. SHARMA: It is the second Thursday in the month of September. 14 15 MS. STECICH: What I can't 16 understand, it is Rosh Hashanah. 17 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: Yes. I'm wondering if that is going to be an issue. 18 19 MS. STECICH: It is 20 Wednesday night in the day. MR. MURPHY: So I think 21 22 Thursday night should be okay. 23 CHAIRMAN MAGUN: It will 24 probably be okay. MR. MURPHY: Well, if it is 25

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 7/26/2007 not we will change it. CHAIRMAN MAGUN: We will let you know when the next meeting is. Is there a motion to adjourn? MR. MURPHY: Vote to adjourn. MR. PYCIOR: Second. CHAIRMAN MAGUN: In favor? Aye. MR. PYCIOR: Aye. MR. MURPHY: Aye. CHAIRMAN MAGUN: Okay. Meeting is adjourned. (Hearing adjourned at 8:45 p.m.)

1 2 STATE OF NEW YORK) 3) ss 4 COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER) 5 б 7 I, Nina Purcell, Notary Public within and 8 for the State of New York, do hereby certify: 9 10 That I reported the proceedings in the within entitled matter, and that the within 11 12 transcript is a true record of said 13 proceedings. 14 15 I further certify that I am not 16 related to any of the parties to the action by blood or marriage, and that I am in no way 17 interested in the outcome of this matter. 18 19 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto 20 set my hand this 2nd day of August, 2007. 21 22 23 NINA PURCELL, NOTARY PUBLIC 24 25