COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

NORFOLK, SS

IN THE MATTER OF:

Maria Vicuna

Petitioner



OPINION OF THE BOARD

REQUEST FOR SPECIAL PERMIT
Vehicle Parking
7 Longmeadow Lane
Medway, MA 02053

Hearing: April 1, 2015

Decision: May 20, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT: David Cole, Chairman

Anthony Biocchi Carol Gould, Clerk William Kennedy

THE WRITTEN OPINION WAS DELIVERED ON May 20, 2015

OPINION OF THE BOARD

This is a proceeding of the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Medway, MA (hereinafter the Board) acting under the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Medway, MA, 02053 and the Massachusetts General Law C40A, as amended, in which the petitioner, Maria Vicuna, request to be able to park four (4) Commercial Vehicles located at 7 Longmeadow Lane, Medway, MA 02053.

Hearing

Notice of the Public Hearing by the Zoning Board of Appeals in this matter was published in the Milford Daily News on March 18th and 25th, 2015. Notice also was sent to all "parties in interest" and posted in the Town Hall as required by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40A, Section 11.

The Public Hearing was held, and the record closed, on April 1, 2015. At the hearing, no one from the public spoke in favor of; or in opposition to the application.

Hearing Summary

The Applicant, Maria Vicuna, and husband Alfonso, came before the Board to request a Special Permit to park four (4) Commercial Vehicles for her construction operation company in her home driveway. The use of the driveway will be the only use of the property for business. The applicant stated there is sufficient available parking space for all vehicles.

One or two employees arrive daily to pick up the commercial vehicle(s) for business purposes and park their private cars along the public highway adjacent 7 Longmeadow Lane. The applicant said they do not run the business out of the home. They had an extra vehicle and dumper in the driveway; the dumpster was related to renovations in their home, and has now been removed.

Findings:

By vote of 4-0

- 1. The home based business involves the parking of at least 4 commercial vehicles; a photograph supplied by the applicant also reveals the presence of a fifth vehicle that is apparently being used for storage of equipment.
- 2. The applicant stated the home based business routinely involves the parking of at least 2 employees' private vehicles on the public way adjacent to the subject lot for extended periods of time.
- 3. The request would be inconsistent with the Special Permit criteria set forth in section IIIJ of the Zoning Board of Appeal By-Law.

Relief Denied:

By vote of 4-0

In view of the fore going findings the request for Special Permit is denied.

The Board hereby makes a detailed record of its findings and proceedings relative to this petition, sets forth its reasons for its findings and decision, incorporates by reference any plan or diagram received by it, directs that this decision be filed in the office of the Town Clerk and be made a public record and that notice and copies of its decision be made forthwith to all parties or persons interested.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAW, CHAPTER 40A, SECTION 11 NO VARIANCE, SPECIAL PERMIT OR CONSTRUCTIVE GRANT OF A VARIANCE TAKES EFFECT UNTIL RECORDED IN THE REGISTRY OF DEEDS.

David Cole, Chairman

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