

## **Hawthorne Planning Board Minutes of March, 2021 Regular Meeting**

The March, 2021 regular meeting of the Hawthorne Planning Board was called to order on March 16, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. by Vice Chairman Lucibello. After recital of the Pledge of Allegiance, Board Secretary Janice Patmos, called the roll. All members and alternates were present as well as Board attorney Mr. Siss Esq., and Secretary Janice Patmos. Absent from the meeting was Ms. DiMattia and Michael J. Kelly P.E., Board engineer. Chairman Garner arrived late to the meeting. Secretary Janice Patmos announced that notice of the meeting had been published and posted in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

### **MINUTES**

1. On a motion made by Mayor Goldberg, seconded by Mr. DeAugustines, the Board approved the minutes of the March work session.

### **CORRESPONDENCE** – None

### **BILLS**-None

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. With regard to the application of **Armstrong Health & Fitness**, a motion was made by Mr. Matthews, seconded by Mayor Goldberg and approved by a vote of 6-0 to approve a resolution memorializing the action taken by the Board at its March 2, 2021 meeting.

### **CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE PLAN REVIEW**

1. With regard to the application of **Podiatry Center of NJ**, Melina Valardo, business manager for the applicant, appeared on behalf of the applicant together with Richard Allen Jr., the applicant's attorney. After being sworn, she testified that the applicant proposes to lease approximately 1,255 square feet of subject premises for the operation of a podiatric medical office in the shopping center. They will provide podiatric examinations and fittings for orthotics. Hours are Monday through Saturday 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., closed Sunday. There will be five employees at the location with only one physician at one time. There are three examining rooms with three patients in the examining rooms and three waiting in the waiting room. All medical waste is handled by special medical waste carrier. Deliveries would have minimal impact on the shopping center. A motion was then made by Mayor Goldberg, seconded by Vice Chairman Lucibello and approved by a vote of 7-0 to grant the application for certificate of compliance plan review subject to preparation of a memorializing resolution by the Board attorney.

2. With regard to the application of **Diamond Bridge Pharmacy, LLC d/b/a Melcons Pharmacy**, Vishnu Patel, owner appeared together with Mr. Edward Easse the applicant's architect. Based on his credentials and his numerous appearances before the Board, he was accepted as an expert witness. After being sworn, they testified that the applicant proposes to lease 1,450 square feet of the subject premises to operate a pharmacy. The business will be moving from its current location on Diamond Bridge to the new building on Lafayette Avenue. They will be occupying the north west corner of the building with interior stairs to the basement for storage. The hours of operation will be 9:00 A.M to 7:00P.M. Monday through Friday, Saturday 9:00A.M. to 4:00 P.M. and Sunday 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. There will be four employees. Deliveries are made by a small van between 8:00A.M. and 9:00 A.M. There are 56 parking spaces on site. A motion was then made by Mayor Goldberg, seconded by Mr. Matthews and approved by a vote of 7-0 to grant the application for certificate of compliance plan review subject to preparation of a memorializing resolution by the Board attorney.

**OLD BUSINESS**-None

**NEW BUSINESS** – None

**PUBLIC**

The meeting was then opened for public comment without response.

The meeting was then adjourned at 7:47 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Patmos  
Secretary