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## PLANNING BOARD

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## BROOKLINE PLANNING BOARD MINUTES By Zoom Event July 29, 2021 – 6:30 p.m.

**Board Present:** Steve Heikin, Linda Hamlin, Mark Zarrillo, Shelly Chipimo  
**Staff Present:** Victor Panak

Steve Heikin opened the meeting.

### 1) JOINT MEETING WITH MODERATOR'S COMMITTEE ON BFAC RECOMMENDATIONS

The Planning Board was in attendance at the meeting of the Moderator's Committee on BFAC Recommendations from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Minutes of the discussion are available from the Moderator's Committee on BFAC Recommendations.

### 2) PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no public comments on matters not on the agenda.

### 3) BOARD OF APPEALS CASE (Tentative Zoning Board of Appeals Hearing Date) and relevant Precinct:

**50 Thorndike Street** – Demolish detached garage and construct attached garage requiring zoning relief for setbacks.

Scott Gladstone (attorney) requested that the case be continued. The case was continued without discussion.

**809 Heath Street** – Construct new two-family dwelling requiring zoning relief for use.

Victor Panak briefly summarized the project and indicated that the Planning Department is supportive.

Board members and the applicant discussed the cited zoning relief, focusing particularly on the height compliance and the parking situation.

The Board generally expressed opposition to the proposal. Board members felt that the project was not properly cited for zoning relief by the Building Department and that there remained a number of outstanding problems with the design, including the height of the building and the functionality of the parking/driveway.

Public Comment

Marjorie Katz (14 Heath Wood Lane) expressed opposition to the project because she felt that the building was too large. She also felt that there is too much traffic on Heath Street for the proposed parking and driveway layout to function safely.

The case was continued.

**4) OTHER BUSINESS**

The Board discussed how to approach the discussion on parking warrant articles for the next week's meeting. The Board also discussed the earlier discussion with the BFAC Moderator's Committee.

**5) APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Mr. Heikin moved to approve the minutes from 7-15-21. Mr. Zarrillo seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0-1 to approve the motion.**

**The meeting was adjourned.**