

MINUTES OF PLANNING BOARD REGULAR
MEETING #3400 TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2004
7TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM, GOVERNMENT
CENTER, 888 WASHINGTON BLVD., STAMFORD,
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Present for the Board were: Duane Hill, Chairman; John Garnjost; Rose Marie Grosso; Claire Fishman; and Theresa Dell. Present for staff: Robert M. Stein, Jr., Land Use Bureau Chief.

The Chairman, Mr. Hill, opened the meeting at 7:30 PM.

Meeting with Paul Gross, AIT Principal

The Chairman introduced Paul Gross, Principal of the AIT High School. Mr. Gross stated that the enrollment at the AIT is currently 325 students from six towns. He added that 27% of the ninth graders come from out of district. The AIT integrates formal academic schooling with technology and the plan to introduce Russian and Chinese into the program.

The City is designing a new facility of 120,000 square feet for an enrollment of 650 students. The students have helped with the design of the new school, which will utilize natural light, solar energy and geothermal heating. AIT has just received a federal grant for \$2 million. The Board thanked Mr. Gross for his presentation.

The Board agreed to table the next item, **Supplemental Appropriation for the AIT** pending the receipt of additional information from the Engineering Bureau.

Zoning Board Referral:

ZB - #204-09 Richard Redniss requesting a text change to the MXD-B District. Mr. Stein reviewed the background for the text change, which would then be used for the Pitney Bowes property. Mr. Garnjost suggested that in paragraph "H" the word orients be changed to links. Mrs. Grosso expressed concern over the proposed height and neighborhood context. Mrs. Dell stated that the minimum amount of retail was of concern. Mary Maarbjerg, representing Pitney Bowes stated that they plan to market the property to a single developer. Mr. Hill stated that the Board would conclude its review of the proposal on September 28th.

Old Business:

Mr. Hill reported that the KLHT School had completed its construction and met all of the ZBA conditions.

Mr. Garnjost reported on the 9th grade addition at Stamford HS and the modification of the gym in order to reduce costs.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted
Rose Marie Grosso

Note: These proceedings were recorded on tape and are available for review during regular business hours.