Minutes Design Review Board July 27, 2011 Flynn Building

Present: Dan Martin, Deborah Kruskal, Chris O'Halloran

### Sign Application: ABC Supply 25 Union Ave

Mike Fontenot presented an application for a wall-mounted sign. After further review of the applicant's building, the board determined that the allowable square footage for the sign was 57 square feet. By removing two of the signs presented (Siding and Roofing), the applicant reduced the square footage to 43 square feet.

In addition, the applicant has a free-standing sign (25 square feet) at the entrance on Union Ave. that the board determined would not be counted towards the total square footage of the wall-mounted sign.

The board unanimously voted to approve the wall-mounted sign with the following wording — ABC Supply Company Inc. Office and Showroom — as well as the free-standing sign on Union Ave.

# Sign Application: Bright Horizons 56 Union Ave

Eric Merliss of ARNCO Signs presented an application for four wall-mounted signs (primary sign, vinyl awning, secondary vertical sign, and a wall plaque adjacent to the front door). The board unanimously voted to approve the signs as presented with the removal of the wall plaque to the right of the main entrance. The board made a recommendation for the primary sign logo to conform to the look of the vinyl awning (sun icon positioned to the left of the wording) to better fit the building space.

### Sign Application: Financial Partners 383 Boston Post Road

Bart Steele of ViewPoint Siding and Awning presented an application for both a wall-mounted and projecting sign.

The board unanimously approved the wall-mounted sign that conforms to the bylaws with the understanding that the sign also requires approval from the Historic Districts Commission.

The board recommends usage of the projecting sign to the ZBA, as it seems appropriate in directing customers to the entrance. This too would need approval from the Historic Districts Commission.

In the case that the ZBA does not approve the projecting sign, the applicant presented an alternative by scaling the original sign to the maximum allowable square footage of 10 square feet.

The board unanimously approved this secondary option with the understanding that this too would need approval from the Historic Districts Commission.

# Plan Review: The Coolidge at Sudbury 189 Boston Post Road

Representing The Coolidge at Sudbury were Michael Liu and Thomas Schultz of The Architectural Team; Holly Grace of B'Nai B'Rith Housing New England; Joseph Peznola of Hancock Associates; James Koningisor of Koningisor, Luciano & Associates, Inc.; and Joshua Fox of Rollins, Rollins & Fox.

The team presented architectural and landscaping plans during the meeting.

The DRB was pleased overall with the consistency of the architectural style and use of landscaping in relation to the area. There was some concern from the DRB of the length (70 spaces) and proximity of the parking lot and its visibility from Boston Post Road. The DRB was assured from the Coolidge team that with the natural undulation in terrain as well as the berm and landscaping, visibility of the parking lot would be concealed.

The DRB recommended introducing more colorful landscaping closer to the North and South structures such as the use of dogwoods and rhododendrons.

It was also recommended to reconsider the uniformity of the windows in the expanse between the gambrels in the North building.

#### Miscellaneous

DRB Minutes from June 22, 2011, were approved with the following changes:

- Connie Kolman's name, of Kolman Interiors, is misspelled (first line)
- 5<sup>th</sup> line of Kolman Interiors should read the "lower floor" not "the lower for"