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PLANNING BOARD COUNTY OF ALBANY
TOWN OF COLONIE

THE PROPOSED NORTON MEDICAL OFFICE PROJECT
5 KROSS KEYS DRIVE
REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF 1 YEAR EXTENSION REQUEST

THE TAPED AND TRANSCRIBED MINUTES of the above
entitled proceeding BY NANCY STRANG-VANDEBOGART
commencing on January 25, 2011 at 7:05 p.m. at the
Public Operations Center 347 Old Niskayuna Road,
Latham, New York 12110

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

- PETER STUTO, CHAIRMAN
- LOUIS MION
- MICHAEL SULLIVAN
- THOMAS NARDACCI
- KATHLEEN DALTON
- TIMOTHY LANE
- PAUL ROSANO

Also present:

- Joseph LaCivita, Director, Planning and Economic
Development
- Jack Norton

1 CHAIRMAN STUTO: This is Town of Colonie
2 Planning Board meeting. The date is
3 January 25, 2011. This meeting is now called
4 to order.

5 We have a call for public hearing listed
6 for North Ridge Hollow. There is a delay on
7 that and were not going to do that today.

8 For anybody here who was here for the
9 Forest Hills subdivision that's been
10 postponed.

11 Were going to talk about the Norton
12 Medical Office and then the Board is going to
13 adjourn and take training. Then were going to
14 come back at 730 and do the Salvation Army.

15 Joe, do you want to talk about that?

16 MR. LACIVITA: Sure I can give a brief
17 summary. Both of the Norton's are here; Jack
18 and James.

19 The location of 5 Kross Keys Drive is an
20 30,000 feet medical general office building
21 that received final Planning Board approval on
22 January 13, 2009. It was during the review
23 process that the developers answered all the
24 questions of the Board and received final
25 approval at that time. The applicants are here

1 tonight requesting a one-year extension, based
2 on Section 190.56 of the Land Use Law. Under
3 the Land Use Law, it shall be valid for two
4 years from the date of issuance. The Norton's
5 are here asking for an extension of one year
6 approval.

7 Based on the Land Use Law, the actual
8 final plans were stamped February 23, 2009
9 after they successfully responded to all the
10 conditions set forth by the Planning Board and
11 the town departments. So, the Norton's were
12 proactive during the course of the review and
13 they had asked for an extension from the
14 Supervisor's office and from my office back in
15 November, and we got them to update their
16 application. They paid their fees in order to
17 be here this evening and they're here to ask
18 for a one-year extension.

19 MR. LANE: When did they get the original
20 Planning Board approval?

21 MR. LACIVITA: The original Planning
22 Board approval was January 13, 2009. During
23 the course of responding to any conditions and
24 departmental comments -

25 MR. LANE: That was for two years?

1 MR. LACIVITA: Yes, and the final stamped
2 plans were done February 23, 2009.

3 CHAIRMAN STUTO: Anybody on the Board
4 have any questions?

5 MR. ROSANO: I do.

6 Jack, I wasn't here at the time. I'm all
7 for the project and the extension. I just have
8 a couple questions.

9 On the final parking lot design I noticed
10 that the handicapped parking was across the
11 parking lot on the main driveway. Was there
12 any talk at the time and in 2009 of having
13 those closer to the building so people aren't
14 dealing with wheelchairs across the driveway,
15 especially in weather like this? I know it's
16 after the point. It's just a question for me
17 going forward. Was there any talk about that
18 at the time?

19 MR. JACK NORTON: No. Just the one side.

20 MR. ROSANO: Do you see my point? If they
21 drop people off in vans, we're asking them to
22 push wheelchairs across the driveway to get
23 into the building as opposed to having that
24 parking up against the front of the building.
25 They basically could get out, drop the

1 wheelchair down, and then go to the building.

2 MR. JACK NORTON: There wasn't any
3 question on it at the time.

4 MR. ROSANO: I just want to use this for
5 future reference. I'm finished; thank you.

6 CHAIRMAN STUTO: Anybody else on the
7 Board?

8 MR. ROSANO: Most of the buildings that
9 I'm going to know as I get older - a lot of
10 the medical arts buildings in the medical
11 buildings have been designed architecturally
12 with an overhang. You drive up and you're not
13 in the weather. You can get out and just get
14 people in and then you drive out to the
15 parking area. I don't want to cost you any
16 money. That's not what I'm here for. Just in
17 the future, if I see something like this that
18 comes in front of me, I'm going to try to push
19 for maybe just a little bit different kind of
20 look to the buildings. I was just thinking
21 they still have to go park against the traffic
22 and pull all the way around the building to
23 pick them up, were possibly they could have
24 easily had people get in and out; that's all.
25 It's not a big deal. Thank you.

1 CHAIRMAN STUTO: Would you like to make a
2 presentation?

3 MR. JACK NORTON: No.

4 CHAIRMAN STUTO: is there anyone from the
5 audience would like to speak?

6 ***(There was no response.)***

7 CHAIRMAN STUTO: Are we ready to take a
8 vote?

9 MR. NARDACCI: I'll make a motion.

10 MR. ROSANO: I'll second the motion.

11 CHAIRMAN STUTO: All in favor?

12 ***(Ayes were recited.)***

13 CHAIRMAN STUTO: All opposed?

14 ***(There were none opposed.)***

15 CHAIRMAN STUTO: Passed unanimously.

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19 ***(Whereas the proceeding concerning the above***

20 ***entitled matter was adjourned at 9:09 p.m.)***

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