



City of Waltham

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

LEGAL NOTICE

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THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS OF THE CITY OF WALTHAM WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING IN THE GOVERNMENT CENTER, 119 SCHOOL STREET, WALTHAM, MA ON AUGUST 26, 2014 AT 7:00 P.M. ON THE FOLLOWING:

Case #: 2014-17. **Petitioner/Owner:** RTN Federal Credit Union. **Nature of Appeal:** Application for Sign Variances. **Subject Matter:** RTN Federal Credit Union intends to remove existing signs and to construct, use and maintain new signs onto its office building at 600 Main Street, Waltham, Massachusetts. **Location and Zoning District:** 600 Main Street; Business C Zoning District. **Provisions of Zoning Ordinance Involved:** Article VI, §§6.52, 6.612, 6.6421 (c), 6.662, 6.73, 6.74. **Specific Manner in Which Subject Matter Varies From Zoning Ordinance:** In addition to the by right primary wall sign proposed for the Elm Street side of the building and the by right secondary wall sign proposed for the south side of the building, the Petitioner proposes to construct, use and maintain multiple secondary wall signs and a projecting sign which exceeds the maximum area permitted by the Zoning Ordinance. The signs shall be located on the north, south and east sides of the building. §6.52 of the Zoning Ordinance, Secondary wall sign, provides that each business establishment which abuts more than one exterior wall of the building in which it is located may have one secondary wall or individual letter sign on each exterior wall provided no such secondary wall shall exceed 18 square feet. Here, the Petitioner occupies the entire building at 600 Main Street (the corner of Main Street and Elm Street). The Petitioner intends to construct, use and maintain a primary wall sign on Elm Street, 63 square feet in area, and:

1. A secondary wall sign (§6.52) or individual letter sign at the corner of the building at Main and Elm Street which shall be forty-four and 60/100 (44.6) square feet in area and shall be forty-six and 5/8 inches tall (height);
2. A secondary wall on Main Street with an area of sixty-three and 00/100 (63) square feet;
3. §6.6421 (c) provides that one double faced projecting sign per establishment shall be permitted by right provided it does not exceed six square feet per side in area, or twelve square feet in total. Here a double faced projecting sign shall be situated over the ATM machine on the Elm Street side of the building which shall be forty (40) square feet per side or eighty (80) square feet;
4. A secondary wall sign shall be placed on the east side of the building which shall have an area of one hundred eleven (111) square feet;
- 5&6. Two additional secondary wall signs shall be placed on the south side of the building which shall have a combined square footage of one hundred twenty (120) square feet or sixty square feet per each sign;

7. A fourth secondary wall sign shall be placed on the south side of the building consisting of the new RTN logo with a sign area of thirty-eight (38) square feet; §6.73 states that where sign are of plexiglass or other similar translucent materials lighted from the interior, lighting shall be limited to lamps rated at no higher than 800 milliamps and spaced no closer than eight inches on center. Here, four wall signs containing the RTN logo shall be illuminated from the interior by LED lighting. §6.74 states that no sign shall be illuminated after the hours established in sections 6.741 and 6.746. No limitations are established for the Business C Zoning District. Here, the Petitioner shall not illuminate the signs between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. §6.662 states that individual letter signs shall be limited to 18 inches in height in the Business C Zoning District. Here, the wall sign or individual letter sign at the corner of Main Street and Elm Street shall have a height of 46 and 5/8 inches. Further, the letters in all RTN logo signs identified above shall have a height of twenty-nine inches. §6.612 states that in the Business C Zoning District, no wall signs shall have an area in square feet in excess of the product of the width of the building or the store front as may be approximate times three. Here, the aggregate frontage of the building is 193.25 feet. 193.25 feet times three is 579.75 feet. The proposed cumulative sign area herein is 526.10 square feet. The Petitioner shall also be installing eight (8) historical murals to the building.

Further information and plans concerning this case may be viewed at the Zoning Board of Appeals' Office, 119 School Street, Waltham, Massachusetts 02451; Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30-4:30. **MEMBERS:** Chair Barbara Rando, Michael Cotton, Mark Hickernell, John Sergi, Glenna Gelineau. **ASSOCIATE MEMBERS:** Edward McCarthy, Oscar LeBlanc, Marc Rudnick, Michael Squillante, Gordon LaSane.