**PLANNING BOARD**

**Village of East Syracuse**

**January 23, 2017**

Chairperson Ronald Gustafson called the meeting of the Village of East Syracuse Planning Board for Monday, January 9, 2017 to order at 4:45PM.

Present: Planning Board members: Bob Murphy, Mike Rendino, Liz Landry, Dick Robb and Chairperson Ron Gustafson. Also present: Village Engineer OBG Stephen Snell, Director of Code Enforcement Randy Capriotti, Village Clerk Patricia J. Derby and Mayor Robert T. Tackman.

On Behalf of Applicant Islamic Cultural Center of Bosnians’ In Syracuse: Project Engineer Joseph A. Mastroianni, PE, Ryan Files, Esq., Carol O’Hara, Saban Zahirovic, Suad Omeronz and Muris Neimorlija.

**Islamic Cultural Center of Bosnians’ In Syracuse**

**720 Hartwell Ave**

**Tax Map # 006-01-02.1**

Applicantreturns again after having attended Planning Board meetings on September 12th and November 14th, December 12th and January 9th regarding proposed new construction of 80’ x 80’ facility at 720 Hartwell Ave.

Project Engineer Joseph Mastroianni provided revised drawings for Proposed Site Plan (P-2),

And Landscape & Lighting (P-4) reflecting changes requested at last meeting.

**Joseph Mastroianni, Project Engineer** provided an update on the changes made to plans since the Planning Board’s review and comments at the January 9th meeting.

Changes shown on the drawing P2 include addition of a 6’ chainlink fence around the pond for safety. P4 shows added silver maple trees. These trees are rapid growth and can grow 7’ to 10’ a year. Monor changes were also made to grading and to show the detail of proposed sign. Director Capriotti reminded that the sign will be a separate permit process.

Mr. Mastroianni introduces presentation of graphic design video of site. Video depicted the site, in both day & night including parking area, view from Hartwell Ave, building features, athletic fields, detention pond, and southern portion of parcel in wetland buffer.

Chairperson Gustafson asked for additional comments:

*From Village Engineers:* Steve Snell reports that he will submit a summary memo outlining the details of review.

*From Code Enforcement:* Director of Code Enforcement Randy Capriotti reported on research conducted today at the County Clerks’ Office regarding the sewer easement. Went back to 1914 – there is no recorded sewer easement.

Recommends that the sewer easement be filed and recorded with the County and include a description on the property deed, similar to the water easement. This should clarify the conditions of the Village local law that from the property line is the owners’ responsibility to maintain. Cannot start construction until these conditions for the easement are met.

Director Capriotti also reviewed the comments from County Planning referral. Noted that the County will issue permit for the drive and curb cut. This turn radius is sufficient for fire vehicles.

Other items for drainage, lighting, parking and fencing were all satisfied.

*From Planning Board members:*

Planning Board member Dick Robb commented on the added landscaping, the fence and sign. Noted that features of the building remain the same.

Planning Board member Bob Murphy worked with applicant to complete SEQR. Sees no issues and offers a Negative Declaration.

**Motion –** by D. Robb, seconded by L. Landry – That upon Planning Board and Applicant review accept the SEQR determination as a negative declaration for new construction at 720 Hartwell Ave.

Polling the Board: All in favor. Motion carried.

**Motion –** by M. Rendino, seconded by L. Landry – To recommend approval of Site Plan application for Islamic Cultural Center of Bosnians in Syracuse for new construction of 80’ x 80’ building at 720 Hartwell Ave, with the conditions stated by the Village Engineers and Director of Code Enforcement and refer the matter to the Village Board of Trustees for acceptance.

Polling the Board: B. Murphy – aye, L. Landry – aye, M. Rendino – aye, D. Robb – nay, and Chairperson R. Gustafson – aye. Motion carried.

In explanation of his no vote Mr. Robb stated that whiles strides were made and support the negative environmental assessment feel that architectural and general site plan were not changed since initial review. There was little modification made to the fundamental site plan.

Applicant was advised that the Village of East Syracuse Board of Trustees will conduct a Public Hearing on the matter at the February 6th meeting at 7PM.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Patricia J. Derby

Village Clerk