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**PLANNING BOARD**

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NOTICE OF DECISION

Case No.: PB#109, MINOR AMENDMENT #1  
Premises: 343 Fresh Pond Parkway  
Zoning District: Business A/Parkway Overlay District  
Petitioner: Glenn K. Dougherty, Eastern Consulting, INC.,  
19 Midstate Drive, Suite 220, Auburn, MA  
01501  
Owner: Trinity Investments, Inc., P O Box 331, Dover, MA  
02030  
Date of Decision: April 18, 1995  
Date of filing Decision: May 18, 1995  
Date of Minor Amendment #1: July 11, 1995  
Petition: Amendment to condition #3 of the Parkway Overlay  
District Special Permit as granted, to allow an  
increase in the lighting of 175 watts of power to 250  
watts for the trial period of 6 months.

Documents Submitted:

1. Letter to Glenn Dougherty of Eastern Consulting from Mobil Oil Corporation, dated July 5, 1995, submitted by Glenn K. Dougherty to the Planning Board, outlining the concerns of the Corporation regarding the lighting levels allowed during the trial period (with a request that they be increased from 175 to 250).

Public Meeting

At a public meeting held on July 11, 1995, Glen Dougherty presented the request of Mobil Oil Corporation to allow the increase of the lighting on the site. The Board discussed the issue of allowing the increase at this time, and the general concern with the amount of the lighting at station sites, and the need for a in-place alternate to the typical 400 watt lights in

order to assess the issues of safety, intrusiveness, etc.

Findings

The Board finds no reason to amend the existing special permit to increase the allowed wattage. After the installation of the new lights the Board will survey the site and comment on the levels as already provided for in the permit. The Board is reluctant to allow the increase at this time without evidence of the need, and with as yet no on-site alternate to the typical 400 watt lights against which to assess the need for the industry standard. After inspection of the installation and consultation with the City Electrician, the Board may determine that an increase in wattage to 250 is warranted.

Decision

Based upon the above findings made the Planning Board **DENIES** the requested amendment to increase the lighting.

Voting to deny the amendment to the Special Permit were: P. Dietrich, H. Russell, A. Cohn, H. Sallemme, A. Callaghan, C. Mieth, and L. Sheffield.

For the Planning Board,

*Paul Dietrich<sup>(M)</sup>*

Paul Dietrich, Chairman