



Virgil de la Cruz, Co-Chair

Charles Pia, Jr., Co-Chair

Committee Report

Date:	Wednesday, August 1, 2018
Time:	7:00 p.m.
Place:	Legislative Chambers, 4th Floor Government Center, 888 Washington
	Boulevard, Stamford, CT

The Land Use-Urban Redevelopment Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Co-Chairs de la Cruz and Pia and Committee Member Reps. Cottrell, Graziosi, Lee, Lion, Sherwood and Summerville. Absent or excused was Rep. Michelson. Also present were Reps. Fedeli, McMullen, Miller, Morson and Nabel; Ralph Blessing, Land Use Bureau Chief, Jim Minor, Law Department; Steve Grushkin, Wofsey, Rosen, Kweskin & Kuriansky, LLP; William Hennessey and Lisa Feinberg, Carmody Torrance Sandak & Hennessey LLP; and approximately 30 members of the public.

Co-Chair Pia called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Item No.

Description

Committee Action

ZONING BOARD

DECISION

REJECTED 8-0-0

 <u>LU30.015</u> REJECTION; Appeal of Amendments to Article II, Section III, Definition 45, Gymnasium or Physical Culture Establishment, and Article III, Section 9, BBB. C-D Designed Commercial District of the Zoning Regulations. 06/06/18 – Submitted by Zoning Board 07/18/18 – Public Hearing Held & Report Made 07/19/18 – Public Hearing Held & Report Made

Rep. Cottrell asked whether there was a comprehensive study of the impact of this text change on all of the C-D zones discussed in the previous meeting. Mr. Blessing explained that the Land Use Bureau asked the applicant to prepare a statement based upon the development review guidelines developed by the department which were in the packet. He believes that Mr. Hennessey was referring to the presentation shared by Mr. Blessing at the beginning of the appeal. He does not think this is a sufficient study of the C-D district but was a review of whether this particular use would be appropriate in the zone. What needs to be studied more are other potential uses suggested by the Master Plan. Mr. Hennessey explained that he had been referring to the collection of studies contained in the file and the power point prepared by the Land Use Bureau for the Zoning Board. All of these are linked to the item.

A motion to reject the Zoning Board decision (and uphold the appeal) was made seconded and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. de la Cruz, Pia, Cottrell, Graziosi, Lee, Lion, Sherwood and Summerville in favor).

Co-Chair Pia adjourned the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Charles Pia, Co-Chair