LAW OFFICE OF KATHLEEN A. DESMOND, LLC

580 Main Street, Suite 204 Reading, Massachusetts 01867 Telephone: (978)545-0093 Facsimile: (781)210-9577

Kathleen A. Desmond, Esq. kdesmond@kadlaw.net

July 2, 2025

Mr. Adam Hurtubise, City Clerk Office of the City Clerk, Room 207 Medford City Hall 85 George P. Hassett Drive Medford, MA 02155

RE: 38 Harvard Avenue, Medford, MA 02155
Petition of OB's Auto Service & Collision LLC
New Class II Auto Dealer Used Car Sales License

Dear Clerk Hurtubise:

Enclosed for filing please find Petitioner's application for a New Class II Auto Dealer Used Car Sales License:

- (1) Application to the City Council for the issuance of a Class II Auto Dealer Used Car Sales License;
- (2) Notice of Petition to the Medford Building Commissioner;
- (3) Notice of Petition to the Fire Chief;
- (4) Affidavit of Petitioner as to Tax Filings and Tax Payment Obligations;
- (5) DOR Letter of Compliance;
- (6) Workers' Compensation Insurance Affidavit of Petitioner;
- (7) Business Certificate; and,
- (8) Evidence of Surety Bond in the amount of \$25,000.00

I have also enclosed a copy of the Class 4 Repair License held by OB's Auto Service and Collision LLC together with a copy of the Decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals granting a use variance that will permit the selling of used motor vehicles on premises subject to the issuance of a Class II Auto Dealer License by the Medford City Council.

Lastly, I have also enclosed the filing fee in the amount of \$125.00, and the fee for the issuance of a Business Certificate in the amount of \$30.00.

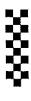
It is my understanding that the Notice of Petition to the Collector/Treasurer has been signed and sent in separately to the City Clerk's Office and the Traffic report remains pending.

Please feel free to contact me if you should have any questions with respect to the enclosed materials.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation.

Best regards.

Kathleen A. Desmond



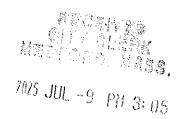


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City of Medford

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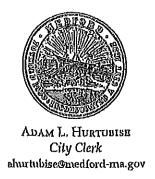
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<u>CITY OF MEDFORD</u> TRAFFIC IMPACT REPORT

To: The Honorable, the City Council	DATE June 16, 2025
The following is a <u>Traffic Impact Report</u> on a	New Class II Auto Dealer Used Car Sa
LICENSE application of OB's Auto Service &	& Collision LLC,
located at38 Harvard Avenue, Medford, M	
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No traffic impact an	
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Signed:

MEDFORD Chief of Police



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Telephone (781) 393-2424 PAX: (781) 391-1895 TDD: (781) 393-2516

	DATEJune 16, 2025
TO: MEDFORD FIRE CHIEF	
A PETITION HAS BEEN FILED BY	OB's Auto Service & Collision LLC,
AT38 Harvard Avenue, Medford, MA	02155
FOR New Class II Auto Dealer Used Ca	ar Sales
TELEPHONE NO. 781-488-3800 (TY	TE OF LICENSE)
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REPORT OF	THE FIRE CHIEF
DOES THIS PROPERTY CONFORM TO	FIRE DEPARTMENT REGULATIONS?
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5/21/25	



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' Telephone (781) 393-2424 FAX: (781) 391-1895 TDD: (781) 393-2516

DATE June 16, 2025
TO: THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER
A PETITION HAS BEEN FILED BY OB's Auto Service & Collision LLC,
FOR New Class II Auto Dealer Used Car Sales
(TYPE OF LICENSE)
TO BE LOCATED AT38 Harvard Avenue, Medford, MA 02155
TELEPHONE NO. 781-488-3800
REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER
DOES THIS PROPERTY CONFORM TO ZONING REGULATIONS?
-YES
BUILDING COMMISSIONER



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TREASURER/COLLECTOR

CITY OF MEDFORD MASSACHUSETTS

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

DATE June 16, 2025
TO: TREASURER/COLLECTOR
•
AN APPLICATION FOR ANew Class II Auto Dealer Used Car Sales LICENSE, HAS BEEN
RECEIVED, TO BE LOCATED AT 38 Harvard Avenue, Medford, MA 02155
•
PREVIOUS LICENSE HOLDER OB's Auto Service & Collision LLC,
PRESENT APPLICANT BUSINESS NAME
704 400 0000
TELEPHONE NO. 781-488-3800
PLEASE INDICATE ON THIS FORM, IF THERE ARE ANY OUTSTANDING
TAXES DUE ON THE PROPERTY.
YES IF YES, LIST AMOUNT.
NO
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1	Renewal
	Fee: \$30.00
THE COMMONWEAL	TH OF MASSACHUSETTS
CITY O	F MEDFORD June 2, 2025
In conformity with the provisions of Chapter one hund amended, the undersigned hereby declare (s) that a bu	ired and ten, Section five of the General Laws, as siness under the title of:
OB's Auto Service & Collision LLC,	•
	-
(ADDRESS, Physical Location of Business, No Post O	ffice Boxes or Rental Box Suites)
FULL NAME	RESIDENCE
. ORBELIN ABAZI	25 Grand Avenue, Revere, MA 02151
ARBA BOCI	25 Grand Avenue, Revere, MA 02151
E-Mail Address arba_boci@yahoo.com	Phone Number 781-219-8241
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Signed Abozi	Arba Boci
Orbelin Abazi, Manager	Arba Boci, Manager
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	TH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Middlesex County	20
Personally, appeared before me the above-named Orbe	elin Abazi, and Arba Bocci Managers of OB's
Auto Service &Collision LLC	•
and made oath that the foregoing statement is true	
(seal) KATHLEEN A. DESMOND NOTARY PUBLIC NOT	Hatalus.
NOTARY PUBLIC COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS My Comm. Expires Mar. 20, 2026	Kathleen A. Desmond, Notary
No. of the state o	· Commission (TITLE) 3/20/26
N ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF CH	IAPTER 337 OF THE ACTS OF 1985 and CHAPTER
SECTION 5 OF MASS. GENERAL LAWS, BUSINESS (FROM THE DATE OF ISSUE AND SHALL BR RENEV	CERTIFICATES SHALL BE IN EFFECT FOR FOUR YE. WED EACH FOUR YEARS THEREAFTER. A STATEM

UNDER OATH MUST BE FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK UPON DISCONTINUING RETIRING OR WITHDRAWING FROM SUCH BUSINESS OR PARTNERSHIP.

(over)

BUSINESS CERTIFICATE NO.

Notice.

I/We understand that filing a Business Certificate is <u>NOT</u> a license from the City Clerk, City of Medford, nor any of its agents or employees to operate a business.

- I, We understand that the filing of this Business Certificate <u>DOES NOT</u> necessarily mean that the business is in compliance with the Zoning Laws of the City of Medford (Chapter 94)
- I, We understand that a copy of the Business Certificate will be sent to the City of Medford Building and Assessors Department.

I/We understand that this filing is made pursuant to Chapter 110 of the Massachusetts General Laws and is valid for a period of 4 years from the date of acceptance for filing.

I/We understand that copies of such certificate shall be made available at the address such business is physically conducted and furnished upon request during regular business hours to any person who has purchased goods or service from such business.

I/We understand that violations are subject to a fine of not more than three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for each month during which violation occurs.

Signed: Obelin Abot

Title: MANAGEK

signed: Arha Boci

Title: MANNAGER

City Clerk's Office

85 George P. Hassett Drive, Room 103

Mediord, MA, 02155

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Industrial Accidents Office of Investigations Lafayette City Center

2 Avenue de Lafayette, Boston, MA 02111-1750

www.mass.gov/dia

Workers' Compensation Insurance Affidavit: General Businesses

Applicant Information	Please Print Legibly
Business/Organization Name: OB's Auto Service 8	& Collision LLC,
Address: 38 Harvard Avenue	
City/State/Zip: Medford, MA 02155	Phone #: 781-488-3800 (business); (781) 219 -8241 (mobile)
Are you an employer? Check the appropriate box: 1. X I am a employer with	12. \(\overline{
I am an employer that is providing workers' compensation insurance Company Name: American Zurich Insurance Insurance Company Name: American Zurich Insurance	Expiration Date: 05-09-26 on page (showing the policy number and expiration date). 52 can lead to the imposition of criminal penalties of a fine up Ities in the form of a STOP WORK ORDER and a fine of up to
I do hereby certify, under the pains and penalties of perjury that Signature: (2160)	
Signature: (// DC () // Do 21 Phone #: 781-488-3800 (business); (781) 219 -8241	Daic:
Official use only. Do not write in this area, to be completed i	
City or Town:Pe	
Issuing Authority (check one): 1. Board of Health 2. Building Department 3. Cit 5. Selectmen's Office 6. Other	ty/Town Clerk 4, Licensing Board
Contact Person:	Phone #:



WORKERS COMPENSATION AND **EMPLOYERS LIABILITY POLICY**

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INFORMATION PAGE WC 00 00 01 (A)

POLICY NUMBER: (6ZZUB-A400397-7-25)

NEW-25

INSURER: AMERICAN ZURICH INSURANCE COMPANY

A STOCK COMPANY

NCCI CO CODE: 17965

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INSURED:

PRODUCER:

OBS AUTO SERVICE & COLLISION

LLC

POMPEO & SONS INS AGENCY

464 HIGH ST

38 HARVARD AVE

MEDFORD MA 02155

MEDFORD MA 02155

Insured is a LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Other work places and identification numbers are shown in the schedule(s) attached.

- 2. The policy period is from 05-09-25 to 05-09-26 12:01 A.M. at the insured's mailing address.
- 3. A. WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE: Part One of the policy applies to the Workers Compensation Law of the state(s) listed here:

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B. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY INSURANCE: Part Two of the policy applies to work in each state listed in item 3.A. The limits of our liability under Part Two are:

Bodily Injury by Accident: \$

1000000 Each Accident

Bodily Injury by Disease: \$

1000000 Policy Limit

Bodily Injury by Disease: \$

1000000 Each Employee

C. OTHER STATES INSURANCE: Part Three of the policy applies to the states, if any, listed here:

COVERAGE REPLACED BY ENDORSEMENT WC 20 03 06B

D. This policy includes these endorsements and schedules:

SEE LISTING OF ENDORSEMENTS - EXTENSION OF INFO PAGE

The premium for this policy will be determined by our Manuals of Rules, Classifications, Rates and Rating Plans. All required information is subject to verification and change by audit to be made ANNUALLY.

DATE OF ISSUE: 05-21-25 HP

OFFICE: RMD ZURICH

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PRODUCER: POMPEO & SONS INS AGENCY

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ST ASSIGN: MA





WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS LIABILITY POLICY

EXTENSION OF INFO PAGE-SCHEDULE WC 00 00 01 (A)

POLICY NUMBER: (6ZZUB-A400397-7-25)

INSURER: AMERICAN ZURICH INSURANCE COMPANY

INSURED'S NAME: OBS AUTO SERVICE & COLLISION

17965-MA

LLC

RATE BUREAU ID: 001221801

		PREMIUM BASIS ESTIMATED	RATES	ESTIMATED
CLASSIFICATION	CODE	TOTAL ANNUAL REMUNERATION	PER \$100 OF REMUNERATION	Annual Premium
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38 HARVARD AVE MEDFORD, MA 02155 SIC CODE: 5511 NAICS: 44	11110			
AUTOMOBILE SERVICE OR RE CENTER & DRIVERS	SPAIR 8380	133080	1.72	2289

2.00% EMPL. LIAB. INCREASED LIMITS (9812) \$	46
ADD FOR INCREASED LIMITS MINIMUM (9848)	29
MERIT RATING/EXPERIENCE MOD: NONE MODIFIED PREMIUM	NONE
TOTAL ESTIMATED ANNUAL STANDARD PREMIUM	2364
EXPENSE CONSTANT (0900)	338
0.0300 TERRORISM (9740)	40
4.68% MA WC SPECIAL FUND AND TRUST FUND	107
TOTAL ESTIMATED PREMIUM	2849
DEPOSIT AMOUNT DUE	2849





CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING AND/OR TAX COMPLIANCE



Why did I receive this notice?

The Commissioner of Revenue certifies that, as of the date of this certificate, OB'S AUTO SERVICE & COLLISION LLC dba:OB'S AUTO SERVICE & COLLISION LLC is in compliance with its tax obligations under Chapter 62C of the Massachusetts General Laws.

This certificate doesn't certify that the taxpayer is compliant in taxes such as unemployment insurance administered by agencies other than the Department of Revenue, or taxes under any other provisions of law.

This is not a waiver of lien issued under Chapter 62C, section 52 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

What if I have questions?

If you have questions, call us at (617) 887-6400, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Visit us online!

Visit mass.gov/dor to learn more about Massachusetts tax laws and DOR policies and procedures, including your Taxpayer Bill of Rights, and MassTaxConnect for easy access to your account:

- Review or update your account
- Contact us using e-message
- Sign up for e-billing to save paper
- Make payments or set up autopay

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Edward W. Coyle, Jr., Chief

Collections Bureau



OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

City Hall - Room 103 85 George P. Hassett Drive Medford, Massachusetts 02155

Telephone (781) 393-2424 FAX: (781) 391-1895 TDD: (781) 393-2516

	Date Julie 2, 2025
	ctify under the penalties of perjury that I, to my best knowledge and belief e filed all state tax returns and paid all state taxes required under law.
Ľ	rbelin Aboli
*Sig	gnature of responsible Individual / Corporate Officer
(Orbelin Abazi, Manager
Prin	t Name
	25 Grand Avenue, Revere, MA 02151
Hon	ne Address
	87-3244930
**	Social Security # or
•	Federal Identification Number
*	This license will not be issued unless this certification clause is

Your Social Security Number and / or FID Number will be forwarded to the

Massachusetts Department of Revenue to determine whether you have met tax filing or tax payment obligations. Licensees who fail to correct their non-filing or delinquency will be subject to license suspension or revocation. This request is

signed by the applicant.

made under the authority of Mass. G. L. c. 62C s. 49A.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE TO BUY, SELL, EXCHANGE OR ASSEMBLE SECOND HAND MOTOR VEHICLES OR PARTS THEREOF

I, the undersigned, duly authorized by the concern herein mentioned, hereby apply for a
1. What is the name of the concern? OB's Auto Service & Collision LLC,

Business address of concern. No. 38 Harvard Avenue
Medford, MA 02155
2. Is the above concern an individual, co-partnership, an association or a corporation?
3. If an individual, state full name and residential address.

4. If a co-partnership, state full names and residential addresses of the persons composing it.

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5. If an association or a corporation, state full names and residential addresses of the principal officers.
President ORBELIN ABAZI, MANAGER 25 Grand Avenue, Revere, MA 02151
Secretary ARBA BOCI, MANAGER 25 Grand Avenue, Revere, MA 02151
Treasurer
6. Are you engaged principally in the business of buying, selling or exchanging motor vehicles? . No
If so, is your principal business the sale of new motor vehicles?
Is your principal business the buying and selling of second hand motor vehicles?
Is your principal business that of a motor vehicle junk dealer? No, the principal business is that of a Class 4 Auto

FORM 53 Manne & Wenney for Bristinues

7. Give a complete description of all the premises to be used for the purpose of carrying on the business. The business will be conducted at 38 Harvard Avenue, Medford, MA in conjunction
with the existing automotive repair and auto-body shop business as an accessory use Mehicles
for sale will be located in the rear of the property, and no, advertising (signage) with respect to
the vehicles for sale will occur on-site. The sale of vehicles will be subject to the grant of a use variance
issued by the Medford Zoning Board of Appeals
8. Are you a recognized agent of a motor vehicle manufacturer? No
If so, state name of manufacturer . N/A
9. Have you a signed contract as required by Section 58, Class 1?
10. Have you ever applied for a license to deal in second hand motor vehicles or parts thereof?
If so, in what city — town
Did you receive a license? .N/A
11. Has any license issued to you in Massachusetts or any other state to deal in motor vehicles or parts
thereof ever been suspended or revoked?

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Sign your name in full. Orbelien Abazi (Duly authorized to represent the concern herein mentioned)
25 Grand Avenue, Revere, MA 02151 Residence

IMPORTANT

EVERY QUESTION MUST BE ANSWERED WITH FULL INFORMATION, AND FALSE STATEMENTS HEREIN MAY RESULT IN THE REJECTION OF YOUR APPLICATION OR THE SUBSEQUENT REVOCATION OF YOUR LICENSE IF ISSUED.

Note: If the applicant has not held a license in the year prior to this application, he must file a duplicate of the application with the registrar. (See Sec. 59)

APPLICANT WILL NOT FILL THE FOLLOWING BLANKS

Appli	cation after investigation
License Nogranted	Fee \$
	Signed

CHAPTER 140 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, TER. ED., WITH AMENDMENTS THERETO (EXTRACT)

SECTION 57. No person, except one whose principal business is the manufacture and sale of new motor vehicles but who incidentally acquires and sells second hand vehicles, or a person whose principal business is financing the purchase of or insuring motor vehicles but who incidentally acquires and sells second hand vehicles, shall engage in the business of buying, selling, exchanging or assembling second hand motor vehicles or parts thereof without securing a license as provided in section fifty-nine. This section shall apply to any person engaged in the business of conducting auctions for the sale of motor vehicles.

SECTION 58. Licenses granted under the following section shall be classified as follows:

- Class 1. Any person who is a recognized agent of a motor vehicle manufacturer or a seller of motor vehicles made by such manufacturer whose authority to sell the same is created by a written contract with such manufacturer or with some person authorized in writing by such manufacturer to enter into such contract, and whose principal business is the sale of new motor vehicles, the purchase and sale of second hand motor vehicles being incidental or secondary thereto, may be granted an agent's or a seller's license; provided, that with respect to second hand motor vehicles purchased for the purpose of sale or exchange and not taken in trade for new motor vehicles, such dealer snall be subject to all provisions of this chapter and of rules and regulations made in accordance therewith applicable to holders of licenses of class 2.
- Class 2. Any person whose principal business is the buying or selling of second hand motor vehicles may be granted a used car dealer's license.
- Class 3. Any person whose principal business is the buying of second hand motor vehicles for the purpose of remodeling, taking apart or rebuilding the same, or the buying or selling of parts of second hand motor vehicles or tires, or the assembling of second hand motor vehicle parts, may be granted a motor vehicle junk license.

SECTION 59. The police commissioner in Boston and the licensing authorities in other cities and towns may grant licenses under this section which shall expire on January first following the date of issue unless sooner revoked. The fees for the licenses shall be fixed by the licensing board or officer, but in no case shall exceed fifty dollars. Application for license shall be made in such form as shall be approved by the registrar of motor vehicles, in sections fifty-nine to sixty-six, inclusive, called the registrar, and if the application has not held a license in the year prior to such application shall, be made in duplicate, which duplicate shall be filled with the registrar. No such license shall be granted unless the licensing board or officer is latisfied from an investigation of the facts stated in the application and any other information which they may require of the applicant, that he is a proper person to engage in the business specified in section fifty-cight in the classifications for which he has applied, that said business is or will be his principal business, and that he has available a place of business suitable for the purpose. The license shall specify all the premises to be occupied by the license for the purpose of carrying on the licenses suitable for the purpose. The license shall specify all the premises of the occupied by the license for the purpose of carrying on the license business. Permits for a change of situation of the licensed premises or for addition thereto may be granted at any time by the licensing board or officer in writing, a copy of which shall be attached to the license. Cities and towns by ordinance or by-law may regulate the situation of the premises of licenses within class 3 and in a state of the purpose of the such action fity-relation fity-relation for person within said class 3 shall be subject to the provisions of ordinances and by-laws which are hereby authorized to be made. No license or permit shall be issued bereunder to a person within said class 3 and lin

APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE TO BUY, SELL, EXCHANGE OR ASSEMBLE SECOND HAND MOTOR VEHICLES OR PARTS THEREOF.



1-800-331-6053 Fax 1-605-335-0357 www.cnasurety.com Email: uwservices@cnasurety.com

May 22, 2025

Re:

Obs Auto Service & Collision LLC 38 Harvard Ave Medford, MA 02155

Bond #72466530 - Obs Auto Service & Collision LLC

\$25,000.00 - Second Hand Motor Vehicle Dealer Company Code: 601 - Western Surety Company

Thank you for the premium payment for the above referenced bond. This document is to serve as notice that payment in full has been remitted for the term of 5-26-2025 through 5-26-2026. This type of bond remains in full force and effect without a renewal bond or Continuation Certificate. If you have any questions, please contact your local agent.

Consider making your payment through CNA Surety ePay. Pay for your bond/policy premium online using your own credit/debit card or ACH at your convenience 24 hours a day. Simply go to: onlinepay.cnasurety.com and follow the easy-to-use prompts. You can pay your bill in minutes, saving you time and money.

Massachusetts



SECOND HAND MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER BOND

(Mass. Gen. Laws Ann. 140, § 58(c))

72466530

Bond No.

	May 26,	2022
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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

This is to Certify that a CLASS 4 REPAIR LICENSE is hereby granted to: OB's Auto Service and Collision LLC

38 Harvard Avenue

Medford, Massachusetts 02455

This license is granted in conformity with the Statutes and Ordinances relating thereto, and expires April 30, 2025 unless sooner suspended or revoked

By Order of the Medford City Council

Licensing Authorities

Attest:

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Ndam L. Hurtubise City Clerk

February 15,2022

License Non-Transferable

Bk: 83043 Pg: 570

Middlesex South Registry of Deeds

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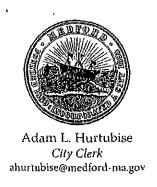
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Middlesex South Registry of Deeds Maria C. Curtatone, Register 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 617-679-6300 www.middlesexsouthregistry.com

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City of Medford WECEIVED CHY CLERK OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERKED FORD, MASS.

City Hall - Room 103 MM JUL 18 PH 4: 25 85 George P. Hassett Drive Medford, Massachusetts 02155

Telephone (781) 393-2425 FAX: (781) 391-1895

July 18, 2024

To Whom It May Concern,

I, Adam L. Hurtubise, being the duly sworn and qualified City Clerk of the City of Medford, do hereby state and affirm that the decisions of the Medford Community Development Board are filed in my office and further that the decision of the Medford City Council regarding the petition of

OB'S Automotive Collision Center, LLC 38 Harvard Street Medford, Massachusetts 02155

Re: Zoning Board of Appeals Case No. A-2024-3, 38 Harvard Street was recorded in this office on June 14, 2024, at 1:19 P.M.

I do further attest that there has not been any appeal filed in this office to the above-mentioned decision and that twenty days have elapsed since it was filed.

Sincerely,

Adam L. Hurtubise

City Clerk

Owner: Michael H. Fantasia and Maryellen Fantasia Trustees

38 Harvard Avenue Nominee Trust

Title reference: Book 26356, Page 73

Property address: 38 Harvard Avenue, Medford, MA 02155

'Bk: 83043 Pg: 572

DocuSign Envelope ID: BFEC8EEA-9608-4836-AFBA-6BD5487EB723

PRECEIVED CITY CLERK WEDFORD, MARS,

2024 JUN 14 PH 1: 19

CITY OF MEDFORD ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Decision of the Board No. A-2024-3

1. PETITIONER

OB'S AUTOMOTIVE COLLISION CENTER LLC, HARVARD AVENUE NOMINEE TRUST

Attorney for Petitioner: Kathleen A. Desmond, Esquire

IL PROPERTY LOCATION

38 Harvard Avenue, Medford, MA 02155

III. APPLICATION

Appeal from Building Permit Refusal Letter of Building Inspector, Michael Malerba, dated July 27, 2023, regarding the petitioner's request to sell a limited number of Class 2 used vehicles on the premises, not an allowed use in Commercial-1 (C-1) Zoning District. Specifically, the petitioner requires a variance from Chapter 94 Table A- Table of Use and Parking Regulations, Section H-6.

IV. DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING

March 28, 2024, Continued Hearing April 25, 2024

V. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT AND VOTING

Jamie Thompson, Chairman
Michael Caldara, Voting Member
Yvette Velez, Voting Member
Mary K.Y. Lee, Alternate Member, Designated Voting Member
Christopher D'Aveta, Alternate Member, Designated Voting Member

Denis MacDougall, Clerk

VI. EVIDENCE PRESENTED AND REVIEWED

In addition to un-sworn testimony offered at the public hearing, including the statements presented by the petitioner, the Board has also considered the following documents and submissions:

1

Owner: Michael H. Fantasia and Maryellen Fantasia Trustees

38 Harvard Avenue Nominee Trust

Title Reference: Book 26356, Page 73

Property Address: 38 Harvard Avenue, Medford, MA 02155

a. Permit Refusal dated July 27, 2023;

b. Petition for Zoning Relief dated January 16, 2024;

c. Worksheet in support of Application for Zoning Relief;

- d. Zoning Evaluation Sheet dated March 14, 2023, prepared by Medford Engineering and Survey of Medford, MA 02155:
- e. Survey dated March 14, 2023, prepared by Medford Engineering and Survey of Medford, MA 02155;
- f. City of Medford Certified Abutters List dated April 11, 2023;

g. Area Plan; and,

h. Memorandum submitted by Building Commissioner Mochi to City Clerk Hurtubise dated February 9, 2022, as to use of 38 Harvard Avenue as an Automotive Repair & Auto-Body Shop.

VII. APPLICABLE LAW

A. The Board's Power to Grant Variances

- (i) This Board is empowered to grant variances from the Medford Zoning Ordinance pursuant to state statute. See, M.G.L. c.40A, § 10. Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40A, Section 10 provides a four-part test to determine when a variance may be granted, stating that the Board has the power to grant a variance from the terms of the applicable zoning bylaw where the Board specifically finds that;
- 1. [O]wing to circumstance relating to the soil conditions, shape, or topography of such land or structures;
- 2. [A]nd especially affecting such land or structures but not affecting generally the zoning district in which it is located;
- 3. [A] literal enforcement of the provisions of the ordinance or bylaw would involve substantial hardship, financial or otherwise, to the petitioner or appellant; and,
- 4. [T]hat desirable relief may be granted without substantial detriment to the public good and without nullifying or substantially derogating from the intent or purpose of such ordinance or bylaw.

See, M.G.L. c. 40A, § 10.

(ii) This Board is further authorized and empowered to grant use variances pursuant to Section 11.4.2 (2) of the Medford Zoning Ordinance (hereinafter "Ordinance").

See, Chapter 94, Section 11.4.2(2).

VIII. FACTS AND FINDINGS

The petitioner's application for a building permit to sell a limited number of Class 2 used motor vehicles on the premises was denied as the use is not allowed in the C-1 zoning district pursuant to Chapter 94 Table A – Table of Use and Parking Regulations, The petitioner seeks a

variance from Chapter 94 Table A- Table of Use and Parking Regulations, Section H-6. No dimensional relief is requested.

An initial public hearing was held on March 28, 2024. At the initial hearing, a question was raised by the Building Commissioner as to whether the legal notice was sufficient to advise interested parties that the petitioner was seeking relief by way of a use variance, or alternatively a special permit in accordance with Section 5.2 of the Ordinance. Specifically, the legal notice failed to include the relief sought by way of special permit. The matter was continued to April 25, 2024, for purposes of obtaining clarification from the City's legal counsel as to the sufficiency of the notice. At the continued hearing, the legal notice to interested parties was deemed to be sufficient; however, the Board has determined that a special permit is not appropriate in this instance and has limited its consideration to petitioner's request for a use variance.

By way of background, the subject property is an approximately 31,101 square foot parcel of land situated in a C-1 zoning district on which a one-story 8.380 square foot structure sits. The current use of the building and land is that of an automotive repair and auto-body shop. a pre-existing nonconforming use. The petitioner intends to continue the operation of the automotive repair and auto-body shop as its primary business, but seeks to include the addition of a limited number of Class-2 used motor vehicles for sale on the property that would be accessory to the primary use of the premises. The petitioner's testimony at the public hearing indicated that the addition of this accessory use would not serve to substantially change the operation of the business. Specifically, there is no intent by the petitioner to change the existing hours of operation to include weekends or evenings, or to hire additional sales staff. Moreover, the petitioner indicated that there would be no on-premises advertising with respect to the sale of the used motor vehicles; instead, the vehicles would be offered for sale to existing customers, and through internet advertisement. Of significance, the petitioner further directed the Board's attention to M.G.L. c. 40, Section 58 that requires a licensed Class 2 used motor vehicle dealer to maintain or have access to repair facilities, such as exist on premises, for purposes of warranty repairs in accordance with Chapter 90, Section 7N 1/4 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

The Board finds that the existing parcel is generous in size and oddly shaped, the narrowest portion of the premises abutting Harvard Avenue, becoming substantially wider to the rear of the subject property. As depicted on the site plan provided by the petitioner, the rear of the property has more than adequate parking available for employees, vehicles in the process of repair, and the limited number of used vehicles that the petitioner proposes for sale. In addition to the generously sized lot, the one-story building that houses the automotive repair operation is also generous in size white meeting the dimensional requirements of the Ordinance. The petitioner made note, and the Board credits the fact that the Ordinance is silent with respect to whether the sale of Class 2 used motor vehicles is necessarily prohibited in the district as an accessory use. The Board finds that the size and shape of the lot, the nonconforming use of the building as a repair shop, and the licensing requirements set forth in M.G.L.c. 40, Section 58 for

The petitioner asserted in both his written submission and testimony during the public hearing that the number of vehicles would be likely no more than six (6) to nine (9) vehicles on premises at any given time. The Board will leave the exact number to a determination by the City Council in conjunction with its consideration of the request for a Class 2 Dealer's License.

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the sale of used vehicles creates a unique set of circumstances affecting the land and the building that do not generally affect other properties within the zoning district,

As to substantial hardship financial or otherwise, the Board finds that the denial of relief in this instance would in fact create a substantial hardship to the petitioner. First, the addition of a limited number of vehicles will be accessory to and will not serve to alter in any meaningful way the operation of the existing nonconforming use as an auto-body repair shop. Second, the repair shop itself is integral to the licensing requirements necessary to sell Class 2 used motor vehicles. The denial of relief would require the petitioner to seek a secondary location, arguably at substantial cost, for purposes of selling only a small number of used vehicles that are easily accommodated for on this particular site. Third, the Board finds that the vagueness of the Ordinance with respect to the sale of used vehicles as an accessory use, also weighs in favor of a finding of hardship.

The Board further does not find that the granting of a use variance in this instance would cause any substantial detriment to the public good or nullify or substantially derogate from the purpose or intent of the Ordinance. First, the testimony elicited at the public hearing clearly indicated that the proposed additional use will be accessory in nature and will not meaningfully alter the operation of the existing nonconforming business. Second, the availability of an on-site repair shop to perform warranty work in connection with the sale of used vehicles complies with statutory licensing requirements for the sale of Class 2 used motor vehicles and is therefore in the interest of the public good. Lastly, the Board received several letters of support from both neighbors and existing customers familiar with the petitioner's business that welcomed the convenience associated with the ability to purchase a used vehicle from an existing repair shop in the community and with whom they have an existing business relationship.

In accordance with the petitioner's assertions at the public hearing, and as an express condition of the Board's grant of relief, on-site signage advertising the sale of used motor vehicles shall be prohibited. The petitioner shall further comply with screening and buffer requirements as set forth in Section 6.3.4 of the Ordinance. The Board shall defer to the Medford City Council with respect to the number of Class 2 used vehicles permitted for sale on site, not to exceed nine (9) yehlcles.

IX. DECISION OF THE BOARD

Application for Variances:

Accessory Use to allow the sale of Class-2 motor vehicles.

Allowed

Accordingly, the petition for the aforesaid use variance is granted based upon the survey that was presented at the hearing on April 25, 2024.

X. VOTE OF THE BOARD

Use Variance

Unanimous (5:0)

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XI. RECORDING

To take effect pursuant to M.G.L. ch. 40A, §§ 10 and 11, a copy of this decision shall be recorded in the Middlesex Southern District Registry of Deeds.

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