

June 1, 2021

**SPECIAL USE PERMIT PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
282 Jericho Turnpike – Convenience Store**

At 8:25 pm (immediately after the Local Law #1 of 2021 public hearing), a Special Use Permit Public Hearing for the Board of Trustees was held in Village Hall Courtroom. The meeting was also available to the public by way of Zoom as follows:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81596947341?pwd=NjRPOFo4azNrNkwyaWxwUm5td3ozdz09>

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Present were Mayor Kevin M. Fitzgerald, Trustees Lynn Pombonyo, Archie T. Cheng, Frank J. Chiara, and Jennifer Stewart, Village Administrator Gerard M. Bambrick, Village Clerk Susan E. Walsh, Superintendent of Public Works Kevin Ginnane, Superintendent of Buildings Renee Marcus, Police Commissioner Stephen McAllister, Deputy Village Clerk Rosaleen Shea, Village Attorney John E. Ryan, Court Reporter Cathy Murphy.

The application of Ajaykumar Sheth, owner of Reality, LLC (Cammps, Inc.) lessee, of 282 Jericho Turnpike, Floral Park, is made in accordance with Article III, Section 99-11 B(2) of the Zoning Ordinance of the Incorporated Village of Floral Park which requires that when a building changes its existing retail use to a convenience store that prepares, stores or sells food, the use may only be authorized as a special use after a public hearing.

Trustee Pombonyo offered Resolution No. 2021-112 to reserve decision and close the public hearing.

The Resolution was seconded by Trustee Cheng and adopted on roll call as follows:

Trustee Pombonyo	- Aye
Trustee Cheng	- Aye
Trustee Chiara	- Aye
Trustee Stewart	- Aye
Mayor Fitzgerald	- Aye

The hearing was closed at 8:54 pm.

A copy of the transcript and a copy of the legal notice of public hearing is attached and made a part of these minutes.

Susan E. Walsh
Village Clerk

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INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF FLORAL PARK
June 1, 2021
8:00 p.m.

P R E S E N T:

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| KEVIN M. FITZGERALD, | MAYOR |
| DR. LYNN POMBONYO, | DEPUTY MAYOR/TRUSTEE |
| ARCHIE T. CHENG, ESQ. | TRUSTEE |
| FRANK J. CHIARA, | TRUSTEE |
| JENNIFER STEWART, | TRUSTEE |

ALSO PRESENT:

- JOHN RYAN, ESQ. Village Attorney
- GERARD M. BAMBRICK, Village Administrator
- SUSAN E. WALSH, Village Clerk
- RENEE MARCUS, Superintendent of Buildings
- STEPHEN MCALLISTER, Police Commissioner
- KEVIN GINNANE, Superintendent of Public Works

Catherine P. Murphy
Court Reporter

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1 MAYOR FITZGERALD: The next business is
2 the application of RV Realty, LLC. If
3 Miss Walsh, can you read the public notice.

4 MS. WALSH: Thank you, Mayor Fitzgerald.
5 Legal Notice. Notice of Special Use Public
6 Hearing Incorporated Village of Floral Park,
7 New York.

8 Notice is Hereby Given that the Board of
9 Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Floral
10 Park, New York will hold a Public Hearing at
11 the Village Hall, One Floral Boulevard, Floral
12 Park, New York on Tuesday, June 1, 2021 at 8:00
13 p.m. in relation to the following application:

14 The application of Ajaykumar Sheth, owner
15 of RV Reality, LLC, (Cammps, Inc.) lessee, of
16 282 Jericho Turnpike, Floral Park, New York, is
17 made in accordance with Article III, Section
18 99-11 (B (2) of the Zoning Ordinance of the
19 Incorporated Village of Floral Park, New York,
20 which requires that when a building changes its
21 existing retail use to a convenience store that
22 prepares, stores or sells food, the use may
23 only be authorized as a special use after a
24 public hearing.

25 The structure for which said Special

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1 Permit is applied is situated on the south side
2 of Jericho Turnpike, 109 feet west of
3 Plainfield Avenue and known as Section 32,
4 Block 68, Lot 5 on the Nassau County Land and
5 Tax Map.

6 A copy of the application is on file in
7 the Office of the Village Clerk, One Floral
8 Boulevard, Floral Park, New York and may be
9 examined by any persons interested therein
10 during business hours Monday through Friday
11 inclusive, except legal holidays from 8:30 a.m.
12 to 4:30 p.m.

13 Now Take Notice that all parties in
14 interest and citizens will be given the
15 opportunity to be heard at the aforesaid time
16 and place.

17 By Order of the Board of Trustees
18 Incorporated Village of Floral Park, New York,
19 Susan E. Walsh, Village Clerk, dated May 21,
20 2021.

21 And that this legal notice has been
22 published in the official paper of the
23 Incorporated Village of Floral Park, New York
24 and posted according to law and was sent to the
25 Nassau County Planning Commission and pursuant

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1 to section 239-L&M of the General Municipal Law
2 determined to defer to the Village to take
3 action as deemed appropriate.

4 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Thank you, Miss Walsh.

5 I would like to place on the record the
6 applicant previously filed an affidavit of
7 service indicating that all neighbors within a
8 200 foot radius of the dwelling have been
9 served with notice.

10 I would like to announce that the Board
11 had previously adopted a resolution determining
12 that the application does not have a
13 significant impact on the environment as
14 defined by SEQRA.

15 Is the applicant here? Good evening.

16 (Whereupon, the applicant was sworn in.)

17 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: My name is Ajaykumar
18 Sheth.

19 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Your address?

20 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: My address, 282 Jericho
21 Turnpike, the store.

22 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Thank you for coming in
23 this evening. We have your application. Can
24 you just give us a brief overview. What are
25 looking to do at the store?

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1 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Just retail. It will be
2 wholesale now, a -- you can sell a pile of
3 things in wholesale too, some items, whatever
4 we get price set at. That's basically retail
5 and at per the legal, whatever you say.

6 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Okay. Do you have a
7 list of what you plan on selling or can you
8 describe?

9 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Like, I -- just grocery
10 stores.

11 MAYOR FITZGERALD: If you can slow down.
12 The Stenographer is having a hard time
13 understanding. I apologize.

14 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Just and all the
15 product, drinks and all these products.

16 MAYOR FITZGERALD: You have an existing
17 business somewhere else?

18 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Yes.

19 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Where?

20 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Hillside Avenue. I do
21 the rent. Everything too high.

22 MAYOR FITZGERALD: You're moving your
23 existing business?

24 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Yes.

25 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Will you be serving

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1 alcohol?

2 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: No.

3 MAYOR FITZGERALD: No beer?

4 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: No beer. If, as per
5 legal, then I try in the store because in the
6 store to moving the customers to make more, but
7 you don't allow me, we're not going to do it.

8 MAYOR FITZGERALD: So, if we don't permit,
9 you won't sell it, beer?

10 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Yeah.

11 MAYOR FITZGERALD: What are the hours?
12 What are the hours of operation going to be?
13 When will you be open?

14 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: From here?

15 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Yeah, what hours? What
16 time of day will you be open from?

17 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Monday to Saturday and
18 Sunday half day.

19 MAYOR FITZGERALD: What times?

20 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Like 9:00 in the morning
21 to 9:00 in the evening. Sunday, 4 or 5:00 p.m.

22 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Will you be cooking in
23 the store?

24 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: No, nothing. Nothing to
25 be cooked. Whatever vendor supply legal

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1 supplies we supply as retail and wholesale too.

2 MAYOR FITZGERALD: So when you say
3 wholesale, it will be other people coming to
4 your store to pickup items in bulk?

5 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: No, we take the orders
6 and deliver them.

7 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Take the orders and
8 deliver them, okay, in bulk or one --Like.

9 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: No. When we -- the
10 product like that, example for you, just we buy
11 it in a pallet. It will be cheaper. Then
12 couple of other people, we are all in the
13 business. They say, okay, give me five bucks,
14 like that.

15 MAYOR FITZGERALD: So, you're going to
16 have pallets of goods to sell. How are the
17 pallets going to be delivered?

18 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: No. Pallets, they bring
19 it in by hand truck, deliver to the store. No
20 pallets.

21 MAYOR FITZGERALD: When will the delivery
22 come to your store?

23 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: After 10 to before 3:00
24 p.m. They also be one or twice in the week.
25 Nothing everyday coming.

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1 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Okay.

2 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: A lot of things we have
3 to pickup.

4 MAYOR FITZGERALD: What about garbage?

5 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: As part of law, we will
6 manage it, to do it on Mondays or whatever days
7 the pick up because we will do it.

8 MAYOR FITZGERALD: What is the pick up,
9 Superintendent Ginnane?

10 KEVIN GINNANE: Tuesdays and Fridays for
11 garbage, Tuesday for recycling.

12 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: That we will do it.

13 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Do you expect a lot of
14 garbage?

15 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: No. No. A little bit
16 because by the product and get it themselves.
17 Nothing. I will also boxes sometimes to use,
18 repack them and send them.

19 MAYOR FITZGERALD: On your proposed
20 schematic, you submitted a diagram of what your
21 building will look like, the interior. Are you
22 going to be using the front piece of it as an
23 existing photograph store?

24 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Also, but nothing that
25 you will know is there. We have a -- we move

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1 it there.

2 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Is the back of the
3 store remaining as is?

4 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: As is. We don't change
5 nothing. The front part we --

6 MAYOR FITZGERALD: The only thing is in
7 the front part of the store?

8 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Front, like the two
9 thirds of the store for the retail. Rest is
10 like a small office and storage place.

11 MAYOR FITZGERALD: What about the
12 basement, what will you use the basement for?

13 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Basement is empty. We
14 don't try to use it. Sometimes delivery come
15 20 box, 30 box. We can't put it on the middle
16 of the floor, so we get down there.

17 MAYOR FITZGERALD: So, the basement will
18 be used for storage?

19 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Yeah, a little bit of
20 storage, not the full basement.

21 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Deputy Mayor Pombonyo,
22 any questions?

23 TRUSTEE POMBONYO: Thank you for coming in
24 tonight and talking with us. I have a question
25 about the storage. There's a lot of places on

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1 your diagram, on your drawing, that says
2 storage, storage, storage. What kind of things
3 are you storing there that takes up so much
4 space?

5 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Display the product and
6 people can get it from there.

7 TRUSTEE POMBONYO: Are there a lot of
8 other places that you aren't displaying the
9 products, instead you're storing things?

10 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Storing like I give you
11 example. Suppose we ordered one subject to the
12 vendor, they don't deliver everyday, we have to
13 order a couple of things, a couple of boxes.
14 We can open the box everything and put it in
15 the store one by one. We put it in the office,
16 the boxes, and bring it out whenever we need it
17 during the day, like that.

18 TRUSTEE POMBONYO: Do you plan to work
19 with the same vendors you used on this?

20 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Mostly we do something.
21 A couple of vendors now, new technology, new
22 product coming up everyday. New products in
23 the store too.

24 TRUSTEE POMBONYO: Do you see people that
25 come to your store, will they come in and buy

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1 something and leave? Would they be staying in
2 your store?

3 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: They buy and they leave.

4 TRUSTEE POMBONYO: They leave right away?

5 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Yeah.

6 TRUSTEE POMBONYO: They wouldn't be
7 staying and sitting down at a table?

8 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: No. We can put, if you
9 want us to have for the people or something.
10 We can put chairs for them.

11 TRUSTEE POMBONYO: So, you would have
12 chairs for people to stay in your store and sit
13 in your store?

14 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Yes.

15 TRUSTEE POMBONYO: What would they be
16 doing when they sat in your store?

17 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: No, nothing. They buy
18 or something. People will come with the keys
19 or something when they -- so they can be
20 provide the chair if they want it. If we don't
21 give any chairs there, if you don't want.

22 TRUSTEE POMBONYO: Thank you.

23 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Then we don't keep the
24 chair for nothing.

25 TRUSTEE POMBONYO: Thank you.

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1 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Thank you.

2 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Trustee Cheng.

3 TRUSTEE CHENG: I will go back to the
4 storage aspect of this. It is not making sense
5 to me either. You're renting approximately
6 26 feet of store and looks like you're going to
7 be showcasing maybe 300. The rest of it
8 appears to be all storage.

9 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Yeah, but like we don't
10 have to put any fixtures, any furniture more.
11 But in this focus, we can display probably 3 or
12 400 items when it -- and the people, as we know
13 we supply to the customers. Like, we buy, call
14 them, okay, we have this ten boxes, you want
15 it? We say deliver it. So like that. Once a
16 week suppose I am giving -- that's it. It is
17 retail and wholesale supply with them. If you
18 get the cheaper price at one dollar or less, we
19 get 50 boxes at the same time. We sell it
20 before it come. We cannot get it down, but
21 back place in the storage and we can deal with
22 it. Not the heavy things because we have all
23 heavy things, not light things.

24 TRUSTEE CHENG: From your drawing, you're
25 showing approximately 80 square feet of show

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1 cases.

2 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Yeah because five by --
3 if I buy six foot high, five depth and two
4 depth, two show cases, half show cases, two
5 show cases we have there. You can inspect
6 after putting the show case everything and then
7 permit us.

8 TRUSTEE CHENG: That's it.

9 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Trustee Chiara?

10 TRUSTEE CHIARA: Yes. Thank you, sir, for
11 coming in. Will you be selling cigarettes
12 and/or lottery tickets in your establishment?

13 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: If we get permission
14 from the town, city, we will apply. If without
15 it, we cannot do it. We need all the things to
16 sell.

17 TRUSTEE CHIARA: Will you be serving
18 sandwiches, making sandwiches?

19 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: No food, no cooking, no
20 nothing.

21 TRUSTEE CHIARA: Cold cuts, I'm talking
22 about cutting meat?

23 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: No. No.

24 TRUSTEE CHIARA: So, you will be storing?

25 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Basically don't need the

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1 meat too.

2 TRUSTEE CHIARA: So, you will be storing
3 products there and sell it to the same
4 businesses as yours?

5 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Yeah.

6 TRUSTEE CHIARA: Also to retail?

7 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Yes.

8 TRUSTEE CHIARA: What percentage, five
9 percent to --Like.

10 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: 50 percent of the retail
11 at least and have the wholesale we get the
12 money and knowledge of the expertise and get
13 the money.

14 TRUSTEE CHIARA: Where do you buy your
15 wholesale goods from?

16 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: All the vendors like
17 companies.

18 TRUSTEE CHIARA: I have no questions.

19 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: It is like two or three
20 thousand stores that vendors we buy from there.

21 TRUSTEE CHIARA: You have a network of
22 stores that you work with?

23 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Yeah.

24 TRUSTEE CHIARA: The store on Hillside
25 Avenue, is that closed or are you going to use

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1 that store also?

2 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Yeah. We have basement,
3 we never use it like that. The place is coming
4 with the basement, so we have a lease to sign
5 it, but we don't need to put down and bring it
6 up unless sometime emergency come or something.

7 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Are you closing your
8 store on Hillside Avenue?

9 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Yeah.

10 MAYOR FITZGERALD: You are?

11 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Yes, I close it. I tell
12 them landlord to because that is the their
13 building and still I pay them everything but
14 now is the time to change. We don't know what
15 we will do next.

16 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Okay.

17 TRUSTEE CHIARA: I have no other
18 questions.

19 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Trustee Stewart?

20 TRUSTEE STEWART: Hello. One of the
21 things on your application, one of the things,
22 grocery item.

23 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Grocery item,
24 everything.

25 TRUSTEE STEWART: So, grocery items, do

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1 they need to be refrigerated?

2 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: No, not like the soda.

3 If we otherwise -- soda order, just like that.

4 MAYOR FITZGERALD: So, you will be selling
5 beer or won't be selling beer?

6 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: I don't know if we get
7 permission, we can sell. If not, we can't sell
8 beer.

9 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Is it your desire to
10 sell beer?

11 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Not the desire. I had
12 in Hillside. Still I didn't sell it. Like
13 surrounding customers come and keep asking to.
14 We have to do our --

15 MAYOR FITZGERALD: So --Ask.

16 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: For legal permission.
17 If you don't permit, we will not sell beer.
18 That's it.

19 TRUSTEE STEWART: Previously you said that
20 you talked about light versus heavy item.

21 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Yeah.

22 TRUSTEE STEWART: Can you give me an
23 example of light items?

24 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Like garbage bag. Heavy
25 things come in the pallet and move it in and

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1 then sell it, not that.

2 TRUSTEE STEWART: Not that?

3 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Candies, like juices,
4 like small boxes come that we lift it like that
5 that. We can lift too.

6 TRUSTEE STEWART: Would you categorize
7 your business as a 99 cent store?

8 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Not 99 cent store, but
9 soda all the -- I'm all to carry because
10 nowadays, retail is hard. We are all the
11 small, small items.

12 TRUSTEE STEWART: I'm trying to get a
13 picture of what a small item is. When you say
14 you have these things --

15 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Heavy like example. 99
16 cent store load up items, they're big, like
17 garbage can, big size, small size. We're not
18 getting. Whatever we can do, usual items,
19 general merchandise, all the utility items
20 needed.

21 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Would it be possible
22 for you to send us pictures of your existing
23 store to get a better understanding of what you
24 currently do?

25 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Now, I take it all out.

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1 I have fixtures there, everything.

2 MAYOR FITZGERALD: The store is currently
3 closed?

4 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Yeah, I closed it like.

5 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Okay.

6 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: This happened because we
7 don't know the procedure. We signed like we
8 come in and we see the place in the two months
9 before, so I decide to give up that store. But
10 this town has a different procedure to
11 formulate it.

12 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Yes.

13 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Nowadays, I'm waiting
14 for permission to --

15 MAYOR FITZGERALD: I understand. I'm
16 trying to get a better understanding what the
17 store will encompass.

18 TRUSTEE POMBONYO: Can I ask, what was the
19 name of the store on Hillside, Hillside Avenue?

20 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Next to the brothers.

21 TRUSTEE POMBONYO: What was the name of
22 the store?

23 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Cammps, same name.

24 TRUSTEE CHIARA: Will you be using heavy
25 equipment to bring the big boxes into the

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1 store?

2 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: No, hands trucks. No
3 pallet or no nothing like that.

4 TRUSTEE CHIARA: You will have a cash
5 register for customers to come in?

6 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Yeah. That's what the
7 retail store order pull up Hillside Avenue. We
8 will do it.

9 TRUSTEE STEWART: How many employees will
10 you have?

11 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Two employees. One to
12 help me for the customers.

13 MAYOR FITZGERALD: I'm sorry, you will
14 have two employees?

15 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Two, one for the retail
16 place when you open retail. We need one person
17 to be there always and one to help and fixing
18 and delivering, help out.

19 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Understood. Trustee
20 Stewart?

21 TRUSTEE STEWART: That's it.

22 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Thank you. The Board
23 has no further questions at this time. Take a
24 quick seat and we'll open it up see if any of
25 the residents have any questions.

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1 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Thank you.

2 MAYOR FITZGERALD: You're welcome. Anyone
3 on zoom that has a question? I don't think she
4 has audio on. The question is, is the
5 applicant considering selling any vaping items
6 or CBDs?

7 After we get the rest of the questions, I
8 will come back to you. Do you want to answer
9 it?

10 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: No vaping item.

11 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Vaping?

12 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Vaping, vaper. Legal
13 permission, whatever we can in the store.

14 MAYOR FITZGERALD: In the Village of
15 Floral Park, vaping items cannot be sold.

16 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Vaping items like
17 electronic cigarette?

18 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Correct.

19 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Other thing at
20 convenient stores like small pipe, cigarette,
21 pipe. There's hundreds of items everybody
22 selling it in New York State.

23 TRUSTEE CHIARA: No paraphernalia.

24 MR. RYAN: Not in the area where your
25 store is proposed to be. It is a not allowed

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1 in that area. It's only allowed in the
2 different areas in the village. No vaping
3 stuff.

4 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: I will try to honor.

5 MAYOR FITZGERALD: So, in the district
6 where your store is, there can't be a vape
7 shop, which is any facility or location,
8 business operation, whether it is primary use
9 or ancillary use, smoking or selling electronic
10 cigarettes, vapes, E liquids or otherwise legal
11 marijuana or substances that are smoke,
12 electronic cigarettes or other similar
13 products. We don't allow that in Floral Park
14 in the district where your store is going to be
15 located, okay?

16 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Okay. We will try to
17 exclude it.

18 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Okay. If the
19 application is approved, we will direct you to
20 the portion of the code that says what you can
21 not do in your store.

22 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Yes, I honor it.

23 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Okay. Thank you.

24 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: I understand that things
25 like actually is the basic supplement chain in

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1 New York. They sell everywhere, all the
2 convenient stores, all the products. That's
3 what I was going to say because it is
4 illegal -- legal. They sell it to every store.

5 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Floral Park has its own
6 code.

7 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: I understand the code
8 too. They sell all the things.

9 MR. RYAN: We have in this Village what is
10 called an adult use zone. It is a specific
11 area in the Village. That is not where your
12 proposed store is going to be.

13 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: I know what not to sell.

14 MR. RYAN: Let me finish, sir. If you
15 were in that adult zone, you could sell your
16 products, but you're not, so you can't sell
17 your products, okay?

18 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: All right.

19 MAYOR FITZGERALD: We will give you the
20 portion of the code of what you cannot sell.

21 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: All right.

22 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Obviously you heard
23 prior to the hearing, we now banned the sale of
24 cannabis within the Village of Floral Park.

25 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: Yeah, I heard what you

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1 say.

2 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Would anyone in Village
3 Hall like to comment?

4 MAYOR FITZGERALD: That last question was
5 from Debbie Risotto, 249 Lowell Avenue.

6 (Whereupon, Gerard Meyer was sworn in.)

7 GERARD MEYER: Gerard Meyer, Architect.
8 My address is 14 Covert Avenue, Stewart Manor,
9 New York. I'm a stones throw away from the
10 northeast corner of your lovely Village of
11 Floral Park.

12 I'm not in objection to the special use
13 application, but I am here under an abundance
14 of concern in the way that I found out that my
15 name was erroneously attached to the project
16 when initially filed. I have received a letter
17 from the Village because my name was on the
18 drawings originally. I had met with the
19 Village Clerk, Village Administrator, Village
20 Counsel and Building officials. I have been
21 informed my name is removed from the drawings,
22 but I'm here tonight to verify in fact it has
23 been done and that my name is completely
24 removed from the project.

25 I have nearly a 40 year architectural

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1 business without a single blemish. I'm now
2 retired for a couple of years and let's say it
3 was more than a shock to find my name was on a
4 set of drawings.

5 So again, I have no objection for what
6 they're looking for, but make sure my name is
7 completely off all the drawings, the
8 applications and everything involved with this
9 project.

10 MR. RYAN: I can confirm, Mr. Meyer, that
11 they are removed completely. There is no
12 indication of it.

13 I will read it into the record, a letter
14 received from the applicant dated May 18, 2021
15 to the Village. "Dear Sir/Madam. Drawings
16 submitted earlier with my application with the
17 wrong name of the architect, Mr. Gerard Meyer,
18 it was a drafting mistake by my draft person.
19 So, we have submitted a revised drawing without
20 any architect's name. We do not need an
21 architect for this project since we are not
22 building or demolishing any walls. If you have
23 any questions, please feel free to call us."
24 That was taken care of.

25 GERARD MEYER: I appreciate that. Thank

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1 you and again, sorry to use your time. I
2 wanted it on the record, as you might
3 understand. I thank you for your time.

4 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Thank you.

5 TRUSTEE CHIARA: Thank you.

6 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Anyone else here in
7 Village Hall that would like to comment?
8 Seeing none, Mr. Sheth, if you want to approach
9 the podium again. There's another question.
10 We have another question from Debbie Risotto.
11 Will the applicant provide tables and chairs
12 for the outside sidewalk, for customers to sit
13 and smoke?

14 AJAYKUMAR SHETH: No. No way.

15 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Okay. Thank you. Is
16 there any other questions or comments from the
17 Members of the Village Board? Seeing none, I
18 ask for a motion to close the hearing and
19 reserve decision.

20 TRUSTEE POMBONYO: So moved.

21 TRUSTEE CHENG: Second.

22 MAYOR FITZGERALD: Miss Walsh, would you
23 poll the Board.

24 MS. WALSH: Trustee Pombonyo?

25 TRUSTEE POMBONYO: Aye.

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MS. WALSH: Trustee Cheng?

TRUSTEE CHENG: Aye.

MS. WALSH: Trustee Chiara?

TRUSTEE CHIARA: Aye.

MS. WALSH: Trustee Stewart?

TRUSTEE STEWART: Aye.

MS. WALSH: Mayor Fitzgerald?

MAYOR FITZGERALD: Aye. Thank you.

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Court Reporter