

February 2, 2018

Anchor End Studio  
14 S 6<sup>th</sup> St.  
New Bedford MA 02740  
Parcel ID: 46 256

A year and a half ago my wife and I purchased the property at 14 S. 6<sup>th</sup> St., which for years had functioned as a boarding house occupied by 8-10 people at any given time. The home was in very serious disrepair from years of neglect and over the time since we bought the property, we have been updating and restoring the home's utilities and structure to bring it back to its former glory. We have changed the use of our mixed-use property from a boarding house to a two family residence with a business. We have constructed two residences on the second level of the home, consisting of one apartment we rent out to a good friend who moved to the area from Boston, and one apartment for ourselves to live in, which we just put the finishing touches on this past weekend.

The next phase of our remodel is to turn two rooms on the first floor, and one small room on the lower level, into a by-appointment-only recording and audio editing studio we will call Anchor End Studio. I will record musical artists, edit and mix audio and also work on my own music, as I am a professional musician by trade. We will be utilizing heavy-duty professional soundproofing methods and materials to isolate and prevent sound from leaving the studio, and keep outside sounds from coming in. In regards to neighborhood impact, it will be very minimal.

Our property has a driveway that has spaces for three vehicles, and a possible fourth spot where we have permeable land (currently dirt, soon to be grass) toward the end of the driveway.

The code requires us to have 9 total parking spaces, consisting of 2 for each residence and 5 for the studio business.

I am applying for a Special Permit for Reduction of Parking. (Zoning Code of Ordinances Chapter-9 Section 3120-3125)

Section 3121:

We do not ever anticipate there to be more than one or two vehicles at a time for the business and operating hours will be during regular working hours, when the residents of the home will be away at work.

Section 3124:

When needed, we will direct clients to use any of the four metered parking spaces directly out front of the home, or to the Zeiterion parking garage, located a few minute's walk down the street. There will be no impact on the level of traffic for the neighborhood.

We will not have any signage outside the property, as this business will not be open to the general public (No "Walk-Ins") and by private appointment only. We will keep the home's historic appearance exactly the same on the outside.

There will be no changes to the existing property.

We will be building a small ADA access ramp for handicap access to the lower level studio room, located at the end of the driveway. We have one outdoor motion-light towards the end of the driveway.

We thank you in advance for helping us bring our business to this beautiful neighborhood.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Trevor J. Reilly". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Trevor" being more prominent.

Trevor J. Reilly  
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