

Before the Board of Zoning Adjustment, D. C.

PUBLIC HEARING -- April 13, 1966

Appeal No. 8691 Anna Bell et al, appellants

The Zoning Administrator of the District of Columbia, appellee

On motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the following Order was entered by the Board at its meeting on April 27, 1966.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF ORDER: June 13, 1966

ORDERED:

That the appeal for permission to establish a community center building at 212 Q Street, N.W., lot 70, square 552, be conditionally granted.

As a result of an inspection of the property and from the record and the evidence adduced at the public hearing, the Board finds the following facts:

(1) The Board made an exterior inspection of the subject premises on April 11, 1966.

(2) Appellant's property is located in an R-4 District. Property on the north side of Q Street from 1st Street to premises 223 is zoned C-M-1.

(3) Appellant's property is improved with a dwelling used as flats.

(4) Appellants propose to use the subject premises as a community center building. The workers would conduct interviews in the building and refer persons to agencies where help might be obtained. The center is designated as an "Action Research Project." Funds are obtained from the Office of Economic Opportunity and the Notre Dame University.

(5) Appellants state that a condition of the grant is that the project be conducted in the neighborhood directly concerned. These are mainly poverty areas. The project is designed to run over a two year period.

(6) There was no opposition to the granting of this appeal registered at the public hearing. The record contains a letter in opposition which was subsequently withdrawn after further information on the project was received.

OPINION:

It is our opinion that this community center is so located and the activities therein will be such that it is not likely to become objectionable to adjoining and nearby property because of noise, traffic, or other objectionable conditions. We are further of the opinion that the nature of this project is such that the subject premises are reasonably necessary and convenient to the neighborhood which it is proposed to serve.

The Board's approval of the use of these premises as a community center building is effective for a period of two (2) years.