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AUGUST 8, 1972-8:00 P. M.

REGULAR MEETING

(Rickie Caesar Public Hearing Cont'd)

Motion #151

that the Hearing be closed and decision deferred until a recommendation is received from the Planning Board. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Porter and carried by unanimous Board approval.

Public Hearing- Dr. George Harff, 1 Parkwood Street Legal notice for this public hearing as it appeared in the Altamont Enterprise on date of July 28, 1972 was read by Mildred Wise, Town Clerk. Speaking in favor of rezoning the above mentioned property from R-15 to B-1 was Donald L. Seelee speaking for Dr. Harff. Mr. Seelee explained that Dr. Harff is a dental surgeon now practicing in the area and wishes to open a dental office at the above location. He stated that the 2 car garage would provide parking for the staff and that off-street parking would be provided for 5 cars. Dr. Harff also spoke in favor of the rezoning request stating that the property had become very run down and that several neighbors were in favor of the proposal. He stated that he practices by appointment only and could therefore regulate the number of cars coming in and out. He also stated that he had no intention of having any other kind of business there and he would agree to having such a contingency put in to the rezoning.

Speaking in opposition to the rezoning was Mrs. Charles Parks, 2 Glenwood Street who inquired for what use the upstairs apartment was intended.

Dr. Harff replied the apartment would be for his parents. Tim Cohan, Parkwood St. pointed out that if the apartment was occupied it would eliminate some of the 5 designated parking spaces. Dr. Harff stated that he does not practice in the evening and the apartment dweller would have parking space.

John Esler, 19 Elmwood Street, spoke in opposition citing the traffic

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problems resulting from the doctor's offices now in the area. Dr. Harff spoke in defense saying that he does not have a volume of practice that would compare in any way to the complex on Western and Fuller. Joseph Perry of Kent Place stated he could cooperate what Dr. Harff stated about spacing his appointments to eliminate waiting by his patients. Gordon Perlee, Parkwood Street inquired what guarantee would be made that Dr. Harff would not have 2 assistants. Dr. Harff stated that this could also be made a condition; that it could be referred to in the minutes and 20 years later would still hold. Hugh Prytherch, 13 Glenwood St. stated that there is a covenant in the deeds of the owners of houses in the Country Club Highlands plot that the owner reside in the house. Arthur Hoose, 6 Parkwood Street inquired if there is such a thing as conditional zoning. Supervisor Walters replied in the affirmative. Timothy Cohan again pointed out that originally there was someone in residence in each of the doctor's offices but now none do and this commercialism is marching down the street. He pointed out construction had been begun at 1 Parkwood without even a building permit. John Walsh, Parkwood Street complained about the parking on Elmwood and requested the town put no parking on Elmwood and Parkwood. Eileen Esler, 19 Elmwood St. and Mary Walsh, Elmwood Street also objected. All persons desiring to be heard were heard following which Councilwoman Porter moved that the Hearing be closed and decision deferred pending recommendation from the Planning Board. The motion was seconded by Councilman Cropsey and carried by unanimous Board action.

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