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PUBLIC SPEAKS

A proposed ordinance change (Chapter XXI, Section 10.5, subsection d.3) adding 10 feet to the 50 ft. height limit requested by the developers of the shopping center was the subject of the public hearing held on October 14th prior to the commissioners meeting. The change was requested so that a 4-story building (allowable) could have a roofed area over the unsightly protuberances necessary to such a building. About 75 people attended the meeting.

The architect had several exhibits to illustrate the effect this plan would have on the general appearance of the center. Some people felt this was a much more attractive concept than previous proposals made by the developers but others felt that it simply required further indulgence on the part of the town to accommodate them.

Actual plans were not the subject of consideration. It was brought out that the ordinance which originally allowed the 4-story building and was recommended by the Planning Board had inadvertently omitted provision of the 10 feet allowed for mechanical structures. The commissioners were asked to approve this change in the ordinance to correct this oversight and allow the developers to proceed with the preparation of detailed plans with this allowable height.

The hearing lasted for about an hour during which many strong feelings were expressed. When all who wished to be heard had been recognized, Mayor Hanan closed the meeting.

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