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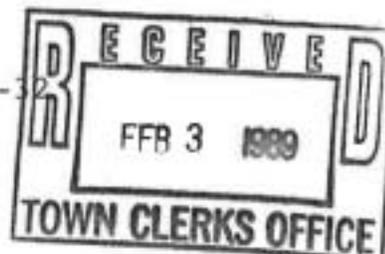
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MEL MAYO

v.

Decision #88-32

OLD KING'S HIGHWAY REGIONAL HISTORIC  
DISTRICT COMMITTEE FOR THE TOWN OF  
ORLEANS



On Tuesday, January 10, 1989 the Commission held a hearing on Appeal #88-32 filed by Mel Mayo seeking review of a decision by the Orleans Historic District Committee which had approved an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness submitted by Center Harbor Investment Corporation for a new commercial building to be located at Lot #1901-001, Route 6A, Orleans, Massachusetts.

Present were Brendan Joyce, Dennis; Jan Francis, Brewster; Christopher Miner, Orleans; Peter Freeman, Barnstable; Peter Butt, Yarmouth; Allen Abrahamson, Sandwich; Robert G. Brown, Commission Counsel; Shirley Silva, Attorney for the Applicant; and Mel Mayo, Appellant.

The Committee's decision had been filed with the Town Clerk on December 16, 1988, and the appeal entered with the Commission on December 23, 1988.

Mel Mayo, Appellant, addressed the Commission. He stated that the Building is not of historic design and that it was a concrete building that would be an eyesore. He stated that all of the buildings in the area are wooden Cape style buildings except for the Coastal Engineering building. He asked that the Commission overturn the approval granted by the Orleans Committee.

Beverly Carney addressed the Commission to speak in favor of the appeal. She asked the Commission to preserve the historic district and said that the proposed building would not be aesthetically appropriate to the area.

Rick Banas, representing the Orleans Committee, addressed the Commission to explain the Orleans Committee's reasons for approval. He distributed pictures of the area and stated that although the building was not historically designed it would not be a detriment to the area considering some of the other structures in the immediate vicinity such as the cement plant and the Coastal Engineering building.

Shirley Sylva, Attorney for the Applicants, addressed the Commission in favor of the decision by the Orleans Committee. She stated that the corporation which owns the property is owned by local persons and is not part of a

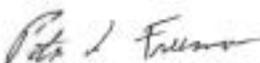
national franchise. She asked that the Commission support the local committee.

Michael Brown of Center Harbor Investment Corporation addressed the Commission to speak in favor of the decision by the Orleans Committee. He presented pictures of the general area and explained the construction materials to be used. He also asked the Commission to support the Committee.

After lengthy discussion the Commission made the following determinations:

1. That the Orleans Historic District Committee did use poor judgment in approving the Applicant's Certificate of Appropriateness. 4-0-1
2. That the decision of the Orleans Historic District Committee be and is annulled.

Any person aggrieved by this decision has a right to appeal to the District Court Department, Orleans Division, within 20 days of the filing of this decision with the Orleans Town Clerk.

  
Peter L. Freeman  
Chairman