

HANSON BOARD OF APPEALS
Minutes of Public Hearing January 22, 2019

Board members present: William Cushing, Chairman
Joanne Miniutti, Vice-Chair
Kevin Perkins, Member
Sean Buckley, Alternate

Petitioner: Eric Hittelman for VCA Animal Hospitals
Case#19JA01 – 7:00 PM
104 Liberty Street – Special Permit/Site Plan

Also present: Joseph Webby of Webby Engineering representing the Petitioner

The Petitioner is requesting a Special Permit and Site Plan approval to allow for the operation of a Veterinary Hospital with accessory boarding (for clinical use), grooming and retail sales of pet related supplies, food and pharmaceuticals with related signage at the above address. Property is in Business and Residence AA zones.

Building Commissioner/Zoning Enforcement Officer Robert Curran had no concerns regarding this proposal however a Permit must be issued prior to the start of any remodeling and construction.

Deputy Rob O'Brien of the Hanson Fire Department had no major issues with the application but follow up paperwork must be submitted by the Petitioner prior to the opening of the business.

Plan submitted for the proposed was prepared by Webby Engineering Associates, Inc., 180 County Road, Plympton, Ma. 02367, numbered W-5800 and dated 12/6/18.

The veterinary building on Rt. 27 Main Street will be moving the operation to the 104 Liberty Street address. They are not proposing any changes to the building; however a couple of changes – provide fenced in areas for exercise for the dogs as they recover. One concern from an abutter, Bo Dyer from the northerly property concerns water currently coming down the drainage which settles and then trails off onto Dyer's property. Working with VCA, and the architect, Webby stated they are willing to create a swale to take care of this so no more water goes on to neighboring property.

Maira and Becky from VCA Hanson office stated that office hours will be seven days a week - Saturday and Sunday 7:00 am to 7:00 pm. Monday thru Friday – 7:00 am to 10:00 pm. There are 35 employees. The sign will be the same one currently in use on Main Street.

The interior will be sectioned off – surgical suite, dentistry suite, pharmacy and lab, examination rooms, treatment area, boarding areas with runs for larger dogs-smaller areas are for cats with litter boxes, also a front desk and waiting room.

Plenty of parking and lighting as shown on plan.

Motion made to approve the special permit and site plan for VCA Animal Hospitals, Inc., 104 Liberty Street contingent upon the drainage swale being installed as shown on site plan: Kevin Perkins

Second: Joanne Miniutti

Vote: 3-0