

Appeal of Steven Kasower vs City)
of Sacramento Planning Commis- )
sion's approval of a Special )
Permit to allow an Outpatient )
Opiate Detoxification Center )
at 1708 Q Street. P-9423 )

NOTICE OF DECISION
AND
FINDINGS OF FACT

At its regular meeting of September 15, 1981, the City Council heard and considered evidence in the above entitled matter. Based on the oral and documentary evidence at such hearing, the Council denied the appeal and approved the Special Permit to allow the Opiate Detoxification Center subject to the following conditions and findings of fact:

Conditions

- 1. The applicant shall submit a report to the City Council after 12 months of operation. The report shall include a review of the overall operation of the facility and indicate any problems associated with the operation of the facility at this location.
2. If the lease for the adjacent parking lot to the west expires, the facility shall cease its operation.
3. Criteria shall be developed by the Central City Advisory Committee to help locate these types of facilities in the future.

Findings

- 1. The project is based upon sound principles of land use in that the subject use is compatible with other permitted uses in the neighborhood.
2. The project will not be injurious to the surrounding properties in that:
a. the project will not significantly increase the on-street parking demand because parking will be provided by lease agreement on the adjacent property to the west;
b. the approved use will not significantly alter the character of the area.
3. The existing area is characterized with mixed land uses (industrial, commercial, and residential). Therefore, the project complies with a sub-goal of the 1980 Central City Plan which states:
"Provide for the location of social rehabilitation facilities in such a manner so as not to have a detrimental impact on residential neighborhoods."

ATTEST:

By the City Council
Office of the City Clerk

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Mayor Phillip Isenberg  
City of Sacramento  
City Hall  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Re: Planning Commission

We are in full agreement with the Commission's action to place a moratorium on service agencies in the central city. Our only concern is that the moratorium does not go far enough. For example, we believe that a number of profit-making organizations should be included. It is our understanding that these organizations also provide services to residents of Sacramento.


In particular, I'd like to draw to your attention our concern about the proliferation of law offices. It is our understanding, although you may not be aware, that a significant number of the clientele are people who are experiencing difficulties with the criminal justice system. Certainly we need to decentralize the congregation of this element. I might suggest that since it is well understood that crime occurs more frequently in poverty areas, that the moratorium include a review of moving law offices to such places as Del Paso Heights, Glen Elder, and other high poverty areas. In addition, we're quite concerned about the proliferation of bailbond agencies. We believe that they should be located in River Park, South Land Park and Greenhaven. Further, we are concerned that legislative staff people are frequently found patronizing drinking establishments surrounding the capitol. Since the majority of these staff live in Curtis Park, South Land Park and along the American River Drive, we suggest that a move be made to require the following taverns to be moved into closer proximity of the residents of their patrons. Therefore we are suggesting that the Torch Club be moved to Curtis Park, David's Brass Rail to South Land Park, and Frank Fat's somewhere along American River Drive.

We're also quite concerned about the congestion on Sunday mornings. You would be surprised how many people drive to churches. It is our understanding that these churches also perform a service function. Certainly, they should be included in the moratorium.

In closing, the following private service agencies should also be included in your moratorium. They are pawn shops, consumer finance agencies, used car lots, consulting firms, and the offices of the staff supporting City Council activities.

We look forward to assisting you in drawing up a comprehensive plan to assure that the undesirable element does not detract from the esthetic beauty of central Sacramento.

Very truly yours,



Michael F. Coonan  
Patients' Rights Advocate

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Members, City Council  
Board of Supervisors

P.S. Knee jerk reaction makes bad politics  
& worse public policy. Quite frankly  
the issue is serious & require com-  
prehensive & thoughtful review. By the  
way my office was not included on  
the list. I would like to make it  
to Curtis Park - your financial support  
will be appreciated

