

## Ingraham Volunteers

74 Elm Street  
Portland, Maine 04101  
(207) 874-1055

April 22, 1991

Bill Giroux  
Zoning Office  
City of Portland  
389 Congress Street  
Portland, Maine 04101

Dear Bill:

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We are negotiating to buy the Whittier building, which is located at 743 Congress Street. It is in a B2 zone. May I have a letter from you stating that this use is consistent with the city's land use plan?

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



Jane G. Morrison, M.S., L.S.W.  
Executive Director

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Ingraham Volunteers is a member agency of the United Way, a state licensed mental health agency and a City of Portland Community Development assisted project.

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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT

P. SAMUEL HOFFSES, CHIEF  
INSPECTION SERVICES DIVISION

April 29, 1991

Ms. Jane G. Morrison  
Executive Director  
Ingraham Volunteers  
74 Elm Street  
Portland, ME 04101

743 Congress St

Dear Ms. Morrison,

This is in response to your letter of April 22, 1991 requesting my opinion as to whether your proposal is consistent with the city's land use plan. Handicapped family units are permitted in the B-2 zone which the property is located. This use appears to meet the definition of handicapped family unit.

However, please be aware that this is an advisory opinion based on your letter. A copy of the grant application and other information along with an application for change of use is necessary for a final determination to be made. Final approval is granted when a permit is issued.

Please call if there are any further questions.

Sincerely,

  
William D. Giroux  
Zoning Administrator

cc: Joseph Gray, Director, Planning & Urban Development  
P. Samuel Hoffses, Chief of Inspection Services  
Mark Adelson, Planning & Urban Development  
Alex Jaegerman, Planning & Urban Development

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