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William Whited
1321 Washington Ave.
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Re: 429 Warren Ave. (304 B32)

Dear Bill,

I have reviewed your request to reclassify the 60' x 325' and 60' x 300' structures built pursuant to Permit 040085 and 040086 from type 2 B construction to type 5B for the purpose of using wood studs in the nonbearing partitions in tenant fitups.

The following are the facts presented:

- 1) The buildings are both equipped with fire suppression systems pursuant to NFPA 13.
- 2) The square footage of the structures is 19,500 and 18,000.
- 3) The buildings are at least 20 feet from all lot lines.
- 4) The Use Group of the buildings are primarily S1/F1 with small office areas (B)

Based on this information, the request is compliant with the 2003 IBC. The maximum allowable structure for type 5B construction for all of the above uses is 34,000 with suppression, not including additional allowable increases for open space. Table 602 allows a Zero fire rating for the exterior wall if you are at least 10 feet from the property line.

All future permits for these buildings will be reviewed as type 5B construction.

Yours truly,

Michael J. Nugent
Inspections Division Director