

BELVIDERE RD, PEAKS ISLAND (9C-P-13)

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June 5, 1964

Mr. Albert Sears, Director
Department of Building Inspection
City of Portland
389 Congress Street
Portland, Maine

Dear Mr. Sears:

The Portland Water District proposes to purchase land on Island Avenue, Peaks Island, adjacent to Belvidere Road. This land is shown as Lot 9 and Lot 13, Section P, Sheet 9, Peaks Island, City Assessor's Plan.

Permission is hereby requested to take material from the lot for use in laying a water main in Pleasant Avenue between Trefethen Avenue and Belvidere Road. The material will be used as cover for blasting and then as backfill in the ledge trench.

Any material left will be reserved for future use by the District.

If allowed to take material from this lot for municipal use, the District gives assurance that the lot will be kept neat and orderly, and the excavation will be kept to a grade which will match adjacent property.

Authority to use the land as above described is hereby requested.

Yours very truly,

PORTLAND WATER DISTRICT

Edward J. Norris
Edward J. Norris
Engineer

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Inquiry - Island Avenue, Peaks Island (Assessor's Lot Nos. 90-P-4&13)

June 9, 1964

Mr. Edward J. Norris, Engr.
Portland Water District
16 Casco Street

cc to: Corporation Counsel

Dear Mr. Norris:

Regarding your inquiry concerning the removal of soil and gravel from the two lots of land at the above named location for use in Portland Water District operations in connection with the laying of a new water main in Pleasant Avenue, Peaks Island, we find that the property in question is located in an R-3 Residence Zone where the proposed use is not allowable. However, the quasi-municipal nature of the Water District plus the fact that the material excavated is to be used within the limits of a public street makes it reasonable to assume that the operations contemplated come within the category of a municipal use, which is allowable in any zone.

Under these circumstances it appears that your proposed use of the property in question would be lawful under the Zoning Ordinance. As long as the removal operations are conducted in a neat and orderly fashion and the excavation is not carried to such a depth as to create a depression but is kept to a grade matching the adjacent property, as you have indicated is your intention, it does not seem likely that the removal of soil and gravel from this location should have any adverse effect upon the adjoining property or the neighborhood.

Very truly yours,

Albert J. Sears
Building Inspection Director

JJS:m

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ZONE R3 RESIDENCE ZONE

FIRE DIST. _____

CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION

Date June 1, 1964

Written
Verbal
By Telephone

(90-P-13)

LOCATION Belvidere and Island Ave. OWNER Sam Howard

PEAKS ISLAND

MADE BY Mr. Norris, Portland Water District TEL. 772-6557

ADDRESS _____

PRESENT USE OF BUILDING _____ NO. STORIES _____

LAST USE OF BUILDING _____ CLASS OF CONSTRUCTION _____

REMARKS Mr. Norris says gravel was taken from here a year or two ago.

INQUIRY Can gravel be taken from this land and used on a job (new water main)?

ANSWER Told Mr. Norris that in an R-3 zone where removal of sand and gravel is not allowable and Board of Appeals does not have right to grant permission to do so. However, since a Municipal Use is allowable in any zone, it probably can be permitted coming under this category. He assured me that one will be taken not to create an eyesore or hazard. By removal of gravel. He also said that they may be able to get gravel from back of island on former U.S. government property.

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