PUBLIC HEARING
June 19, 1989

A Public Hearing was held June 19, 1989 at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers with the Mayor Charles E. Dean presiding. The following council members were present: B. B. Holt, R. B. Hutton, H. W. Leap, L. C. Life and R. L. Snow. R. E. Davis was absent. Also present was Gerald Monger, Superintendent, Betty Engle, Assistant Clerk and Dale Davenport, Attorney.

The purpose of the hearing was to allow residents to express their views on issuance of a Special Use Permit for the Bed and Breakfast at 515 E. Rockingham Street.

Judith Martin of Shomo Reality in Harrisonburg, Virginia was present representing G. Jorge and Lisa P. Araiza who are presently in Germany with the Army Corp. of Engineers. She stated the couple had plans to use the property primarily for a residence and gradually open a Bed and Breakfast operation and to market it through their friends in the Washington, D. C. area.

Bill Whiteford of 528 Spotswood Avenue was concerned about what type of rezoning would occur if the permit was granted, and the effect it would have on the vacant lots which adjoin his property. He is concerned about the area becomming more commercial, and would prefer it stay a residential area.

Mr. Monger stated that if the Special Use Permit was granted that there would be no change in the zoning; that these permits have stipulations, and in the proposed new zoning this area would be in a more strict area than it now is.

Councilman Holt stated that this is considered one of the prime residential areas, and the council wants to maintain the quality of the neighborhood, and if someone should come in and start running an operation that was not considered constant with the standards in that neighborhood that council could take action because it is a Special Use Permit.

Joe Correa wanted to clarify that the permit tonight was for four bedrooms, and was told that if it is changed to a nine bedroom another public hearing would have to be held.

As there was no further discussion, the meeting adjourned.

MAYOR: Charles E. Dean
Charles E. Dean, Mayor

RECORDER: Betty H. Engle
Betty H. Engle, Asst. Clerk