

TISBURY MARKETPLACE 79 Beach Road Vineyard Haven, MA 02568



September 26, 2011

Tisbury Building Inspector Tisbury, MA 02568

BY HAND

RE: Theater at Tisbury Market

Special Permit

Dear Mr. Barwick,

Enclosed please find preliminary drawings describing the above project. I am sending you this so that you will refer the project to the MVC.

Also, following our meeting in which you informed me that a Special Permit will be required for this project since the use is not allowed by right in the Waterside Management Zone, I am applying to the Tisbury Planning Board.

The project is an all purpose theater to be located in the last vacant space at the Marketplace on which the applicant holds development rights. It will contain approximately 200 seats and a 30 seat café/concession area. The café will be accessory to the theater and will not be open to the public.

The theater will be the permanent, year-round home of the Martha's Vineyard Film Society, a non-profit institution operated by Richard Paradise. The MVFS has been bringing well over 100 independent, foreign and documentary films annually to the Island over the last 10 years. The space will be leased to MVFS for a period of at least 15 years. MVFS plans to bring films to the Island on a year round basis. In addition the theater will host other programs of community interest such as chamber music, comedy, lectures and symposia. The theater is expected to become an Island institution with close ties to the community.

The theater will utilize the existing parking available at the Marketplace. In the busy months of July and August programming will be restricted to the evening hours, after the close of most businesses at the Marketplace. The primary parking for the theater will be

in the rear employee lot. Patrons will be directed to this lot, and to a convenient rear door into the theater.

Thanks for referring the project to the MVC.

Sincerely Yours,

Sam Dunn