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Approval given for conversion of former school HQ into condos

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NEW BRITAIN — Crowinshield Corporation got unanimous Zoning Board of Appeals approval Tuesday night to convert the historic 1882 Hillside Place — the former School Dept. headquarters — into residential condominiums.

The board's vote was made without debate. The action helps clear the way for the Peabody, Mass., company, which renovated the former New Britain High School and three other former school buildings in the city to take ownership of the building and begin work.

Crowinshield, more than two years ago, submitted the high bid of approximately \$250,000 for the building. Bids for the building were done in conjunction with proposals sought for new space for school headquarters.

The company plans to restore the building's exterior and convert the building into 30 apartments.

There was no opposition to the proposal at the board's public hearing.