COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS

OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

No. 68-67-R

OPINION

The petitioner in this case seeks a reclassification of a tract of land, containing approximately 1.87 acres, situated on the west side of Cummings Avenue 150 feet north of the Baltimore National Pike in the First Election District of Baltimore County. The tract of ground is irregular in shape having 264 feet of frontage on the east side of Leslie Avenue, and 524 feet of frontage on the west side of Cummings Avenue. The property is presently zoned R-6 and B.L.

The land uses and zoning surrounding the subject property are as follows: Across Leslie Avenue in a westeriy direction the property is zoned B.M., and is presently improved with offices and warehouses. To the south of the property is a B.L. zone between the southern bouldary of the property and the north side of Baltimore National Pike, and is presently improved with a gasoline service station. North of the property is a large tract of unimproved R-6 land. To the east of the property, across Cummings Avenue, the zoning is R-6 and is spattily developed with older modest cottage houses. There are three modest houses between the west side of the subject property on its southern portion, and the B.M. zone lying across Leslie Avenue.

The petitioner proposes to construct two one-story warehouse buildings on the subject property containing approximately 6800 square feet each. The structures will be ariented towards Leslie Avenue facing the B.M. zoning and warehouses that are presently in existence. Entrance to the buildings is proposed from the east side of Leslie Avenue, and no access is planned or proposed to Cummings Avenue, and testimon was heard by the Board that indicates the topography of the subject land would virtually given on behalf of the petitioner indicates that the subject property falls rather sharply from Leslie Avenue to the east from ten to twelve feet, and that there is a large ravine between Cummings Avenue and the proposed warehouse Tocation.

A qualified real estate expert appearing on behalf of the petitioner stated that in his opinion, the development of the subject site within its present R-6 classification would not be possible at feasible because of the ravine going through the center of the property. The real estate expert further testified that in his opinion the present R-6 zoning is er aneous because of the difficult topography of the property, and its proximity to the B.M. zone immediately across Leslie Avenue. Without going into detail as to

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his entire testimony, the expert for the petitioner testified to numerous and substantial changes in the character of the neighborhood since the adoption of the map. He cited specifically Case #64-82-R, Case #66-248-RX, and Case #67-220. He further stated that in his opinion the highest and best use of the property is Business Major zoning, and that the rezoning of the property to Business Major would not adversely affect or depreciate the neighborhood

The protestants' main objection was to additional traffic that would use Leslie Avenue, and dust and dirt that would result mainly from the present unpaved condition of Leslie Avenue. However, testimony by a traffic expart appearing on behalf of the petitioner indicated any additional traffic generated by the reclassification of the subject property would be minimal, and that Leslie Avenue is adequate to handle the existing traffic and any additional traffic caused by the reclassification of the subject property. In addition, he stated that Leslie Avenue, which is presently 25 to 30 feet wide and unpaved, would be reconstructed to a paved width of 40 feet, thereby eliminating any problems that the residents may have with dust emanating from the road.

The Board finds from all the testimony given before it, that developmen of the subject property within its present R-6 classification would be extremely difficult if not totally infeasible due to the topography of the tract. Existing Business Major uses facing the property across Leslie Avenue make it extremely unlikely that the property could be economically feasibly developed in its present R-6 classification, and that there have been more than sufficient changes in the character of the neighborhood to justify the reclassification of this property to a commercial use.

The original petition in this case requested a reclassification to B.R. However, the peritioner at the outset of the hearing moved that the petition be amended to request B.M. This Motion was denied by the Board. However, all of the testimony given in the case indicates that the proper classification for the property would be B.M. rather than B.R. It is within the Board's power, as long as the protestants are sufficiently notified of the proposed use of the property, to grant a reclassification to a less intensive use than that requested by the petitioner. Since B.M. is a more restrictive commercial zone than B.R. under the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations, the Board feels that it is within its power to grant the less intensive use. In addition, the Board finds as a fact that the more logical zoning is B.M. in that the property east of Leslie Avenue would then be zoned in the same classification as the property west of Leslie Avenue.

PETITION FOR ZONING RE-CLASSIFICATION AND/OR SPECIAL EXCEPTION

TO THE ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY
Pessaro, his wife: Poltunato Brundelre and Adriane Brundelre I, or weAndrew Pessaro and Helyn/ legal owners of the property situate in Baltim County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, MAF hereby petition (1) that the zoning status of the herein described property be re-classified, pursuant 2-2 zone to an erree to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County, from an BL and R-6

BRzone, for the following reason 1. Error in the original Zoning Map; and

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2. Changes in the neighborhood since the approval of the original Zoning Maps

See attached description

and (2) for a Special Exception, under the said Zoning Law and Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County to use the herein described property for

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations

I, dr.we, agree to pay expenses of above re-classification and or Special Exception advertising, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore

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Petitioner's Attorney 212 Washington Avenue Address Towson, Maryland

Protestant's Attorney

Catonsville, Maryland 21228

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Address 1012 Leslie Avenue

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of_ August 196... 7, that the subject matter of this petition be advertised, as required by the Zoning Law of Baltimore County, in two newspapers of general circulation throughout Baltimore County, that property be pested, and that the public hearing be had before the Zoning sioner of Baltimore County in Room 106, County Office Building in Towson, Baltimo County, on the 1-5 20th

. 196_Z, at 11+00.0'clock you

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ORDER

For the reasons set forth in the aforegoing Opinion, it is this 2nd day of October, 1968 by the County Board of Appeals, OR DERED that the subject property is hereby reclassified from B.L. and R-6 zones to c B.M. zone

Any appeal from this decision must be in accordance with Chapter 1100, subside 8 of Maryland Rules of Procedure 1961 edition

COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS

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DESCRIPTION

PARCEL "A"

0.11, MORE OR LESS, ACRE PARCEL, WEST SIDE OF CUMMINGS

AVENUE, 150 FFET, MORE OR LESS NORTH OF BALTIMORE NATIONAL W-2-6 PIKE, FIRST ELECTION DISTRICT, BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND,

Existing Zoning - "B-L"

Proposed Zoning J'B-R"

Beginning for the same at a point on the west side of Cummings Avenue, 30 feet wide, at a distance of 150 feet, more or less, as measured northerly along the west side of said Cummings Avenue from its intersection with the northwest side of Baltimore National Pike, running thence binding on the west side of said Cummings Avenue, (1) N 04*22'36" E - 40 feet, more or less, to the beginning of the second line of Baltimore County Zoning Description 1-BL-47, thence binding on a part of the second line of said zoning description (2) southwesterly - 117.88 feet, more or less, thence (3) S 04°22'36" W - 40 feet, more or less, and (4) N 83*04'00" E - 117, 88 feet, more or less, to the place o beginning

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FRANK E. CICONE TOWS.IN. MANYLAND 21204 October 18, 1967

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Mr. John C. Rose Zoning Commissioner Baltimore County Office of Planning and Zoning County Office Building 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue son, Maryland 21204

Dear Mr. Rose:

Re: Petition for Reclassification from BL and R-6 to BR - W/S Cummings Aveto BR - W/S Cummings Avenue, 150' NW Baltimore National Pike - 'trst Dis-trict - Androw Pes. ro - d Holen Pessaro, Forthato Brundelre and Adrients Brundelre, Petitioners -No. 68-67-R

We hereby take an appeal to the County Board of Appeals on behalf of Andrew Pessaro and Helen Pessaro, and Fortunato Brundeler and Adrienne Brundelre, Petitioners, to the Order rendered in the above entitled case on September 21, 1967.

I am enclosing herewith check in the amount of \$80,00 covering the cost of this appeal.

Very truly yours,

Frank E. Cicone David D. Downes Attorneys for Petitioners

FEC:bll Encl. CC: M's Hannah Lindsay

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DESCRIPTION

PARCEL "B"

1.76, MORE OR LESS, ACRE PARCEL, WEST SIDE OF CUMMINGS

AVENUE, 190 FEET, MORE OR LESS NORTH OF BALTIMORE NATIONAL

PIKE, FIRST ELECTION DISTRICT, BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND,

Existing Zoning -"R-6"

Proposed Zoning . "B-R"

Beginning for the same at a point on the west side of Cummings Avenue, 30 feet wide, at a distance of 190 feet, more or less, as measured northerly along the west side of said Cummings Avenue, from its intersection with the northwest side of Baltimore National Pile, said beginning point being at the beginning of the second line of Baltimore County Zoning Description 1-BI -47 running thence binding on the west side of said Cummings Avenue (1) N 04*22*36" E . 484.78 feet, more or less, thence (2) N 85°37'24" W - 191.25 feet, more or less, to a point on the west side of Leslie Avenue, 40 feet wide, thence binding on said west side of Leslie Avenue (3) S 04*22'30" W = 254,80 feet, more or less, thence (4) S 83*37'24" E - 75.62 feet, more or less, and (5) S 04*22'36" W -243.20 feet, more or less, thence binding reversely on the zoning line herein referred to (5) northeasterly - 117.88 feet, more or less, to the place of

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BAITIMORE COUNTY OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ZONING COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING TOMSON, MARYLAND 21204

Reclassification from an 8-6 and B.L. some to a B.R. some, for Andrew Pessaro, et al., located on the 85 of Omenings Avenue, 150's Borth of Reltimore Mational Pike 18th District (Item 8, August 22nd, 1967)

The Zoning Advisory Committee has reviewed the subject pedition and has the weing comments to offer:

BURNAU O' ENGINEERING:
Water - Deleting 5" water in Cummings Ave.
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positioner in this case has failed to grant the NAV's required to construct these
facilities.

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Adequacy of existing utilities to be determined by developer or his engineer.

Road - Leslie Avenue is to be developed as a LO' road on a 50' R/W.

Cumnings Ave. is to be developed as a 30' road on a 50' R/W.

BUREAU OF TRAFFIC ENGINEERING: Due to the nature of the intersection of the Baltimore National File and Leslie Avenue any increased trip density on Leslie Avenue will be

PROJECT PLANNING DIVISION: This department will review and submit any necessary comments at a later data.

ZONING ADMINISTRATION DIVISION: If the petition is granted, no occupancy may be made until such time as plans have been submit and approved and the property inspected for compliance to the approved plan.

The above commonts are not intended to indicate the appropriationss of the source that all parties are made sware of plans or problems that may have a bearing on this case. The Director and/or the Deputy Director of the Office of Planning and Zoning will substit recommendations on the appropriateness of the requested soning IO days before the Zoning Constitutions on the appropriateness of the requested soning IO days before the Zoning Constitutions of the English Constitutions.

The following members had no comment to offer:

Health Department Bureau of Fire Prevention State Roads Commission Building Engineer Board of Education Industrial Development

Very truly yours,

JAMES E. DYNR, Principal

cc: Carlyle Brown-Bur. of Engr. C. Richard Mocre-Bur. of Traffic Engr. Albert V. Quimby-Project Planning

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BILLED BY:

Division of Collection and Receipts COURT HOUSE TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204

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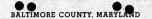
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FROM George E. Gavrelis, Director

SUBJECT Petition *68-67-R. Reclassification from B.L. and R-6 to B.R. West side of Cummings Avenue 150 feet Northwest of Baltimore National Pike. Being the property of Andrew Pessaro, et al.

TO Mr. John G. Rose, Zoning Commissioner Date September 8, 1967

1st District

HEARING: Wednesday, Septe foer 20, 1967 (11:00 A.M.)

The planning staff of the Office of Planning and Zoning has reviewed the

- Not only is Cummings Avenue a residential street, but the condition of both Cummings and Leslie Avenues makes them unsuitable for access to
- A sn all portion of the subject property is commercially zoned, and
 commercial zoning is adjacent to the property to the west, across
 Lastie Avenue. The commercial zoning was established by map, and,
 therefore, from a planning viewpoint, could not constitute a change;
 rather, the commercial zoning thus established represented a cut-off
 point beyond which commercial intrusion was not intended.
- A particularly irrational zoning pattern would occur should the subject petition be approved, since there would remain a residential parcel only 75 feet wide surrounded on all sides by commercial zoning.
- 4. In view of the above considerations, we are opposed to the subject petition.

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County Office Building III W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Your petition has been received and accepted for filing this 15th day of __August

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