Case No. SE/. of Harris Mill Rd., 900' PETITION FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION $85^{-27/-\lambda}$ Item No. 193 SE of Freeland Road Date: September 5, 1985 7th Election District Ları / Hoover, et ux, Petitioners TO THE ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY: Copy of Petition The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is 85-271-X described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Special Exception under the Zoning Law and Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to use the χ 2. Copy of Description of Property herein described property for __Church_ Copy of Certificate of Posting (1 Sign) RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION : BEFORE THE ZONING COMMISSIONER Copy of Certificates of Publication SE/S Harris Mill Rd., 900' BALTIMORE COUNTY OFFICE OF PLANNING & ZONING SE of Freeland Rd., 7th Dist. : OF BALTIMORE COUNTY Copy of Zoning Advisory Committee Comments County Office Building 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 LARRY HOOVER, et ux, Petitioners: Case No. 85-271-X Copy of Comments from the Director of Planning Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. :::::: Your petition has been received and accepted for filing this 25th day of February , 1985. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Special Exception advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions Planning Board Comments and Accompanying Map ENTRY OF APPEARANCE of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County. Copy of Order to Enter Appearance I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we _ γ 9. Copy of Order - Zoning/Deputy Zoning Commissioner Please enter the appearance of the People's Counsel in the are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition. above-captioned matter. Notices should be sent of any hearing dates X 10. Copy of Plat of Property (See Petitioner's Exhibit 1) Contract Purchaser: Legal Owner(s): or other proceedings in this matter and of the passage of any preliminary ____11. 200' Scale Location Plan Zoning Commissioner ZION'S HILL MINISTRIES or final Order. Petitioner Larry Noover, at ux Received by. ___12. 1000' Scale Location Plan MANY XHOUNG Petitioner's Eerbert Weiner, Esquire Chairman, Zoning Plans ____I3. Memorandum in Support of Petition Advisory Committee 7907 Rolling View Ave. GERALDINE HOOVER X 1. Letter(s) from Protestant(s) Phyllis Cole Friedman People's Counsel for Baltimore County Baltimore, Md. 21236 Judling Hooven ____15. Letter(s) from Petitioner(s) City and State X 16. Protestants' Exhibits 1 to 5 (See Attached Explanation) Attorney for Petitioner: Harvey S. 1011 Harris Mill Rd. Herbert Weiner, Esq. Wasserman X 17. Petitioners' Exhibits 1 to 7 (See Attached Explanation) Peter Max Zimmerman (Type or Print Name) Deputy People's Counsel Room 223, Court House Maryland Line, Md. 21105 X 18. Letter of Appeal (2 Letters of Appeal Enclosed) Towson, MD 21204 494-2188 Mr. & Mrs. Larry Hoover Petitioner 131 E. Redwood St. Name, address and phone number of legal owner, con-1011 Harris Mill Road tract purchaser or representative to be contacted Maryland Line, Md. 21105 Baltimore, Md. 21202 I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 12th day of March, 1985, a copy Sidney Schlachman, Esquire Attorney for Petitioner 276-2501 131 E. Redwood Street, 4th Floor 7907 Rolling View Ave. . .661-5890 of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Herbert Weiner, Esquire, Baltimore, Maryland 21202 685-2022 Attorney's Telephone No.: and Harvey S. Wasserman, Esquire, 131 E. Redwood St., Baltimore, MD 21202, R. Bruce Alderman, Esquire Attorney for Protestants ORDERED By The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, this _____25th____ day White, Mindel, Clarke & Hill, 6th Floor Attorneys for Petitioners; and Stelman H. Smith, 7907 Rolling View Ave., 29 West Susquehanna Avenue of February, 1985, that the subject matter of this petition be advertised, as Towson, Maryland 21204 Baltimore, MD 21236, who requested notification. required by the Zoning Law of Baltimore County, in two newspapers of general circulation through-Ms. Ann Kay Kramer Request Notification out Baltimore County, that property be posted, and that the public hearing be had before the Zoning 23-25 Walker Avenue Pikesville, Maryland 21208 Controlssioner of Baltimore County in Room 106, County Office Building in Towson, Baltimore Phyllis C. Friedman, Esquire Request Notification Norman E. Gerber Request Notification James Hoswell Request Notification Arnold Jablon Request Notification Jean M. H. Jung Request Notification James E. Dyer Request Notification CEIVED BALTIMORE COUNTY
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OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ZONING TOWSON, MARY! AND 21204 STEPHEN E. COLLINS DIRECTOR HARRY J. PISTEL, P. E. DIRECTOR March 25, 1985 February 15, 1985 NORMAN E. GERBER DIRECTOR January 25, 1985 COUNTY OFFICE BLDG. 111 W. Chesapeake Ave. Herbert Weiner, Esquire 131 East Radwood Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202 Mr. Arnold Jablon Mr. Arnold Jablon Zoning Commissioner RE: Item No. 193 - Case No. 85-271-X Zoning Commissioner Nicholas B. Commodari Mr. Arnold Jablon County Office Building Petitioners - Larry Hoover, et ux County Office Building 3/1/85 Zoning Commissioner Towson, Maryland 21204 Chairman County Office Building Towson, Maryland 21204 Towson, Maryland 21204 Special Exception Petition Re: Zoning Advisory Meeting of 1/16/85
Item # 193
Property Owner: Larry Hoover, etuy Re: Item #193 (1984-1985) Dear Mr. Weiner: MEMBERS -ZAC- Meeting of January 16, 1985 Property Owner: Larry Hoover, et ux Property Owner: Larry Hoover, et ux Bureau of S/ES Harris Mill Rd., 900' S/E of The Zoning Plans Advisory Committee has reviewed the plans sub-Location: SEIS Harris Will Rd. Freeland Rd. mitted with the above referenced petition. The following comments Existing Zoning: R.C.2 Department of SE of Freeland Rd. Acres: 50+ are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning Dear Mr. Jablon: Traffic Engineering Proposed Zoning: Special exception for a church District: 7th action requested, but to assure that all parties are made aware of The Division of Current Planning and Development has reviewed the subject State Road. Commissio plans or problems with regard to the development plans that may have petition and offers the following comments. The items checked below are a bearing on this case. The Director of Planning may file a written Fire Prevention report with the Zoning Commissioner with recommendations as to the ()There are no site planning factors requiring comment.
(X)A County Review Group Meeting is required.
()A County Review Group meeting was held and the minutes will be forward by the Bureau of Public Services. The following comments are furnished in regard to the plat submitted to this Health Department suitability of the requested zoning. office for review by the Zoning Advisory Committee in connection with the subject Project Planning Acres: 50 ± In view of your clients proposal to construct a church on the Building Pepartment ()This site is part of a larger tract; therfore it is defined as a District: 7TH subject property in phases and utilize the existing dwelling as a subdivision. The plan must show the entire tract. Board of Education temporary church for 8-10 years, this hearing is required. (κ) A record plat will be required and must be recorded prior o issuance of a building permit. Zoning Administration)The access is not satisfactory.
)The circulation on this site is not satisfactory. Dear Mr. Jablon: Harris Mill Road shall ultimately be improved on a 60-foot right-of-way. As indicated in my conversation with your clients, since a portion of this 50-acre tract consists of two parcels of ground Development The parking arrangement is not satisfactory. As no public facilities are involved, this office has no comment.)Parking calculations must be shown on the plan. that were separated from the adjacent property to the west, no)This property contains soils which are defined as wetlands, and further subdivision of said adjacent property can occur under the shown on the attached sheet. development on these soils is prohibited. The Petitioner must provide necessary drainage facilities (temporary or existing R.C. 2 regulations. In addition, it was indicated by)Construction in or alteration of the floodplain is prohibited permanent) to prevent creating any nuisances or damages to adjacent properties, under the provisions of Section 22-98 of the Development Mr. Stelman Smith that a new metes and bounds description of the especially by the concentration of surface waters. Correction of any problem subject property would be written. The need for this should be Development of this site may constitute a potential conflict with which may result, due to improper grading or improper installation of drainage fully discussed at the hearing. the Baltimore County Master Plan. facilities, would be the full responsibility of the Petitioner.)The amended Development Plan was approved by the Planning Board (X))Landscaping: Must comply with Baltimore County Landscape Manual.
(The property is located in a deficient service area as defined by Bill 178-79. No building permit may be issued until a Reserve Enclosed are all comments submitted from the members of the Development of this property through stripping, grading and stabilization could Committee at this time that offer or request information on your result in a sediment pollution problem, damaging private and public holdings downpetition. If similar comments from the remaining members are received, stream of the property. A grading permit is, therefore, necessary for all grading, Capacity Use Certificate has been issued. The deficient service I will forward them to you. Otherwise, any comment that is not informincluding the stripping of top soil. ()The property is located in a traffic area controlled by a "5" level ative will be placed in the hearing file. This petition was accepted MSF/ccm intersection as defined by Bill 178-79, and as conditions change for filing on the date of the enclosed filing certificate and a traffic capacity may become more limited. The Basic Services Areas Very truly yours, hearing scheduled accordingly. are re-evaluated annually by the County Council. (X) Additional comments:
Agricate access comment must be shawn on the Very truly yours, JAMES A. MARKLE, P.E., Chief Bureau of Public Services Richeles B. Commadar, 600. the general road with ourse of the 49.8 ac. NICHOLAS B. COMMODARI Chairman, Zoning Plans Advisory Committee JAM:EAM:ROP:ss

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Leo W. Rader 38 Belfast Poad

Timonium, Maryland 21093

Chief, Current Planning and Development

Eugene A. Bober

Traffic Engineering Assoc. II

Location: SE/S Harris Mill Road, 900' S/E of Freeland Road

We have reviewed the site plan and recommend the changes

appearing that by reason of the requirements of Section 502.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations For any other man BALTIMORE COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS & LICENSES January 23, 1985 TOWSON MARYLAND 21204 TED ZALESKI, JR. Mr. Arnold Jablon, Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning County Office Building Towson, Maryland 2120 Comments on Item # 193 Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting are as follows: Larry Hoover, et ux SE/S Harris Mill Road, 900' S/E of Freeland Road Location: Existing Zoning: Proposed Zoning: Special Exception for a church The items checked below are applicable: A.) All structures shall conform to the Baltimore County Building Code 1981/Council Bill 4-82 State of Maryland Code for the Handicapped and Aged; and other applimiscellaneous

B. A building/ & other permit shall be required before beginning construction. C. Residential: Three sets of construction drawings are required to file a permit application. Architect/Engineer seal is/is not required. Non-reproduced seals and signatures are required on Plans and Technical Data. D. Commercial: Three sets of construction drawings with a Maryland Registered Architect or Engineer shall be required to file a permit application. E. An exterior wall erected within 6'0 for Commercial uses or 3'0 for One & Two Family use group of an adjacent lot line shall be of one hour fire resistive construction, no openings permitted within 3'0 of lot lines. A firewall is required if construction is on the lot line, see Table 401, line 2, Section 1407 and Table 1402, also Section 503.2. F. Requested variance appears to conflict with the Baltimore County Building Code, G A change of occupancy shall be applied for along with an alteration permit application, and three required sets of drawings indicating how the structure will meet the Code requirements for the proposed change. Drawings may require a professional seal. From R-4 Dwelling to A-4 Assembly use. SPECIAL NOTE FOR H. Before this office can comment on the above structure, please have the owner, thru the services of a Registered in Maryland Architect or Engineer certify to this office, that, the structure for which a proposed change in use is proposed can comply with the height/area requirements of Table 505 and the required construction classification of Table 401, as well as the items below.

1. Comments - The existing dwelling (parsonage) may not be able to meet the structural requirements or exiting requirements of the Building Code

NOTE: These comments reflect only on the information provided by the drawings submitted is the office of Planning and Zoning and are not intended to be construed as the full extent of any permit. If desired, additional information may be obtained by visiting Room 122 (Plans Review) at 111 W. Chesapeake Ave.,

for an assembly (church or school use) A-4. I will not comment on the proposed new structure since the projected construction date is 8 to 10

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of property, and public hearing on the Petition and it

Zoning Item # 173 Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of Jan 19, 55 BALTIMORE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH () Prior to razing of existing structure/s, petitioner must contact the Division of Water Quality and Waste Management at 494-3768, regarding removal and/or Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning disposal of potentially hazardous materials and solid wastes. County Office Building Towson, Maryland 21204 () Any abandoned underground storage tanks containing gasoline, waste oil, sol-Zoning Item # 193, Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of Jan 16, 95 be removed from the property or properly backfilled. Prior to removal or abandonment, owner must contact the Division of Water Quality and Waste Property Owner: LAMN HOOVER EX UX Management at 494-3768. SE/s Havis Mill Rd (V) Soil percolation tests (have been must be) conducted. The results are valid until Water Supply ucll Sewage Disposal Septic System the Division of Environmental Support Services to determine whether additional tests are required. COMMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS: (V) Where water wells are to be used as a source of water supply, a well meeting () Prior to approval of a Building Permit for construction, renovation and/or the minimum Baltimore County Standards must be drilled. installation of equipment for any existing or proposed food service facility, () In accordance with Section 13-117 of the Baltimore County Code, the water complete plans and specifications must be submitted to the Plans Review Section, Environmental Support Services, for final review and approval. well yield test shall be valid until is not acceptable and must be retested. This must be accomplished () Prior to new installation/s of fuel burning equipment, the owner should contact the Division of Air Pollution Control, 494-3775, to obtain requireprior to conveyance of property and approval of Building Permit ments for such installation/s before work begins.

() A permit to construct from the Division of Air Pollution Control is required Applications. (V) Prior to occupancy approval, the potability of the water supply must be for such items as spray paint processes, underground gasoline storage tank/s verified by collection of bacteriological and chemical water samples. (5,000 gallons or more) and any other equipment or process which exhausts (\checkmark) If submission of plans to the County Review Group is required, a Hydrointo the atmosphere. () A permit to construct from the Division of Air Pollution Control is required geological Study and an Environmental Effects Report must be submitted. for any charbroiler operation which has a total cooking surface area of five (V) Others Detailed information regarding well and septic system (5) square feet or more. usage will be needed by this office orise to consideration () Prior to approval of a Building Permit Application for renovations to exist-OF AN ADDICATION For A Building Counity Petitioner Should ing or construction of new health care facilities, complete plans and CONTACT This office AT 494-2762 rogading this MATTER. specifications of the building, food service area and type of equipment to be used for the food service operation must be submitted to the Plans Review and Approval Section, Division of Engireering and Maintenance, State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene for review and approval. () Prior to any new construction or substantial alteration of public swimming pool, wading pool, bathhouse, saunas, whirlpools, hot tubs, water and sewerage facilities or other appurtenances pertaining to health and safety; two (2) copies of plans and specifications must be submitted to the Baltimore County Department of Health for review and approval. For more complete information, contact the Recreational Hygiene Section, Division of Environmental Support Services.) Prior to approval for a nursery school, owner or applicant must comply with all Baltimore County regulations. For more complete information, contact the Division of Maternal and Child Health. () If lubrication work and oil changes are performed at this location, the method providing for the elimination of waste oil must be in accordance with Water Resources Administration requirements. Ian J. Forrest, Director BUREAU OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES SS 20 1082 (1) SS 20 1283 (2) R BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

Assuming compliance with the requirements of Section 1A01.2C of the

Baltimore County Zoning Regulations and with the comments of the Zoning Plans

Advisory Committee, this office is not opposed to the granting of the subject

petition. Please note, however, that the subject property consists of prime

and productive agricultural soils and is currently being farmed.

March 20, 1985

Arnold Jablon

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TO Zoning Commissioner

Norman E. Gerber, Director FROM Office of Planning and Zoning

SUBJECT Zoning Petition No. 85-271-X

BALTIMORE COUNTY
FIRE DEPARTMENT
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204-2586 494-4500 PAUL H. REINCKE January 23, 1985 Mr. Arnold Jablon vents, etc., must have the contents removed by a licensed hauler and either Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning Baltimore County Office Building Towson, MD 21204 Soil percolation test results have expired. Petitioner should contact Attention: Nick Commodari, Chairman Zoning Plans Advisory Committee RE: Property Owner: Larry Hoover, et ux Location: SE/S Harris Mill Rd. 900' S/E of Freeland Rd. Zening Agenda: Meeting of 1/16/85 Item No.: 193 Pursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Bureau and the comments below marked with an "X" are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property. () 1. Fire hydrants for the referenced property are required and shall be located at intervals or _____ feet along an approved road in accordance with Baltimore County Standards as published by the Department of Public Works. () 2. A second means of vehicle access is required for the site. () 3. The vehicle dead end condition shown at EXCEEDS the maximum allowed by the Fire Department. * (x) 4. The site shall be made to comply with all applicable parts of the Fire Prevention Code prior to occupancy or beginning of operation. (X) 5. The buildings and structures existing or proposed on the site shall comply with all applicable requirements of the National Fire Protection Association Standard No. 101 *Life Safety Code*, 1976 Edition prior () 6. Site plans are approved, as drawn. () 7. The Fire Prevention Bureau has no comments, at this time. REVIEWER: Colt Accept (elly 1-73-45 Approved: Fire Branching Group Special Inspection Division
* Roadways shall be a minimum width of 24 feet and support 50,000 pound

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HOUSE OF DELEGATES ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401-1991

ELLEN R. SAUERBREY TENTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT BALTIMORE COUNTY

April 23, 1985

592-2200 ANNAPOUS OFFICE: LOWE HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING

DISTRICT OFFICE:

4122 SWEET AIR ROAD

BALDWIN, MARYLAND 21013

Mr. Armold Jablon Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning

COMMITTEE

ECONOMIC MATTERS

JOINT BUDGET AND AUDIT

COMMITTEE

fire apparatus.

Courts Building, M.S. 3406 Towson, ND 21204 Dear Mr. Jablon:

I have been contacted by several residents of Maryland Line regarding a proposed zoning exception on Harris Mill Road. As I understand the issue, a small church currently located in the Parkville area has an option to purchase a 50-acre parcel of land on which it proposes to build a large church and to include a recreational facility.

While I am sure that no one finds a church objectionable, there is concern that a large building project will exacerbate a current flooding problem that exists in the area, and that paving of large areas will result in more water runoff into Deer Creek and on to properties which are already experiencing heavy flooding. I understand that the community has been given a very short time in which to prepare an environmental impact study before you render your decision.

Of great interest to me as a representative of this area is the preservation of the agricultural character. Farmland is disappearing all too rapidly. It is totally incomsistent with the RC 2 zoning for a 50-acre parcel of prime farmland to be removed from agricultural use. Further, such a zoning exception could affect future zoning decisions regarding surrounding properties.

Knowing the rural nature of this area, and the sparse population, this whole proposal seems rather curious in that there does not seem to be the likelihood of an adequate congregation to support the church, nor have I heard an adequate explanation of what the congregation intends to do with the 25 acres proposed for "recreational use."

I hope that you will consider the community's concern very carefully. Apr 26

Sincerely, Ellen Sauentiner

Ellen R. Sauerbrey

ZONING DEPARTMENT

April 26, 1985

Please be advised that the parties had 30 days to submit an environmental

The Honorable Ellen R. Sauerbrey

Thank you for your letter of April 23, 1985.

impact study, and upon receipt, I will render my decision.

4122 Sweet Air Road

Baldwin, Maryland 21013

Dear Delegate Sauerbrey:

AJ/srl

RE: Case No. 85-271-X

Petitioners

ARNOLD JABLON

Zoning Commissioner

Larry Hoover, et ux,

JAMES R. POWDER, M.D., P.A. 827 LINDEN AVENUE BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21201 April 26, 1985

Mr. Arnold Jablon Zoning Commissioner County Office Building Towson, Maryland 21204 Dear Mr. Jablon:

I am a resident of North Baltimore County, my address is 1338 Harris Mill Road.

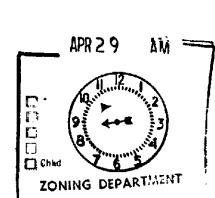
I want to express my opposition for a zoning exception which has been applied for (85-271X) and is now under consideration. This applies to 50 acres on Harris Mill Road, approximately 1 mile east of York Road.

As I understand it, the exception has been requested contingent on purchase of the land by a church. I cannot imagine a church requiring 50 acres which could eventually be converted to non-agricultural use. This would jeopardize the planned concept for land utilization in this part of the county.

Also it is most important to consider the potential enviornmental and ecological hazards to this area. My place is approximately 1/2 mile away and Little Deer Creek runs through the entire length along Harris Mill Road.

Thank you for your consideration.

May 1, 1985



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2320 Harris Mill Road

Parkton, Md. 21120

April 28, 1985

LARRY MOONER, et ap ZONING DEPARTMENT By Mr. arnold Jablon I am writing opposing the Boning exception application . This would take 50 acres out of farm use which ! oppose and could also be a to me I soin the property where the stream is. I don't know what the recreation would consist of, it could easily pollute the stream lould understand a 5 acre for church use, with their sige! membership, but not 50 acres. Thanking you for your Sincerely yours

We find it necessary to make a formal request for you to become involved in a local Zoning Exception application, known as 85-271X. As members of the Maryland Line Association, an organization of local residents that have joined together in opposition of this application, feel the passage of this application is a direct violation of the agricultural zoning designated for this area. It is a well known fact that the property tax in Baltimore County is one of the highest in the state, and the building codes and ordinances are some of the strictest on the East Coast. These ordinances have been voted and accepted by the residents, and as property owners with a vested interest, we feel we have a right to protect our environment and our community. These ordinances were designed to protect this area from inflated development and to preserve the area as good available farmland. to preserve the area as good available farmland.

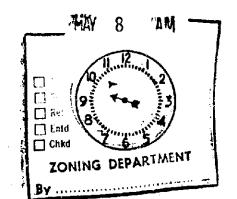
This exception will allow a church, of an unrevealed faith, with an anticipated seating capacity of 1300 to be built on a 50 acre site. As of this time, this organization consists of 45 members with absolutely no financial backing per their own admittance at that last hearing. Our disappointment lies in the ready acceptance of the zoning board to issue a rezoning without reviewing this organization's financial ability, the tax exempt status of this organization or even if this organization is a member of the ministry. We feel these questions should be answered and reviewed by the community to which this organization will serve. This has not been done. It is apparent that this organization cannot at this time, nor have they revealed a financial plan that would make this project feasible. We realize the church has always been given special project feasible. We realize the church has always been given special treatment; however, it is also known that a church exists to service the needs of its community. As representatives of this community, we want to have a say in what is to be our community.

Approval of this application could certainly set a precedent for future land developers for which there would be no control. We feel this is an attempt to rezone a prime area located next to I-83 for future development at the cost of our community.

Thank you for your time and patience in allowing us to voice our opinions. Please remember though, as tax payers we have more rights than just opinions.

Connie & Dick Philipp 2001 Harris Mill Rd., Parkton, MD

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Parkton, Maryland Cepsil 22, 1985

Dear mes Jollon,

LARRY HOOVER, etux

My husband, Carl, and I are concerned with a church proposed for our area of manyland line -Huris Mill Road area. We our property about Two miles south of this purposed site. With all the brilding acress md. - Penn line, the flooding in our reader has increased tremendouser! the ful that any large brilding projects in the vecinity will hinder our efforts to control this flording.

as you know, there is a group approveing the zoning exception 85-271X. Please understand om plea for objecting large brieflings in om area

Thank you. Bitty melm 21411 Kunk Freedond Rd Parkton, Ind. 21120 P.hone: 329: 6709

Mr. Norman Gerber Officer of Zoning & Planning County Office Building Towson, Md. 21204

Dear Mr. Gerber:

I wish to express my opposition to Zoning Exception Application 85-271X which would allow 50 acres of prime Maryland farmland to disappear, resulting in impairment of both the water quality of Little Deer Creek and the ecological balance in the environment of nearby farm-producing

Although written in 1979, the subject matter in the enclosed booklet holds true today and fully explains my views on disappearing farmland, thus elucidating my opposition to Zoning Exception Application 85-271X for property on Harris Mill Road.

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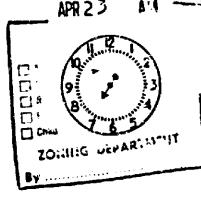
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LARRY HOOVER, strup

20811 West Liberty Road Shane Valley, MD 21161 April 19, 1985

Mr. Arnold Jablon Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner 111 West Chesapeake Avenue County Office Building Towson, MD 21204

Case No. 85-071-X LARRY HOOVER, etup

Dear Mr. Jablon,

I am writing to you to express my concern over the proposed zoning exception requested for the building of a church on Harris Mill Road in northern Baltimore County. This request for zoning exception poses a serious threat to the environment in northern Baltimore County. The area in question is sited on the northern border of some of northern Baltimore County's ever diminishing prime farm land. Such an exception would deal a serious blow to the environment in the area and would affect the future viability of farming in Northern Baltimore County.

Before granting an exception to the zoning, I sincerely hope the County undertakes its own environmental impact study, in lieu of merely relying upon the study Rev. Smith is funding. The site to be built upon drains in to Deer Creek, which flows south through many farms in the area, eventually draining into the Gunpowder. This creek represents a valuable asset to the environment in this area. The erosion and resulting pollution which would be created by the building of the church would seriously endanger and possibly destroy the Creek.

There exist many other suitable locations in both Northern Baltimore and Southern York counties where Rev.Smith could build his church. These locations have already been zoned for uses such as Rev.Smith's. The choice of another location would not have the serious environmental impact the proposed site carries. This being the case, I see no need to grant an exception where the potential for environmental danger is so great.

I hope that you and the members of the Commission will reject this request for zoning exception. Thank you.

ZONING DEPARTMENT

Dr. Richard McQuaid 1501 Harris Mill Road Parkton, Maryland 21120

> RE: Case No. 85-271-X Larry Hoover, et ux. Petitioners

Dear Dr. McQuaid:

I am in receipt of your letter dated August 23, 1985. I have reviewed Commissioner Jablon's decision dated August 6, 1985, and although unable to respond to all of your concerns, some can be addressed through the County Review Group (CRG) process which the Commissioner required as a condition precedent to the granting of the special exception. He also required the approved plans to be reviewed by James A. Markle, Chief of the Bureau of Public Services, to ensure appropriate storm water management.

I am sure the process, which includes the right to appeal Mr. Jablon's decision to the County Board of Appeals if you so desire, can address the potential problems you describe.

Sincerely,

DONALD P. HUTCHINSON County Executive

DPH/AJ/srl

1701 White Hall Road Thate Hall, Maryland 21161 april 29, 1985

Mr arnold Jablan Zoning bommissioner County Office Building Townon maryland 21204

> Mr Arnold Jablon Zoning Commissioner

Planning & Zoning Towson Maryland, 21204

Dear Mr. Jablon,

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Stelman Smith

Baltimore County Office

Re! file #85-271X

North Baltimore County) is very interested in conservation of soil, wildlife habitate and the cleanliness and purity of our streams. In view of our dedication to conservation, we voted Cunanian marshed to see the state of the second mously) to oppose the use of property on Harrie Will Road for a recreational area and a church for at least 300 persons.

Such use of the property will harm the soil, ground vegetation trees underground waterwildlife and streams and in tuln after the health and survival of our wild and human life in the area. life in the area.

life in the area. Conservation of the soil will be violated by the proposed future use since buildoging the soil, natural ground growths, and trees will permit evosion cause silting to flow into the two streams of the area, contaminate both the underground water and streams he well is counter any flood contact plans of this "zone A flood area".

Plumbing to accomodate 300 persons (with future plane for more than the times this number) will surely cause contains.

reation of both soil and streams!

Hundreds of cars ruming in and out of the planned recreational area and church will add oil to the soil and underground
water supply and finally to the streams!

Hith flooding having become problem enough to place the
area as a "Jone A flood are" future flooding will be more of a problem.

Due to the lay of the land, much of the losse will will run offinto
the Little Oler breek which flows into Deer breek in the immediate
area. Flooding here caused trisher inconvenience due to closing of four
roads of the area as was effecienced just a couple months ago.

Buth Tederal and State authorities list the Maryland
Parter as an endangered species of list and it is laund in the land. nation of both soil and streams. For the above mentioned reasons, we beg you tet

ercice your authority by not permetting the proposed use of our valued soil and water,

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21236

It is my understanding that if the above captioned petition is approved,

we will not be able to begin work on a chapel for at least five years.

However we do request clarification on being allowed to begin work on

the picnic area and remodeling work on the house and shed as necessary

to use them as a church. It is our understanding that we would be able

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yours truly, Preston, Elizabeth & Preston, Surposter Gentary Surposter Garden blut

19524 Graystone Road White Hall, Md. 21161 April 21, 1983

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ZONING DEPARTMENT

25-271-X LARRY-YOUVERFOLD

Mr. Arnold Jablon

113 County Office Building Towson, Md. 21204

Dear Mr. Jablon,

Baltimore County has been a national leader in the preservation of prime agricultural land. Since its inception in 1977, the area along Route 439 between I 83 and Harford Co. has developed one of the largest permanent preservation areas in the state of Maryland. The permanent nature of the agricultural districts requires protection from outside interferences in order to encourage the permanent commitment to a modern agriculture operation. This protection is essential. The granting of an exception for a large people oriented activity next to a modern dairy farm is unconscionable. Due to a lack of notice on these plans the agriculture community needs to be heard on their vigorous objection to granting of this exception. If we are going to protect agriculture land---let's protect it. A permitted exception in an RC 2 zone should never be a hindrance to an existing agricultural operation . The problems of noise& activity to name just two have a devastating

effect on a large dairy operation located adjacent to the property.

The County Executive and the County Council have repeatedly agreed with our goal ----protecting prime agriculture land before its too late.

Thank you for your understanding .

The Reverend Stelman H. Smith 7907 Rolling View Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21236

Dr. Richard W. McQuaid 1501 Harris Mill Road Parkton, Maryland 21120

> RE: Case No. 85-271-X Larry Hoover, et ux, Petitioners

Gentlemen:

This is to advise that it will be necessary for each of you to serve the other with a copy of your respective report. A hearing will be held on this issue and you will be notified of the date.

May 2, 1985

ARNOLD JABLON Zoning Commissioner

AJ/srl

Rev. Stelman H. Smith 7907 ROLLING VIEW AVENUE BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21236 (361) 661-5890

The Honorable Arnold Jablon Zoning Commissioner Baltimore Count Office of Planing & Zoning 111 W Chesapeake Ave. Towson, Md. 21204

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REF: Zoning Case No. 85 271 X, Petition for special exception.

Dear Mr. Jablon,

Sincerely,

21 June 85

Regarding the above captioned petition, it is my understanding that Mr. James Markel's summary of the two reports that he reviewed will be sent to your office next week.

In view of this, I would appreciate your setting the new hearing date as soon as possible after you receive Mr. Markels review, in order to bring this matter to a conclusion.

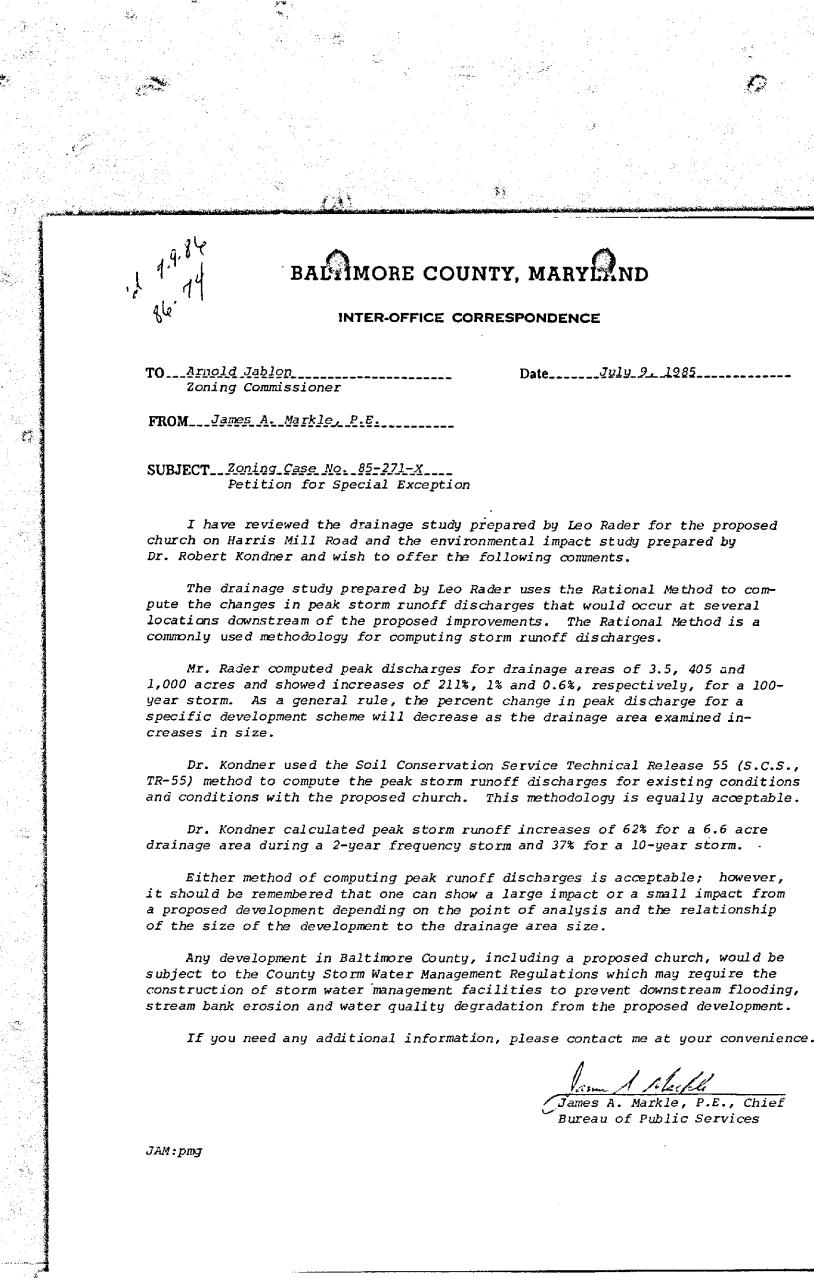
My attorney, Mr Schlachman will not be available July 13 - 20th and should this matter go beyond July, I will not be available August 6 - 10th. I hope this information will be helpful in your scheduling a new hearing.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Stelman H. Smith for Zion's Hill Ministries

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ZONING DEPARTMENT



IN RE: PETITION SPECIAL EXCEPTION

SE/S of Harris Mill Road,

7th Election District

Larry Hoover, et ux,

900' SE of Freeland Road -

Petitioners

particularly described on Petitioners' Exhibit 1.

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FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Petitioners herein request a special exception for a church, as more

The Petitioners appeared and testified, as did their Contract Purchaser,

the Zion's Hill Ministries, hereinafter referred to as "church", which was rep-

resented by Counsel. Testifying for the church was Rev. Stelman H. Smith, its

Director. Frederick Lehman, Dr. Richard W. McQuaid, and other individuals ap-

50 acres. The church proposes to utilize the existing house and shed for its

church and chapel for the first eight to ten years. Presently, it has 45 mem-

bers, and Rev. Smith testified that the church's financial resources do not per-

mit construction of any new buildings until after the land is paid for. In

fact, four building phases have been established, each depending on the future

include a Sunday school and office space. The second phase would be a

The final phase would be a sanctuary with 1,000 seats. The proposed

Testimony indicated that the subject property is zoned R.C.2 and contains

peared and testified as Protestants. See Protestants' Exhibit 1.

BEFORE THE

ZONING COMMISSIONER

OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

Case No. 85-271-X

there was the anticipated growth. The buildings would be constructed approximately 200 feet off Harris Mill Road. A recreation area consisting of a pavillion, picnic area, nature trails, and ballfields would be located at the rear of

LAW OFFICES

WHITE, MINDEL, CLARKE & HILL

6TH FLOOR, 29 W. SUSQUEHANNA AVENUE

TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204

(301) 828-1050

July 24, 1985

Larry Hoover, et ux, Petitioners

Enclosed herewith for your review in connection with

Also enclosed is a letter from Wayne C. McGinnis

This study and letter are extremely pertinent and

I will also have copies of these documents available

Sincerely,

R. Bruce Alderman

the above-referenced case is a Traffic Impact Study prepared

who is a farmer living in the area of the subject property

with the impact of the petitioned use on existing farms in

and also serves as chairman of the Baltimore County Agriculture

Advisory Board. As you will note, his letter deals primarily

germane to the issues involved and we ask that they be care-

fully considered by you in reaching your determination. The

parties would also be happy to appear before you in order to

on Monday, July 29th for distribution to other interested

testify or answers questions if this is desirable.

Thank you for your consideration.

RE: Case No. 85-271-X

by Darrell Wiles, P.E. which is self-explanatory.

MORTON E. ROME

HAVRE DE GRACE, MD. OFFICE

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412 GREEN STREET, 21078

GEORGE W. WHITE, JR. CHARLES MINDEL SAMUEL D. HILL

STANLEY L HOLMES

Honorable Arnold Jablon

Zoning Commissioner for

County Office Building

Towson, Maryland 21204

Baltimore County

Dear Mr. Jablon:

RBA/slj Enclosure

Although not opposed to a church being located within their midst, the Protestants are adamant that it should not be located on this site. Their foremost concern is that the proposed use and future construction will cause severe runoff problems which would adversely impact Deer Creek, possibly the only unpolluted stream in Maryland. Witnesses testified that construction in Pennsylvania created flooding problems that caused area bridges to be washed away. They believe there will be even more of a problem if the proposed construction occurs. They also argued that the proposed use does not conform to the agricultural use in the area and that any use of the land other than as farmland should not be permitted.

At the conclusion of all the testimony, this Commissioner suggested that a limited environmental impact study be done to detemine if the requested special exception, limited to a chapel with 300 seats which could not be constructed for five years and attendant parking, the existing house and attendant parking, and a recreation area, where indicated on Petitioners' Exhibit 1, would adversely impact Deer Creek or flood the adjacent properties. Both sides submitted reports prepared by experts, Dr. Robert L. Kondner on behalf of the Protestants and Leo W. Rader on behalf of the Petitioners. James A. Markle, Chief of the Bures of Public Services, Department of Public Works, reviewed and commented on both peports, Petitioners' Exhibits 6 and 7.

 $oldsymbol{\mathbb{A}}$ hearing date was scheduled to consider these reports. At this hearing, the Prot∉stants were represented by Counsel and submitted a traffic study, Protestants' Exhibit 4, which is self-explanatory. Further testimony was also preSeptember 4, 1985

The Reverend Stelman H. Smith Zion's Hill Ministries, Inc. 7907 Rolling View Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21236

> RE: Case No. 85-271-X Larry Hoover, et ux, Petitioners

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Dear Reverend Smith:

I am in receipt of your letter dated August 28, 1985.

Please be advised that County Review Group (CRG) approval must be requested immediately. I suggest you contact the Current Planning and Development Division, Office of Planning and Zoning, 494-3335, to determine the procedure.

As for your question regarding the shed, it may be improved in accordance with the Building Code requirements, but the exterior may not be changed.

Zoning Commissioner

AJ/srl

cc: R. Bruce Alderman, Esquire Sidney Schlachman, Esquire

August 28, 1985 Mr. Arnold Jablon, Zoning Commissioner Baltimore County Office of Planning and Zoning

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RE: Case No. 85-271-X

Dear Mr. Jablon,

Towson, Maryland 21204

I am in receipt of a copy of your decision in the above case and am writing to obtain clarification on the following points:

Rev. Stelman H. Smith

7907 ROLLING VIEW AVENUE

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21236

(301) 661-5890

- 1. Page 5, Paragraph No 1, states that a revised site plan is to be submitted to the County Review Group and the Department of Traffic Engineering for approval prior to submitting it to the Zoning Commissioner for approval. Is this revised site plan to be submitted immediately or prior to construction in five or more years?
- Page 5, Paragraph No 1, also states that, "All other proposed development, as described above, shall not be permitted." It was our impression from your remarks at the zoning hearing that we would have permission to improve the existing shed to serve as a temporary meeting hall pending construction of a permanent chapel. Since the shed is not included in the permitted improvements, we would appreciate clarification regarding the shed. Do we have permission to improve the existing shed for the purpose described above?

We appreciate your taking the time to address these issues so that we may

We also wish to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to you for the manner in which this matter has been handled. Though we were not granted everything for which we had petitioned, we do appreciate the fair and impartial way in which you conducted our case.

Sincerely,

Stelman Smith Rev. Stelman H. Smith, Director Zion's Hill Ministries, Inc.

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Jesus is Lord

The only point both parties agreed on was that Dr. Kondner used a "closein" analysis while Mr. Rader used a broad analysis. Mr. Markle concluded that either method of computing peak run-off dischages is acceptable. Other than this point, as one can readily imagine, Dr. Kondner and Mr. Rader agreed to disagree. Mr. Rader believes the impact is so minor that it is insignificant while Dr. Kondner believes the impact is so great that flooding and pollution will occur. Each also disagreed about any potential solution, if one is necessary, afforded by appropriate storm water management requirements.

The Petitioners seek relief from Section 1A01.2.C.6, pursuant to Section 502.1, Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR).

While Counsel for the Protestants argued that the intent of the R.C.2 zoning classification was to limit a prospective church to the proverbial "church in the pines", i.e., a small, rural congregation, it would be difficult to justify such a rationale in light of the state of purposes found in the BCZR for the R.C.2 Zone, Section 1A01.1.B, BCZR. The R.C.2 classification was established to foster conditions favorable to a continued agricultural use by preventing incompatible forms and degrees of urban uses. Indeed, Section 1A01.2.C, requires this Commissioner to find that the use would not be detrimental to the primary agricultural use in the vicinity. One of the uses permitted by special exception, and therefore considered as satisfying the rationale behind the R.C.2 designation, is a church. A church was determined to be compatible ith the continued agricultural use in this zone. No limitation to size was

Arter reviewing all of the evidence and testimony presented, the proposed church, as limited by the restrictions hereinafter described, would not be deitrimental to the primary agricultural use in the vicinity.

is clear that the BCZR permits the use requested by the Petitioners in a

would not be detrimental to the primary uses in the vicinity. Therefore, it must be determined whether the conditions as delineated in Section 502.1 are satisfied by the Petitioners.

After reviewing all of the testimony and evidence presented, it appears that the special exception should be granted with certain restrictions, as more fully described below.

The Petitioners had the burden of adducing testimony and evidence which would show that the proposed use met the prescribed standards and requirements set forth in Section 502.1. In fact, the Petitioners have shown that the proposed use would be conducted without real detriment to the neighborhood and would not actually adversely affect the public interest. The facts and circumstances do not show that the proposed use at the particular location described by Petitioners' Exhibit 1 would have any adverse impact above and beyond that inherently associated with such a special exception use irrespective of its location within the zone. Schultz v. Pritts, 432 A.2d 1319 (1981).

The proposed use will not be detrimental to the health, safety, or general welfare of the locality, nor tend to create congestion in roads, streets, or alleys therein, nor be inconsistent with the purposes of the property's zoning classification, nor in any other way inconsistent with the spirit and intent of

Although Dr. Kondner and Mr. Rader disagreed on the potential environmental impact, there was insufficient evidence presented to overcome the burden of proof Fequired of the Protestants in Schultz, supra. Mr. Markle indicated that storm water management techniques, as required by the Development Regulations of Baltimore County, are insufficient to control any problem, the proposed churdif would not be permitted. In other words, there is no better example where the BEZR and the Develorment Regulations must be read together than in this in-

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growth of the church and the surrounding community. The first phase, to begin in eight, to ten years, would be the construction of a chapel with 300 seats and separate building for its Sunday school and would contain 333 seats. The third phase would be another building used for an expanded Sunday school and office expansion would be extended over the next 25 to 30 years and would only occur if

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of property, and public hearing and it appearing that by reason of the requirements of Section 502.1 having been met and the health, safety, and general welfare of the community not being adversely affected, the special exception should be granted. Therefore, IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, this (of day of August, 1985, that the Petition for Special Exception for a church be and is hereby GRANTED, from and after the date of this Order, subject, however, to the following restrictions which are conditions precedent to the relief herein granted: 1. A revised site plan, showing only the proposed chapel, limited to 200 seats, and accessory parking, limited to 35 spaces; the existing house and accessory parking; and the recreation area, as shown on Petitioners' Exhibit 1, shall be submitted to the County Review Group (CRG) and the Department of Traffic Engineering for approval prior to submitting it to the Zoning Commissioner for approval. All other proposed development, as described above, shall not be permitted. The Bureau of Public Services, Department of Public Works, shall certify through the CRG that the proposed use can satisfy the Development Regulations and, specifically, the storm water management requirements contained therein. The chapel and its parking area may not be constructed for five years from the date of this Order. 4. The recreation area shall be limited to one ballfield, one pavillion no larger than necessary to permit ten picnic tables of average size, a small playground with children's apparatus, and hiking trails. There shall be no parking in this area. The parking area for the existing house and proposed chapel, when constructed, shall be of a durable and

> dustless surface and shall conform to the standards of Section IX.A.2.a, Comprehensive Manual of Development

Any remaining land not used for church related uses

Policies (CMDP).

shall remain agricultural.

cc: Sidney Schlachman, Esquire R. Bruce Alderman, Esquire Ms. Ann Kay Kramer Ms. Patricia Mahoney People's Counsel CEIVED

PETITION FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION

7th Election District

Southeast side Harris Mill Road, 900 ft. Southeast of

DATE AND TIME: Monday, April 1, 1985 at 10:15 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARING: Room 106, County Office Building, 111 West Chesapeake Avenue, Towson, Maryland

The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore County, will hold a public hearing:

Petition for Special Exception for a church

Being the property of Larry Hoover, et ux the plat filed with the Zoning Office.

In the event that this Petition is granted, a building permit may be issued within the thirty (30) day appeal period. The Zoning Commissioner will, however, entertain any request for a stay of the issuance of said permit during this period for good cause shown. Such request must be received in writing by the date of the hearing set above or made at the hearing.

> BY ORDER OF ARNOLD JABLON ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

Page No. 1 of 2 LEO W. RADER REGISTERED SURVEYOR ENGINEERING TITLE SURVEYS LAND PLANNING

38 Belfast Road - Timonium, Maryland 21093 DESCRIPTION FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION

CL 2-2920 OR

January 3, 1985 BEGINNING for the same in the center of the Harris Mill Road southeasterly 900 feet more or less measured along said road from it's interection with the Freeland Road, thence running in or along said road North 60 degrees 05 minutes 54 seconds East 517.00 feet; thence leaving the Harris Mill Road and running for the thirty-seven following courses and distances respectively, viz: South 29 degrees 26 minutes 00 seconds East 141.03 feet, South 64 degrees 23 minutes 54 seconds West 886.95 feet, South 24 degrees 37 minutes 00 seconds East 785,40 feet, South 28 degrees 13 minutes 51 seconds East 428.79 feet, South 29 degrees 52 minutes 09 seconds East 700.90 feet, South 51 degrees 29 minutes 46 seconds East 211.78 feet, North 77 degrees 24 minutes 29 seconds East 388.98 feet, South 38 degrees 37 minutes 50 seconds East 443.63 feet, South 56 degrees 43 minutes 31 seconds East 452.19 feet, South 7 degrees 23 minutes 14 seconds West 206.10 feet, South 8 degrees 54 minutes 31 seconds East 72.62 feet, South 42 degrees 07 minutes 44 seconds West 207.90 feet, North 68 degrees 13 minutes 24 seconds West 678.36 feet, North 85 degrees 59 minutes 51 seconds West 439.07 feet, South 8 degrees 08 minutes 19 seconds East 197.96 feet, North 66 degrees 54 minutes 09 seconds West 731.75 feet, North 3 degrees 39 minutes 00 seconds West 261.94 feet, North 71 degrees 19 minutes 33 seconds East 102.07 feet, North 59 degrees 38 minutes 41 seconds East 343.01 feet, North 25 degrees 43 minutes 17 seconds West 78.22 feet, North 29 degrees 12 minutes 19 seconds West 267.71 feet, North 72 degrees 38 minutes 29 seconds West 340.96 feet, North 27 degrees 10 minutes 20 seconds West 155.95 feet, North 6 degrees 24 minutes 28 seconds West 128.88 feet, North 14 degrees 16 minutes 01 second West 45.00 feet, North 21 degrees 28 minutes 29 seconds West 52.50 feet, North 24 degrees 53 minutes 31 seconds West 86.69 feet, North 23 degrees 28 minutes 27 seconds West 62.65 feet, North 20 degrees 26 minutes 42 seconds West 71.08 feet, North 16 degrees 27 minutes 16 seconds West 55.00 feet, North 15 degrees 17 minutes 26 seconds West 692.75 feet, North 16 degrees 58 minutes 44 seconds West

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Will There Be Florida Oranges, Fresh Milk from St. Johnsburyand Michigan Red Tart Cherries?

Lorida—producer of more than half the world's grapefruit and one-fourth of the world's oranges—will lose virtually all of its unique and prime farm lands by the turn of the century if present land loss trends continue. State-by state projections of prime farm land losses likely to occur in the near future are now available from the National Agricultural Lands Study. NALS' statistics are based on an analysis of the USDA Soil Conservation Service National Resource Inventories which reported rates of prime farm land conversion to urban, industrial, commercial, transportation and water from 1967 to 1977. New Hampshire and Rhode Island also are destined to lose all of their prime farm land in less

than 20 years if conversion continues at the 1967 to 1977 rate. West Virginia will lose 73%, Connecticut 70%, Massachusetts 51%, Maryland and New Mexico 44%, Vermont 43%, Utah 35%, Virginia 24%, Montana and Washington 23%, Pennsylvania 21%, Hawaii and South Carolina 20%, Arizona and Colorado 19%, Not h Carolina 17%, New York 16%, California 15%, Georgia 14%, Delaware 13%, Michigan 11% and Kentucky 10%. Each of the remaining states will lose less than ten percent. Florida State Commissioner of Agriculture

Doyle Conner states: "Most people don't realize it, but agriculture is essential to Florida's economic well being. In 1978, cash receipts from our citrus fruits alone exceeded one billion dollars. In that same year, returns on a whole array of Florida fruits and vegetables—tomatoes, celery, sweet corn, lettuce, green peppers, snap beans, cabbage, water nelons and potatoes—came to more than \$499,000,000. Cash receipts on strawberries were \$16,636,000, and the lowly cucumber rang in more than \$22 million. But let's not talk about money only . . .

66T et's talk about food. Our position is perilous. Every time a highway or retirement homes are built on Florida farm land, we increase the likelihood of our dependence on other nations for food. Already the U.S. is importing vegetables from Mexico and South America.

"Today we are experiencing discomfort and deprivation because of our dependence on foreign oil. Is the next deprivation food?"

In St. Johnsbury, Vermont, two dairy farmersthe brothers John and Joseph Gingue (pronounced Jang)—are fighting to prevent construction of an 11-mile Federal highway interchange that would destroy their two adjacent farms. There are 525 Holstein cows grazing on their land, and the brothers provide nearby New England towns with 30,000 quarts of milk a day. But if Interstate I 93, already approved by Vermont's Department of Transportation, is built, it will slash through their fields, making farming so difficult they will be forced to abandon their lifes' work and sell most of their remaining land. The brothers are proposing that the State enlarge an already existing road, a move that would leave their land intact.

"There's more to be lost here than milk," says Joseph Gingue. "Every one of my nine children were born on this farm, and my brother's eight sons and daughters were born on his farm. Our sons have college degrees in agriculture, and want to continue dairy farming. Their grandparents-my mother and father-live in their own home just across the road. We belong here. We want to stay. We love this land."

On Northern Michigan's Old Mission Peninsula overlooking Grand Traverse Bay, a rare and delicately balanced micro-climate permits the growth of astonishingly productive red tart cherry trees. Seventy-seven percent of the Nation's tart cherries are produced in this region. High elevation, well-drained sandy loam soils, adequate rainfall, the right slope, and a breeze without a freeze combine to create precisely the right conditions for optimum growth of cherry trees. The land is "unique" in that its particular combination of soils and micro-climate cannot be duplicated elsewhere.

But one by one the irreplacable cherry orchards are disappearing. Luxury homebuilders are buying the land at vastly inflated prices because of the spectacular view of Lake Michigan and Grand Traverse Bay. In the last six years, bulldozers and chain saws have destroyed half a million of Michigan's cherry trees.

LEO W. RADER REGISTERED SURVEYOR

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38 Belfast Road - Timonium, Maryland 21093 CL 2-2920 OR DESCRIPTION FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION/Pg. 2/Jan. 3, 1985 (cont'd.)

CONTAINING 50.0 acres more or less.

LOCATION:

BALTIMORE COUNTY
OFFICE OF PLANNING & ZONING
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204

ARNOLD JABLON ZONING COMMISSIONER

JEAN M. H. JUNG DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER

July 15, 1985

Herbert Weiner, Esquire 131 E. Redwood Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202 Mr. Stelman H. Smith Zion's Hill Ministries 7907 Rolling View Avenue

Baltimore, Maryland 21236

PF: Petition for Special Exception SE/S Harris Mill Road. 900' SE of Freeland Road 7th Election District Larry Hoover, et ux, Petitioners Case No. 85-271-X

Gentlemen:

Please be advised that the new hearing date for the above referenced case will be Monday, July 29, 1985 at 2:30 p.m.

Zoning Commissioner

AJ:bq

cc: Mr. Larry Hoover 1011 Harris Mill Road Maryland Line, MD 21105

EXPLANATION OF EXHIBITS Case No. 85-271-X

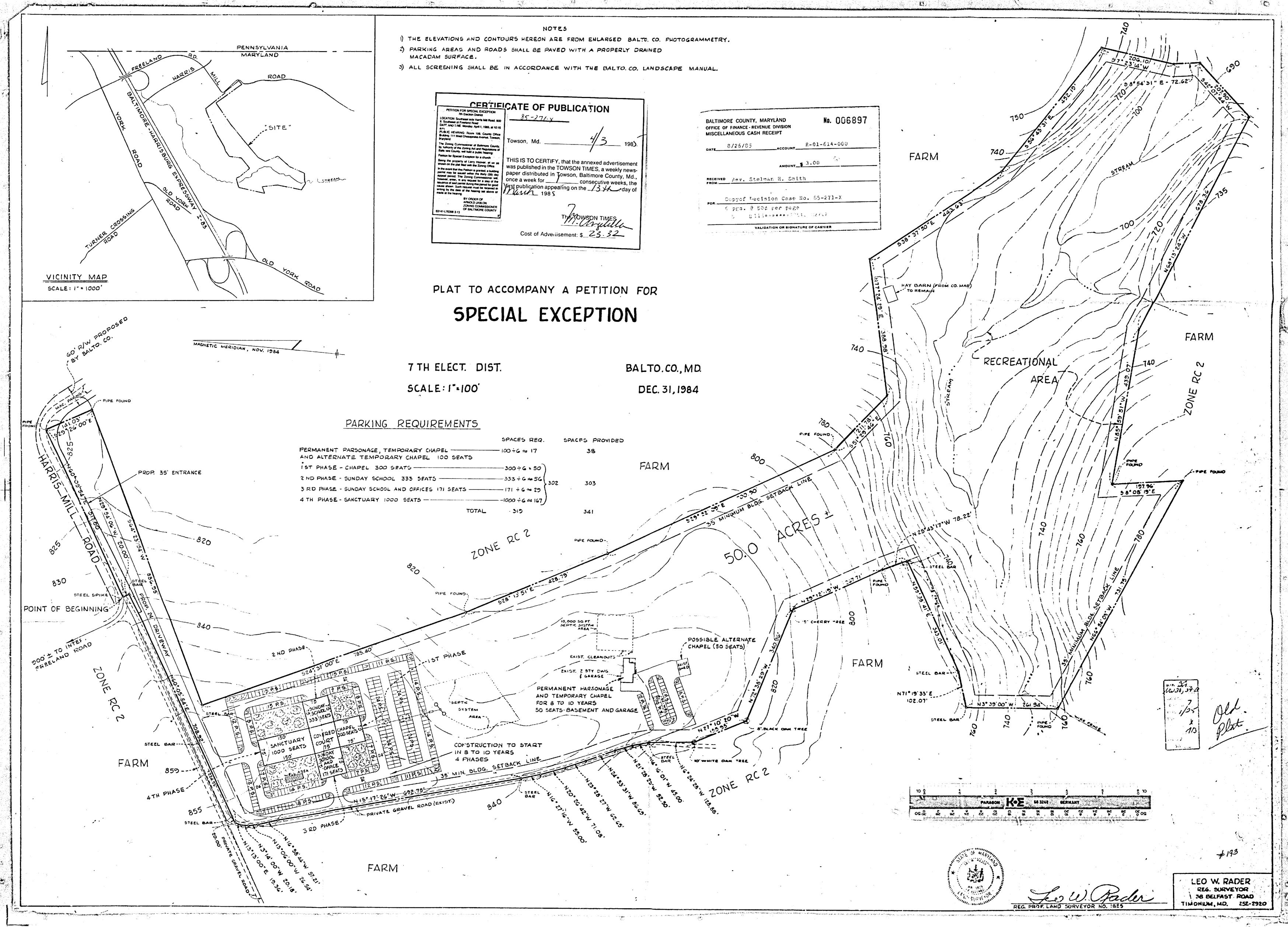
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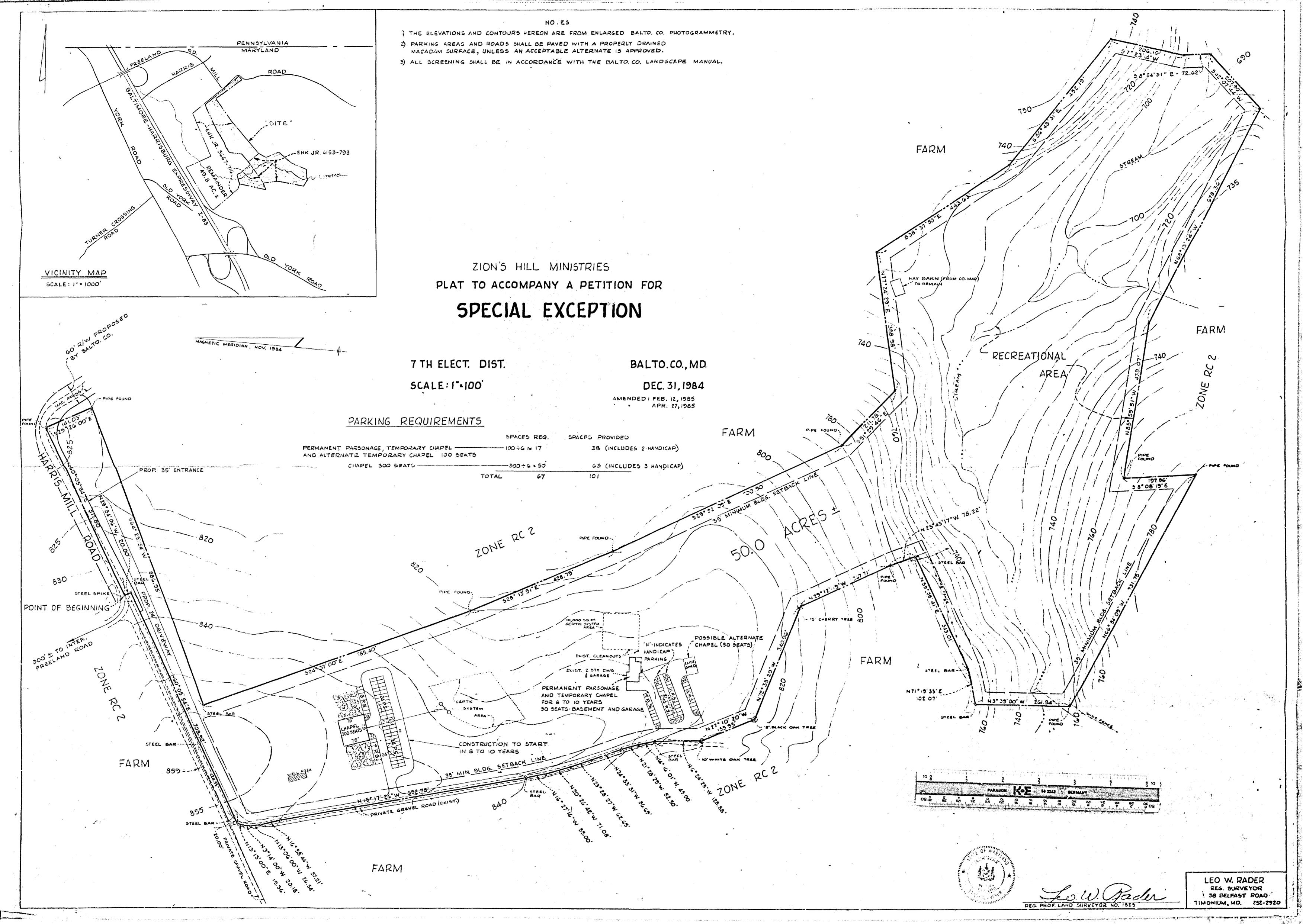
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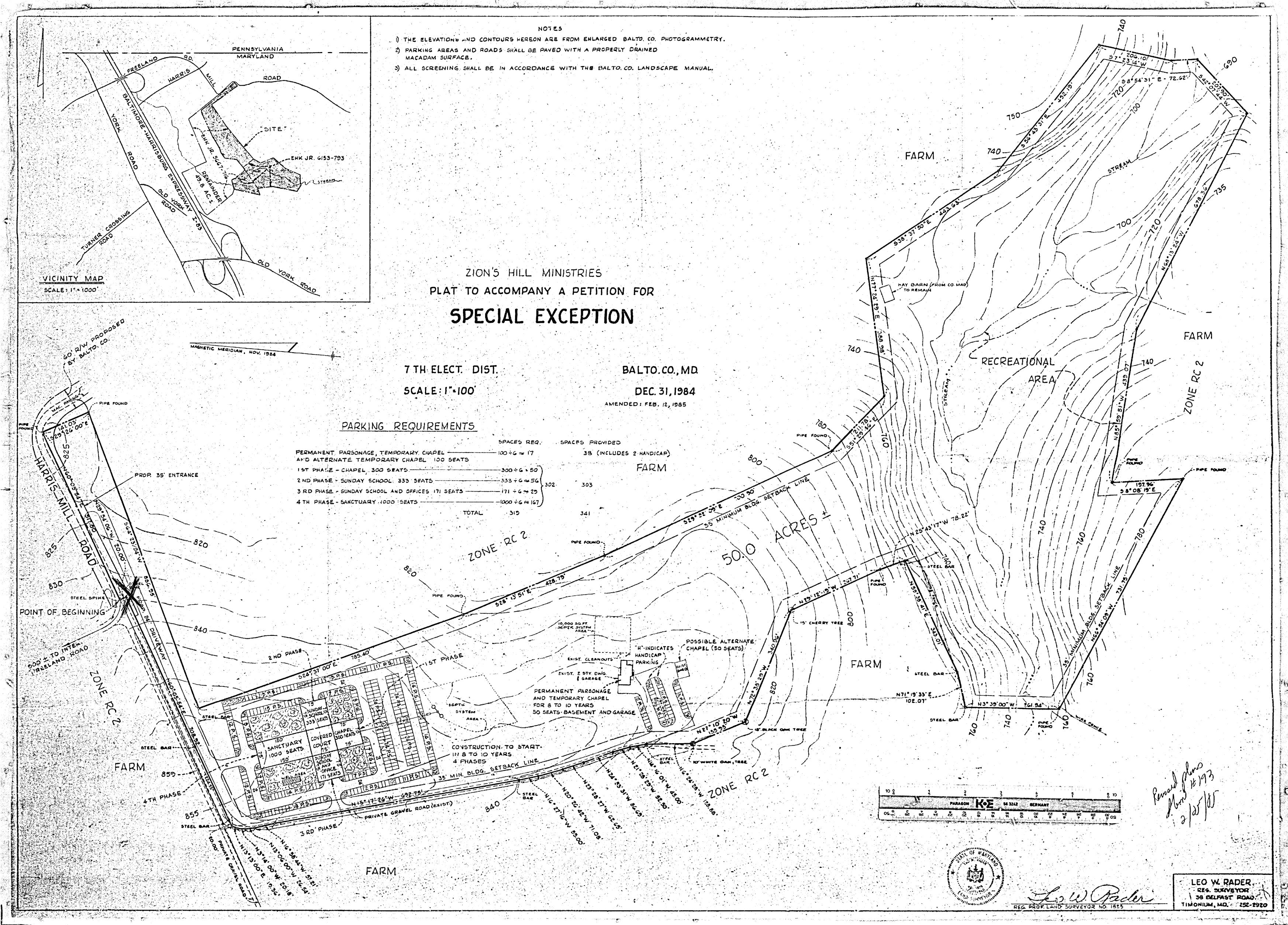
- 2. Protest Letter of March 31, 1985 from Mr. & Mrs. Robert Miller
- 2a. Aerial view of property
- 3. Environmental Impact Study by Dr. Robert L. Kodner, P.E., April 29, 1985
- 4. Traffic Impact Study by Darrell Wiles, P.E., June, 1985
- 5. Petition of Protest

Petitioners' Exhibits:

- 1. Plat of property prepared by Leo W. Rader, amended February 12, 1985
- 2. Photogrammetric Map
- 3. Environmental & Hydrogeological Report by Leo Rader, April 26, 1985
- 4. Drainage Study Report by Leo Rader, April 26, 1985
- 5. Correspondence of May 16, 1985 from Arnold W. Norden, Maryland Natural heritage Program to Reverend Stelman Smith
- 6. Correspondence of July 9, 1985 from James Markle, P.E., Chief of Bureau of Public Services to Arnold Jablon
- 7. Correspondence of July 25, 1985 from James Markle, P.E., Chief of Bureau of Public Services to Arnold Jablon







TORREY C. BROWN, M.D. JOHN R. GRIFFIN

STATE OF MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES **CAPITAL PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION** AWES STATE OFFICE BUILDING ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

FRED L. ESKEW ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR CAPITAL PROGRAMS

May 16, 1985

Reverend Stelman Smith 7907 Rolling View Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21236

Subject: Proposed Church Construction on Harris Mill Road, within Deer Creek Drainage

Dear Reverend Smith:

As you noted in your letter of May 10, 1985, the Maryland Darter (a state and federally listed Endangered Species) occurs in Deer Creek downstream of your proposed construction site. Although some miles separate your land from the known Darter habitat, distance itself is not necessarily a consideration since sediment and other pollutants can travel great distances. However, after review of your site plan I see no possibility that your church, parking areas, septic system and other associated appurtenances will have any adverse effect on Deer <u>Creek or the Maryland Darter</u>. This is due to the very wide strip of undisturbed vegetation that will be left between your facilities and the stream which feeds Little Deer Creek. I do not feel that picnics or children playing near the stream will pose any significant threat, nor would a stocked fish pond be particularly beneficial. If I can be of any additional assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Amall W. Norden Arnold W. Norden Maryland Natural Heritage Program

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TELEPHONE: 269-3656
TTY FOR DEAF-BALTIMORE 269-2609, WASHINGTON METRO 565-0450

REPORT

7TH ELECTION DISTRICT BALTIMORE COUNTY, MD.

SPELLMAN SMITH

ENVIRONMENTAL & HYDROGEOLOGICAL

PROPOSED CHURCH - HARRIS MILL RD.

REPORT TO

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SUBDIVISION

TITLE SURVEYS

LAND PLANNING

REPORT BY LEO W. RADER 38 BELFAST ROAD TIMONIUM, MARYLAND APRIL 26, 1985

LEO W. RADER

REGISTERED SURVEYOR

EFFECT ON LITTLE DEER CREEK

SITE OUTFALL - 100 YR. STORM

TO POINT One

AREA A (Red)

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LEO W. RADER REGISTERED SURVEYOR

TITLE SURVEYS LAND PLANNING

CL 2-2920 OR

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38 Belfast Road - Timonium, Maryland 21093 April 26, 1985

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ENVIRONMENTAL & HYDROGEOLOGICAL REPORT PROPOSED CHURCH - HARRIS MILL ROAD 7TH ELECTION DISTRICT BALTO. CO., MD.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

The environmental conditions in the area of the proposed church site are typical of low density residential land in the Maryalnd Line area. The closest community is Maryland Line located about 0.7 of a mile to the northwest. No major industries exist within the immediate area and, as a result, water and air quality are good. Wildlife in the area would be typical of usual animals found in low density residential areas with woodlands.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Development of the site will include a 24 foot wide paved road (for the use in common) leading from the Freeland Road to the permanent parsonage and temporary chapel. The length of this road is approximately 2200 feet. There will be short service roads leading from this road to the required parking areas for the proposed church, temporary chapel, and parsonage. The remainder of the area will remain in a natural state for recreational

HYDROGEOLOGICAL

It is concluded that the construction of the proposed church and related parking areas will have no adverse affect on the hydrogeological conditions of the area. There is an existing water well to serve the parsonage and the installation of a water well to serve the church should have no effect on either existing wells or the ground water table. The dominant on site soil type is Group B Elioak gravelly silt loam (EkB2), 3% to 8% slopes, moderately eroded, suitable for dry wells or filter fields with slight limitations.

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LEO W. RADER REGISTERED SURVEYOR

SUBDIVISION ENGINEERING TITLE SURVEYS LAND PLANNING

38 Belfast Road - Timonium, Maryland 21093

HYDROGRAPH

TOPOGRAPHY

GEODESY

CL 2-2920 OR 252-2020 ENVIRONMENTAL & HYDROGEOLOGICAL REPORT, PROPOSED CHURCH, HARRIS MILL RD., 7TH ELECTION DISTRICT, BALTO. CO., MD./Pg. 2/Apr. 26, 1985 (cont'd.)

ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

No environmental effects are expected from construction of this church and related paving. Any erosion that does occur as a result of construction can easily be handled by simple erosion control structures. Most of the existing trees will remain. There should be no adverse affect on wildlife.

AIR QUALITY

Two principal sources of air pollution will result from construction, fugitive dust and exhaust emissions from automobiles and construction equipment. Approximately two weeks would be required to construct the road, during which time there would be a slight amount of dust and exhaust emmissions from the diesel equipment. Upon completion of the construction, there would probably be a maximum of 10 daily trips in conjunction with chuch affairs during the week, and possibly 100 daily trips on Sunday, hardly noticeable considering the close proximity of the Harrisburg Expressway.

CONCLUSION

The proposed construction is not expected to cause any adverse effects on either the environmental or hydrogeological conditions.

DRAINAGE STUDY

PROPOSED CHURCH - HARRIS MILL RD.

7TH ELECTION DISTRICT

REPORT TO SPELLMAN SMITH

REPORT BY LEO W. RADER 38 BELFAST ROAD TIMONIUM, MARYLAND

APRIL 26, 1985

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MD.

Average stream velocity = 8.5'/sec. Time overland Swale 1650 - 0.8 - 60 Stream 6140 - 8.5'/sec. - 60

BEFORE CONSTRUCTION

TOPOGRAPHY

GEODESY

Q = Ac i = (405)(0.25)(3.80) = 385 c.f.s. AFTER CONSTRUCTION

A = 405 Ac. C = 0.25

Composite "C" =

2.54 acres of impervious surface will have been added. (405) (Composite "C") = (402.46)(.25)+(2.1')(.90)=102.505102.505 = 0.253

12 min.

34 min.

Q = Ac i = (405)(.253)(3.80) = 389 c.f.s.

38 Belfast Road - Timonium, Maryland 21093 April 26, 1985

Therefore, 389 - 385 = 4 c.f.s. or $\frac{4}{385}$ = 1% will be added to the discharge at point One in a 100 year storm, which is a very small increase.

It is obvious from the preceeding computations that the additional c.f.s. at point Two due to the construction of the proposed impervious areas (2.1 acres) will be the same or less due to increased stream time, yielding a decreased rainfall intensity.

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38 Belfast Road - Timonium, Maryland 21093 CL 2-2920 OR EFFECT ON LITTLE DEER CREEK SITE OUTFALL-100 YR STORM/Pg. 2/Apr. 26, 1985 If the following assumptions are made concerning the total drainage area (requires a larger map) to Point Two

100 yr. A = 1000 c = .25 T = 80 min. i = 2.9Q = Aci = (1000)(.25)(2.9) = 725 c.f.s.,

then $\frac{4}{725}$ = 0.6 % increase in the total drainage at Point <u>Two</u>. EFFECT OF CHAPEL

AREA B (Green)

BEFORE CONSTRUCTION

HYDROGRAPHY

TOPOGRAPHY

GEODESY

Drainage area = 3.5 Ac., T = 21 min., c = 0.12, i = 4.4Q = Aci = (3.5)(0.12)(4.4) = 1.8 c.f.s._______

AFTER CONSTRUCTION - MACADAM 3.5 Ac., composite C = 0.31, T = 14 min., i = 5.20Q = Aci = (3.5)(0.31)(5.20) = 5.6 c.f.s.

AFTER CONSTRUCTION - STONE

3.5 Ac., composite c = 0.21, T = 17 min., i = 4.86Q = Aci = (3.5)(0.21)(4.86) = 3.6

Therefore, if macadam construction is used additional runoff to adjoining farm

= 5.6 - 1.8 = 3.8 c.f.s. 211^{t_0} If stone construction is used, = 3.6 - 1.8 = 1.8 c.f.s.

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EFFECT ON LITTLE DEER CREEK SITE OUTFALL-100 YR STORM/Pg. 3/Apr. 26, 1985

EFFECT OF PARSONAGE

AREA C (Purple)

BEFORE CONSTRUCTION

1.0 Ac., C = 0.19, T = 19, i = 4.62Q = Ac. i = (1.0)(0.19)(4.62) = 0.9 c.f.s.

AFTER CONSTRUCTION - MACADAM 1.0 Ac., composite C = 0.32, T = 15, i + 5.12

Q = Ac. i = (1.0)(0.32)(5.12) = 1.6 c.f.s._______

AFTER CONSTRUCTION - STONE

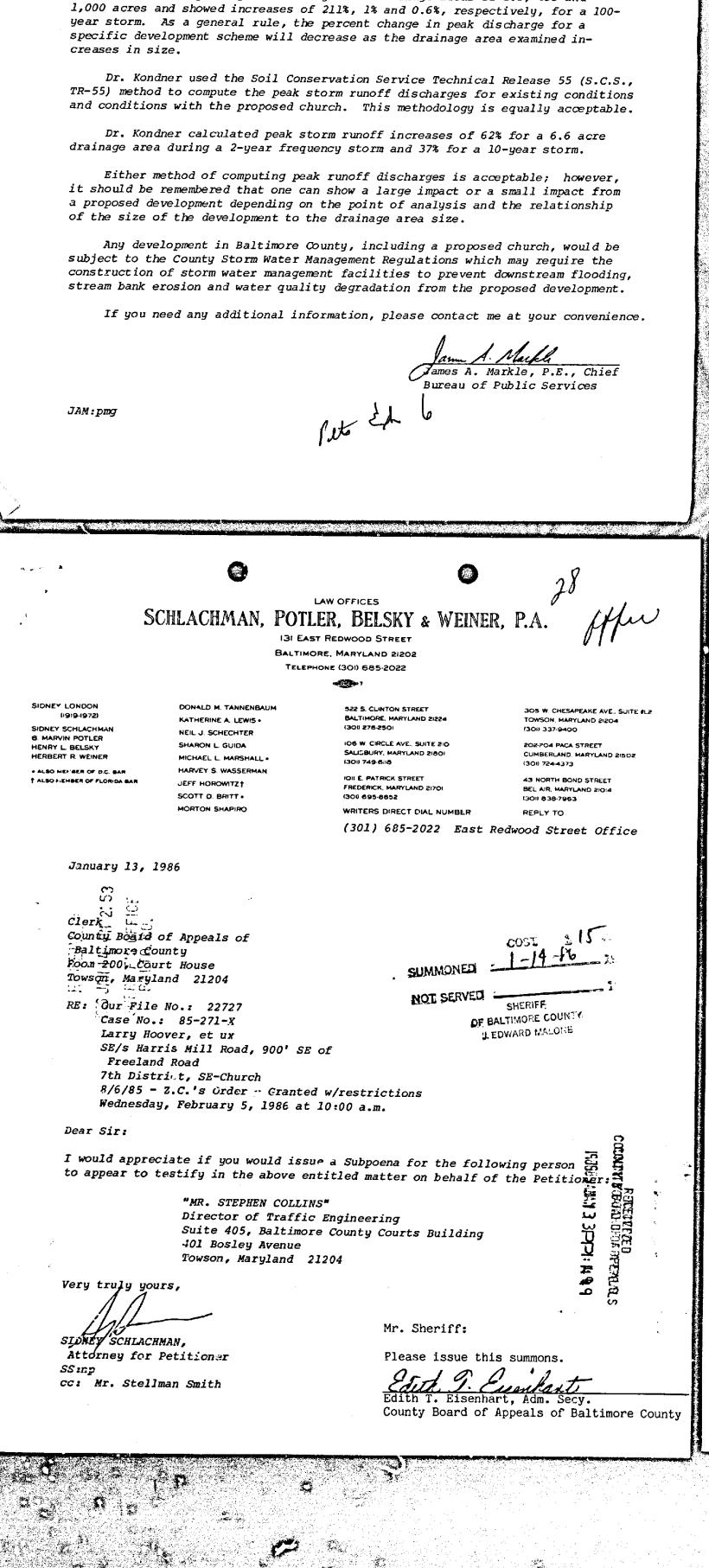
1.0 Ac., composite C = 0.25, T = 18, i = 4.73Q = Ac. i = (1.0)(0.25)(4.73) = 1.2 c.f.s.

_______ Therefore, if macadam construction is used, additional runoff to

adjoining farm = 1.6 - 0.9 = 0.7 c.f.s. 73%

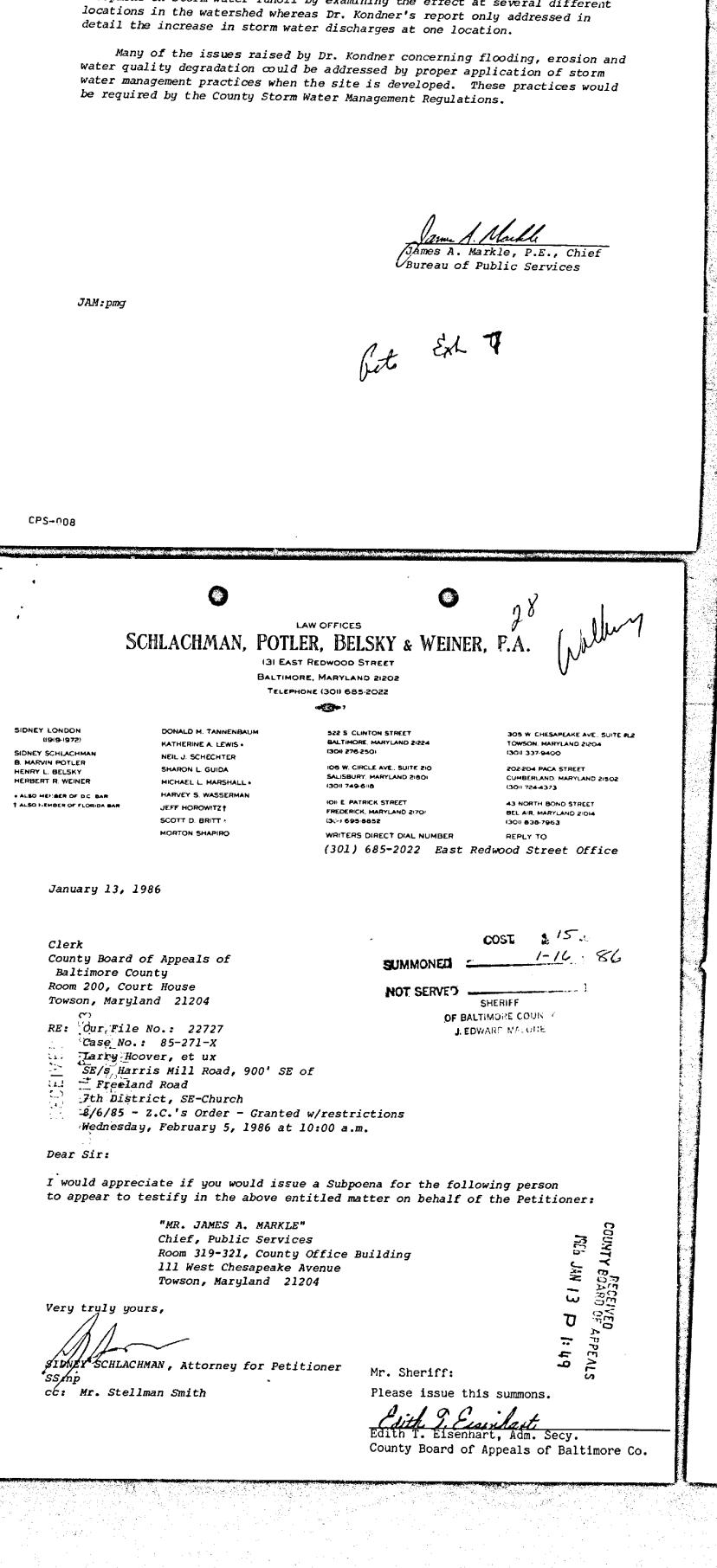
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BALQMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND Zoning Commissioner FROM James A. Markle, P.E. SUBJECT Zoning Case No. 85-271-X Petition for Special Exception I have reviewed the drainage study prepared by Leo Rader for the proposed church on Harris Mill Road and the environmental impact study prepared by Dr. Robert Kondner and wish to offer the following comments. The drainage study prepared by Leo Rader uses the Rational Method to compute the changes in peak storm runoff discharges that would occur at several locations downstream of the proposed improvements. The Rational Method is a commonly used methodology for computing storm runoff discharges. Mr. Rader computed peak discharges for drainage areas of 3.5, 405 and creases in size. and the second SIDNEY LONDON (1919-1972) SIDNEY SCHLACHMAN 6. MARVIN POTLER HERBERT R. WEINER # ALSO MEN'SER OF D.C. BAR T ALSO HEMBER OF FLORIDA BAR January 13, 1986 Clerk Dear Sir: Very truly yours,



INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

Date July 9, 1985



BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

As a point of clarification of my July 9, 1985 memo concerning the above

Mr. Rader's report more clearly addressed the effect of the proposed de-

referenced Zoning Case, I wish to make the following additional comments.

velopment on storm water runoff by examining the effect at several different

Zoning Commissioner

FROM James A. Markle, P.E.

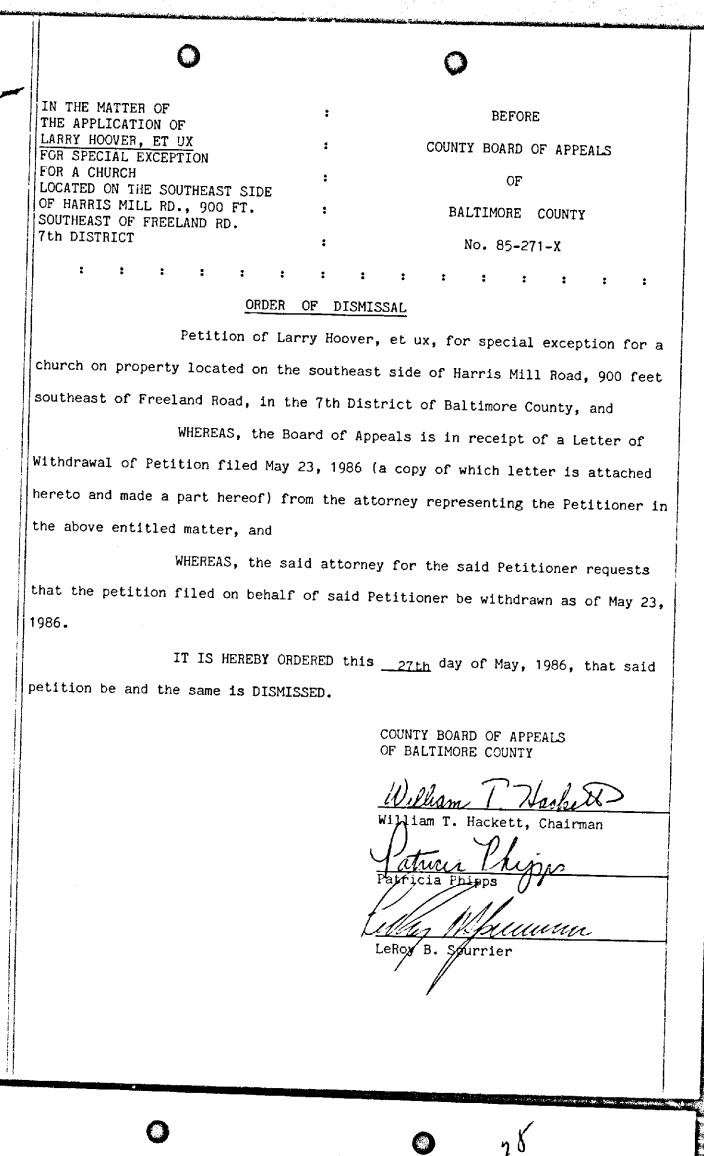
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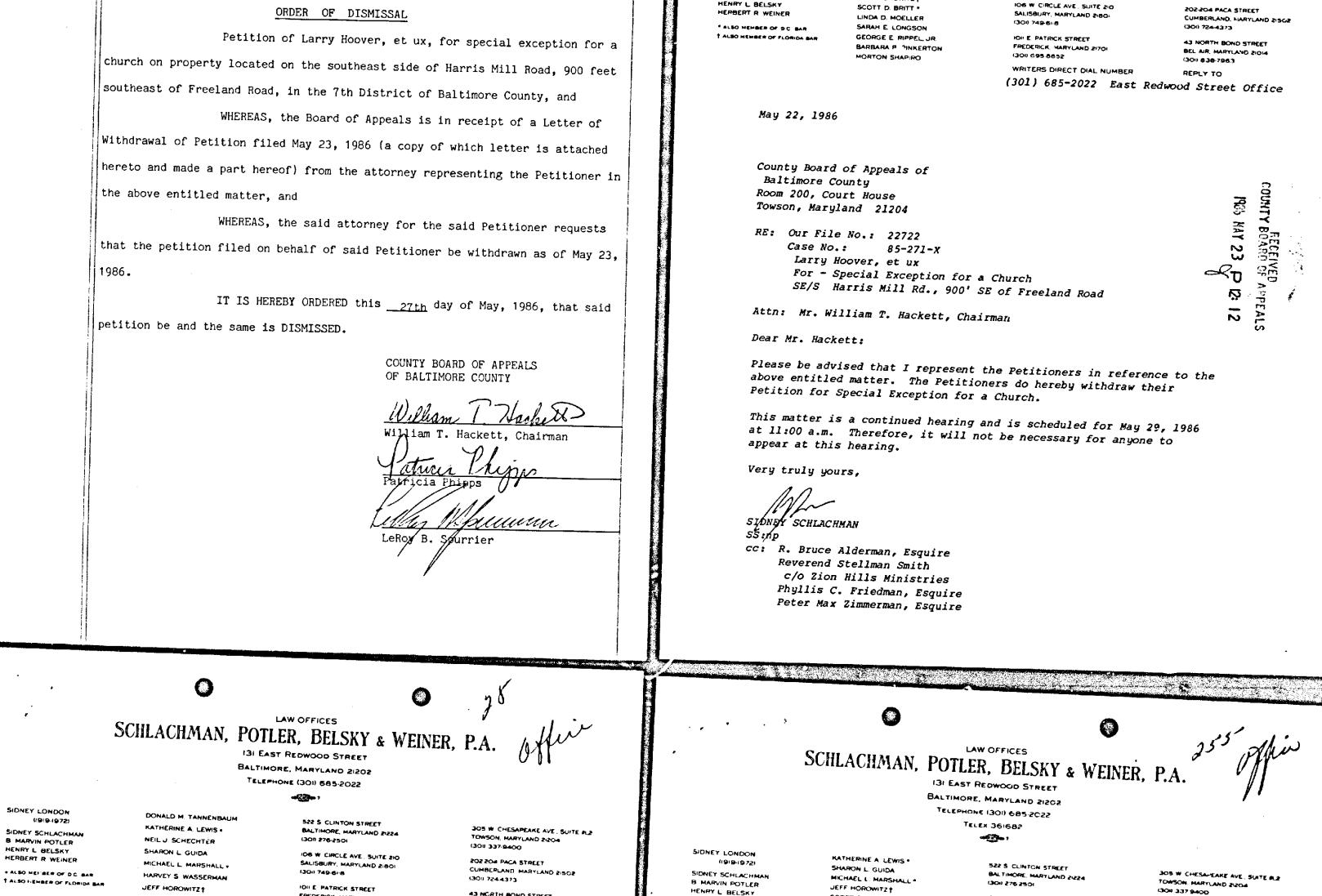
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(301) 685-2022 East Redwood Street Office BARBARA P PINKERTON MORTON SHAPIRO January 13, 1986 April 4, 1986 DOG 2 /5 County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County Clerk Room 200, Court House County Board of Appeals Towson, Maryland 21204 of Baltimore County SHERIFF Room 200, Court House DE BALTIMONE COUNTR RE: Our File No.: 22727 A EDWARD MALORIS Towson, Maryland 21204 Case No.: 85-271-X Larry Hoover, et ux RE: Our File No.: 22727 SE/s Harris Mill Road, 900' SE of Case No.: 85-271-X Freeland Road Larry Hoover, et ux 7th District, SE-Church 8/6/85 - Z.C.'s Order - Granted w/restrictions 7th District Wednesday, February 5, 1986 at 10:00 a.m. Dear Sir: I would appreciate if you would issue a Subpoena for the following person to appear to testify in the above entitled matter on behalf of the Petitioner: "MR. BROOKS H. STAFFORD" 1. Mr. Brooks H. Stafford Division Chief Environmental Support Services Jivision Chief Room 416, Baltimore County Courts Building 401 Bosley Avenue 401 Bosley Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 Towson, Maryland 21204 Very truly yours, Very truly yours, SIDNEY SCHLACHMAN, Attorney for Petitioner SIDNEY SCHLACHMAN SS:np / 6 Mr. Sheriff: cc: Mr. Stellman Smith Please issue the above summons. Edith J. Eisenhart, Adm. Secy. cc: Mr. Stellman Smith County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County

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REPLY TO

REASON NOT SERVED SHERIFF OF BALTIMORE COUNTY J. EDWARD MALONE SE/S Harris Mill Road, 900' SE of Freeland Road D/Hearing: Thursday, May 8, 1986 at 10:00 a.m. I would appreciate if you would issue a Subpoena for the following persons to appear to testify in the above entitled matter on behalf of the Fetitioner: Environmental Support Services Room 416, Baltimore County Courts Building Mr. Sheriff: Please issue the above summons.

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TRAFFIC IMPACT STUDY

PROPOSED HOUSE OF WORSHIP AND RELATED ACTIVITIES

> HARRIS MILL ROAD BALTIMORE COUNTY

> > JUNE 1985

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Roughly 50 acres situated on the south side of Harris Mill Road approximately 0.7 mile east of I-83 in northern Baltimore County.

DEVELOPMENT

A 75 ft. by 75 ft. (5625 sq. ft.) structure for worship services and related activities. The remaining 50 acres are reserved for recreational use.

IMPACT AREA

The existing road network and population distribution suggest that the vast majority of the traffic generated will come from I-83, Md. 45 (York Road), ~1 Md. 409 (Freeland Road).

TRAFFIC GENERATION

CIVIL ENGINEERING
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ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

The most frequently used source of trip generation rates - The Institute of Transportation Engineers - does not include data for houses of worship. Another respected source, the Maricopa Association of Governments, recommends 40.9 trips per 1000 feet of gross floor area. A second method assumes 300 persons in attendance and a typicalridership of 2.5 persons per vehicle. Both methods indicate 110 vehicles generated in the peak hour. An estimated 90% or 100 vehicles will arrive via the primary routes from the north, south, and west. Only 10-12 vehicles (10%) are expected from the east.

KONDNER ENGINEERING AND TECHNICAL SERVICES

PARKTON, MARYLAND 21120

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STUDY

PROPERTY ZONING EXCEPTION FROM RC-2

ZONING FILE NO 85-271X

For

Dr. Richard W. McQuaid

1501 Harris Mill Road

Parkton, Maryland 21120

April 29, 1985

Dr. Robert L. Kondner, P.E.

Although some adverse accident frequency has been experienced at the intersection of Md. 45 (York Rd.) and Md. 409 (Freeland Rd.) in the past, only one accident has been reported between York Rd. and the site over the past two years. Two accidents were reported during the same period on Harris Mill Rd. east of the site.

TRAFFIC IMPACTS

The volumes of traffic generated in the initial stage of the facility's development are not likely to create capacity problems or significant reductions in the levels of traffic service provided by the affected roadways. However, because the existing volumes on Harris Mill Rd. are extremely low, the additional generated traffic will likely be perceived as a significant impact.

An expansion of the facility to accommodate 1000 personswould generate 400 vehicles per hour and create capacity problems on several of the approach road intersections and ramps. Additional traffic of even moderate proportions is undesirable on Harris Mill Rd. east of the site due to the limited width and poor geometric design features.

Additionally, the recreational designation for the 50 acres raises several traffic concerns. The trip generation rates for recreational use vary tremendously, but clearly, a 50 acre site is capable, under intense recreational use, of generating traffic volumes sufficiently large to severely and negatively impact the road system serving this site.

Construction of the proposed building, parking and roadways as well as development of the vague, ill-defined "recreational area" on the property standing for exception from RC-2, Zoning File No 85-271X, will have adverse environmental impacts on surface water quality, groundwater quality, local stream flooding potential, an Endangered Species of freshwater fish known as the Maryland Darter, and traffic on Harris Mill Road.

Hydrologic analyses as per SCS (T.R. 55) show a

tem is presented both by the Stream Flood Map of the area and in photographs showing flood waters and flood damage for the present critical nature of the flood hazard potential, without the addition of the increased

storm water runoff from the site. The current flood hazard potential is a danger to property and public safety. Increased storm water runoff will adversely impact on the present situation relative to flooding.

The site is traversed by a tributary stream of Deer Creek which collects the runoff from the site and carries it into Deer Creek, which is the only known habitat for the Maryland Darter, a small freshwater fish on the Endangered Species List of the State and Federal Governments. The appendix contains a letter from the State Department of Natural Resources expressing their concern about any proposed development within the Deer Creek Drainage Area that has the potential to threaten the Maryland Darter by reducing water quality or increasing the load of sediment or other pollutants carried by the stream. Such an adverse impact is presented by the increased storm water runoff of the site transporting additional sediment and petroleum-salt pollutants.

The influx of 300 people and the potential for many more people with use of the vague "recreational area", will have a definite adverse impact on traffic at Harris Mill Road which has two 90 degree turns at the north entrance area of the site. Such numbers of people will increase demand on the required sewage disposal septic facilities which will adversely impact on ground water quality.

SUMMARY

53 per cent increase in total storm water runoff volume and a 62 per cent increase in peak discharge of storm water for the 2 year frequency storm caused by first phase construction on the area north of the wooded section of the site. Such increased storm water runoff will provide the transport mechanism for increased erosion of the moderately erodable, silt loam soils of the site as sediment pollution as well as transport petroleum and salt pollutants from parking areas-roadways to the tributary stream thru the site and into the Deer Creek Stream Complex.

A history of recent flooding of the area stream sys-

ONCRETE & STRUCTURAL DESIGN

Should recreational uses at the south half of the property require the location of sewage disposal septic systems at those areas, there will be a severe impact in the steep 13 per cent to 20 per cent silt loam soils just to the north of the site stream and severe high water table-flood problems in the bottom area denoted on the Zoning Plat as "recreational area".

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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STUDY

PROPERTY STANDING FOR EXCEPTION FROM RC-2

ZONING FILE NO 85-271X

PURPOSE

The purpose of the investigation reported herein is to determine the environmental impact of construction of the proposed building, parking and roadways at the property under consideration on the storm water runoff, peak discharge quantity, water quality, flooding potential, critical wildlife species, and traffic conditions.

SCOPE

The scope of the investigation to accomplish the above purpose included a site inspection, review of various aerial photos, review of the zoning case site drawing (plat) dated 12-31-1984 as amended 2-12-1985, evaluation of site soils, review of local drainage patterns and storm water flooding history and a detailed analysis of the hydraulic and hydrologic factors with runoff volume and peak rates of discharge under present site conditions and after the proposed first phase construction at the site.

SITE PHYSIOGRAPHY

The site of the proposed standing exception from RC-2 zoning is located in the northern part of Baltimore County just south of the Pennsylvania State Boundary and just east of Interstate I-83 (Baltimore-Harrisburg Expressway) and east of the town of Maryland Line. The general area is characterized by rolling hills dissected by stream valleys. Figure 1 shows the general location of the site superimposed onto the appropriate part of the Stream Flood Map for the area with a tributary of Deer Creek running thru the southern part of the property under discussion. All storm water runoff (except for the small panhandle adjacent to Harris Mill Rd. at the northeast corner) goes into this stream and since this stream runs all year long (even when there is no surface water runoff) groundwater from the site eventually seeps into the stream helping to maintain its year round flow.

The central part of the site is wooded while the southern part is in grass and drops off toward the stream with slopes ranging from 13 per cent to 20 per cent decreasing to 3 per cent in the bottom grass land adjacent to the stream. The part of the site north of the woods is in grass and is the high ground, dropping generally to the southeast at a slope of 5 per cent.

The zoning case plat shows construction only at the part of the site north of the wooded area, with the

notation "recreational area" from the stream to the south boundary line. Since the term "recreational area" could mean anything from a paved theme park to the present natural grass land area (as well as anything in between), it is impossible to evaluate the environmental impact of something so "ill-defined". However, some forms of "recreational area" such as base ball diamonds (with large earth moving demands) or rock concert areas (with large demands on sanitary facilities and sound quality) could have enormous environmental impacts on the site stream and Little Deer Creek as well as Deer Creek. Strict control must be exercised on any future development of a "recreational area" nature not only between the stream and the south boundary of the site but also the sloping grass and wooded areas north of the stream itself.

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Because of the vague nature of the proposed future of the southern part of the site (approximately 85 per cent of the property), the environmental impact will be centered on the proposed first phase construction on the existing grass area north of the wooded area.

SITE SOILS

The area of the site north of the wooded area, the wooded area, and the area just south of the woods is Elioak silt loam which is moderately permeable with fair to poor stability and compaction characteristics relative to embankment construction, not suited for excavated ponds and shallow water development, and is moderately erodable.

The uphill slopes north of the stream are Glenelg channery loam which is moderately erodable sloping southward at 13 per cent to 20 per cent presenting moderate to severe sewage disposal limitations and only fairly stable relative to embankment construction.

The bottom land adjacent to the stream thru the southern part of the site is Codorus silt loam having 3 per cent slopes with a severe flooding potential, fair to poor stability and compaction characteristics relative to embankment construction, and moderately erodable.

Thus, all site soils are silty loam which is moderately erodable and any additional runoff will increase to some degree sediment in the Deer Creek tributary running thru the site as well as Deer Creek itself.

RECENT FLOOD HISTORY

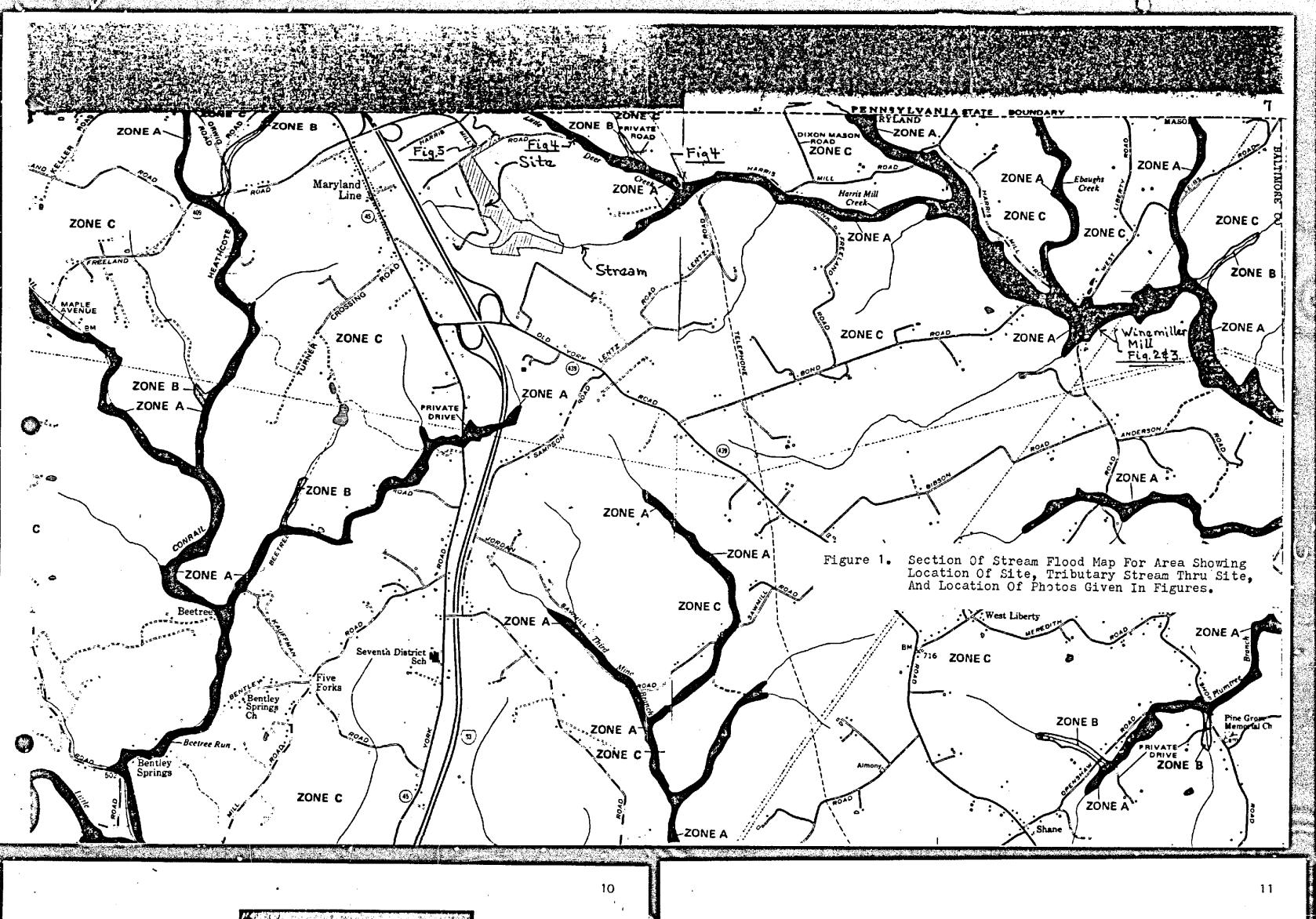
Figure 1 clearly shows the areas (black shaded areas) where flooding has been experienced in the past, including the adjacent downstream area of the stream running thru the property under consideration as well as the Little Deer Creek and Deer Creek (also called Harris Mill Creek) portions of the stream system complex downstream from the site.

The area at the intersection of Bond Rd., West
Liberty Rd. and Harris Mill Rd. known as Winemiller's
Mill, 3.5 miles east of the site, is often flooded as
shown in the photos of Figure 2 on Feb. 12, 1985 due
to 1.8 inches of rainfall. The upper photo of Figure 2
is a view of the flood waters completely covering the
bridge over Deer Creek (denoted as Harris Mill Creek
on Figure 1) while the lower photo of Figure 2 is a
view of the brick church east of the bridge on higher
ground. Figure 3 shows several views of the same
bridge during normal water levels in clear weather.
Note the bent bridge sign in the upper photo of Figure 2.

Figure 4 shows in the upper photo debris indicating the height of flood waters at the intersection of the site stream and Little Deer Creek with Deer Creek while the bottom photo shows debris on top of a heavily damaged private driveway bridge over Little Deer Creek approximately 1.2 miles downstream from the north end of the site. Locations of the above photos are given in Figure 1.

The above photos clearly illustrate the present critical flooding nature of the Little Deer Creek -Deer Creek (Harris Mill Creek) stream system presented in Figure 1. Obviously, this stream system cannot tolerate additional storm water runoff. The hydraulichydrologic analyses that are presented in the following section show the proposed first phase construction on the north part of the property will increase the total volume of runoff by 53 per cent and increase the peak discharge by 62 per cent for a two year frequency rainfall of 3.1 inches. Note that the rainfall for the flooding of the photos of Figure 2 was 1.8 inches. If increased runoff of 53 per cent is allowed on the present site, what is to stop such a magnitude for other sites. This flooding potential cannot be allowed to further endanger property and possibly human life in the immediate local area. If such runoff increases are allowed on the various upstream tributaries, these additional individual runoff waters will add up further downstream and the cumulative effects will become tremendously destructive beyond imagination.

The vague, ill-defined "recreational area" at the south majority of the property and adjacent steep, 13 per cent to 20 per cent slopes to the north, will have a much greater runoff impact than the area north of the woods if inappropriate "recreational" uses are permitted. This area requires restricted "recreational" use.



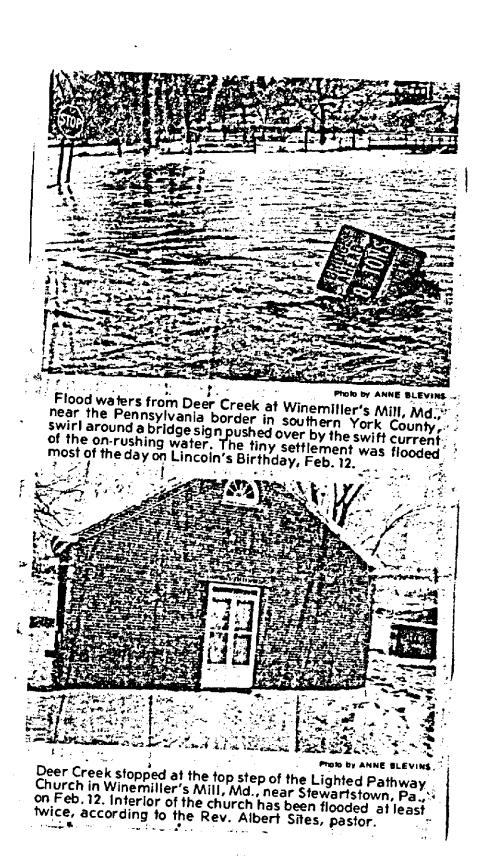


Figure 2. Photos From Penn. Newspaper Of Flood Waters At Winemiller's Mill In Baltimore County At The Intersection Of Bond-West Liberty-Harris Mill Roads On Feb. 12, 1985 Due To 1.8 Inches Of Rain

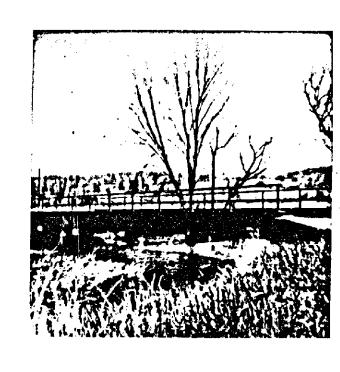




Figure 3. Photos Of The Bridge Shown Under Water In Figure 2 During Clear Weather





Figure 4. Photos Showing Flood Debris Indicating Height Of Flood Waters - Above: Intersection Of Site Stream-Little Deer Creek-Deer Creek (Harris Mill Creek) Below: Damaged Bridge At Little Deer Creek

HYDRAULIC-HYDROLOGIC ANALYSES

Construction of the chapel building, reduced parking lot, and limited readways of the proposed first phase is only a fraction of the total development presented on the Zoning Plat for the north portion of the site. Even this limited development can have a significant runoff effect on the north region.

The soil for this north part of the site is the Elioak silt loam with a slope of 5 per cent that is moderately erodable. The present surface containes grass, mostly clover. Thus, the hydrologic soil group for the site is Group B resulting in a runoff curve number (CN) value of 61 as presented in the Soil Conservation Service Technical Report 55 Urban Hydrology For Small Watersheds.

After the first phase construction approximately
15 per cent of the north area will be roof-parkingdriveway areas with a runoff curve number (CN) value
of 98. Combining this 15 per cent with the remainder
of 85 per cent of the existing grass area results in
an after first phase construction CN value of 66.43
for the north area.

Details of the analyses are presented in the appendix of this report.

Times of concentration are the times it takes for the runoff water to traverse the north area site in both the existing grass condition and after the first phase construction. Note that this time decreases from 0.16 hours under existing conditions to 0.13 hours after first phase construction - a decrease of 19 per cent showing that the runoff water travels across the site faster after construction than before construction.

Total runoff volumes and peak discharge rates were calculated for both the two year frequency rainfall and the ten year frequency rainfall as given in the appendix. Comparison of the "before construction" and "after construction" results show a 53 per cent increase in total runoff volume after the first phase construction for the two year frequency rainfall of 3.1 inches while the increase is 28 per cent for the ten year frequency rainfall.

Peak discharge values increased from 3.59 cubic ft per sec before construction to 5.83 cfs (a 62 per cent increase) after construction for the two year frequency rainfall while the ten year frequency increased from 12.31 cfs to 16.81 cfs (an increase of 37 per cent). The ten year storm totals are greater but the per cent increase is not as great as the two year storm.

POLLUTION POTENTIAL

Pollution potential from the site includes the following basic items; sewage, petroleum leakage from autos, winter salt use for ice and snow on parking lot-roadways-sidewalks-steps, and soil erosion.

Sewage disposal will require several septic systems as shown on the Zoning Plat - both of which are located at least partially in wooded areas (possible clearing of trees would increase runoff and ercsion). Should recreational uses at the south part of the property require the location of sewage disposal septic systems at those areas, there will be a severe impact because of steep slopes in the silt loam soils on the north side of the Deer Creek tributary thru the property, and high water table with severe flooding potential in the bottom area denoted on the Zoning Plat as "recreational area". Although sewage disposal for 300 people will have an adverse impact on ground water quality, the potentially greater number of people that may be generated by "recreational" uses could have a much greater and much more severe impact on ground water as well as surface water quality.

Pollution from petroleum leakage from cars as well as salt for ice control both depend on the number of people using both the church facilities as well as the "recreational area" since this will influence the number

of vehicles on site; hence, the parking area required. The increase in runoff volume and increase in peak discharge given in the hydrologic analyses will provide the mechanism to move petroleum and salt pollution off site to the tributary stream and Deer Creek. These pollutants also can be carried by ground water eventually to the stream system because these pollutants will not be broken down and filtered in the site soils during transmission with the ground water.

The increased runoff and increased peak discharge velocities will also increase soil erosion and, hence, sediment pollution in the stream system.

WILDLIFE

The site is traversed by a tributary stream of Deer Creek. This tributary collects all runoff from the site and carries it into Deer Creek which is the only known habitat for the Maryland Darter, a small freshwater fish listed as an Endangered Species by both the State and Federal Governments. The appendix contains a letter from the Capital Programs Administration of the State of Maryland Department of Natural Resources expressing their concern about any proposed development within the Deer Creek Drainage area that has the potential to threaten the Maryland Darter by reducing water quality or increasing the load of sediment or other pollutants carried by the stream. Since increased storm water runoff will increase the amount of soil roded from the site and the parking lot will provide some amounts of petroleum products and salts to be carried in the storm water runoff all of which goes into the tributary stream and, hence, Deer Creek, clearly there will be an adverse impact on water quality thru increased sediment load and petroleum-salt pollutants. TRAFFI C-ROADS

The influx of 300 people for the church and the potential for many more people for use of the vague "recreational area" will have a definite impact on traffic at Harris Mill Road which makes a 90 degree turn at the location of the entrance to the property. The width of Harris Mill Road at this location varies from 15 ft-9 in to 17 ft-9 in on the two legs of the 90 degree turn.

Figure 5 presents several views of this 90 degree turn of Harris Mill Road at the entrance to the property under discussion, with two vehicles in Harris Mill Road and one vehicle in the entrance road to the property. Clearly 300 people or more (recreational uses) entering or leaving the property in the vicinity of this 90 degree turn will have a safety impact. Note on the map of Figure 1 that there is also another 90 degree turn in Harris Mill Road just to the east of the one shown in the photos of Figure 5.

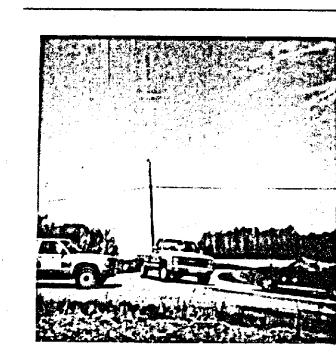


Figure 5. Photos Showing Views Looking North (Bottom Photo) And South (Top Photo) Showing Vehicles At 90 Degree Turn Of Harris Mill Road And Property Entrance.

CONCLUSIONS

Construction of the proposed building, parking and roadways as well as development of the vague, ill-defined "recreational area" on the property standing for exception from RC-2, Zoning File No 85-271X, will have adverse environmental impacts on surface water quality, groundwater quality, local stream flooding potential, an Endangered Species of freshwater fish known as the Maryland Darter, and traffic on Harris Mill Road.

Hydrologic analyses as per SCS (T.R. 55) show a 53 per cent increase in total storm water runoff volume and a 62 per cent increase in peak discharge of storm water for the 2 year frequency storm caused by first phase construction on the area north of the wooded section of the site. Such increased storm water runoff will provide the transport mechanism for increased erosion of the moderately erodable, silt loam soils of the site as sediment pollution as well as transport petroleum and salt pollutants from parking areas-roadways to the tributary stream thru the site and into the Deer Creek Stream Complex.

A history of recent flooding of the area stream system is presented both by the Stream Flood Map of the area and in photographs showing flood waters and flood damage for the present critical nature of the flood hazard potential, without the addition of the increased

storm water runoff from the site. The current flood hazard potential is a danger to property and public safety. Increased storm water runoff will adversely impact on the present situation relative to flooding.

The site is traversed by a tributary stream of Deer Creek which collects the runoff from the site and carries it into Deer Creek, which is the only known habitat for the Maryland Darter, a small freshwater fish on the Endangered Species List of the State and Federal Governments. The appendix contains a letter from the State Department of Natural Resources expressing their concern about any proposed development within the Deer Creek Drainage Area that has the potential to threaten the Maryland Darter by reducing water quality or increasing the load of sediment or other pollutants carried by the stream. Such an adverse impact is presented by the increased storm water runoff of the site transporting additional sediment and petroleum-salt pollutants.

The influx of 300 people and the potential for many more people with use of the vague "recreational area", will have a definite adverse impact on traffic at Harris Mill Road which has two 90 degree turns at the north entrance area of the site. Such numbers of people will increase demand on the required sewage disposal septic facilities which will adversely impact on ground water quality.

Should recreational uses at the south half of the property require the location of sewage disposal septic systems at those areas, there will be a severe impact in the steep 13 per cent to 20 per cent silt loam soils just to the north of the site stream and severe high water table-flood problems in the bottom area denoted on the Zoning Plat as "recreational area".

APPENDIX

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First Phase Construction Before 15+ Phase Construction

Tc = 0.16 kms > Peak Dischargo = 870 csm/in lunoff Time of Concentration (Tc) O North area (North of Woodah area) Only area To Show Specific Construction Plan North area Zyr Freg. Rainfall P=3.1" TORREY C. BROWN, M.D. Soil Type ElB 2 Elioab silt loam 3 to 8 per cent slopes moderately eroded Hydrologie Soil Group B FRED L. ESKEW DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AGSISTANT SECRETARY FOR CAPITAL PROGRAMS JOHN R. GRIFFIN CAPITAL PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION Existing: Slope 52 V=1.5 ft/rec Sungth=850ft TAWES STATE OFFICE BUILDING $5 = \frac{1000}{61} - 10 = 16.39 - 10 = 6.39$ $Q = \frac{[3.1 - 0.2(6.39)]^2}{3.1 - 0.8(6.39)} = \frac{3.32}{8.21} = \frac{0.40}{}$ Runoff :. Tc = 850 = 567 mc = 0.16 hrs April 24, 1985 Runoff Curve Number 9 = 870 6.61 (0.4) = 3.59 which there Peck Direly Present Site - Entirely Grace Covered after First Phose Construction 10 yr Frez. Rainfall P=5.0" Dr. Robert L. Kondner Kondner Engineering and Technical Services Slope 120: furth=570ft: V=2ft/sec T= 570 = 285 sec CN value = 61 (Sail Contervation Sen. TR-55) area = \frac{400\times 720}{43560} = 6.61 Ac $Q = \frac{[5.0 - 0.2(6.39)]^2}{5.0 - 0.8(6.39)} = \frac{13.85}{10.11} = \frac{1.37}{10.11}$ Runoff Downes Road Parkton, MD 21120 First Phase Construction 9 = 870 6161 (1.37) = 12.31 cfs Pack Discharge Slope 520: Tempth = 280ft; V=1.5 Hlace Subject: Impact Study, Property Zoning Exception (85-271X) in Deer Creek Drainage Roof area 75×75 = 0.13 ane Tr = 280 = 187 Dec after 1st Phase Construction

Tic=0.13 hrs > Peak Discharge = 925 CSm/in Runoff Palsing area 170×170 - 0.66 acre 43560 The lower portion of Deer Creek is the only known habitat for the Maryland darter, a small freshwater fish listed as an Endangered Species by :. T_= 285+ 187 = 0.13 hrs both the State and federal governments. The Maryland Natural Heritage Program is concerned about any proposed development within the Deer Creek Drainage that Zyr Frey. Rainfall P=3.1" Rosdway area the load of sediment or other pollutants carried by the stream. I hope that these same issues would also be of concern to the Baltimore County Zoning 25 (135+130+50)= 0.18 ace $S = \frac{1000}{66.43} - 10 = 15.05 - 10 = 5.05$ $Q = \frac{[3.1 - 0.2(5.05)]^2}{3.1 - 0.8(5.05)} = \frac{4.37}{7.14} = 0.61''$ Runoff Commissioner, and should be thoroughly explored in any environmental impact 43560 evaluation of proposed development on this site. Not knowing what the developers E = 0.97 acre plans are however, I can not make any valid evaluation. Should detailed development plans become available I would be glad to review them if requested to by the Zoning Commissioner. Graved area after 18+ Phase Construction 6.61-0.97=5.64 acres 9=925 6.61 (0.61) = 5.83 cfs Peak Durbage Sincerely, Amollw. Norden 10 yr Freg. Rainfall P=5.0" $\frac{5.64}{6.61} \times 61 = 0.85 \times 61 = 52.05$ Arnold W. Norden Q -[5.0-0.2(5.05)]2 = 15.92 = 1.76" Runoff Maryland Natural Heritage Program 0.97 ×98 = 0.15 ×98 = 14.38 Z= 1.00; Z=66.43 = CN Value AWN:mcs 9=925 6.61 (1.76) = 16.81 cfs Perk Dichage Therefore: Existing Condition: CN=61.00 Refore Courts.
Often 15+7 Phone Construction CN=66.43 after Courts. TELEPHONE: (301) 269-3656 Re: Zoning Exception File # 85-271X Percent Change Due To Phose I Construction A letter from Carl Whiteraft School Total Volume Of Runoff 2 yr Frey, Rainfall bus contractor of Whiterest Services, Inc. dated April 30, 1985 10 yr Freg. Rainfall 1.76-1.37 -= 0.39 1.37 = 28% Toute Phone 357-8676 Time of Concentration He have school tress that travel the roads which cross her Creek .. Continution decreases the time for the runoff When ever there is flooding on teer " say flower some subsent; such sold estat ot Creek, school buses have to be revolted and other arrangements
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