# CIRCUIT COURT FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

# CIVIL GENERAL

89-471-SPHXA

DOCKET 78 PAGE 174 CASE NO. 90CG974 CATEGORY Appeal ATTORNEYS H. Patrick Stringer, Jr. Mudd, Harrison & Burch IN THE MATTER OF 300 Jefferson Bldg. THE APPLICATION OF 105 W. Chesapeake Ave. FOR A SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE ON (04) 828-1335 PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF GOUCHER BOULEVARD NORTH SIDE PUTTY HILL AVENUE (800 GOUCHER BOULEVARD) 9TH ELECTION DISTRICT 4TH COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT ZONING NO. 89-471-SPHXA FELLOWSHIP FOREST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Appellant F. Vernon Boozer Anthony J. DiPaula Covahey & Boozer, PA EXXON CORPORATION 614 Bosley Ave (4) 828-9441 Appellee EXXIV COPPORATION CV GEN (1) March 14,1990 - Appellant's Order for Appeal & Petition, fd. (2) March 16,1990 - Certificate of Notice fd. (3) Mar 26, 1990 - App of F. Vermon Boozer and Anthony J. DiPaula for the POST Appellee, EXXON CORPORATION and Same Day Answer to Petition on Appeal fil. CKCHECK TL (4) Apr 10, 1990 - Appellant's FELLOWSHIP FOREST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Motion for Extension of Time and Order of Court Granting Same fd. (DML) CV, GEN.

₹ (5) May 14,1990 - Transcript of Record, fd.

(6) May 14,1990 - Notice of Filing of Record, fd. copies Sent.

1(7) June 13, 1990 - Appellant's Motion for Extension of Time to File Memorandum fd.

(a) June 27,1990 - Appellant's Memorandum of Law, fd

(9) July 9, 1990 - Ruling by Judge Levitz: Appellant's Motion for Extension of Time to File a Memorandum (paper #7) is MOOT as the Memorandum was filed July 27, 1990 .

(10) July 27,1990 - Correspondence fd.

(11) Aug. 21,1990 - Appellee's EXXON CORP. Memorandum pursuant to rule B-12. fd.

Sept.11,1990 Hon. James T.Smith Jr. Hearing had. Decision held sub-curia, Opinion and Order to be filed.

(12) Oct. 29,1990 - Transript of Record, fd.

(13) Oct. 29,1990 - Opinion and Order of court that the decision of co is hereby affirmed, with the costs of

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### BALTIMORE COUNTY ZONING PLANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

May 4, 1989

COUNTY OFFICE BLOG. 111 W. Chesapeake Ave. Towson, Maryland 21204

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Industrial Development F. Vernon Boozer, Esquire 614 Bosley Avenue Towson, MD 21204

RE: Item No. 377, Case No. 89-471-SPHXA
Petitioner: Exxon Corporation, et al
Petition for Zoning Variance and
Special Hearing and Special Exception

Dear Mr. Boozer:

The Zoning Plans Advisory Committee has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition. The following comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the development plans that may have a bearing on this case. Director of Planning may file a written report with the Zoning Commissioner with recommendations as to the suitability of the requested zoning.

Enclosed are all comments submitted from the members of the Committee at this time that offer or request information on your petition. If similar comments from the remaining members are received, I will forward them to you. Otherwise, any comment that is not informative will be placed in the hearing file. This petition was accepted for filing on the date of the enclosed filing certificate and a hearing scheduled accordingly.

IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF YOU WOULD RETURN YOUR WRITTEN COMMENTS TO MY OFFICE, ATTENTION JULIE WINIARSKI. IF YOU HAVEANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS, PLEASE CONTACT HER AT 887-3391.

Very truly yours,

James E. Deger/ju

Chairman

Zoning Plans Advisory Committee

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Mark Hoffman Project Engineer 11350 McCormick Road Hunt Valley, MD 21031

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Room 223
Court House
Towson, Maryland 21204

RE: Item No. 377

Case No. 89-471-5PHXA

Dear People's Counsel:

The following departments have no comments for the above referenced petitions:

N/A Public Works (Engineering)

N/A State Highway

Project Planning

Traffic Engineering

Environmental Protection and Resource Mgmt

Fire Department

Permits and Licenses

N/A Industrial Development

N/A Board of Education

Very truly yours,

YAMES E. DYER

Chairman

Zoning Plans Advisory Committee

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Attachment

# BALTIMORE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

3/17/89

| Office<br>County | Commissioner of Planning and Zoning Office Building , Maryland 21204  |
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|                  | Item #377, Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of March 21,1989   |
|                  | ty Owner: Exxon Corporation   |
| Locati           | on: Cor of W/s of Goucher B/wd+No of Putty Hill Ave. District: 9  |
|                  | Supply: <u>metro</u> Sewage Disposal: <u>metro</u> TS ARE AS FOLLOWS:   |
|                  | Prior to approval of a Building Permit for construction, renovation and/or installation of equipment for any existing or proposed food service facility, complete plans and specifications must be submitted to the Plans Review Section, Bureau of Regional Community Services, for final review and approval.   |
| ( )              | Prior to new installation(s) of fuel burning equipment, the owner shall contact the Bureau of Air Quality Management, 887-3775, to obtain requirements for such installation(s) before work begins.   |
|                  | A permit to construct from the Bureau of Quality Management is required for such items as spray paint processes, underground gasoline storage tank(s) (5,000 gallons or more) and any other equipment or process which exhausts into the atmosphere.  |
| ( )              | A permit to construct from the Bureau of Air Quality Management is required for any charbroiler generation which has a total cooking surface area of five (5) square feet or more.  |
| ,( )             | Prior to approval of a Building Permit Application for renovations to existing or construction of new health care facilities, complete plans and 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 Engineering 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 Environmental Protection and Resource Management for review and approval. For more complete information, contact the Water Quality Monitoring Section, Bureau of Regional Community Services, 687-6500 x 315. |
| ( )              | 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.   |
| (V)              | 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 the State Department of the Environment.   |
| (V)              | Prior to razing of existing structure(s), petitioner must contact the Division of Waste Management at 887-3745, regarding removal and/or disposal of potentially hazardous materials and solid wastes.  Petitioner must contact the Bureau of Air Quality Management regarding removal of asbestoes, 887-3775.  |
| (V)              | Any abandoned underground storage tanks containing gasoline, waste oil, solvents, etc., must have the contents removed by a licensed hauler and tank removed from the property or properly backfilled. Prior to removal or abandonment, owner must contact the Division of Waste Management at 887-3745.  |
| ( )              | Soil percolation tests, have been, must be, conducted.  |
| \                | <ul> <li>( ) The results are valid until</li> <li>( ) Soil percolation test results have expired. Petitioner should contact the Division of Water and Sewer to determine whether additional tests are required.</li> </ul>  |
| ( ).             | Where water wells are to be used as a source of water supply, a well meeting the minimum Baltimore County Standards must be drilled.  |
| ( )              | In accordance with Section 13-117 of the Baltimore County Code, the water well yield test  ( ) shall be valid until   |
|                  | ( ) is not acceptable and must be retested. This must be accomplished prior to conveyance of property and approval of Building Permit Applications.   |
| ( )              | Prior to occupancy approval, the potability of the water supply must be verified by collection of bacterio-<br>logical and chemical water samples.  |
| ( )              | If submission of plans to the County Review Group is required, a Hydrogeological Study and an Environmental Effects Report must be submitted. For more information contact the Division of Environmental Management at 887-3980.  |
| ( )              | In order to subdivide this property, the owner or developer will be required to comply with the subdivision regulations of the State of Maryland and Baltimore County. If there are any questions regarding the subdivision process, please contact the Land Development Section at 887-2762.   |
|                  | Others Drainage from interior service bays is to be directed<br>to sunitary sewer via oil separator.  |
|                  | To sunitary sewer via oil separator.  |
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Baltimore County Fire Department Towson, Maryland 21204-2586 494-4500

Paul H. Reincke Chief

> J. Robert Haines, Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning & Zoning Baltimore County Office Building Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Property Owner: Exxon Corporation

Location: Corner of W/S of Goucher Blvd and N/S of Putty

Item No.: 377

Zoning Agenda: March 21, 1989



Dennis F. Rasmussen County Executive

#### Gentlemen:

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. ( ) 4. The site shall be made to comply with all applicable parts of the Fire Prevention Code prior to occupancy or beginning of operation. The buildings and structures existing or proposed on the site shall (X) 5. comply with all applicable requirements of the National Fire Protection Association Standard No. 101 "Life Safety Code," 1976 edition
- prior to occupancy. ( ) 6. Site plans are approved, as drawn.
- ( ) 7. The Fire Prevention Bureau has no comments at this time.

Special Inspection Division

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLANI INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE DATE: May 16, 1989 TO: J. Robert Haines Zoning Commissioner Pat Keller, Deputy Director FROM: Office of Planning and Zoning SUBJECT: ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE COMMENTS Case No. 89-471-XSPHA Item No. 377 Re: Exxon Corporation The Petitioner requests a special exception to allow a food store and a car wash as uses in combination with an automotive service station, a special hearing to amend a prior site plan and variances to rear yard setback requirements and to allow five business signs totalling 314 square feet in lieu of the permitted three signs totalling 100 square feet. In reference to this request, staff offers the following comments: The Petitioner has requested a waiver to the CRG plan and meeting process (W-89-111) that has been denied. The Waiver advisory Committee had serious concerns regarding ingress and egress, stacking for the car wash, proposed grading, and community concerns. If the Commissioner grants this petition, the approved zoning plan should conform to the approved CRG plan and the final landscape plan. The 314 square feet requested for signage is excessive. The wall signs for the shop and car wash give them adequate identification. Therefore, this office recommends that the panels proposed for the free standing sign be eliminated. In addition, this office finds no compelling need to allow additional identification on the spreader bars. A final landscape plan is required prior to the issuance of any building permit. A:51789.txt Pg.4

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| 1  | IN THE MATTER OF: * BEFORE THE                                |
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| 2  | EXXON CORPORATION * BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD                    |
| 3  | Case No. 89-471-SPHA * BOARD OF APPEALS                       |
| 4  | February 9, 1990 * OF BALTIMORE COUNTY                        |
| 5  | * * * *   |
| 6  | The above-entitled matter came on for hearing                 |
| 7  | before the Baltimore County Board of Appeals of Baltimore     |
| 8  | County at the County Office Building, Towson, Maryland        |
| 9  | 21204 at 10 o'clock a.m., Februry 9, 1990.                    |
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| 11 | BOARD MEMBERS: ARNOLD G. FOREMAN, Acting Chairman             |
| 12 | LYNN MORELAND<br>JOHN G. DISNEY                               |
| 13 | APPEARANCES: ANTHONY J. DiPAULA, Esquire                      |
| 14 | On behalf Appellant   |
| 15 | H. PATRICK STRINGER, JR., Esquire<br>On behalf of Protestants |
| 16 | Fellowship Forest   |
| 17 | STEVE BUCKINGHAM, Esquire On behalf of Protestants            |
| 18 | Loch Raven Village  |
| 19 | PHYLLIS COLE FRIEDMAN, Esquire<br>People's Counsel            |
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| 21 | Reported by:<br>C.E. Peatt                                    |

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF EXXON CORPORATION FOR A SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF GOUCHER BOULEVARD, NORTH SIDE PUTTY HILL AVENUE (800 GOUCHER BOULEVARD) 9th ELECTION DISTRICT 4th COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT

BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS

BALTIMORE COUNTY : CASE NO. 89-471-SPHXA

### OPINION

This matter comes before the Board on a petition by Exxon Corporation for a special exception and variance corcerning the service station located at the corner of Goucher Boulevard and Putty Hill Avenue. There currently exists a service station at this location that operates as a fullservice facility with an older building with three existing service bays. The Petitioner requests a change in this site to remove the existing structure and rebuild this as a gas-and-go peration with a convenience shop. The Petitioner further requests additional signage; one sign to be added to the 24-foot freestanding sign located at the corner of the property and additional signage to be located on top of the pumps facing the roadway which fronts the station.

Exxon Corporation presented testimony from David Wang, a Civil Engineer, regarding the current status of the property and the now-proposed use of the property. Currently the service station has two curb cuts accessing onto Goucher Boulevard and two curb cuts accessing onto Putty Hill Avenue. After consultation with the County Review Group (CRG), the site plan was amended to allow only one access onto Putty Hill Avenue.

Exxon further proposes to place a shop measuring 24 feet by 46 feet on this site; that this shop although measuring 1,104 square feet, the total retail area would be 600 square feet. Further proposed would be signs indicating that a shop exists on the property. One of the signs requested by Exxon is to

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be added to the 24-foot free-standing sign and that sign would total 19.6 square feet. That sign would have the word "shop" on it and be a two-sided type of sign. Further, Exxon desires to place four signs onto pumps facing the roadway, these signs having the word "Exxon" on them.

The new site would eliminate all service bays and Mr. Wang indicated that the lighting of the premises would be reduced from a height of 16-foot lights to lights which measure 8 feet in height. Further testimony is that 32 percent of the site would be devoted to green space.

Mr. Ollie Mumpower was accepted as an expert in traffic engineering. He testified that a study of the site, and similar sites, was done and that in his opinion r more than 10 percent of the traffic generated by this site would be used for the convenience store only. As a result of the studies made by Mr. Mumpower, he was of the opinion that the level of service at the intersection of Putty Hill Avenue and Goucher Boulevard would not increase if this special exception was granted. Mr. Mumpower indicated that the level of service according to the County standard is a level "C" at this intersection which places it in the acceptable range.

Further testimony was received from Mark Hoffman, a Construction and Maintenance Engineer working for Exxon, U.S.A. He advised that the new site would increase the gasoline dispensing facilities from four to six pumps. He further testified that the present hours of the facility are from 6:00 a.m. to midnight, and that the proposed new site would be a 24-hour type of operation. The proposed site would have security by means of better lighting, electrical security locks on the convenience store, a transaction tray for dealing with suspicious persors, and a constant video surveillance system. He further testified that the current facility has experienced break-ins after the station has closed for the night.

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The Board next heard from Norman E. Gerber, who was accepted as an expert in the area of planning and zoning. He testified that all the requirements of Section 502.1 in his opinion have been met and that this facility will not be a detriment to the existing community. Mr. Gerber noted that the service station is an allowable use in this B.L. zone and that a food store is allowable in this B.L. zone. However, the combination of both service station and food store needs the special exception subject to this hearing.

The Board will note that many protestants appeared at the hearing, and five of their number testified on this hearing date. The Board heard from Louis E. Heidrick, Assistant Principal, Calvert Hall High School, who testified that the school was opposed to the granting of the special exception because of their belief that the convenience store aspect of the service station would be a factor in the safety and welfare of their students, and that such a convenience store would constitute an administrative nuisance to their students. Mr. Heidrick indicated that students are not allowed to leave the campus until after their last class in the afternoon, and that staggered class dismissals would allow the students to cross back and forth from the school to the convenlience store through an intersection which he believed to be heavily travelled and dangerous. He further indicated that this type of store was located across from the playing fields of Calvert Hall, and that when sport activities are on the school grounds students and/or other persons would tend to cross the road to buy the impulse foods sold at that location. It was noted on crossexamination that students from Calvert Hall regularly go across to the Towson Marketplace located on the opposite corner and naturally must cross Putty Hill Avenue to access that location.

Mr. John Hammill, a resident of Fellowship Forest for the last 10 years, described the type of neighborhood as single-family homes of high value

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with much green space. He is the former president of the community association. He feels traffic would increase through the neighborhood should this type of gas-and-go with a convenience store be approved by this Board. He is further opposed to this convenience store becuase of what he perceives to be a natural increase in the number of cars which would be brought to the area, the problem of trash being increased through the purchases of snack foods, the potential for increased crime due to the round-the-clock hours of operation of the store, a general objection to the 24-hour type of operation, and an opposition as to the increased lighting such a site would have.

Mr. Melvin Morris, a 32-year resident of the area, described the heavy traffic located at that intersection and opposes this special exception due to what he believes to be more traffic to be brought to the neighborhood and more people brought to the neighborhood.

The Board next heard from Denise Naylor, a 24-year resident of the Courthouse Square Apartments, who lives directly across from the site. Ms. Naylor expressed concern at the continuing crime problem in the Courthouse Square Apartments and feels that the establishment would lure strangers into the neighborhood and increase the crime problem, as well as the traffic problem.

Panzer Management Company, the property managers for Courthouse Square Apartments, through their representative, Greg Sauter, opposed the special exception, again citing crime, traffic, and lighting. Further, Mr. Sauter indicated that the existence of a 24-hour gas-and-go operation directly behind the Courthouse Square Apartments would constitute noise pollution and that the residents who live near this site deserve a period of quiet from at least midnight to 6:00 a.m. He said the noise from cars pulling in and out of the station, the stopping and starting of engines and the accessory noise made by those automobiles would be a detriment to the residents of the Courthouse Square Apartments.

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The Board feels many of the concerns voiced by the protestants to be legitimate. Atter a review of the evidence and documents presented for the Board's consideration, the Board finds as a fact that the conversion of the current site to the proposed site would not contribute to any substantial volume of traffic at the intersection of Goucher Boulevard and Putty Hill Avenue. The Board further finds that the addition of a convenience store to this location would not conflict with Section 502.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.).

However, the Board feels that the operation of this site on a 24hour basis is an absolute intrusion into the quiet residential nature of this neighborhood which had existed and should continue to exist after the hour of midnight. The Board finds that the lengths gone to by the Petitioner to make this area more attractive and safer are in the best interests of the site and its neighbors.

### ORDER

Therefore, for the aforegoing reasons, it is this 23rd day of February , by the County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County ORDERED that the special exception to have a food store in combination with an automotive service station (gas-and-go) be and is hereby GRANTED with the following restrictions:

- 1. That the operation of this business be limited to the hours which fall between 6:00 a.m. and 12:00 midnight.
- 2. That no video games or other amusement devices be allowed in the convenience store premises.
- 3. That proper trash receptacles be located both inside and outside the convenience store.
- 4. That after the hours of operation of their facility. the lighting on the site is limited to only that necessary for the security of the premises.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the request for variance to allow an additional sign on the free-standing sign, that new sign to be 19.6 square feet with the word "SHOP" on it is hereby GRANTED; and,

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the four signs proposed which would be located on the pumping stations facing the roadway are also GRANTED.

Any appeal from this decision must be made in accordance with Rules B-1 through B-13 of the Maryland Rules of Procedure.

OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS

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PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING, \* BEFORE THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION & VARIANCE

Corner W/S Goucher Boulevard, N/S Putty Hill Avenue (800 Goucher Boulevard) 9th Election District

4th Councilmanic District

\* DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER

\* OF BALTIMORE COUNTY \* Case No. 89-471-SPHXA

Exxon Corporation Petitioner \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

## FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Petitioner herein requests a special hearing to approve an amendment to the site plan previously approved in Case No. 65-240-RX; a special exception to permit a food store use with less than 5,000 sq.ft. in combination with a car wash use in an existing automotive service station on the subject property; and a variance to permit a commercial building abutting a residential zone to have a rear yard setback of 13 feet in lieu of the required 20 feet, and 5 business signs totalling 314.04 sq.ft. in lieu of the maximum permitted 3 signs totalling 100 sq.ft., all as more particularly described in Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

The Petitioners, by Mark E. Hoffman, Project Engineer, appeared, testified, and was represented by Anthony J. DiPaula, Esquire. Also appearing on behalf of the Petition were David S. Wang with Frederick Ward Associates. Numerous residents of the area appeared as Protestants. Appearing and testifying on behalf of the Protestants were the following: Rick Fabian, President, Fellowship Forest; Vince Curran, President, and Steve Buckingham of the Loch Raven Village Association; Mary Williamson, Regional Manager for Panzer Management, Manager of Towson Courthouse Square: Martha Clark of the Towson Estates Association; H. Patrick Stringer, a resident of Holden Road; Mrs. Joseph Fick, a resident

of Lake Drive; George White, a resident of Towson Courthouse Square; and Marion K. Yeaple, a resident of Hillen Road.

Testimony indicated that the subject property, known as 800 Goucher Boulevard, consists of 1.4486 acres more or less zoned B.L.-C.S.A., and is currently improved with an Exxon gasoline service station which was granted a special exception in Case No. 65-240-RX. Testimony indicated Petitioners are desirous of razing the existing service station and replacing it with an Exxon Gas 'N' Go and car wash. Mr. Wang testified his office had been retained by Petitioners to prepare the development plans for the subject property identified herein as Petitioner's Exhibit 1. He testified in his opinion the proposed uses are compatible and will not result in a substantial amount of increased business. He further testified in his opinion there would be no detriment to the health, safety or general welfare of the community and the requirements set forth in Section 502.1 ) of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) would be met. On cross examination Mr. Wang testified his firm was not retained nor equipped to undertake traffic studies to ascertain the impact the proposed changes might have on traffic in the area or marketing studies to determine the increase in the amount of business, if any, that would be generated by the Change in uses. In Mr. Wang's opinion, most of the food store business would be generated by gasoline and/or car wash customers.

Mr. Hoffman testified he is project manager for the construction, maintenance, engineering and development of the proposed site. He testified it is the Petitioners' position that the convenience store and car wash operation are ancillary uses to the gasoline service station and will result in only indirect sales from gasoline customers. He testified the hours of operation of the convenience store and car wash would be dictated

Testimony presented by the Protestants emphasized the currently heavily congested area of Goucher Poulevard and Putty Hill Avenue. The Protestants believe the proposed development would result in a tremendous amount of traffic exiting the car wash onto Putty Hill Avenue which requires a right turn into the residential area. The Protestants further argued Petitioners had not met their burden regarding the criteria set forth in Sections 307 and 507 1 of the B.C.Z.R. Testimony indicated the Protestants believe the proposed plans would have an adverse impact upon the health, safety, and general welfare of the community. The Protestants emphasized their opinion was based upon their many years of residing in the area and stated the proposed use would create a more horrendous traffic situation than currently exists.

It is clear that the B.C.Z.R. permits the use proposed in a B.L.-C.S.A. zone by special exception. However, it is equally clear that the proposed use would be detrimental to the primary uses in the vicinity. Therefore, it must be determined if the conditions as delineated in Section 502.1 are satisfied.

After reviewing all of the testimony and evidence presented, it appears that the special exception should not be granted.

PETION FOR ZONING PRIANCE TO THE ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY:

The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Variance from Section s 232,3,b to allow a commercial building abutting a residence zone with a rear yard setback of 13 1. Tieu of 20 as required; and Section 413.2 f to allow 5 business signs with a total area of 314.04 square feet in lieu of 3 signs with a total area of 100 square feet as permitted.

of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County; for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or practical difficulty)

1. Without the variances it would be extremely difficult to effectively advertise the products and services available. 2. The sign variance is necessary to comply with State and federal laws governing pricing and advertising.

3. The rear yard variance is necessary due to irregular shape and

dimensions of the property.

Attorney's Telephone No.: .

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law For Baltimore County.

I/We do solemnly declare and affirm 12 7-9-0/ under the penalties of perjury, that I we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition. Legal Owner(s): Contract Purchaser: Exxon Corporation (Type or Print Name)

By: Mark Hoffman,

Signature Mark Hoffman, (Type or Print Name) Project Engineer (Type or Print Name) F. Vernon Mozer/Anthony J. DiPaula 11350 McCormick Rd. 785-6642

Hunt Valley, MD 21031 614 Bosley Avenue Name, address and phone number of legal owner, contract purchaser or representative to be contacted F. Vernon Boozer Towson, MD 21204 City and State 614 Bosley Ave. 828-9441

ORDERED By The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, this \_\_\_\_\_ day 17 +1 day of May 19 59, at 11 o'clock

Address Towson, MD 21204 Phone No.

The Petitioner 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 of the B.C.Z.R. In fact, the Petitioner has not shown that the proposed use would be conducted without real detriment to the neighborhood and would not adversely affect the public interest. The facts and circumstances show that the proposed use at the particular location described by Petitioner's Exhibit 1 would have an 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).

Petit oner has not met its burden in proving that the proposed use will be detrimental to the health, safety, or general welfare of the locality, and will not tend to create congestion in roads, streets, or

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this Petition held, it appears that the requirements of Section 502.1 have not been met and the health, safety, and general welfare of the community shall be adversely affected. Therefore, the relief requested in the special exception should be denied.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this / day of June, 1989 that the Petition for Special Hearing to approve an amendment to the site plan previously approved in Case No. 65-240-RX; a Special Exception to permit a food store use with less than 5,000 sq.ft. in combination with a car wash use in an existing automotive service station on the subject property; and a Variance to permit a commercial building abutting a residential zone to have a rear yard setback of 13 feet in lieu of the required 20 feet, and 5 business

(Item 377)

PETITION FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION

TO THE ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY: The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is 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 herein described property for \_a food store with less than 5,000 square feet and a car wash as uses in combination with an existing automotive service station (Section 405.4.D.4 and D.8).

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. 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 of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County.

I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition. Legal Owner(s):

Exxon Corporation

(Type or Print Name)

| (Type or Print Name)                    | By: Mark Hoffman  |
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|   | By: Signature Mark Hoffman, Fingineer   |
|   | Project Engineer  |
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| torney for Petitioner:                  | 11350 McCormick Rd. /85-00  |
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| 614 Bosley Ave.                         | Name, address and phone number of lega-<br>tract purchaser or representative to be contacted  |
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| Address                                 | F. Vernon Boozer  |
| Towson, MD 21204                        |   |
| Towson, In                              | Name 828-9  |
| City and State                          | 614 Bosley Ave. 820-9   |
| 828-9441                                | 614 Bosley Ave.  Address Towson, MD 21204 Phone No.   |
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Contract Purchaser:

signs totalling 314.04 sq.ft. in lieu of the maximum permitted 3 signs totalling 100 sq.ft., in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit 1, be and are hereby DENIED.

> an HNo knows ANN M. NASTAROWICZ Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING

TO THE ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY: 89-471-5PHXA The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Special Hearing under Section 500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations, to determine whether or not the Zoning Commissioner and/or Deputy Zoning Commissioner should approve

to amend the site plan previously approved in case #65-240RX.

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

I, or we, agree to pay expenses of the above Special Hearing advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this Petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County.

I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition.

| Contract Purchaser:  | Legal Owner(s): Exxon Corporation           |
|----------------------|---|
| (Type or Print Name) | By: Mark Hoffman Signature Mark Hoffman,    |
| Signature            | Signature Mark Hoffman,<br>Project Engineer |
| Address              | (Type or Print Name)                        |
| City and State       | Signature                                   |

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| 1        | Attorney for Petitioner: F. Vernoy, Bogzer/Anthony J.DiPa | ula 11350 McCormick Rd. 785-6642   |
| Į        | (Type or // /n Nyme)                                      | Address Phone No.  |
| <i>\</i> | Signature Jung Carry                                      | Hunt Valley, MD 21031 City and State   |
| 7//      | 614 Bosley Avenue   | Name, address and phone number of legal owner, con-<br>tract purchaser or representative to be contacted |
| Ž        | Towson, MD 21204  | F. Vernon Boozer   |
| ď        | City and State  | Name   |
|          | Attorney's Telephone No.: 828-9441                        | 614 Bosley Avenue 828-944  Address Towson, MD 21204 Phone No.  |

ORDERED By The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, this 22 and day March, 1989, that the subject matter of this petition be advertised, as required by the Zoning Law of Baltimore County, in two newspapers of general circulation throughout Baltimore County, that property be posted, and that the public hearing be had before the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County in Room 106, County Office Building in Towson, Baltimore 

Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

z.C.O.-No. 1

Frederick Ward Associates Inc. Engineers . Architects . Surveyors P.O. Box 310 • 5 South Main Street, Bel Air, Maryland 21014 • (301) 838-7900 • 879-2090

February 14, 1989

BEGINNING for the same at a point on the westerly side of Goucher Boulevard at the northerlymost corner of the Exxon Corporation property thence along the westerly side of Goucher Boulevard,

radius 1855.00 feet an arc distance of 131.54 feet and subtended by a chord South 06° 22' 02" East 131.52 feet,

(2) South 04° 19' 50" East 225.52 feet,

(3) South 00° 34' 08" West 49.11 feet

(4) by a curve to the right in a southerly direction of radius 91.00 feet an arc distance of 29.78 feet and subtended by a chord South 09° 56' 31" West 29.65 feet,

northerly right-of-way line of Putty Hill Avenue. Thence along Putty Hill Avenue

a chord South 73° 51' 26" West 37.28 feet,

northwesterly outline of the Exxon Corporation property, (8) North 23° 37' 51" East 553.77 feet to the point of

CONTAINING 1.449 acres of land more or less as shown on a plat entitled, "Section Three, Loch Raven Manor" as recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Plat Book GLB 23, folio 122.

the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber EHK Jr. 5892, folio



EXXON CORPORATION

W/s Goucher Blvd., N/s Putty Hill Ave. (800 Goucher Blvd.)

SPH-amend site plan in #65-240RX SE-food store/car wash in existing auto service

station VAR-setbacks/signs

Petition filed for Special Hearing to amend the site plan in case no. 65-240RX; Petition filed for Special Exception for a food store/ car wash in existing auto service station; Petition for Variance filed

for setbacks and signs. Order of the D.Z.C. DENYING all Petitions. Notice of Appeal received from Anthony J. DiPaula, Esquire on behalf June 1 of Exxon Corp., the Petitioner.

January 17, 1990 Revised site plan submitted by Mr. DiPaula. Hearing before the Board (FMD).

Opinion and Order of the Board GRANTING Petitions with restrictions (Foreman, Moreland, and Disney). P Order for Appeal filed in the CCt, BCo by H. Patrick Stringer, Jr., LEsquire on behalf of Fellowship Forest Comm. Assoc., Protestant;

Petition to accompany appeal also filed. Certificate of Notice sent to all interested parties.

Transcript of testimony filed; Record of Proceedings filed. March 16 Order of the Circuit Court AFFIRMING Board's February 23rd Opinion and Order. (Judge James T. Smith, Jr.)

(1) by a curve to the right in a southerly direction of

(5) South 40° 40' 00" West 66.28 feet to intersect the

(6) by a curve to the right in a southwesterly direction of radius 91.00 feet an arc distance of 37.55 feet and subtended by

(7) South 85° 40' 10" West 169.46 feet thence on the

Beginning

BEING the remainder of that tract or parcel of land described in an Assignment of Lease by Cities Service Oil Company to Exxon Corporation by an Assignment dated July 19, 1977 as recorded among



#89-471-SPHXA

9th Election District 4th Councilmanic District

Exton Corporation, Appellee (hereinafter referred to as "Appellee") filed a Petition with the Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County for a Special Exception to permit operation of a twenty-four hour food store in combination with a gas and go service stacion on the northeast corner of Goucher Boulevard and Putty Hill

Fellowship Forest Community Association, Appellant (hereinafter referred to as "Appellant") is a group of residents residing in the area of Putty Hill Road and Goucher Boulevard. Appellant has appealed from the Board's decision granting a Special Exception to Appellee, which allows Appellee to construct and operate a food store in combination with a gas and go station on the site of their existing automotive service station. (Opinion p.5)

In granting Appellee's Special Exception, with certain limitations, the "mard determined that the proposed construction of a convenience store and gas and go station would neither contribute to any substantial increase in volume of traffic nor conflict with Section 502.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations. (B.C.Z.R.) (Opinion p.5) However, the Board did find that the operation of a "gas-and go" on a 24 hour basis would be an intrusion into the quiet residential nature of the neighborhood. Consequently, the Board limited the hours of the station's operation to the period from 6:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight. (Opinion p. 5)

Appellant raises the following issues in its Petition on Appeal, namely:

1) That the Board's Order granting the Special Exception was arbitrary, capricious and erroneous as a matter of law: and

2) That the Board's Order granting the Special Exception is unsupported by competent, material and substantial evidence in light of the entire record, and that the Board had no legally sufficient evidence upon which to base its conclusions: and

3) That the Board's Order granting the Special Exception exceeded the statutory authority or jurisdiction of the Board.

Appellant has presented no argument or authority for the specific proposition raised in its third contention above. Certainly, the Board did not exceed its statutory and jurisdictional authority in considering Appellee's Petition for Special Exception. Whether the Board properly exercised its jurisdiction and authority consistent with the applicable statutes will be considered in connection with Appellant's first and second issues noted above.

Appellant's contentions raised in issues No. 1 and No. 2 above will be considered together. In support of these contentions Appellant cites Section 502.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (hereinafter referred to as "B.C.Z.R."). The only applicable provisions to the Special Exception in the instant case involve the burden on Appellee to prove that the use for which the Special Exception is requested will not:

> "(a) be detrimental to the health, safety or general welfare of the locality involved; (b) tend to create congestion in roads, streets or alleys therein; (c) create a potential hazard from ... danger; ... (g) be

inconsistent with the purposes of the property's zoning classification or in any other way inconsistent with the spirit and intent of these zoning regulations

Appellant further cites in support of its position the (1) legislative policy with respect to service stations contained in the findings of the Baltimore County Council set forth in B.C.Z.R. Section 405.1A, and (2) the intention expressed in the B.C.Z.R. to permit automotive service stations only in accordance with comprehensive planning goals and to regulate motor vehicle access to such uses so as to cause minimum disruption of traffic. B.C.Z.R. Section 405.1B

The Opinion of the Board makes clear that it considered Baltimore County's legislative policy and the statutory factors to implement that policy in arriving at the Order passed in this case.

Appellant's witnesses testified that if the Special Exception were granted, the already bottle-necked traffic would increase, as would crime, trash, noise, and danger to Calvert Hall students crossing Goucher Boulevard to get "after school snacks". However, two of Appellant's own witnesses, John Hamill and Melvin Morris, offered testimony to the effect that the existing traffic congestion which they observed is caused primarily by commuter traffic and not from traffic generated solely by Exxon's existing service station. (T.175-176, 180-181)

Ollie Mumpower of Traffic Group, Inc. was called on behalf of Appellee. He testified that a study of the site at issue, as well as similar sites was done, and that in his Opinion, no more than an

additional ten percent of the existing traffic would be generated solely for use of the convenience store only. (T.71-72; T.76-77)

OPINION and ORDER

Baltimore County (hereinafter referred to as "Board") was held and

argument of counsel for all parties presented on September 11, 1990.

The Court reviewed the transcript of the proceedings before the Board

and various Exhibits received, the Memoranda submitted by counsel, and

the Opinion of the Board dated February 23, 1990.

A hearing in this Appeal from the Board of Appeals for

10/29/90 -CBA AFFIRMED (James T. Smith, Jr., Judge)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT

FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

CASE NO. 90-CSP-974

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION

OF EXXON CORPORATION FOR A

SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL

EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE ON

PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE WEST

NORTH SIDE OF PUTTY HILL AVENUE

FELLOWSHIP FOREST COMMUNITY ASSOC. \*

: ppellant

SIDE OF GOUCHER BOULEVARD

(800 GOUCHER BOULEVARD)

9TH ELECTION DISTRICT

4TH COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT

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EXXON CORPORATION

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Mr. Mumpower further testified that the level of service at the two intersections (Putty Hill Road at Hillen Road and Putty Hill Road at Goucher Boulevard) would basically remain the same in the event the Board granted Appellee's Special Exception. Mr. Mumpower testified that in measuring the volume of traffic, Baltimore County employs a scale of A through F, with A through D being an acceptable lavel of service, and E and F indicating failing intersections. (T.75) Mr. Mumpower continued in his testimony that Baltimore County rates the level of service at the intersection of Putty Hill Road and Goucher Boulevard at a level C (T.75), and that in granting Appellee's proposed Special I ception this rating level would not change. (T.79)

Appellee also called David Wang of Frederick Ward Associates. He testified that the additional signs included in the Request for Variance would not shine directly into the homes in the area (T.49); that there would not be an appreciable increase in the amount of trash on the premises from the convenience store (T.52); that the convenience store, with gas pumps only, would be a "cleaner" operation than the existing full service station (T.56); and that the adjustment in lighting proposed would lessen the prospect of crime. (T.64-65)

Regarding concern for Calvert Hall students, there was evidence that the students already cross Putty Hill Road to go to Towson Marketplace after school. (T.163-167)

The Board found that Appellee's proposal had gone to great lengths to make the subject site more attractive and safe, not only to Appellee's best advantage, but also in the best interest of Appellee's neighbors. (Opinion p.5) As for crime, trash and lighting, these problems were considered by the Board and addressed by the restrictions placed on the hours of Appellee's operation, the prohibition of video games and other amusement devices, the requirement that Appellee place proper trash receptacles both inside and outside the convenience store, and the limitation of after-hours lighting to only that necessary for security. (Opinion p.5)

The Board concluded that the standards which must be met before the grant of a Special Exception were satisfied by Appellee's evidence, and that allowing the Special Exception for a convenience store/gas and go in place of an automotive full service station was consistent with the legislative policy of the B.C.Z.R. As indicated above in this Opinion there was competent, material and substantial evidence to support the Board's decision, and, consequently, the Board's Order was not arbitrary, capricious or erroneous as a matter

For the aforegoing reasons, the Decision of the County Board of Appeals for Baltimore County is hereby AFFIRMED, with the costs this Appeal to be paid by Appellant.

Copy: H. Patrick Stringer, Jr.,

Anthony DiPaula, Esq.

\* IN THE IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF \* CIRCUIT COURT EXXON CORPORATION FOR A SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE \* BALTIMORE COUNTY WEST SIDE OF GOUCHER BOULEVARD NORTH SIDE PUTTY HILL AVENUE \* No. 78/174/90CG-974 (800 GOUCHER BOULEVARD) 9th ELECTION DISTRICT 4th COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT ZONING NO. 89-471-SPHXA FELLOWSHIP FOREST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION,

# MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Defendant, Fellowship Forest Community Association, by lits attorney, H. Patrick Stringer, Jr., requests an extension of time for forwarding the transcript and record in the above-captioned matter, and for reasons states as follows:

- 1. That on March 14, 1990 the Appellant, Fellowship Forest Community Association, filed a timely appeal from a decision of the Board of Appeals, at which time it requested the Court Reporter, Carolyn Peatt, to prepare the transcript and record for filing in these proceedings.
- 2. That on April 9, 1990, the Court Reporter informed Appellant's counsel that the transcript was "destroyed in the computer," and that she would not be able to complete the transcript in time for a timely filing. (A copy of Ms. Peatt's | note to counsel is attached hereto.)
- 3. That counsel for Exxon Corporation has agreed to the extension.

WHEREFORE, Appellant prays that an extension of time to forward the transcript and record be extended for a period of thirty (30) days or May 14, 1990.

H. Patrick Stringer, Ja Mudd, Harrison & Burch Mudd, Harrison a Daily 300 Jefferson Building 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 (301) 828-1335 Attorney for Fellowship Forest Community Association, Appella :

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 1990, a copies of the fr egoing were mailed, postage prepaid, to County Board of Appeals, Room 315, County Office Building, 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204; Anthony DiPaula, Esquire, 614 Bosley Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204, Steven Buckingham, Esquire, 915 Cathedral Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201, and Phyliss, Friedman, Esquire, People's Counsel for Baltimore County, 409 Washington Avenue, Suite 900, Towson, Maryland 21204.

To: Patrick Stringer

Carolyn Peatt (Court
Reporter for Board of appeals) needs an the transcript of Exxon

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF EXXON CORPORATION FOR A SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF GOUCHER BOULEVARD NORTH SIDE PUTTY HILL AVENUE (800 GOUCHER BOULEVARD) 9th ELECTION DISTRICT 4th COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT ZONING NO. 89-471-SPHXA FELLOWSHIP FOREST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION,

Appellant

CIRCUIT COURT BALTIMORE COUNTY No. 78/174/90CG-974

IN THE

Upon consideration and review of the Appellant's Motion for Extension of Time, it is this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1990, by the CIRCUIT COURT FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY,

ORDERED, That the time for forwarding the transcript and round in the above-captioned case be extended for a period of thirty (30) days, and shall be filed with the Court on or before May 14, 1990.

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June 13, 1990

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Circuit Court for Baltimore County County Courts Building Towson, Maryland 21204

> Re: Case No. 78/174/90CG-794 Exxon Corporation

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am filing a Motion for Extension of Time to File a legal Memorandum required under Maryland Rule B12. So that the Court is not confused or mislead, I wish to make it clear that I have requested a thirty day extension to file the Memorandum, but opposing counsel has agreed to an extension for only seven days.

H. Patrick Stringer, Jr.

HPS:cp

cc: Anthony DiPaula, Esquire
Phyliss Triedman, Esquire
Steven Buckingham, Esquire
County Board of Appeals

Enclosure

COUNTY PECEIVED APPEALS

IN THE MATTER OF CIRCUIT COURT THE APPLICATION OF EXXON CORPORATION FOR A SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL \* FOR EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF GOUCHEK BOULEVARD BALTIMORE COUNTY \* No. 78/174/90CG-974 NORTH SIDE PUTTY HILL AVENUE (800 GOUCHER BOULEVARD) 9th ELECTION DISTRICT 4th COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT ZONING NO. 89-471-SPHXA FELLOWSHIP FOREST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, Appellant

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE MEMORANDUM

Appellant, Fellowship Forest Community Association, by its attorney, H. Patrick Stringer, Jr., requests an extension of time to file a Memorandum in the above matter, and for reasons

states as follows: 1. Counsel for the Appellant has received notice of filing of the record in the above matter.

2. The transcript of the record before the Board of Appeals is voluminous and is taking a great deal of time to read the transcript and prepare a Memorandum as required by Rule B12.

3. Counsel for the Appellant desires additional time to prepare the required legal Memorandum.

4. Counsel for Exxon Corporation has agreed to an extension for seven (7) days, until June 21, 1990. WHEREFORE, Appellant prays that an extension of time to  $_{\parallel}$ file a legal Memorandum be extended for a period of thirty (30) days or July 16, 1990.

H. Patrick Stringer, Jry Mudd, Harrison & Burch 300 Jefferson Building 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 (301) 828-1335 Attorney for Fellowship Forest Community Association,

Appellant CETTIFICATE OF SERVICE I HEREBY CERTIFY, that on this 13' day of June,

1990, a copies of the foregoing were mailed, postage prepaid, to County Board of Appeals, Room 315, County Office Building, 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204; Anthony DiPaula, Esquire, 614 Bosley Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204, Steven Buckingham, Esquire, 915 Cathedral Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201, and Phyliss Friedman, Esquire, People's Counsel for Baltimore County, 409 Washington Avenue, Suite 900, Towson, Maryland 21204.

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF EXXON CORPORATION FOR A SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF GOUCHER BOULEVARD NORTH SIDE PUTTY HILL AVENUE (800 GOUCHER BOULEVARD) 9th ELECTION DISTRICT 4th COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT ZONING NO. 89-471-SPHXA FELLOWSHIP FOREST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION,

Appellant

\* \* \*

\* IN THE

\* FOR

\* CIRCUIT COURT

BALTIMORE COUNTY

\* No. 78/174/90CG-974

Upon consideration and review of the Appellant's Motion for Extension of Time to File Memorandum, it is this \_\_\_\_\_ day , 1990, by the CIRCUIT COURT FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY,

ORDERED, That the time for filing Appellant's Memorandum in the above-captioned case be extended for a period of thirty (30) days and shall be filed with the Court on or before July 16, 1990.

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF **EXXON CORPORATION** FOR A SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF GOUCHER BOULEVARD NORTH SIDE PUTTY HILL AVENUE (800 GOUCHER BOULEVARD) 9th ELECTION DISTRICT 4th COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT ZONING NO. 89-471-SPHXA FELLOWSHIP FOREST COMMUNITY

ASSOCIATION, Appellant

Upon consideration and review of the Appellant's [Motion for Extension of Time, it is this 10th day of acuf 1990, by the CIRCUIT COURT FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY,

\* IN THE

FOR

\* CIRCUIT COURT

BALTIMORE COUNTY

No. 78/174/90CG-974

ORDERED, That the time for forwarding the transcript and record in the above-captioned case be extended for a period of thirty (30) days, and shall be filed with the Court on or | before May 14, 1990.

True Copy Test SUZANNE MENSH, Clerk

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IN THE IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CIRCUIT COURT EXXON CORPORATION FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF GOUCHER BALTIMORE COUNTY BLVD., NORTH SIDE PUTTY HILL \* AVENUE (800 GOUCHER BOULEVARD) Case No.: 78/174/90CG-974 9TH ELECTION DISTRICT 4th COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT

FELLOWSHIP FOREST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION PLAINTIFF

ZONING CASE NO.: 89-471-SPHXA

# ANSWER TO PETITION ON APPEAL

\* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

Exxon Corporation, Appellee, by F. Vernon Boozer, Anthony J. DiPaula and Jovahey & Boozer, P.A., its attorneys, in Answer to the Petition on Appeal filed by Fellowship Forest Community Association, Appellant, states:

- 1. That the Petition fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.
- 2. That it denies the allegations of paragraph 1 of the Petition, and further answering states that the record in the case is directly contrary to the conclusory allegations of that paragraph.
- 3. That it denies the allegations of paragraph 2 of the Petition, and further answering states that the record in its entirety overwhelmingly supports the decision of the Board.

site to remove the existing structure and rebuild the gas station

After an evidentiary hearing, the Deputy Zoning

as a "gas-and-go" operation with a convenience store.

Commissioner found that the proposed use at the particular

location would have an adverse impact above and beyond that

the Petitioner failed to show that the proposed use would be

not adversely affect the public interest. The Deputy Zoning

and Variance.

conducted without real detriment to the neighborhood and would

Commissioner therefore denied the Petition for Special Exception

Zoning Commissioner to the County Board of Appeals. Although the

24-hour basis is an absolute intrusion into the quiet residential

nature of this neighborhood which had existed and should continue

Board of Appeals found that "the operation of this site on a

to exist after the hour of midnight..." the Board granted the

Special Exception to have a food store in combination with an

business in several ways, including limiting the hours of

operation to 6:00 a.m. until 12 midnight.

the Special Exception and Variance.

automotive service station, but restricted the operation of the

Association representing the residential neighborhood located

directly across from the Exxon service station, has filed this

Appeal from the decision of the County Board of Appeals granting

Fellowship Forest Community Association, a Homeowners

The Petitioner appealed the decision of the Deputy

inherently associated with such a special exception use, and that

4. That it denies the allegations of paragraph 3 of the Petition, and would demand strict proof of the allegations thereof.

5. That further answering, by way of negative defense, Appellee raises the defense of the legal existence of the Appellant, pursuant to Rule 2-323(f).

WHEREFORE, having fully answered, Appellee requests that this Honorable Court:

- A. Dismiss the Appeal with costs; and
- B. Grant unto Appellee such other and further relief as the Court deems appropriate.

Anthony J. DiPaula Covahey & Boozer, P.A. 614 Bosley Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 (301) 828-9441

90-03-73.cb

Statement of Facts

this gas station and rebuild with a convenience store measuring 24 feet by 46 feet, construct a canopy, and increase the number of gas pumps from 4 to 6. (T.95). Exxon desires to operate the store 24 hours a day, although the existing gas station presently

The gas station in question is located on the northwest Radebaugh's Florist, there are no other commercial businesses

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 36 day of March, 1990, a copy of the foregoing Answer to Petition for Appeal was mailed, first class, postage prepaid to H. Patrick Stringer, Jr., Esquire, Mudd, Harrison & Burch, 300 Jefferson Building, 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Towson, Maryland 27204; County Board of Appeals, Room 315, County Office Building, 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204; Steven Buckingham, Esquire, 915 Cathedral Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201; and Phyliss Friedman, Esquire, People's Counsel for Baltimore County, 409 Washington Avenue, Suite 900, Towson, Maryland 21204.

90-03-73.cb

at this site will add further to traffic congestion. During the CRG process, the Zoning Committee comments express concerns regarding ingress to and egress from the gas station. (T.45).

\* IN THE

\* FOR

APPELLANT'S MEMORANDUM OF LAW

its attorney, H. Patrick Stringer, Jr., pursuant to Maryland Rule

Statement of the Case

Exxon Corporation filed a Petition with the Zoning

B12, submits this legal memorandum in support of its Appeal.

Commissioner of Baltimore County for a Special Exception to

permit a food store in combination with an existing automotive

and Putty Hill Avenue; and a variance to permit a commercial

of 13 feet in lieu of the required 20 feet. The Petitioner

further requested a variance to permit additional signage at

1 At the Board of Appeals, the Petitioner withdrew its

request for the setback variance. (T.7).

the site. In essence, the Petitioner requests a change in the

gas service station on the northeast corner of Goucher Boulevard

building abutting a residential zone to have a rear yard setback

Appellant, Fellowship Forest Community Association, by

\* CIRCUIT COURT

BALTIMORE COUNTY

\* No. 78/174/90CG-974

IN THE MATTER OF

EXXON CORPORATIO

THE APPLICATION, OF

FOR A SPECIAL FEARING, SPECIAL

WEST SIDE OF GOUCHER BOULEVARD

NORTH SIDE PUTTY HILL AVENUE

EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE ON

PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE

(800 GOUCHER BOULEVARD)

4th COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT

FELLOWSHIP FOREST COMMUNITY

Appellant

ZONING NO. 89-471-SPHXA

9th ELECTION DISTRICT

ASSOCIATION,

Mr. Louis E. Heidrick, Assistant Principal of Calvert Hall High School, testified that the administration of Calvert Hall opposes the Special Exception, because of their concern that students, who will in all probability patronize the convenience store, were in danger crossing such a busy intersection to get to the mini-market, "an attractive nuisance". (T.157). Calvert Hall's baseball field is located directly across the intersection from the gas station, and fans attending the games could also be expected to patronize the store, at their peril crossing the intersection. (T.161).

Residents of the surrounding communities also expressed fears of increased crime, trash, noise, lighting and people congregating because of the convenience store's presence, which the Board of Appeals permitted to be open until midnight.

Exxon is also seeking to increase the area of signage to 275 feet, to advise the public of the convenience store, even though the existing signage already exceeds 100 square feet permitted by the County Regulations. (T.22, 25, 30). Thus, the additional signage requested is in addition to a variance already granted by the County. (T.31). The new sign Exxon wants to add is 19.2 square feet, lighted, and will be directly across the street from the residential homes in Fellowship Forest. (T.48, 49, 51).

Exxon intends to operate the store 24 hours a day

Exxon proposes to demolish the existing building at

operates between 6:00 a.m. and 12 midnight. (T.99). If allowed to operate the mini-market, Exxon will sell a variety of snack items, including soft drinks, coffee, tea, milk, dairy products, bakery products, snack foods, beauty items and "impulse type products. (T.97).

corner of Goucher Boulevard and Putty Hill Avenue in Towson, Maryland. Directly across Putty Hill Avenue from the gas station are residential garden apartments (T.43), and Fellowship Forest, a residential neighborhood of 125 large, single family homes of high value. (T.42, 168). Diagonally across the intersection of Goucher Boulevard and Putty Hill Avenue is Calvert Hall College, a high school for more than 1,000 boys. (T.42, 158). Directly behind the gas station are the Courthouse Square apartments, residential garden apartments with mostly elderly residents. (T.43, 182). Behind the Courthouse Square Apartments is located the community of Greenbrier, another residential neighborhood of individual homes, and to the west of Greenbrier are more residential neighborhoods. Indeed, with the exception of a small grocery located in an old house on the corner of Hillen Road and

west of Goucher Boulevard until York Road, approximately one mile from the gas station. (T.43-44, 66-67, 136-137). Otherwise, the area is strictly residential, with "many residential neighborhoods from Goucher Boulevard to York Road. (T.44-45). Exxon's own site planner admitted traffic congestion is already a significant problem at the site. (T.47). Putty Hill

Avenue just west of the intersection narrows from two lanes to one lane, causing a bottleneck of traffic moving towards the Towson central business district a mile away. (T.46-47). From the Exxon station westbound until York Road, a distance of approximately one mile, Putty Hill Avenue (which turns into Hillen Road and then Burke Avenue), is a two lane road, one lane in each direction. (T.47). This road travels through residential neighborheeds until it reaches York Road. (T.45). Moreover, because of a concrete median across from the gas station on Putty Hill Avenue. all traffic exiting the gas station on Putty Hill Avenue must turn right and proceed through the residential areas on the two lane street. (T.45, 46, 57). A median on Goucher Boulevard prevents traffic exiting the station on Goucher Boulevard from turning left and proceeding northbound on Goucher Boulevard (T.46), and therefore, all traffic exiting on Goucher Boulevard must turn right and also pass the boundary of Fellowship Forest. (T.148).

Numerous residents of the surrounding communities appeared at both the hearing before the Deputy Zoning Commissioner and the Board of Appeals to oppose the Special Exception, and expressed their concerns that a convenience store

(T.26, 57), but the Board of Appeals, in granting the Special Exception, limited the operation to the hours between 6:00 a.m. and 12 midnight.

#### Araument

The Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (hereinafter "B.C.Z.R."), Section 405.4D8 provides that a food store with less than 5,000 square feet in combination with a service station is a use permitted only by Special Exception. B.C.Z.R., Section 502.1 provides that before any Special Exception may be granted, the Petitioner must prove that the use for which the Special Exception is requested will not:

- "(a) be detrimental to the health, safety, or general welfare of the locality involved;
- (b) tend to create congestion in roads, streets or alleys therein;
- (c) create a potential hazard from
- (d) tend to over crowd land and cause undue concentration of population;

fire, panic or other danger;

- (e) interfere with adequate provisions for schools, parks, water, sewerage, transportation or other public requirements, conveniences or improvements;
- (f) interfere with adequate light
  and air;

residents that the additional business attracted to the

mini-market will increase traffic congestion and crime. (T.192).

Moreover, Mr. Sauter testified that the business at a mini-market

conversation. (T.192-193). The proposed convenience store will

be only 56 feet from the nearest apartment building, certainly

within earshot. (T.193). As Mr. Sauter noted, citizens living

in a residential area are entitled to quiet, and traffic noise

not conducive to a residential environment, and would have an

express their opinions that the Special Exception would be

to one lane west of the site, and the only egress from the

exceeds that permitted by the County Regulations, and the

increased signage desired by Exxon will further exceed the

square feet will be lighted and located directly across the

street from the homes in Fellowship Forest. His opinion,

therefore, that the proposed use will not adversely impact

Regulations. The additional signage desired by Exxon of 19.2

compatible with the requirements of B.C.Z.R. Section 502.1, but

their opinions lack any factual support. Exxon's site engineer,

Mr. Wang, admitted that traffic is already heavy and congested,

traffic bottlenecks as Putty Hill Avenue decreases from two lanes

station is to turn right and proceed one mile through residential

neighborhoods. He also testified that existing signage already

adverse affect on the community. (T.193).

from cars constantly entering and leaving a convenience store is

Exxon paraded witnesses before the Board of Appeals to

will create noise pollution from car engines, car radios and

- (g) be inconsistent with the purposes of the property's zoning classification nor in any other way inconsistent with the spirit and intent of these zoning regulations;
- (h) be inconsistent with the impermenable

surface and vegetative retention provisions of these zoning regulations.

The Baltimore County Council has expressly stated its Legislative Policy with respect to automotive service stations:

"Findings--The location of automotive service stations and certain other vehicleoriented uses has often generated undesirable strip commercial development; further, road access to automotive-service stations and certain other vehicle-oriented uses has caused excessive traffic congestion, thus depreciating or jeopardizing public investment in roads and resulting in an increased need for additional highways; further, such uses have in many instances been designed and operated so as to be unsightly, resulting in conditions deleterious to the general welfare of the community; further, automotive-service stations tend to take on ancillary uses which, if not properly regulated, often become objectionable; further, the overabundance of automobile-service stations in certain areas has resulted in improper maintenance and abandonment of the premises, thereby engendering neighborhood blight; and further, that automotiveservice stations constitute the most numerous of all vehicle-oriented uses; and in view of all of the foregoing, the public health, welfare and safety requires that these regulations be promulgated. B.C.Z.R. Section 405.1A.

Purpose--It is the purpose of this section to permit the location of automotive-service stations...only in accordance with comprehensive planning goals, especially in relating service stations to neighborhood, community, or town centers; to regulate motor-vehicle access to such uses so as to cause minimum disruption of traffic.... B.C.Z.R. Section 405.1B

The evidence before the Board of Appeals permits only one conclusion: that granting Exxon a Special Exception to operate a convenience store in conjunction with the gas station at the intersection of Goucher Boulevard and Putty Hill Avenue will be detrimental to the health, safety or general welfare of

the Deputy Zoning Commissioner found, his own factual testimony

contradicts his conclusion. Mr. Wang further testified that a convenience store in conjunction with a gas station would not increase business or traffic. (T.27). However, the testimony of Mark Hoffman, a construction and maintenance engineer with Exxon, contradicts Mr. Wang's testimony. According to Mr. Hoffman, Exxon's marketing studies indicate that convenience product business has increased dramatically (T.104), and Exxon expects an increase in the number of cars at the site with the addition of a mini-market. (T.115). Another witness called by Exxon, Mr. Mumpower, testified that his consulting compay observed two other gas stations with convenience stores and found that as much as 10% of the business used the convenience store only, and did not come to the station for gas. (T.77, 81). Incredibly, however, Mr. Mumpower testified that a convenience store would increase traffic at the intersection by "two vehicles in the morning and three vehicles in the evening." (T.78-79). Mr. Mumpower based his opinion on a "study" by his company observing two other gas stations. (T.83, 87). Mr. Mumpower, himself, did not personally conduct or observe the traffic at the two other stations with a convenience store. (T.84). The traffic counts on which Mr. Mumpower based his opinion were conducted by observing only two gas stations on only one day for only four hours. (T.84-85). Mr. Mumpower has never conducted, and knows of no study, that compares traffic to a gas station before and after its conversion to a station with a convenience store. (T.86). Without such a study, any opinion

the residential neighborhoods adjacent to the gas station, the Special Exception will add to already congested roads, and is inconsistent with the Legislative Policy as stated in B.C.Z.R. Section 405.1. The location of Calvert Hall College, a boys' high school of over 1,000 students diagonally across the intersection from the site, is a unique circumstance applicable to Exxon's request for a Special Exception. The administration of Calvert Hall High School opposes the convenience store because it will attract students to buy the sodas and snack foods offered, and the intersection of Goucher Boulevard and Putty Hill Avenue is a dangerous intersection for pedestrians to cross. (T.157-160). The administration foresees students walking over to the convenience store and back to Calvert Hall after class and before after-school activities begin, or \*dashing across the street" buy snacks while watching a game at the baseball field located diagonally across the intersection. (T.161). As the Vice Principal noted, a convenience store will be a "drawing card for the high school students, creating a safety hazard for the boys crossing the congested intersection. (T.161-163).

John Hamill, a 10 year resident of Fellowship Forest, and Melvin Morris, a 32 year resident, testified that the intersection at Goucher Boulevard and Putty Hill Avenue is already terribly congested, and particularly so at the entrance to the gas station, where Putty Hill Avenue merges to one lane and cars enter and exit the station. (T.169-178). The traffic directly affects Fellowship Forest because traffic exiting the station to go southbound on Goucher Boulevard at first proceeds

first proceeds westbound on Putty Hill Avenue approximately one block and then turns left and double backs on Hillen Road past the houses in Fellowship Forest. (T.170). Traffic that proceeds westbound on Putty Hill Avenue until Hillen Road and Burke Avenue also passes homes located in Fellowship Forest.

The gas station is already the only commercial development on the west side of Goucher Boulevard from Joppa Road to Loch Raven Boulevard, and this request is a variance on a variance. (T.172). The community surrounding this site does not want more commercial business added to the already existing anomaly. (T.176). This gas station would be the only business open all night near Fellowship Forest. (T.173). The sign Exxon wants to make even bigger and brighter is across Hillen Road from a number of homes in Fellowship Forest, and already sticks out

In addition to the community concerns over traffic congestion, residents of Fellowship Forest and the Courthouse Square Apartments fear that with the addition of another business to the site, particularly a mini-market, crime, noise, trash and loitering will necessarily increase as a result of the mini-market attracting strangers into the community, particularly after dark. (T.172-173, 183-184, 190).

Mr. Greg Sauter, Director of Residential Management for the Panser Management Company which operates the Courthouse Square Apartments, testified on behalf of his Company in opposing the Special Exception requested by Exxon. (T.191). Panser Management Company shares the concerns of the Courthouse Square

that a convenience store will not add to traffic is baseless, and indeed, contradicts Exxon's own marketing studies that a convenience store will increase business at the site. (T.104,

Moreover, Mr. Mumpower has no knowledge of how many pedestrians will come to the convenience store and has not even considered whether it could potentially become a "hang out." (T.86). Mr. Mumpower has not considered whether Calvert Hall students will frequent the mini-market, and if so, how safe or accessible the intersection is for pedestrians. (T.86).

Norman Gerber, proffered as an urban designer, based his opinion of compliance with Section 502.1 on what he heard at the hearing itself and on his review of the CRG file and the Zoning Regulations themselves, (T.130, 138), that is, he did not himself study the impact on traffic congestion. (T.145, 151). Mr. Gerber admitted the limited means of ingress and egress to the station is already "a problem," and constitutes poor traffic management. (T.147). All traffic leaving the gas station must pass Fellowship Forest's boundary. (T.148).

increase in trash from candy, cakes, cokes or package goods sold at the proposed store will be a problem, (T.53), and in fact, deferred those questions to an Exxon representative. (T.53, 55). The Exxon representative, however, Mr. Hoffman, nor the marketing department, had not addressed the question whether trash will increase. (T.120). Nor has Exxon done any studies regarding whether a convenience store is typically the target of crime as

opposed to a closed gas station, (T.54, 63), although Exxon admitted "secured facilities" are needed to protect convenience stores from crime and Exxon will take greater precautions against crime if a convenience store is built. (T.54).

witnesses before the Board of Appeals to say the buzz words required by Section 502.1, but none of Exxon's witnesses had a sufficient factual basis or personal knowledge to support their opinions. John Hamill, a long term resident of Fellowship Forest, summarized the testimony of Exxon's experts best when he noted that the consultants who "don't live there; I live there..." and base their opinion on a 4 hour traffic study do not have a sufficient foundation to support their conclusions.

Moreover, the experts disregard Exxon's proposal to increase their pumps by 50% and build a convenience store for the purpose of generating income and increasing business, and despite Exxon's intentions, the experts are still willing to opine, without factual basis, that traffic will not increase. Their testimony is simply unfounded.

has the burden of proving that traffic will not be further congested by the addition of a convenience store at the site.

(T.195). The Petitioner argued its case at the Board of Appeals on the prediction that "eventually its going to be required that Hillen Road get widened to two lanes..." and the residents of Fellowship Forest and Greenbrier will "have to give up part of their front yards on [Hillen Road] to alleviate the traffic

surrounding communities is without any foundation. Indeed, as

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problem. T.196). Special Exceptions, however, are not to be granted based on what can be done in the future to accommodate the use, but rather, whether the use will adversely impact existing conditions. Exxon has requested a Special Exception to build a convenience store in conjunction with its gas station for no other purpose than to attract additional business to this corner, but the corner cannot accommodate the added business. To operate a convenience store in conjunction with this particular gas station is not compatible with the spirit and harmony of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations. The testimony establishes that a convenience store at this particular site will adversely affect the safety and general welfare of the many residents and high school students nearby and will further congest the roads.

#### Conclusion

The Fellowship Forest Community Association requests the Court to reverse the decision of the Board of Appeals and deny Exxon Corporation's Petition for a Special Exception and Variance.

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IN THE MATTER OF

THE APPLICATION OF

EXXON CORPORATION

FOR A SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL

EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE ON

PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE

WEST SIDE OF GOUCHER BOULEVARD\*

NORTH SIDE PUTTY HILL AVENUE

(800 GOUCHER BOULEVARD)

9TH ELECTION DISTRICT

4TH COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT

ZONING NO. 89-471-SPHXA

FELLOWSHIP FOREST COMMUNITY

ASSOCIATION

\* IN THE

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APPELLEE'S MEMOFANDUM PURSUANT TO RULE B-12

Exxon Corporation, Appellee, by Anthony J. DiPaula and Covahey & Boozer, P.A., its attorneys, hereby submits this Memorandum of Law pursuant to Rule B-12.

This is an Appeal from an Order of the Baltimore County Board of Appeals granting a special exception for a food store with less than 5,000 square feet as a use in combination with a automotive service station, and a variance to allow additional signage on the site to indicate the presence of the combination use food store. After an entire day of testimony before the Board of Appeals, the Petitions were granted but with certain restrictions on the grant to absolutely minimize any possible intrusion into the neighboring community.

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The law is well settled in Maryland that a Court will not substitute its judgment in a zoning case as to the soundness of an action taken by a Zoning Board if the question decided by the Board was fairly debatable and its action is not shown to have been arbitrary, capricious, or illegal. Furthermore, the action of the Zoning Board is to be sustained if, on the evidence presented, the matter is fairly depatable and the facts presented are sufficient to support the decision. The Court will not set aside a decision by a Zoning Board if there is substantial evidence to justify the Boards findings and the decision is not arbitrary, capricious or discriminatory. Crother, Inc. v. Johnson, 225 Md. 379 (1961); Erdman v. Board of Zoning Appeals of Baltimore County, 212 Md. 288 (1957). The Appellant has not addressed on which bases the Court should reverse the Board's findings and decision, but assumedly Appellant believes that the Board's decision was arbitrary and capricious or unsupported by substantial evidence. Appellee submits that what the Appellant is asking the Court to do is to substitute its judgment for that of the Board, something the Court cannot be asked to do.

At the beginning of the hearing, the Appellant, through its counsel, presented to the Board what they expected to show (T.12). Generally, Appellant proposed to show that

there would be a detrimental impact on the surrounding community; and that the proposed use would affect the safety of the young men attending Calvert Hall College High School located on the opposite corner. Id. Appellant further claimed that Appellee/Petitioner would not meet its burden of proof to show that the proposed use would not have an adverse effect on the safety and general welfare of the surrounding community.

As the case unfolded, it became clear that the primary concern of the Appellant was the traffic situation at the intersection of Goucher Boulevard and Putty Hill Avenue. All of the witnesses who appeared on behalf of the Appellant testified that during rush hour the intersection is a congested area, and that they feared that the new use would generate additional traffic which would only exacerbate the problem. Exxon took the time to study what if any impact the new use would have upon the traffic situation, and found the change, if any, would be insignificant (T.78,81). The traffic engineer hired by Exxon to conduct a study testified that the level of service at the intersection in question would remain unchanged (T.78). Testimony further showed that the level of service at the subject intersection is that of level "C" meaning that service is acceptable and would continue to be acceptable even

if it worsened to a level "D" (T.79). Probably the most important testimony offered by Mr. Mumpower, the traffic expert, was that new trips which would be considered an increase in traffic are not generated by the type of use proposed in this case (T.80,81). He testified that convenience store trips are a secondary type of trip, "a trip that's already on the road". Id. His testimony was corroborated by the site planner, David Wang, who testified that his personal experience in dealing with this type use is that it is considered "a traffic interceptor and not a traffic generator"

There was no testimony or evidence offered by the Protestant/Appellant to contradict that offered by the Appellee/Petitioner that the proposed use would not have an adverse impact on the existing traffic. The Protestant/Appellant draws its conclusion that there must necessarily be an increase in traffic based upon the testimony that Exxon is expecting increased business as a result of the new improvements. An increase in business is not necessarily an increase in the number of cars, but is intended to be more money spent per car. Exxon hopes to get the further convenience business from the customers who are buying gas already (T.112-114). Based upon the testimony presented to the

Board that this type of use intercepts traffic which is already on the road, probably the exact opposite conclusion than that drawn by Appellant is more reasonable, namely that if Exxon could draw more traffic into the site, it would alleviate some of the traffic congestion about which the residents of Fellowship Forest complain, traffic congestion caused by commuter traffic not Exxon-generated traffic. This was acknowledged by Appellant's own witnesses (T.175-176, 180-181).

opinion that all of the testimony and evidence was considered, and the Board found that the conversion of the site "would not contribute to any substantial volume of traffic at the intersection of Goucher Boulevard and Putty Hill Avenue". (See the Board's Opinion, Page 5). The only concern expressed by the County Department of Traffic Engineering during the course of the County Review Group (CRG) process was that of ingress and egress to the site, which concern was addressed by Exxon's agreement to accept the County's recommendation that the two access drives on Putty Hill be reduced to one drive to be located farther from the intersection then the existing drive (T.19, 45, 131-132, 146-47).

It is clear from the Board's Findings Of Fact, Conclusions, and Order, that the other concerns expressed by the Protestant/Appellant were adequately addressed. The concerns of Calvert Hall that students would be attracted to the site and that to cross at the intersection of Goucher Boulevard and Putty Hill Avenue would constitute a danger to the students was shown through cross-examination of Calvert Hall's Vice-Principal to be something which already exists since the students frequently cross Putty Hill Avenue during all hours of the day, including rush hour, to obtain their snack items and otherwise, "hang out" at Towson Marketplace (T.163-167). The direct testimony of Norman Gerber, a former director of Planning and expert in the area of planning, testified that such concerns of pedestrian traffic utilizing the new facility were adequately considered by the use of traffic control devices at the subject intersection (T. 144-145, 153).

The remaining objections or concerns presented by the Protestant consisted of an anticipated increase in crime, noise, trash, and loitering (Appellant's Memorandum, page 9). The Board considered all of this testimony which undoubtedly prompted the many restrictions imposed by the Board, including prompted to the prohibition on video games and amusement but not limited to the prohibition on video games and amusement devises; requirement of trash receptacles inside the store and outside throughout the site; and minimization of lighting on

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the site after hours. (See Board's Opinion and Order, page 5). There was absolutely no rational reason given the Board for even inferring that the new use would increase the crime in the area or have the other adverse effects anticipated by the various witnesses. Of all the concerns expressed, the only one that made sense at all, and obviously impressed the Board so as to impose a substantial restriction upon the Petitioner/Appellee, was that of noise pollution and its effect on the residents of Courthouse Square Apartments. This possibility of noise pollution was expressed to the Board by the witness for the apartment management company, Greg Sauter, despite the fact that he had no real reason for anticipating noise in that he had nev : lived near a 24 hour gas-n-go nor visited a 24 hour gas-n-go between the hours of midnight and six in the morning to determine if there was any appreciable noise (T.194-95). It is clear however from the Board's Opinion that it considered the operation on a twenty-four hour basis to be "an absolute intrusion into the quiet residential nature of this neighborhood", and thereby limited Exxon's hours of operation to the hours that presently exist, 6:00 a.m. until 12:00 midnight. It is important to note that the Board found that "the lengths gone to by the Petitioner to make this area more attractive and safer are in the best interests of the site

and its neighbors". (See Board's Opinion, page 5). One of the Protestant/Appellant's own witnesses, John Hammil, a Fellowship Forest resident, admitted in this direct testimony that the existing site is "an eyesore" (T.169). The description of the existing improvements on the site as given by Mark Hoffman, the Exxon Project Engineer, that the building is becoming deteriorated and is showing its age and wear corroborates Mr. Hamil's opinion (T.100-101).

Undoubtedly the Board was impressed with the testimony of Norman Gerber, former Planning Director, who testified that in his opinic, the new site would not only have no adverse effect upon the surrounding area, but would actually be better than the existing site (T.142-143). He reviewed the site from all aspects and opined that the community would benefit from the development.

Considering the standard of review, and the reasons presented for reversal of the Board of Appeals, there has been no showing or even a proffer as to how the Board's decision was in any way arbitrary or capricious. It seems clear from the Board's opinion that all of the evidence was carefully weighed and in fact some of the concerns expressed by the Protestants were addressed by the Board in rendering its decision and imposing various restrictions upon the Petitioner/Appellee's

Furthermore, there is more than use of the property. substantial evidence in the record to support the Board's decision, and to the extent any relevant or material evidence contrary to that presented by the Petitioner/Appellee was presented, it only made the issues before the Board fairly debatable. That does not mean that the Board's decision was arbitrary, capricious, or illegal.

For all of the above reasons, it is respectfully submitted that the decision of the Board of Appeals of Baltimore County should not be disturbed and should be affirmed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that on this 20 day of, AVGVST 1990, a copy of the foregoing Appellee's Memorandum Pursuant To Rule B-12, was mailed, first class mail,

postage prepaid, to: H. Patrick STringer, Jr. Esquire, Mudd, Harrison & Burch, 300 Jefferson Building, 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204 and to the County Board of Appeals, County Office Building, Room 315, 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204.

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IN THE IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF EXXON CORPORATION FOR A SPECIAL CIRCUIT COURT HEARING AND SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE FOR WEST SIDE OF GOUCHER BLVD., NORTH SIDE \* OF PUTTY HILL AVENUE (800 GOUCLIER BALTIMORE COUNTY OTH ELECTION DISTRICT CG Doc. No. \_78 4TH COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT Folio No. 174 FELLOWSHIP FOREST COMMUNITY ASSOCIA-TION, PLAINTIFF File No. 90-CG-974 ZONING CASE NO. 89-471-SPHXA . . . . . . . . .

PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE ZONING COMMISSIONER AND THE BOARD OF APPEALS OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

TO THE HONORABLE. THE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

And now come Arnold G. Foreman, Lynn B. Moreland, and John G. Disney, constituting the County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County, and in answer to the Order for Appeal directed against them in this case, herewith return the record of proceedings had in the above-entitled matter, consisting of the following certified copies or original papers on file in the Office of the Zoning Commissioner and the Board of Appeals of Baltimore County:

No. 89-471-SPHXA

March 22, 1989 Petition filed for Special Hearing to amend the site plan previously approved in case #65-240RX. Petition filed for Special Exception for a food store with less than 5,000 sq. ft. and a car wash as uses in combination with an existing automotive service station. Petition filed for Variance to allow a commercial building abutting a residence zone with a rear yard setback of 13' in lieu of 20' as required; and to allow 5 business signs with a total area of 314.04 sq. ft. in lieu of 3 signs with a total area of 100 sq. ft. as permitted. All Petitions filed by Anthony J. DiPaula, Esquire and F. Vernon Boozer, Esquire, Counsel for Petitioners.

Publication in newspapers. April 20 Certificate of Posting of property. April 28

Comments of Baltimore County Zoning Plans Advisory Committee. May 4 Hearing held on Petitions by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner. May 17 Order of the Deputy Zoning Commissioner DENYING all Petitions. June 1 Notice of Appeal received from Anthony J. DiPaula, Esquire on June 30

behalf of Exxon Corporation, the Petitioner. January 17, 1990 Revised site plan submitted by Counsel for Petitioner. February 9, 1990 Hearing on appeal before the Board of Appeals.

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into evidence before the Board.

February 23, 1990 Opinion and Order of the Board GRANTING Petitions with restrictions.

Order for Appeal filed in the Circuit Court for Baltimore March 14 County by H. Patrick Stringer, Jr., Esquire on behalf of Fellowship Forest Community Association, Protestant. Petition to accompany appeal filed in the Circuit Court for

Baltimore County by H. Patrick Stringer, Jr., Esquire. Certificate of Notice sent to interested parties. March 16 Transcript of testimony filed.

> Appellant's Exhibit No. 1 -A-CRG Plan, B-topographic/existing site, C-elevation details. D-grading plan, E-landscape plan.

2 -Traffic Group report on site (marked only not entered)
Protestants' Exhibit No. 1-File + added 5/16 -Keller; list, Dyer, 5/4 ltr. to Boozer, DEPRM list, 3/17/89 w/comments, ltr. to

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May 14, 1990 Record of Proceedings filed in the Circuit Court for Baltimore

Record of Proceedings pursuant to which said Order was entered and upon which said Board acted are hereby forwarded to the Court, together with exhibits entered

Linda Lee M. Kusymaul cc: H. Patrick Stringer, Jr., Esq. Anthony J. DiPaula, Esq. Mark E. Hoffman-Exxon Corp. People's Counsel for Baltimore County

LindaLee M. Kuszmaul, Legal Secretary County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County

Respectfully submitted.

CIRCUIT COURT BALTIMORE COUNTY

EXXON CORPORATION FOR A SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF GOUCHER BLVD., NORTH SIDE PUTTY HILL AVENUE (800 GOUCHER BOULEVARD) 9TH ELECTION DISTRICT 4TH COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT CG Doc. No. <u>78</u> FELLOWSHIP FOREST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, PLAINTIFF

Folio No. 174 ZONING CASE NO. 89-471-SPHXA \* File No. 90-CG-974

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Madam Clerk:

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF

Pursuant to the provisions of Rule B-2(d) of the Maryland Rules of Procedure, Arnold G. Foreman, Lynn B. Moreland, and John G. Disney, constituting the County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County, have given notice by mail of the filing of the appeal to the representative of every party to the proceeding before it; namely, H. Patrick Stringer, Jr., Esquire, 300 Jefferson Bldg., 105 W. Chesapeake Ave., Towson, MD 21204, Counsel for Fellowship Forest Community Assoc., Plaintiff; Anthony J. DiPaula, Esquire, 614 Bosley Avenue, Towson, MD 21204, Counsel for Exxon Corp., Petitioner; Mark E. Hoffman, Exxon Corporation, Executive Plaza III, 11350 McCormick Road, Hunt Valley, MD 21031, Petitioner; Phyllis C. Friedman, Esquire, People's Counsel for Baltimore County, Room 304, County Office Bldg., Towson, MD 21204; and Arnold G. Foreman, Esquire, c/o County Board of Appeals, Room 315, County Office Bldg., Towson, MD 21204, a copy of which Notice is attached hereto and prayed that it may be made a part hereof.

> Zinda Zee 77 Kusymauf indaLee M. Kuszmaul, Legal Secretary County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County Room 315, County Office Bldg., Towson, MD 21204 (301) 887-3180

> > 经分类的预制的证据 化氯

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the aforegoing Certificate of Notice has been mailed to H. Patrick Stringer, Jr., Esquire, 300 Jefferson Bldg., 105 W. Chesapeake Ave., Towson, MD 21204, Counsel for Fellowship Forest Community Assoc., Plaintiff; Anthony J. DiPaula, Esquire, 614 Bosley Ave., Towson, MD 21204, Counsel Exxon Corporation, File No. 90-CG-974 Case No. 89-471-SPHXA

for Exxon Corp., Petitioner; Mark E. Hoffman, Exxon Corp., Executive Plaza III, 11350 McCormick Rd., Hunt Valley, MD 21031, Petitioner; Phyllis C. Friedman, Esquire, People's Counsel for Baltimore County, Room 304, County Office Bldg., Towson, MD 21204; and Arnold G. Foreman, Esquire, c/o County Board of Appeals, Room 315, County Office Bldg., Towson, MD 21204 on this 16th day of March, 1990.

County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County



### County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING, ROOM 315 111 W. CHESAPEAKE AVENUE TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204

(301) 887-3180

March 16, 1990

H. Patrick Stringer, Jr., Esquire Mudd, Harrison & Burch 300 Jefferson Bldg. 105 W. Chesapeake Ave. Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Case No. 89-471-SPHXA (Exxon Corporation)

Dear Mr. Stringer:

In accordance with Rule B-7(a) of the Rules of Procedure of the Court of Appeals of Maryland, the County Board of Appeals is required to submit the record of proceedings of the appeal which you have taken to the Circuit Court for Baltimore County in the above-entitled matter within thirty days.

The cost of the transcript of the record must be paid by you. In addition, the cost curred for certified copies of other documents necessary for the completion of the record must also be at your expense.

The cost of the transcript, plus any other documents, must be paid in time to transmit the same to the Circuit Court not later than thirty days from the date of any petition you file in Court, in accordance with Rule B-7(a).

Enclosed is a copy of the Certificate of Notice which has been filed in the Circuit Court.

Very truly yours,

County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING, ROOM 315 111 W. CHESAPEAKE AVENUE TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204 (301) 887-3180

March 16, 1990

Anthony J. DiPaula, Esquire 614 Bosley Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Case No. 89-471-SPHXA (Exxon Corporation)

Dear Mr. DiPaula:

Not's is hereby given, in accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Court of Appeals of Maryland, that an appeal has been taken to the Circuit Court for Baltimore County from the decision of the County Board of Appeals rendered in the above matter.

Enclosed is a copy of the Certificate of Notice.

Very truly yours,

LindaLee M. Kuszmaul, Legal Secretary

cc: Mark E. Hoffman, Exxon Corporation David S. Wang, Frederick Ward Assoc. Vince Curran, Pres., Loch Raven Village Assoc. Steve Buckingham, Loch Raven Village Assoc. Mary Williamson, Panzer Mgmt. Martha Clark, Towson Estates Assoc. People's Counsel for Baltimore County Mr. C.P. Hollingsworth Mr. Joseph Fick Mr. George White Ms. Marion K. Yeaple P. David Fields Pat Keller J. Robert Haines Ann M. Nastarowicz James E. Dyer W. Carl Richards, Jr.

Docket Clerk - Zoning

Arnold Jablon, County Attorney

WHEREFORE, Appellants pray that the Order by the County Board of Appeals granting Exxon Corporation a special exception

> H. Patrick Stringer, Jr. Mudd, Harrison & Burch 300 Jefferson Building 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 (301) 828-1335 Attorney for Fellowship Forest Community Association,

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Appellant

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that on this  $19^{\circ}$  day of March, 1990, a copy of the foregoing was mailed, postage prepaid, to County Board of Appeals, Room 315, County Office Building, 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204; Anthony DiPaula, Esquire, 614 Bosley Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204, Steven Buckingham, Esquire, 915 Cathedral Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201, and Phyliss, Friedman, Esquire, People's Counsel for Baltimore County, 409 Washington Avenue, Suite 900, Towson, Maryland 21204.

Exxon Corporation a special exception to have a food store in combination with an automotive service station exceeds the statutory authority or jurisdiction of the County Board of

to have a food store in combination with an automotive service station be reversed, and the petitions be denied.

> HAND DELIVERED Mr. Mitch Kellman Baltimore County Zoning Office County Office Building 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

THE APPLICATION OF

**EXXON CORPORATION** 

FOR A SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL

WEST SIDE OF GOUCHER BOULEVARD

NORTH SIDE PUTTY HILL AVENUE

EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE ON

PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE

(800 GOUCHER BOULEVARD)

4th COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT

FELLOWSHIP FOREST COMMUNITY

Appellant

ORDER FOR APPEAL

Please note an appeal to the Circuit Court for

Baltimore County from the final Opinion and Order by the County

Board of Appeals of Baltimore County dated February 23, 1990, on

behalf of Fellowship Forest Community Association, Appellant.

ZONING NO. 89-471-SPHXA

9th ELECTION DISTRICT

ASSOCIATION,

RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE 2/S GOUCHER BLVD., N/S PUTTY HILL AVE. (800 GOUCHER BLVD.) 9TH ELECTION DISTRICT, 4TH COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT EXXON CORPORATION - PETITIONER

CASE NO.: 89-471-SPHXA Dear Mr. Kellman:

EDWARD C. COVAHEY, JR

F. VERNON BOOZER

ANTHONY J. DIPAULA

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MARK S. DEVAN

Enclosed please find ten (10) copies of a revised Site Plan for the above case. The matter is presently scheduled to be heard by the Board of Appeals on February 9, 1990 on appeal from the denial of the Petitions by Deputy Commissioner Nastarowicz on June 1, 1989. The revised Site Plans do not seek any new approvals, but rather contain deletions from what was requested earlier. Specifically, the Special Exception for the car wash as a use in combination is being withdrawn, and the car wash has been deleted from the Site Plan. The deletion of the car wash obviates the need for the rear yard setback variance of thirteen feet (13') in lieu of twenty feet (20'). The amended Site Plan also affects the other Variance in that the deletion of the car wash portion of the ID sign lessens the square footage for total signage from the originally requested 314.04 square feet to 275.64 square feet. In addition, and I wish to discuss this matter with you prior to the hearing, I am contemplating withdrawing the Petition for Special Hearing in that the original case was filed as Case No.: 65-240RX, two (2) years prior to the effective date of Bill 40 in 1967.

Mr. Mitch Kellman

January 16, 1990

614 BOSLEY AVENUE TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204

CIRCUIT COURT

BALTIMORE COUNTY

H. Patrick Stringer, Jr. Mudd, Harrison & Burch

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Appellant

105 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Attorney for Fellowship

Forest Community Association,

828-944 FAX 301-296-2131

January 16, 1990

COVAHEY & BOOZER, P. A.

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

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606 BALTIMORE AVE.

DREPLY TO:

By copy of this letter, a copy of the Plan is being delivered to the Board of Appeals for its file, and the Board is likewise being notified of the petitioner's intention to withdraw one of the two Variances, one of the two Special Exceptions, and possibly the Petition for Special Hearing. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$75.00 for the cost of filing the Amended Plan. Please forward the receipt to this office after filing.

> Very truly yours, nthony J. DiPaula

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

1990, a copy of the foregoing was mailed, postage prepaid, to

Chesapeake Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204; Anthony DiPaula,

Esquire, 614 Bosley Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204, Steven

21201, and Phyliss, Friedman, Esquire, People's Counsel for

Baltimore County, 409 Washington Avenue, Suite 900, Towson,

Maryland 21204.

Buckingham, Esquire, 915 Cathedral Street, Baltimore, Maryland

County Board of Appeals, Room 315, County Office Building, 111 W.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that on this 14 day of March,

H. Patrick Stringer, Jr.

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cc: Baltimore County Board of Appeals County Office Building, Room 315 Towson, Maryland 21204 (w/encl.)

Mark E. Hoffman, Exxon Corporation Executive Plaza III 11350 McCormick Road Hunt Valley, Maryland 21031

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF EXXON CORPORATION FOR A SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF GOUCHER BOULEVARD NORTH SIDE PUTTY HILL A'LINUE (800 GOUCHER BOULEVAPT) 9th ELECTION DISTRICT 4th COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT ZONING NO. 89-471-SPHXA FELLOWSHIP FOREST COMMUNITY

Appellant

Fellowship Forest Community Association, Protestants below and Appellants herein, by their attorney, H. Patrick Stringer, Jr., having filed an Order for Appeal with this Petition from the final Opinion and Order by the County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County dated February 23, 1990, pursuant to Maryland Rule B-2(e), files this Petition and for reasons state:

1. The Order of the County Board of Appeals granting Exxon Corporation the special exception to have a food store in combination with an automotive service station was arbitrary,

PETITION ON APPEAL

capricious, and erroneous as a matter of law.

2. The Order of the County Board of Appeals granting Exxon Corporation a special exception to have a food store in combination with an automotive service station is unsupported by competent, material, and substantial evidence in light of the entire record as submitted, and the County Board of Appeals had no legally sufficient evidence upon which to base its conclusion. Appeals.

\* CIRCUIT COURT FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

\* IN THE

ASSOCIATION,

3. The Order by the County Board of Appeals granting

Mr. Mitch Kellman January 16, 1990 Page 3

> Mary Williamson, Regional Manager Panzor Management 804 Mockingbird Lane Towson, Maryland 21204 (w/encl.)

Martha Clark, Towson Estates Association 828 E. Joppa Road Towson, Maryland 21204 (w/encl.) H. Patrick Stringer, Esquire

Fellowship Forest 506 Holden Road Towson, Maryland 21204 (w/encl.)

Mr. Joseph Thick 606 Lake Drive Towson, Maryland 21204

Mr. George White 58 Acorn Circle Apt. 302 Towson, Maryland 21204

Ms. Marion K. Yeaple 619 Hillen Road Towson, Maryland 21204

Zoning Commissione Office of Planning & Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204 (301) 887-3353 J. Pobert Haines

August 2, 1989



Dennis F. Rasmusser County Executive

Baltimore County Board of Appeals County Office Building, Room 315 Towson, Maryland 21204

Case No. 89-471-SPHXA

RE: Petition for Special Hearing, Special Exception & Variance W/S Goucher Boulevard, N/S Putty Hill Avenue (800 Goucher Boulevard) 9th Electic District, 4th Councilmanic District EXXON CORPORATION - Petitioner

Please be advised that an appeal of the above-referenced case was filed in this office on June 30, 1989 by Anthony J. DiPaula, Attorney on behalf of the Petitioner. All materials relative to the case are being forwarded herewith.

Please notify all parties to the case of the date and time of the appeal hearing when it has been scheduled. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

4. Robert frince Zoning Commissioner

JRH:cer

Enclosures

cc: Mark E. Hoffman, Exxon Corporation, Executive Plaza III 11350 McCormick Road, Hunt Valley, MD 21031

Anthony J. DiPaula, 614 Bosley Avenue, Towson, MD 212C4 David S. Wang - Frederick Ward Associates 5 S. Main Street, Bel Air, MD 21014

IN RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL EXCEPTION & VARIANCE -\* DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER Corner W/S Goucher Boulevard, N/S Putty Hill Avenue - OF BALTIMORE COUNTY (800 Goucher Boulevard) 9th Election District \* Case No. 89-471-SPHXA 4th Councilmanic District

Exxon Corporation

Petitioner

. . . . . . . . . . . FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Petitioner herein requests a special hearing to approve an amendment to the site plan previously approved in Case No. 65-240-RX; a special exception to permit a food store use with less than 5,000 sq.ft. in combination with a car wash use in an existing automotive service station on the subject property; and a variance to permit a commercial building abutting a residential zone to have a rear yard setback of 13 feet in lieu of the required 20 feet, and 5 business signs totalling 314.04 sq.ft. in lieu of the maximum permitted 3 signs totalling 100 sq.ft., all as more particularly described in Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

The Petitioners, by Mark E. Hoffman, Project Engineer, appeared, testified, and was represented by Anthony J. DiPaula, Esquire. Also appearing on behalf of the Petition were David S. Wang with Frederick Ward Associates. Numerous residents of the area appeared as Protestants. Appearing and testifying on behalf of the Protestants were the following: Rick Fabian, President, Fellowship Forest; Vince Curran, President, and Steve Buckingham of the Loch Raven Village Association; Mary Williamson, Regional Manager for Panzer Management, Manager of Towson Courthouse Square; Martha Clark of the Towson Estates Association; H. Patrick Stringer, a resident of Holden Road; Mrs. Joseph Fick, a resident

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of Lake Drive; George White, a resident of Towson Courthouse Square; and Marion K. Yeaple, a resident of Hillen Road.

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Testimony indicated that the subject property, known as 800 Goucher Boulevard, consists of 1.4486 acres more or less zoned B.L.-C.S.A., and is currently improved with an Exxon gasoline service station which was granted a special exception in Case No. 65-240-RX. Testimony indicated Petitioners are desirous of razing the existing service station and replacing it with an Exxon Gas 'N' Go and car wash. Mr. Wang testified his office had been retained by Petitioners to prepare the development plans for the subject property acentified herein as Petitioner's Exhibit 1. He testified in his opinion the proposed uses are compatible and will not result in a substantial amount of increased busin iss. He further testified in his opinion there would be no detriment to the health, safety or general welfare of the community and the requirements set forth in Section 502.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) would be met. On cross examination Mr. Wang testified his firm was not retained nor equipped to undertake traffic studies to ascertain the impact the proposed changes might have on traffic in the area or marketing studies to determine the increase in the amount of business, if any, that would be generated by the change in uses. In Mr. Wang's opinion, most of the food store business would be generated by gasoline and/or car wash customers.

Mr. Hoffman testified he is project manager for the construction, maintenance, engineering and development of the proposed site. He testified it is the Petitioners' position that the convenience store and car wash operation are ancillary uses to the gasoline service station and will result in only indirect sales from gasoline customers. He testified the hours of operation of the convenience store and car wash would be dictated

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Rick Fabian, President - Fellowship Forest Vince Curran, President - Loch Raven Village Association

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People's Counsel of Baltimore County Rm. 304, County Office Bldg., Towson, Md. 21204

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CIRCUIT COURT FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

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DOCKET 78 PAGE 174 CASE NO. 9006974 CATEGORY Appeal THE APPLICATION OF FOR A SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE ON 105 W. Chesapeake Ave. PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF GOUCHER BOULEVARD (04) 828-1335 NORTH SIDE PUTTY HILL AVENUE

(800 GOUCHER BOULEVARD) 9TH ELECTION DISTRICT 4TH COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT ZONING NO. 89-471-SPHXA FELLOWSHIP FOREST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

EXXON CORPORATION Appellee

Vernon Boozer Anthony J. DiPaula Covahey & Boozer, PA 614 Bosley Ave (4) 828-9441 EXXIN CERTIFICATION

H. Patrick Stringer, Jr. Mudd, Harrison & Burch

300 Jefferson Bldg.

**ATTORNEYS** 

(1) March 14,1990 - Appellant's Order for Appeal & Petition, fd. (2) March 16,1990 - Certificate of Notice fd.

(3) Mar 26, 1990 - App of F. Vernon Boozer and Anthony J. DiPaula for the Appellee, EXXON CORPORATION and Same Day Answer to Petition on Appeal for

(4) Apr 10, 1990 - Appellant's FELLOWSHIP FOREST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Motion for Extension of Time and Order of Court Granting Same fd. (DAL) (5) May 14,1990 - Transcript of Record, fd.

(b) May 14,1990 - Notice of Filing of Record, fd. copies Sent.

(7) June 13, 1990 - Appellant's Motion for Extension of Time to File Memorandum fd. (a) June 27,1990 - Appellant's Memorandum of Law, fd

)) July 9, 1990 - Ruling by Judge Levitz: Appellant's Motion for Extension Time to File a Memorandum (paper #7) is MOOT as the Memorandum was filed (10) July 27.1990 - Correspondence fd.

(11) Aug. 21,1990 - Appellee's EXXON CORP. Memorandum pursuant to rule Sept.11,1990 Hon. James T.Smith Jr. Hearing had. Decision held sub-curia,

pinion and Order to be filed.

(12) Oct. 29,1990 - Transript of Record, fd.

(13) Oct. 29,1990 - Opinion and Order of court that the decision of the county board of appeals for Balto, co. is hereby affirmed, with the costs of this Appeal. Sto be paid by Appealant A id. (JTS, JR)

CASE NO. PAGE. COVAHEY & BOOZER, P. A. ATTORNEYS AT LAW

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FAX 301-295-2131

614 BOSLEY AVENUE TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204 AREA CODE 301

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DREPLY TO

June 30, 1989

HAND DELIVER

EDWARD G. COVAHEY, JR.

P. VERNON BOOZER

ANTHONY J. DIPAULA

MARK S. DEWAN

Mr. J. Robert Haines Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner County Court Building Towson, Maryland 21204

> RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL EXCEPTION & VARIANCE - CASE NO.: 89-471-SPHXA PETITIONERS: EXXON CORPORATION 800 GOUCHER BOULEVARD

Dear Mr. Haines:

Please enter an Appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision rendered on June 1, 1989. Enclosed is a check to cover the cost of same.

> Very truly yours, Anthony J. DiPaula

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by the independent dealer of the service station and not Exxon. However, Exxon is hopeful the convenience store will be open on a 24-hour basis. Mr. Hoffman testified regarding marketing studies done by Exxon for the need and compatibility of the proposed change in use. On cross examination, however, he admitted he had not seen those marketing studies and that the studies were done nationally and did not pertain to this particular location.

Testimony presented by the Protestants emphasized the currently heavily congested area of Goucher Boulevard and Putty Hill Avenue. The Protestants believe the proposed development would result in a tremendous amount of traffic exiting the car wash onto Putty Hill Avenue which requires a right turn into the residential area. The Protestants further argued Petitioners had not met their burden regarding the criteria set forth in Sections 307 and 502.1 of the B.C.Z.R. Testimony indicated the Protestants believe the proposed plans would have an adverse impact upon the health, safety, and general welfare of the community. The Protestants emphasized their opinion was based upon their many years of residing in the area and stated the proposed use would create a more horrendous traffic situation than currently exists.

It is clear that the B.C.Z.R. permits the use proposed in a B.L.-C.S.A. zone by special exception. However, it is equally clear that the proposed use would be detrimental to the primary uses in the vicinity. Therefore, it must be determined if the conditions as delineated in Section 502.1 are satisfied.

After reviewing all of the testimony and evidence presented, it appears that the special exception should not be granted.

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The Petitioner 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 of the B.C.Z.R. In fact, the Petitioner has not shown that the proposed use would be conducted without real detriment to the neighborhood and would not adversely affect the public interest. The facts and circumstances show that the proposed use at the particular location described by Petitioner's Exhibit 1 would have an 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).

Petitioner has not met its burden in proving that the proposed use will be detrimental to the health, safety, or general welfare of the locality, and will not te to create congestion in roads, streets, or alleys therein.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this Petition held, it appears that the requirements of Section 502.1 have not been met and the health, safety, and general welfare of the community shall be adversely affected. Therefore, the relief requested in the special exception should be denied.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this / day of June, 1989 that the Petition for Special Hearing to approve an amendment to the site plan previously approved in Case No. 65-240-RX; a Special Exception to permit a food store use with less than 5,000 sq.ft. in combination with a car wash use in an existing automotive service station on the subject property; and a Variance to permit a commercial building abutting a residential zone to have a rear yard setback of 13 feet in lieu of the required 20 feet, and 5 business

PETUDON FOR ZONING PRIANCE TO THE ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY:

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The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the properly situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Variance from Section \$232.3.b to allow a commercial building abutting a residence zone with a rear yard setback of 13 in Tieu of 20 as required; and Section 413.2.f to allow 5 business signs with a total area of 314.04 square feet in lieu of 3 signs with a total area of

100 square Feet as permitted. of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County; for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or practical difficulty).

1. Without the variances it would be extremely difficult to effectively advertise the products and services available.

2. The sign variance is necessary to comply with State and federal

laws governing pricing and advertising.

The rear yard variance is necessary due to irregular shape and

dimensions of the property.

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

I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law For Baltimore County.

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|   | I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition. |
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|   | Exxon Corporation  |
| (Type or Print Name)                              | (Type or Print Name)   |
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| Signature   | City and State   |
| 614 Bosley Avenue                                 | Name, address and phone number of legal owner, con-  |
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| Towson, MD 21204                                  | F. Vernon Boozer   |
| City and State                                    | Name   |
|   | 614 Bosley Ave. 828-9441   |
| Attorney's Telephone No.: 828-9441                | Address Towson, MD 21204 Phone No.   |
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signs totalling 314.04 sq.ft. in lieu of the maximum permitted 3 signs totalling 100 sq.ft., in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit 1, be and

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are hereby DENIED.

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|           | J. Robert Haines, Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning & Zoning Baltimore County Offi  |      |
|           | Towson, Maryland 21204 Building  | 1    |
|           | Re: Property Owner: Exxon Corporation  |      |
|           | Location: Corner of W/s of Goucher Blvd and N/S of Putty  Hill Ave.  Item No.: 377  Dennis F. Rasmussen  |      |
|           | Hill Ave.  Item No.: 377  Dennis F. Rasmussen  County Free Page 1  |      |
|           | Gentlemen: Zoning Agenda: March 21, 1989   | ,    |
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BALTIMORE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

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ning Item # 377, Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of March 21,1989

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Department of Public Works
Bureau of Traffic Engineering
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April 21, 1989



Mr. J. Robert Haines Zoning Commissioner County Office Building Towson, MD 21204

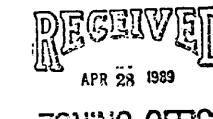
Dear Mr. Haines

The Bureau of Traffic Engineering has no comments for items number 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381,

Very truly yours,

Michael S. Flung -Michael S. Flanigan Traffic Engineer Assoc. II

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Frederick Ward Associates Inc. Engineers . Architects . Surveyors P.O. Box 310 • 5 South Main Street, Bel Air, Maryland 21014 • (301) 838-7900 • 879-2090

# February 14, 1989

BEGINNING for the same at a point on the westerly side of Goucher Boulevard at the northerlymost corner of the Exxon Corporation property thence along the westerly side of Goucher Boulevard,

(1) by a curve to the right in a southerly direction of radius 1855.00 feet an arc distance of 131.54 feet and subtended by a chord South 06° 22' 02" East 131.52 feet,

- (2) South 04° 19' 50" East 225.5? feet,
- (3) South 00° 34' 08" West 49.11 feet
- (4) by a curve to the right in a southerly direction of radius 91.00 feet an arc distance of 29.78 feet and subtended by a chord South 09° 56' 31" West 29.65 feet,

(5) South 40° 40' 00" West 66.28 feet to intersect the northerly right-of-way line f Putty Hill Avenue. Thence along Putty Hill Avenue

(6) by a curve to the right in a southwesterly direction of radius 91.00 feet an arc distance of 37.55 feet and subtended by a chord South 73° 51' 26" West 37.28 feet,

(7) South 85° 40' 10" West 169.46 feet thence on the northwesterly outline of the Exxon Corporation property, (8) North 23° 37' 51" East 553.77 feet to the point of

CONTAINING 1.449 acres of land more or less as shown on a plat entitled, "Section Three, Loch Raven Manor" as recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Plat Book GLB 23, folio 122.

BEING the remainder of that tract or parcel of land described in an Assignment of Lease by Cities Service Oil Company to Exxon Corporation by an Assignment dated July 19, 1977 as recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber EHK Jr. 5892, folio



RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING, : BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS PETITION FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION, & PETITION FOR VARIANCE W/S Goucher Blvd., N/S Putty Hill Ave. (800 Goucher Blvd.) : 9th Election District 4th Councilmanic District EXXON CORPORATION, Petitioner : Zoning Case No. 89-471-SPHXA :::::: ENTRY OF APPEARANCE Please enter the appearance of the People's Counsel in the abovecaptioned matter. Notices should be sent of any hearing dates or other proceedings in this matter and of the passage of any preliminary or final Phyllis Cole Friedman
People's Counsel for Baltimore County Peter Max Zimmerman
Deputy People's Counsel
Room 304, County Office Building
Towson, Maryland 21204 (301) 887-2188 I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 15th day of August, 1989, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Anthony J. DiPaula, Esquire, 614 Bosley Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204, Attorney for Petitioner. Phyllis Cole Friedman 89 AUG 15 AM 8: 26 COUNTY ROARD OF APPEALS

APT. 304 80 ACORN CIRCLE TOWSON, MD. 21204 5/17/89 Ann Nastarowicz Deputy Zoning Comm. re: Case #89-471-SPHXA Dear Miss Nastarowicz: My wife and I have been residents at the Courthouse Square Apts. since 1972, living in a building directly behind the gasolene/repair station concerned in the subject case number. Due to a medical emergency we were unable to attend the zoning hearing held this morning. We do however wish to register our dissatisfaction and rejection of the proposal. From 1972 onward, the Goucher/Putty hill intersection has become noisier and busier, including many tion has become noisier and busier, including many accidents. Fire and police sirens, Towson Plaza traffic and noise, plus nightime gas station activities all serve to destroy the peace and tranquility of this residential neighborhood. We fear for a further deterioration should a 24 hour car wash and convenience be implemented. We implore you to diseapprove the proposal! Would you please mail us a copy of your findings? Sincerely yours, AG MOLD Arthur C. Madden

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PETITIONER(S) SIGN-IN SHEET

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

DAVID S. WANG

PROTESTANT(S) SIGN-IN SHEET PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY 1573 DOYBURY RD, TOWSON E.P. VINCENT CURRAN 1653 Massuca Rs, Towson STEPHEN C. BUCKWAHAM 804 MOCKNGBIRD LN 103 DOWN MARY WILLIAMSON 506 HOLDEN RD, TOWSON H. PATRICK STRINGER 54 Acorn Cir \* 103 21204 Denise Wanter 816 morten gland Rane thor 21204 Mrs 7. J. yenni 54 acom circle 201 mrs V. D. Rass. 54 acorn Cer - apt 304 mr. Dorothy F. Shores 54 acom wich last 301 SY ACORD CIRCLE HAT. ZOY PHULINE M. NORRIS 68 ACORN CIRCLE-305 RUSSEll E. BRILLART 54 Reom Circle -202 54 avorn Girle 204 502 DOGWOOD LANE TOUSON martha & Clarke Towson Sitates Cas. 828-S. Jagge

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BALTIMORE COUNTY OFFICE OF PLANNING & ZONING

County Office Building 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Your petition has been received and accepted for filing this

Petitioner Emon Corporation, et al Petitioner's F. Vernon Booser, Esquire Attorney

Chairman, Zoning Plans Advisory Committee

Dennis F. Rasmussen

Baltimore County Fire Department Towson, Maryland 21204-2586 494-4500

J. Robert Haines, Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning & Zoning Baltimore County Office Building Towson, Maryland 21204

he: Property Owner: Exxon Corporation

Iocation: Corner of W/S of Goucher Blvd and N/S of Putty Hill Ave.

Item No.: 377 Zoning Agenda: March 21, 1989

Gentlemen:

Paul H. Reincke

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 Depart-

( ) 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. ( ) 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 to occupancy.

( ) 6. Site plans are approved, as drawn.

( ) 7. The Fire Prevention Bureau has no comments at this time.

Special Inspection Division

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: J. Robert Haines Zoning Commissioner

DATE: May 16, 1989

FROM: Pat Keller, Deputy Director Office of Planning and Zoning

SUBJECT: ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Case No. 89-471-XSPHA Item No. 377

Re: Exxon Corporation

The Petitioner requests a special exception to allow a food store and a car wash as uses in combination with an automotive service station, a special hearing to amend a prior site plan and variances to rear yard setback requirements and to allow five business signs totalling 314 square feet in lieu of the permitted three signs totalling 100 square feet. In reference to this request, staff offers the following comments:

The Petitioner has requested a waiver to the CRG plan and meeting process ("-89-111) that has been denied. The Waiver advisory Committee had serious concerns regarding ingress and egress. stacking for the car wash, proposed grading, and community concerns If the Commissioner grants this petition, the approved zoning plan should conform to the approved CRG plan and the final landscape

The 314 square feet requested for signage is excessive. The wall signs for the shop and car wash give them adequate identification. Therefore, this office recommends that the panels proposed for the free standing sign be eliminated. In addition, this office finds no compelling need to allow additional identification on the spreader

A final landscape plan is required prior to the issuance of any building permit.

COUNTY OFFICE BLOG. P. Vernon Boozer, Esquire 614 Bosley Avenue Towson, MD 21204

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RE: Item No. 377, Case No. 89-471-SPHXA Petitioner: Exxon Corporation, et al Petition for Zoning Variance and Special Hearing and Special Exception

The Zoning Plans Advisory Committee has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition. The following comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the development plans that may have a bearing on this case. Director of Planning may file a written report with the Zoning Commissioner with recommendations as to the suitability of the requested zoning.

Enclosed are all comments submitted from the members of the Committee at this time that offer or request information on your petition. If similar comments from the remaining members are received, I will forward them to you. Otherwise, any comment that is not informative will be placed in the hearing file. This petition was accepted for filing on the date of the enclosed filing certificate and a hearing scheduled accordingly.

IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF YOU WOULD RETURN YOUR WRITTEN COMMENTS TO MY OFFICE, ATTENTION JULIE WINIARSKI. IF YOU HAVEANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS, PLEASE CONTACT HER AT 887-3391.

Very truly yours,

JAMES E. DYER

Chairman Zoning Plans Advisory Committee

Ma 19, 1989

cc: Mr. Mark Hoffman Project Engireer 11350 McCormick Road Hunt Valley, MD 21031

MAY 17, 1989 89-471-SPHXA.

BAMIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

Zoning Advisory Committee

Robert W. Bowling, P.E.

PROPERTY OWNER: Exxon Corporation

Corner of W/W of Goucher Boulevard and N/S of Putty Hill LOCATION:

9th Election District DISTRICT:

The Plan for the subject zoning plan has been reviewed by the Developers Engineering Division and our comments are as follows:

WATER COMMENTS:

The Developer shall contact Mr. Carlyle Brown of the Bureau of Public Services on 887-3321 for information on obtaining water service where the meter required is 3" or less, or the Developers Engineering Division on 887-3751 for water service requiring meters 4" and larger.

The total Water and/or Sanitary Sewer System Connection Charge is determined, and payable, upon application for the Plumbing Permit. This Charge is in addition to the normal front foot assessment and permit charges.

This property is subject to Water and/or Sewer System Connection Charges based on the size of water meters utilized in accordance with current County Policy.

Fire hydrant spacing and location are subject to review and approval by the Fire Protection Section of the Fire Department.

Developers Engineering Division

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Department of Public Works Bureau of Traffic Engineering Courts Building, Suite 405 Towson, Maryland 21204 (301) 887-3554

April 21, 1989



Mr. J. Robert Haines Zoning Commissioner County Office Building Towson, MD 21204

The Bureau of Traffic Engineering has no comments for items number 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381,

Very truly yours,

Michael S. Flung -Michael S. Flanigan Traffic Engineer Assoc. II



ZONING OFFICE

Baltimore County Office of Planning & Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204 (301) 887-3353 J. Robert Haines

June 1, 1989

F. Vernon Boozer, Esquire Anthony J. DiPaula, Esquire 614 Bosley Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND ZONING VARIANCE Corner W/S Goucher Boulevard, N/S Putty Hill Avenue (800 Goucher Boulevard) 9th Election District - 4th Councilmanic District Exxon Corporation - Petitioners Case No. 89-471-SPHXA

Dear Messrs. Boozer & DiPaula:

Enclosed please find a copy of the decision rendered in the above-captioned matter. The Petitions for Special Hearing, Special Exception and Zoning Variance have been denied in accordance with the attached

In the event any party finds the decision rendered is unfavorable, any party may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on filing an appeal, please contact Ms. Charlotte Radcliffe at 494-3391.

Very truly yours,

AMN:bjs

ANN M. NASTAROWICZ Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

People's Counsel

cc: Attached List of Protestants

File

Dennis F. Rasmussen
County Executive

COVAHEY & BOOZER, P. A. ATTORNEYS AT LAW 614 BOSLEY AVENUE TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204

BALTICE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AL

Zoning Item 1 377, Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of March 21, 1989

Property Owner: Exxon Corporation

Location: Cor of Wh of Geneder Blud + NB of Putty Hill Ave. District: 9

Water Supply: metro Sewage Disposal: metro

COMMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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Section, Division of Engineering and Maintenance, State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene for

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contact the Water Quality Monitoring Section, Bureau of Regional Community Services, 687-6500 x 315.

at 887-3745, regarding removal and/or disposal of potentially hazardous materials and solid wastes.

Petitioner must contact the Bureau of Air Quality Management regarding removal of asbestoes, 887-3775. Any abandoned underground storage tanks containing gasoline, waste oil, solvents, etc., must have the

contents removed by a licensed hauler and tank removed from the property or properly backfilled. Prior

( ) Soil percolation test results have expired. Petitioner should contact the Division of Water

is not acceptable and must be retested. This must be accomplished prior to conveyance of property

fects Report must be submitted. For more information contact the Division of Environmental Management

In order to subdivide this property, the owner or developer will be required to comply with the subdivision regulations of the State of Maryland and Baltimore County. If there are any questions regarding the

) Prior to any new construction or substantial alteration of public swimming pool, wading pool, bathhouse,

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( ) Where water wells are to be used as a source of water supply, a well meeting the minimum Baltimore

( ) Prior to occupancy approval, the potability of the water supply must be verified by collection of bacterio-

( ) If submission of plans to the County Review Group is required, a Hydrogeological Study and an Environmental

(V) Others Drainage from interior service bays is to be directed to sanitary sewer via oil separator.

For more complete information, contact the Division of Maternal and Child Health.

of waste oil must be in accordance with the State Department of the Environment.

and Sewer to determine whether additional tests are required.

( ) In accordance with Section 13-117 of the Baltimore County Code, the water well yield test

subdivision process, please contact the Land Development Section at 887-2762.

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County Standards must be drilled.

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Zoning Commissioner

County Office Building Towson, Maryland 21204

Office of Planning and Zoning

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EDWARD C. COVAHEY, JR F. VERNON BOOZER MARK S. DEVAN ANTHONY J. DIPAULA

FAX 301-296-2131

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ANNEX OFFICE SUITE IOI 606 BALTIMORE AVE. TOWSON, MD. 21204 AREA CODE SOI 828-5525

DREPLY TO:

June 30, 1989

HAND DELIVER Mr. J. Robert Haines Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner County Court Building

Towson, Maryland 21204 RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL EXCEPTION & VARIANCE - CASE NO.: 89-471-SPHXA PETITIONERS: EXXON CORPORATION 800 GOUCHER BOULEVARD

Dear Mr. Haines:

Please enter an Appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision rendered on June 1, 1989. Enclosed is a check to cover the cost of same.

Very truly yours,

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FAX 301-296-2131

SUITE IOI 606 BALTIMORE AVE. TOWSON, MD. 21204 AREA CODE 301

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REVISED PLANS

January 16, 1990

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EDWARD C. COVAHEY, JR F VERNON BOOZER

MARK S. DEVAN

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THOMAS P. DORE

Mr. Mitch Kellman Baltimore County Zoning Office County Office Building 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

> RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE 2/S GOUCHER BLVD., N/S PUTTY HILL AVE. (800 GOUCHER BLVD.) 9TH ELECTION DISTRICT, 4TH COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT EXXON CORPORAT ON - PETITIONER CASE NO.: 89-71-SPHXA

Dear Mr. Kellman:

Enclosed please find ten (10) copies of a revised Site Plan for the above case. The matter is presently scheduled to be heard by the Board of Appeals on February 9, 1990 on appeal from the denial of the Petitions by Deputy Commissioner Nastarowicz on June 1, 1989. The revised Site Plans do not seek any new approvals, but rather contain deletions from what was requested earlier. Specifically, the Special Exception for the car wash as a use in combination is being withdrawn, and the car wash has been deleted from the Site Plan. The deletion of the car wash obviates the need for the rear yard setback variance of thirteen feet (13') in lieu of twenty feet (20'). The amended Site Plan also affects the other Variance in that the deletion of the car wash portion of the ID sign lessens the square footage for total signage from the originally requested 314.04 square feet to 275.64 square feet. In addition, and I wish to discuss this matter with you prior to the hearing, I am contemplating withdrawing the Petition for Special Hearing in that the original case was filed as Case No.: 65-240RX, two (2) years prior to the effective date of Bill 40 in 1967.

Mr. Mitch Kellman January 16, 1090 Page 2

By copy of this letter, a copy of the Plan is being delivered to the Board of Appeals for its file, and the Board is likewise being notified of the petitioner's intention to withdraw one of the two Variances, one of the two Special Exceptions, and possibly the Petition for Special Hearing. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$75.00 for the cost of filing the Amended Plan. Please forward the receipt to this office after filing.

> Very truly yours, Anthony J. DiPaula

AJD/cab 16 cb.5

cc: Baltimore County Board of Appeals County Office Building, Room 315 Towson, Maryland 21204 (w/encl.)

> Mark E. Hoffman, Exxon Corporation Executive Plaza III 11350 McCormick Road Hunt Valley, Maryland 21031

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APPEAL "EARINGS SCHEDULED FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 5, 1990

TUESDAY 2/6/90 10:00 a.m. [CASE NO. 88-240-X POSTPONED TO 5/11/90]

WEDNESDAY 2/7/90 10:00 a.m. FRANKLIN WOODS, Franklin Square Drive, 14th Election District #CBA-89-150

> RE: Denial of Waiver from Public Works Standards - defer road improvements/ waive portion sidewalks

WEDNESDAY 2/7/90 1:00 p.m. (CASE NO. CBA-89-151 DISMISSED)

THURSDAY 2/8/90 HEARING ROOM NOT AVAILABLE FOR CBA HEARING

FRIDAY 2/9/90 10:00 a.m. EXXON CORPORATION, W/s Goucher Blvd., N/s Putty Hill Ave. (800 Goucher Blvd.) 9th Election District; 4th Councilmanic District #89-471-SPHXA#

> SPH -Amendment to #65-240-RX; SE -food store/car wash in existing auto service station; VAR -setbacks/signs

cc: Executive Office County Council Law Office People's Counsel Planning Office Current Planning Board Members Court Reporter Information Desks (2) Docket Clerk - Zoning

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NO POSTPONEMENTS WILL BE GRANTED WITHOUT GOOD AND SUFFICIENT REASONS. REQUESTS FOR POSTPONEMENTS MUST BE IN WRITING AND IN STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH BOARD RULE 2(b). NO POSTPONEMENTS WILL BE GRANTED WITHIN FIFTEEN (15) DAYS OF SCHEDULED HEARING DATE UNLESS IN FULL COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 2(c), COUNTY COUNCIL-BILL NO. 59-79.

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT

CASE NO. 89-471-SPHXA EXXON CORPORATION, W/s Goucher Blvd., N/s Putty Hill Ave. (800 Goucher Blvd.) 9th Election District 4th Councilmanic District

> SE -food store with less than 5,000 sq. ft. and ar wash as uses in combination with an existing automotive service station

SPH -to amend previously approved site plan in case #65-240RX VAR -commercial building abutting a residence setbacks and signs

6/1/89 - Z.C.'s Order DENYING Petitions

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1990 at 10:00 a.m. cc: Mr. Mark E. Hoffman - Exxon Corp. Appellant Anthony J. DiPaula, Esquire Counsel for Appellant

Mr. David S. Wang Mr. Rick Fabian (no address available)

Mr. Vince Curran Mr. Steve Buckingham

Ms. Mary Williamson Ms. Martha Clark Mr. H. Patrick Stringer

Mr. Joseph Fick Mr. George White Ms. Marion K. Yeaple

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TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204 (301) 887-3180

March 16, 1990

Anthony J. DiPaula, Esquire 614 Bosley Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Case No. 89-471-SPHXA (Exxon Corporation) Dear Mr. DiPaula:

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Court of Appeals of Maryland, that an appeal has been taken to the Circuit Court for Baltimore County from the decision of the County Board of Appeals rendered in the above matter.

Enclosed is a copy of the Certificate of Notice.

Very truly yours,

LindaLee M. Kuszmaul, Legal Secretary

cc: Mark E. Hoffman, Exxon Corporation David S. Wang, Frederick Ward Assoc. Vince Curran, Pres., Loch Raven Village Assoc. Steve Buckingham, Loch Raven Village Assoc. Mary Williamson, Panzer Memt. Martha Clark, Towson Estates Assoc. People's Counsel for Baltimore County Mr. C.P. Hollingsworth Mr. Joseph Fick Mr. George White Ms. Marion K. Yeaple P. David Fields Pat Keller J. Robert Haines Ann M. Nastarowicz James E. Dyer W. Carl Richards, Jr. √Docket Clerk - Zoning

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING ZONING DEPARTMENT OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

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Corner of W/S Goucher
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Avenue
800 Goucher Boulevard
9th Election District

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mercial building abutting a resi-dence zone with a rear yard setback of 13 ft. in lieu of 20 ft. as required; and to allow 5 business signs with a total area of 314.04 sq. ft. in lieu of 3 signs with a total area of 100 sq. ft. as permitted. In the event that this Petition is

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Zoning Commissioner
Office of Planning & Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204 494-3353

Date: 4.25.89 . Robert Haines

Exxon Corporation 11350 McCormick Road Hunt Valley, Maryland 21031

ATTN: MARK HOFFMAN

Petitions for Special Hearing, Special Exception and Zoning Variance CASE NUMBER: 89-471-SPHXA Corner of W/S Goucher Boulverad & N/S Putty Hill Avenue 800 Goucher Boulverard 9th Election District - 4th Councilmanic Petitioner(s): Exxon Corporation HEARING SCHEDULED: MEDENSDAY, MAY 17, 1989 at 11:00 a.m.

Please be advised that \$\frac{168.87}{188.82}\$ is due for advertising and posting of the above-referenced property. All fees must be paid prior to the hearing. Do not remove the sign and post set(s) from the property from the time it is posted by this office until the day of the hearing itself.

ON THE DAY OF THE HEARING OR THE ORDER SHALL NOT BE ISSUED.

Please make your check payable to Baltimore County, Maryland and bring it along with the sign(s) and post(s) to the Zoning Office, County Office Building, Room 111, Towson, Maryland 21204 fifteen (15) minutes before your hearing is scheduled to begin.

Please note that should you fail to return the sign and post set(s), there will be an additional \$25.00 added to the above fee for each set not returned.

Very truly yours,

J. Robert Haines J. ROBERT HAINES Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

CC: F. Vernon Boozer/Anthony J. DiPaula

Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner
Office of Planning & Zoning
Towson, Maryland 21204 494-3353

J. Robert Hainer Zoning Commissioner

NOTICE OF HEARING



The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore County will hold a public hearing on the property identified herein in Room 106 of the County Office Building, located at 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson, Maryland as follows:

Petitions for Special Hearing, Special Exception and Zoning Variance

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J. ROBERT HAINES Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

Exxon Corporation F. Vernon Boozer/Anthony J. DiPaula

Baltimore County 3 Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning & Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204 (301) 887 3353

J. Robert Haines

June 1, 1989.

F. Vernon Boozer, Esquire Anthony J. DiPaula, Esquire 614 Bosley Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING, SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND ZONING VARIANCE Corner W/S Goucher Boulevard, N/S Putty Hill Avenue (800 Goucher Boulevard)

9th Election District - 4th Councilmanic District Exxon Corporation - Petitioners Case No. 89-471-SPHXA

Dear Messrs. Boozer & DiPaula:

Enclosed please find a copy of the decision rendered in the above-captioned matter. The Petitions for Special Hearing, Special Exception and Zoning Variance have been denied in accordance with the attached

In the event any party finds the decision rendered is unfavorable, any party may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on filing an appeal, please contact Ms. Charlotte Radcliffe at 494-3391.

Very truly yours,

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Deputy Zoning Commissioner

for Baltimore County cc: Attached List of Protestants

People's Counsel

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

PROTESTANT(S) SIGN-IN SHEET

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March 8, 1991

W. Carl Richards Baltimore County Zoning Office 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

> RE: EXXON LOCATION GOUCHER BOULEVARD AND PUTTY HILL CRG HEARING AND APPROVAL

Dear Carl:

but two-sided.

HAND DELIVERED

I have been advised of the question being raised in connection with the above, specifically the free-standing ID sign and whether the Board of Appeals did in fact approve a two-sided "shop" sign as an addition to the sign. I immediately reviewed the Board's Opinion and Order, and the site plans, and I also spoke informally with Arnold Foreman, the Board Chairman.

In reviewing the Opinion and Order, the Board clearly approved the "additional sign", with "... that new sign to 19.6 square feet." It was at all times proposed as two-sided and cannot be added any other way. Further, the express granting of the variance for the sign implies that the total square footage of all the signs requested is granted. The site plan also shows the sign as nothing

Mr. Foreman looked at the situation and unequivocally stated that the Board intended to approve the sign as two-sided as requested. Obviously the Orde: would be unquestionably clear if it said "... that new sign to be 19.6 square feet [per side]," but he added that since it also does not state that only a one-sided was approved, coupled with the fact that it does state that "The request for variance to allow ... is hereby Granted," the Board's intent should be clear arough. I am sure Mr. Foreman would confirm intent should be clear enough. I am sure Mr. Foreman would confirm this to you as well if you would want to speak with him directly.

W. Carl Richards March 8, 1991 Page 2

If you require anything additional, please advise myself, Nick Commodari, or Frederick Ward Associates. Otherwise, we hope that CRG approval will be forthcoming.

Very truly yours, appe Anthony J. DiPaula

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cc: Frederick Ward Associates
ATTN: David Wang

