BEFORE THE PETITIONEN / NOCKY GORDEN / COUNTY BOAND OF I COUNTY BEET ON WITH MOMENT WILLOW LANGE (CASE NO. 94-293-SI 38D COUNCILMANT OF INTERC CASE No. 94-293-SPHX

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

This matter comes to this Board on appeal from a decision of the Deputy Zoning Commissioner dated December 6, 1994 in which the Fetition for Special Hearing was dismissed and the Petition for Special Exception denied in part and granted in part with restrictions

WHEREAS, the Board is in receipt of a Notice of Dismissal of Appeal filed by Newton A. Williams, Esquire, on behalf of William P. Carey, Appellant /Protestant, dated March 10, 1995 (a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof); and

WHEREAS, said Appellant requests that the appeal filed in this matter be dismissed with prejudice as of March 10, 1995;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED this _____ day of ___ March by the County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County that said appeal be and the same is hereby DISMISSED with prejudice.

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Harry El Buchheister, Jr.

William T. Hackett, Chairman

None of these is involved in this case before the Zoning Commissioner. Inasmuch as the provisions of Section 26-282 do not apply to the Grey Rock project, the compatibility requirements which Protestants Carey and Tydings urge so vigorously are simply inapplicable. Indeed, the lack of any substance to these Protestants' objections of the Petitions in this case is exemplified by their misplaced reliance on clearly inapplicable

It is clear that the provisions of B.C.C., Section 26-282 do not apply to the Grey Rock project, and the requested relief should be granted.

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provisions of the Baltimore County Code.

THE EVIDENCE BEFORE THE ZONING COMMISSIONER ESTABLISHES THAT THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION SHOULD BE GRANTED.

Protestants Carey and Tydings suggest that the requirements of BCZR 502.1 have not been satisfied. In essence, however, the Protestants argument amounts to no more than the complaint that they (and their subjective point of view) are not satisfied with the plan as submitted. Their distress, however, does not overcome the fact that the only expert testimony before the Zoning Commissioner established that all requirements of BCZR. Section 502.1 are satisfied by the plan in question.

The testimony of Mr. Ed Haile, President of Daft-McCune-Walker, Inc. established that the requirements of BCZR, Section 502.1 were fully satisfied. The testimony of Mr. Haile was buttressed by that of Mr. Cornelius of The Traffic Group, Inc., who testified that there would be no adverse impact on traffic.

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Case No. 94-293-SPHX

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

On behalf of the Appellant/Protestant herein, Mr. William P. Carey, please dismiss the above entitled appeal "with prejudice" in the above entitled matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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THERE WAS NO EXPERT TESTIMONY INTRODUCED BY PROTESTANTS CARRY AND TYDINGS TO CONTRADICT OR REBUT THE EXPERTS WHO TESTIFIED ON BEHALF OF THE PETITIONERS

Furthermore, Protestants Carey and Tydings failed to adduce any evidence that the requested special exception would have an adverse impact within the meaning of Schultz v. Pritts. 291 Md. 1. 432 A.2d 1319 (1981), or Board of County Commissioners for Cecil County v. Holbrook, 314 Md. 210, 550 A.2d 664 (1988).

In light of the evidence presented to the Zoning Commissioner. and the governing principles of law, the requested special exception should be granted.

THE REMAINING OBJECTIONS RAISED BY PROTESTANTS CARRY AND TYDINGS ARE SIMILARLY WITHOUT MERIT.

The remaining squeaks of protest raised by Carey and Tydings have no more weight than their ill-placed reliance on inapplicable sections of the Baltimore County Code. For example, they complain that the exhibits introduced at the hearing do not give them detailed architectural renderings of the proposed structure. (Memorandum of Protestants at p. 10). The short answer to this is that there is no requirement that the Petitioner submit such detailed renderings at this point in the process. Since there is no requirement to submit such renderings, it is clear that the absence of such detailed drawings poses no impediment to the granting of the relief sought by Petitioners

Protestants further suggest that the proposed ALU is of greater intensity than the immediately surrounding properties. This objection loses all force, however, in light of the fact that the Baltimore County Council has expressly directed that ALUs have a four-fold increase in density. Bill 188-93. The Baltimore County Council has, therefore, legislatively determined that ALUs will be more intense than the surrounding zoning designation. wherever they are placed. The fact that the ALU facility proposed by Petitioners is more intense than the use Protestants Carey and Tydings may make of their property, then, is consistent with the legislative intent of the Baltimore County Council in permitting increased density for ALU facilities and is no bar to the granting of the relief sought in the Petitions before the Zoning

*** Conclusion

In sum, the evidence establishes that:

Commissioner.

- 1. The provisions of B.C.C., Section 26-282 do not apply in this case, and the reliance thereon by Protestants Carey and
- 2. The only expert testimony introduced at the hearing establishes that the requirements of BCZR, Section 502.1 have been
- 3. The remaining contentions of Protestants Carey and Tydings are contrary either to the evidence or to the governing principles, regulations and standards applicable in this case.

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RE: Case No. 94-293-SPHX Rocky Gorge at Grey Rock, LP

Dear Mr. Williams

Enclosed please find a copy of the final Order of Dismissal issued this date by the County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County in the subject matter.

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ROCKY GORGE AT GREY ROCK, L.P.

ROCKY GORGE COMMUNITIES, INC.

PETITION FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND SPECIAL HEARING 11 Stone Chapel Road ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

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CASE NO: 94-293-SPHX

REPLY MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF REQUESTED SOMING RELIEF

Rocky Gorge at Grey Rock, L.P. and Rocky Gorge Communities. Inc., Petitioners, file this Reply Memorandum to the Memorandum submitted by Protestants William P. Carey and Rosemary Tydings, and in support of the requested zoning relief in this matter, including a request for special exception for assisted living units ("ALU") and requested R.T.A. variances.

SECTION 26-282 OF THE BALTIMORE COUNTY CODE DOES NOT APPLY TO

In support of their opposition to the petitions in this case, Protestants Carey and Tydings place heavy reliance on the provisions of Baltimore County Code, Section 26-282. Their reliance in this regard is misplaced. B.C.C., Section 26-282 applies in three situations:

- (1) cluster subdivision: or
- (2) development in the R.C., R-0, 0-1, 0-2, or 0-T zones or the C.R. districts or a PUD development;
- (3) alternative site design dwellings as provided in the Comprehensive Manual of Development Policies.

Under the governing principles of law, and the facts introduced at the hearing before the Zoning Commissioner, the relief requested by Petitioners should be granted in its entirety.

Respectfully submitted.

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PETITION FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION *
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11 Stone Chapel Road * BEFORE THE ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMOPE COUNTY PETITIONERS: ROCKY GORGE AT GREY ROCK, L.P. . CASE NO. 94-293-SPHX and ROCKY GORGE COMMUNITIES, INC. . PROTESTANTS' MEMORANDUM
IN OPPOSITION TO ZONING REQUESTS

William P. Carey, owner, and Rosemary Tydings, tenant. Protestants, by Newton A. Williams and Nolan, Plumhoff & Williams, Chartered, file this Memorandum In Opposition To Zoning Requests, including the requested Special Hearing, the requested Special Exception for Assisted Living Units (ALU) and the requested R.T.A. Variances in this matter. Ι.

THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION FOR ALU SHOULD NOT BE GRANTED, THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 502.1 OF THE REGULATIONS AND SECTION 26-282 OF THE BALTIMORE COUNTY CODE NOT HAVING BEEN MET. The Protestants Carey and Tydings do oppose the

requested Special Exception, as well as the Special Hearing and R.T.A. variances. The Commissioner is well aware, that the burden of proof is upon Rocky Gorge to prove all of the requirements of Section 502.1 of the Regulations, and since R.T.A. variances are sought, even more stringent compatibility findings are required under Section 26-282 of the Baltimore County Code. Neither the special exception requirments on the compatibility requirements were met, or can be met by a 115,000

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square foot, three-story building sandwiched between individual Carey and Tydings submit that the Special Exception

requirements were not proven for the following reasons:

 The proposed very large, (115,000 square foot plus) three-story ALU unit would be detrimental to the health, safety and general welfare of the locality involved, contrary to the provisions of Section 502.1a. First of all, it should be remembered that the Carey property is immediately adjacent to the proposed very large, three story unit, sharing over 300 feet of common border on the northwest side of the Carey property and the southeast side of the Rocky Gorge property. Also, the 68 space parking area for the proposed Rock Gorge ALU shares a common boundary of just under 200 feet with the Carey property and has very little buffering, between it and the Carey gardens and pool and patio areas. In fact, the parking lot is within 15 feet of the Carey boundary, and the three-story building of as yet unspecified design is with 65 feet of Care", and will loom over the Carey house.

The Petitioners seem to assume that the Grey Rock townhouses and apartments are the only properties affected by the proposed ALU, but in fact, the Carey property acts as a substantial buffer between the proposed ALU and the Grey Rock residential development. The Carey property is severely detrimentally impacted by the ALU Special Exception, by the parking and loading areas, by the proposed increased density, and by the requested R.T.A. variances.

that 18 townhouses, for which the property has been alternatively approved, would only produce 180 trips per day. while the proposed ALU would produce at least 420 trips per day, more than 240 trips per day over the 18 approved townhouses of a more obtrusive, institutional and truck traffic. Furthermore, the driveway and loading area traffic passes directly in front of the Carey house, with daily truck The proposed ALU unit is offensive to Section 502.1 d.

2. As for Section 502.1 b., namely "congestion in roads,

streets or alleys", Mr. Cornelius of the Traffic Group conceded

traffic and deliveries. The proposed main driveway for all sctivity, including all deliveries, pick-ups, ambulance runs, etc., is within 35 feet of the Carey boundary, and the confrontation is to the Carey front yard and pool area side in that it tends to "over crowd land and causes undue concentration of population." The proposed ALU sits on only 4.84 acres of D.R.3.5 land, and it is wedged between three residences along Reisterstown Road to the west, and the Carey residence to the east and southeast. In fact, the ALU due to the slope of the land is wedged into the northern portion of this D.R.3.5 property, and is only 35 feet from the residential boundaries of this D.R.3.5 property, and is only 35 feet from the residential boundaries on the west to the building, and 65 feet from the building to the Carey property on the east.

The request for 120 assisted living unit beds and 22 nursing unit beds represents a severe over crowding of this

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residentially bordered property. Whereas perhaps 36 to 40 people might occupy the townhouses for which this property was alternatively approved, (see Protestants Exhibit 1, the CRG Plat which approved 16 townhouses), the proposed ALU unit would place as many as 144 older, sicker residents, and a very large scaff on this property, and the staff and visitors would come and go on a 24 hour basis, particularly the staff working round the clock 4. The proposed three-story building, within 65 feet of the Carey property, and 35 feet of the three residential

properties to the west would interfere with "adequate light and air" for all of these residential properties to the west and the to east, contrary to the provisions of Section 502.1 F. On the west side, this three-story building has a total elevation length in excess of 320 feet. It is over 200 feet long on the north side along Stone Chapel Road, and it is well in excess of 200 feet in length on the Carey side, and dwarfs every building around it in height and mass, at over 115,000 square feet. 2/3 acres under roof. 5. This ALU zoning Special Exception and other relief is very definitely "inconsistent" with the D.R.3.5 zoning of the Carey property, the Rock Gorge property itself, and the residential properties to the west of the proposed ALU building, all contrary to Section 502.1g. Everyone agrees that based upon the acreage of this Phase III single tract, the

property would only be eligible at most for 72 ALU units, or

so, far under the 14' units which are sought here by attempting

to borrow from noncontiquous property, contrary to the Zoning Regulations. Thus, the proposal is inconsistent with the D.R. 3.5 zone in which it, Carey and other individual homes are located; as well as violative of Section 1801.12A.2., which does not allow density transfers beyond the boundaries of this

"single tract" 6. The requested Special Exception would be offensive to Section 502.1h., in that the "impermeable surface" in terms of roof area, driveways and parking area for a 144 bec facility of three-stories, would be far in excess of the roof area, and parking and streets required for the 18 townhouses for which

this property is approved. Thus, it is incorrect for the Petitioners to assert that Mr. Carey and Mrs. Tydings do not oppose the granting of the Special Exception, because both of them do for the reasons set out hereinabove.

It is also just common sense to realize that a three-story, 144 bed ALJ, of 115,000 plus square feet within 65 feet of the property line will greatly devalue the Carey property, which is a beautiful 4,000 square foot, colonial mansion, with an in ground swimming pool and beautifully landscaped and appointed grounds.

Recall that at the Zoning Hearing, the Petitioners presented Petitioner's Exhibit 3, a plat or cross-section showing sight lines from the proposed ALU to the Grey Resk Community. The reason that the Grey Rock Community will not be able to see a great deal of this ALU building, except when they

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enter and exit on Grey Rock Road, is that the Carey mansion, landscaping and swimming pool all buffer the proposed ALU from the Grey Rock Community. The Carey property should not have this improper burden placed upon it, particularly in view of the requested increase in units, and the major R.T.A. variances requested, which will be fully explained hereinafter. THE PROPOSED ALU PARCEL IS "A SINGLE TRACT", IN ITSELF,

AND IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR CLUSTERING CREDIT FROM ANY OTHER SEPARATE TRACTS.

The subject 4.84 acre, Phase III tract is a "single individual tract," and is not eligible for clustering with other tracts, under the clear language of Section 1801.2A.2.

As noted at point 9. of the Petitioner's Memorandum, Baltimore County Zoning Regulation, Section 1801.2A.2. may be applicable. In order for this section to be applicable several items of proof would have to be shown, namely:

- 1. That Phase III, the proposed ALU, is a part of an approved CRG, approved prior to the changes of Bills 1, 2, 3 and 4-92.
- 2. That Phase III, the proposed ALU is somehow vested.
- and has not expired. 3. That Phase III, with the proposed ALU, of 144 beds, (now being sought for three stories with a greatly expanded parking lot) is not an amendment of the earlier approved CRG for 74 beds. If it is an amendment rather than a refinement of the CRG, the CRG Regulations, as the Commissioner knows,

double the number of beds can be a refinement of the earlier

But, assuming for the sake of argument, but not admitting the same, that Section 1801.2A.2, applies, this Section clearly excludes the subject property from being eligible to be treated for clustering credit with other tracts forming the Grey Rock project. The Section in question

provides in partial, but pertinent part: "Whenever a single tract is divided by a zoned boundary so that portions of such tract lie within D.R. zones and different classifications, the total number of dwelling or density units permitted, as determined by multiplying the gross accease of each portion by the maximum density permitted, under Subsection 1802.2 in the zone within which that portion by Subsection portion lies and totalling the results, shall be permitted without further regard to the zone boundary, and the units may be distributed over the tract as though it were in a single zone." (Emphasis

Please note that the provision in question, if it applies, requires " a single tract". In this case we do not have a single tract situation. The relevant tax map in question identifies this 4.84 acre parcel as parcel 430, while other portions of Grey Rock are identified as parcels 312 and

572, and the Carey property is identified as parcel 355. The previous owners, presumably the Trinitarian Fathers, purchased this parcel separately, paid taxes on it separately, and never merged it into their other holdings. since it has a separate parcel identification on tax maps today, and it has always had such separate identification, not to mention the four foot dividing strip.

"tract" defined in Section 26-168 of the Baltimore County Code, that is the Development Regulations

Baltimore County Zoning Regulations. Neither is the term

The term "tract" is not defined in Section 101 of the

Mr. Carey and Mrs. Tydings submit that the use of the phrase "a single tract", means precisely what it says in Section 1801.2A.2., a single, undivided piece of property. Parcel 430 of 4.84 acres is such "a single tract", and it is divided on every side by fee simple ownerships from the Grey Rock Project.

As the Commissioner is well aware, in Baltimore County we do not allow density to be transferred between separate tracts, and we no longer allow density to be transferred ever within a single tract, except in the D.R.10.5 and D.R.16 somes under Section 1 B01.2A.2., as amended in 1992 as a part of the new Development Regulations.

The reasoning which the Petitioners' put forward in their Memorandum for allowing a density transfer across the four foot fee simple strip does not hold up upon examination. In the Gruver-Cooley v. Perlis Case, 252 Md. 684 251 A2d. 598 (1969) the Court of Appeals was dealing with a completely different statute. Apparently, Section 111-7 (g)(4)c of the Montgomery County Code, among other things, deals with "adjoining subdivisions". The <u>Gruver</u> Court decided that subdivisions were adjoining, although they were separated by a

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street.

It is important to note several things about the

It is difficult to see how a three-story building with nearly

require a new CRS for this portion of the Grey Rock project.

Gruver Case versus the present case, namely:

- 1. In the Gruver Case, a plat was not challenged until two years after it had been recorded, whereas in the present case Mr. Carey and Mrs. Tydings have objected from the outset.
- 2. Montgomery County allows transfer of unused density from one subdivision to another under certain circumstances, which Baltimore County does not
- 3. In the Gruver Case, the statute in question used the phrase "adjoining subdivision", while the Baltimore County Council in originally drafting and in redrafting Section 1801.2A.2 was very clear in saying that, at the time in question, density could be transferred only over "a single tract" which is zoned in a combination of D.R. zones

The other cases cited by the Petitioners in their Memorandum, deal with the definition of the word "contiguous", which is not used in the relevant section here, but, rather, a more limiting phrase "a single tract" was used by the Council originally as to all the D.R. zones, and still is referring to D.R.10.5 and 16 Zones.

As noted by our previous letter Memorandum, dated March 10, 1994, the Chertkoff Case, Case No. 92-173-SPH, terminated the allowable computation of density at a point where the beltway broke the continuous, "single tract" nature

of the property in question. The fact that the four foot strip is only four feet

wide, does not make it any the less the separator of parcel 430 from the balance of the Grey Rock ownership with different parcel numbers. Furthermore, the four foot strip in question is not "nonbuildable", since it has been built upon and used for a water main and since it forms an integral part of parcel 355, the Carey property. This four foot strip is the means by which public water reaches the Carey property from the water main in the hed of Reisterstown Road. It is not property have already been built upon.

THE REQUESTED R.T.A. VARIANCES ARE OFFERSIVE TO SECTION 502.1 OF THE BALTIMORE COUNTY ZONING REGULATIONS, SHAPE INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE CAREY PROPERTY

AND THE HEIGHBORHOOD.

The Petit.oner Rocky Gorge is really asking for a complet Expension for an ALU, coupled with, or topped by Special Exception for a waiver of the R.T.A. standards. Th R.T.A. waiver requires affirmative findings under Section 502.1, as well as further compatibility findings, and rigorous compatibility requirements under Section 26-282 of the Baltimore County Code. As to both of these requirements Contion 502 1 and Section 26-282, recall, first of all, that Rocky Gorge cannot tell us who will operate this facility Borky Gorge cannot tell us what the building will look like, or what it will be constructed of, and did not show any building elevations at the hearing, because the building has not yet been designed.

Thus, we would respectfully submit that the case is fatally incomplete as to both Section 502 ' and Section 26-282. In order to judge what is compatible, we must know who will build and operate the ALU, and what the Building will look like, at the very least,

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Furthermore, no matter what architectural scyle is used, it is virtually impossible to make a building three stories in height, and having elevations as long as 340 feet in length compatible with residential houses adjoining both to the west and to the east

The Carey house itself scales at 95 feet in length on Petitioner's Exhibit 1. The Carey house is a large, two-story estate type property, with an outdoor swimming pool. It contains in excess of 4 000 square feet of living space or several acres of heautifully landscaped and maintained grounds

In contrast, please note that Petitioner's Exhibit 1 "Plan and Plat to Accompany Petition for Zoning Hearing Grey Rock, 11 Stone Chapel Road", does not contain any note o statement as to the amount of square footage in the three, very large linked buildings which would form this Assisted Living Unit. However, simple area computations indicate that three-story, linked building of this size will contain on the order of 115,000 square feet. This 115,000 square feet is equal to 2.64 acres on 4.84 acres of ground. If we use for comparison the Carey residence at 4,000 plus square feet, the proposed ALU Building will be 23 times as large as the Carey house, one of the larger individual residences in the area.

Recall that in order to grant an D T A variance compatibility under Section 26-282 of the Baltimore County Code must be found. There is no possible way that a compatibility finding for an unknown, undesigned, three-story building of 115.000 square feet can be found with regard to its neighbors.

There is no way that the proposed ALU building and site can meet the requirement of Subsection 26-282(b)(1) which requires "the arrangement and orientation of the proposed buildings and site improvements are patterned in a similiar manner to those in the neighborhood:

In like manner, there is no way that a 115 000 equate foot, three-story building can meet the requirement of Subsection (b)(2) which requires "the building and parking lot layouts reinforce existing building and street scape patterns and assure that the placement of buildings and parking lots have no adverse impact on the neighborhood:

Neither can this proposed ALU building, three-stories in height, meet the compatibility test of Subsection 26-28 (b)(8) which states "the scale, portions, massing and detailing of the proposed buildings are in proportion to those existing in the neighborhood; . (Emphasis supplied.) By asking for R.T.A. variances, the Petitioners have

gone beyond the Schultz v. Pritts presumptions accorded to ther under Section 502.1, even for an Assisted Living Unit building. and have subjected themselves to the affirmative, required compatibility criterion of Section 26-282 We remortfullsubmit that no matter who operates this ALU, and no matter which architect designs it, there is no possible way that a 115,000 square foot, three-story building, of 2 and 2/3 acres of floor area on 4.54 acres can ever satisfy these

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The Protestants have never been shown, and the

compatibility requirements.

Petitioner's have not submitted a design for a 72 unit ALU, but the Protestants do not believe that even a 72 unit ALU could be designed to meet the requirements of Sections 502.1 and 26-282.

The Protestants respectfully remind the Zoning Commissioner, that we are not dealing with some type of a confiscation case here. The Petitioners specifically admitted that as an alternative proposal, the original CRG had approved this 4.84 acre tract for 18 townhouses. That design and that layout was admitted as Protestants Exhibits I and II.

The Protestants William P. Carey and Mrs. Rosemary Tydings respectfully submit that the Zoning Commissioner should deny this case for the following reasons:

- 1. There is no reason to even reach the Special Exception point, since the Zoning Commissioner can decide, and we respectfully state, should decide that the subject parcel of 4.4 acres is "a single tract" in and of itself, and it is not eligible to borrow density of any kind for any purpose from any other tract connected with the Grey Rock subdivision under Section 1801.2A.2. of the BCZR
- 2. The Special Exception case should be denied for lack of sufficient information to decide the required 502.1 points; while the information that is available requires a denial of the Special Exception under Section 26-282 of the Baltimore County Code, relating to compatibility, for the reasons outlined hereinabove.
- 3. The Petitioners' have subjected themselves to a great

compatibility requirement by asking for R.T.A. variances, and even with the incomplete information available, (no elevations or building plans, no operator known, no known hours or days of operation, no known number of employees, etc.), there is no possible way that a three-story, 115,000 square foot building on 4.84 acres can be made compatible with individual homes, the largest of which like Carey is only 4,000 plus square feet, particularly if the R.T.A. protections are not observed. Respectfully submitted.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this and day of July, 1994, a copy of the aforegoing Protestants Memorandum In Opposition to Zoning Require was mailed postage prepaid to Benjamin Bronstein, Esquire, Evans, George & Bronstein, Susquehanna Building, Suite 205, 29 W. Susquehanna Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204 and Peter J. Zimmerman, Esquire, People's Counsel, Cour House, Towson, Maryland 21204.

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DESTRUCTIONS

PETITION FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION

ROCKY GORGE AT GREY ROCK, L.P. ROCKY GORGE COMMUNITIES, INC.

CASE NO: 94-293-CDUY

ZONING COMMISSIONER

OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL MEARING AND
SPECIAL EXCEPTION FOR ASSISTED LIVING UNITS AND REA VARIANCE

Rocky Gorge at Grev Rock L.P. and Rocky Gorge Communities Inc. (Grey Rock), Petitioner, by Benjamin Bronstein, Michael J. Chonel and Evans. George and Bronstein its attorneys, files this Memorandum in Support of the Petitions for Special Hearing and Special Exception for Assisted Living Units (ALU) and RTA Variances in the above referenced case, and savs:

UTILIZATION OF DENSITY ACROSS THE FOUR FOOT PER STRIP IS PERMISSIBLE

- 1. The testimony and exhibits before the Zoning Commissioner established that there is a four foot fee strip running from the right-of-way of Reisterstown Road through property owned by Petitioner to property owned by protestant William P. Carey, an out-of-state nonresident property owner. Protestant Rosemary Tydings lives on this property.
- 2. Ed Haile was called as a witness by the Petitioner and was accepted as an expert witness by the Zoning Commissioner. Mr.

Haile is the President of Daft-McCune-Walker, Inc. He is a licensed professional engineer and registered land surveyor. He has a Bachelor's degree in Engineering from Johns Hopkins University and has taken graduate courses at the University of Maryland and Towson State University. He has extensive experience and expertise in land planning and civil engineering. Mr. Haile has extensive experience in Baltimore County development processes, and, specifically, experience in site planning in DR zones. Most importantly, Mr. Haile has extensive experience in planning assisted living facilities, including Blakehurst, North Caks. Franklin Woods and Broadmead, all of which are in Baltimore County.

- 3. Mr. Haile testified that the four foot fee strip was created in 1937 to provide a fee simple strip for the installation of a water line to the Carey property as required under the Baltimore City Regulations. Mr. Haile testified that in his expert opinion the four foot strip was "non-buildable."
- 4. In their post-hearing letter memorandum, protestants Carey and Tydings suggest that density cannot be utilized across this four foot fee strip. This contention fails to accord proper reference to the clear dictates of Maryland Law.
- 5. In an analogous situation, the Court of Appeals of Maryland has determined that density transfer may occur between parcels that are in close proximity though not actually abutting. In Gruver-Cooley Jade Corporation v. Perlig, 252 Md. 684, 251 A2d 598 (1969), the Court of Appeals found itself confronted with a

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Montgomery County Code requirement that density transfer could occur only between "adjoining subdivisions". The Court ruled that the subdivisions in question did not need to be touching one another (i.e. abutting) to be considered "adjoining" but could be ". . . close or near to or nearest or most accessible " 252 Md at 695. The Court quoted with approval from 2 C.J.S. Adjoin at p.2 (1936) that "adjoining may not require properties to touch but merely to be separated by no other property which can be put to private use . . . " (citations omitted)

- 6. Gruver Cooley is clear authority for the proposition that density may be utilized (i.e transferred) across tract boundaries where those boundaries are not touching each other, and are reparated "by no other property which can be put to private use," id. at 695. Similarly, the Court of Appeals has interpreted the word "contiguous" as found in the Baltimore County Code as meaning " . . . in close proximity; near though not in contact " in a case involving a roadway which separated two parcels. Swarthmore Co. v. Kaestner, 258 Md. 517, 530, 266 A2d 341 (1970). The Coming Commissioner for Baltimore County has recognized that density in D.D. somes can be utilized (transferred) over fairly large distances. See E. Robert Chertkoff, et al., Case No. 92-173-
- 7. Mr. Haile gave his expert opinion that the small strip in question was non-buildable. This falls directly within the rule of Gruver-Cooley, since the parcels in question in this case are "separated by no other property which can be put to private use."

To hold otherwise would be to exalt form over substance to the detriment of a use (ALU) which has been identified as a preferred use by the Baltimore County Council. 1 Protestants Carey and Tydings put on no testimony which contradicted Mr. Haile's testimony in this yeared. It is of great significance to note that the predecessors in title of the Petitioners, specifically the Trinitarian Fathers, acquired and united the entire Grev Rock tract. Under this circumstance, there is no utilization of density between distant tracts, but within one tract. Such utilization is not prohibited by the BCZR

Under these circumstances, and in light of the governing principles of law it is clear that density can be utilized severe the four foot fee strip. Under the provisions of the BCZE governing utilizing of density and DR zones which are applicable in this proceeding, the spirit and intent was to permit and facilitate utilization of density. The thrust of these regulations (which are applicable in this case) "tips the balance" toward permitting utilization of density across the de minimis fee strip in question. which, it should be noted, has not been utilized for any purpose whatspever (other than a water line) for the Carey property. To do otherwise would encourage "spite strips", a practice not permitted in Baltimore County.

Compliance with all or part of the RTA restrictions will cause unreasonable hardship on the development, and

The quality of the site design and amenities provided would justify a modification or waiver of the residential transition area restriction; and

The development will not be detrimental to the peaceful enjoyment, economic value or lopment of surrounding properties and the

The evidence produced on behalf of the Petitioner at the bearing clearly established each of these components.

A The evidence established that compliance with all or part of the RTA restrictions will cause unreasonable hardship on the Grey Rock project.

The testimony of Ed Haile establishes that the requirement of Section 432.4.A had been met, in that compliance with all or part of the RTA restrictions will cause unreasonable hardship on the development. Reference to the plat of the project. Exhibit I. establishes that the southerly part of the tract on which the ALUs are proposed to be built is unbuildable because of its extremely steep slop. The northern (upper) portion of that property upon which the plan proposes the construction of the ALUs, is substantially affected by RTA requirements. Indeed, an examination of Exhibit I establishes that the buildable area is wholly impacted by RTA restrictions. Under these circumstances, no ALU facility can be erected without a modification or waiver of the RTA

requirements. Quite simply, the "unreasonable hardship" resulting from refusal to modify the DTA restrictions mosns that no AVU --be constructed on this site. This clearly meets the definition of "unreasonable hardship" applicable to this proceeding.

B. The evidence establishes that the quality of the site design and amenities provided justifies a modification or waiver of the RTA restrictions.

The testimony and evidence before the Zoning Commissioner established beyond doubt that the requirements of Section 432.4.B are met in that the quality of the site design and amenities provided justify a modification or waiver of the RTA restrictions. Mr. Haile specifically testified that in his opinion the quality of the site design and amenities provided justify a modification of the RTA under Section 432.4. Moreover, liberal application of the legislation modifying the RTAs for ALUs is consistent with the thrust of the intention of the Baltimore County Council to prefer

On behalf of Petitioner, Mr. Haile clearly established that this site is an ideal location for the development of an assisted living facility. The site has an excellent location, yet remains essentially private. The proposed plan will provide residents of the facility with a courtyard on a site that has existing vegetation (which will be supplemented). The units of the facility will be connected to a promenade along both sides of Reisterstown

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THE PROVISIONS OF THE LAW PRIOR TO

THE ENACTHENT OF BILL 2-92 APPLY IN THIS CASE AND PERMIT

UTILIZATION OF DENSITY THROUGHOUT THE TRACT IN QUESTION

8. Baltimore County Code Section 26-169, reflecting amendments of Bill No. 1, 1992, Section 2, provides that any development project " . . . for which a CRG plan has been accepted for filing by the department of public works prior to the date of adoption of Bill 1-92, . . . shall be governed by the subdivision regulations in effect at the time of said approval or acceptance for filing " Bill No. 1-92, then, explicitly provides that the prior regulations governing subdivisions apply to the Grev Rock project.

9. Prior to Bill 1-92, BCZR Section 1B01.2A.2 provided as

"Application to Tract Divided by Zone Boundary. Wherever a single tract is divided by a subsequence of the Park Subsequence of the zone boundary, and the units may distributed over the tract as though it we in a single zone."

In applying this regulation, the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County has determined that density may be utilized between different parcels of one tract which are zoned D.P. if the D.R.- zoned portions are contiguous. In re: PP&M Associates LTD Partnership, et al. Case No. 87-362-SPH. This is precisely what is proposed by the plan in question. The D.R. 3.5 in this case, is "adjoining" as that term is defined by the Maryland cases, since the D.R. 3.5 areas are separated only by the four foot strip. Gruver - Cooley, Supra

Since the subdivision regulations in effect prior to Bill 1-92 govern the Grey Rock plan, and the Grey Rock plan complies with the prior regulations, the only conclusion to be reached is that the provisions of Bill 1-92 do not apply and the plans should be approved as it presently exists. The uncontradicted testimony before the Zoning Commissioner establishes that the plan complies with those prior regulations, and the plan should therefore be affirmed.

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THE RTA MODIFICATIONS PROPOSED IN THE GREY ROCK PLAN ARE SUPPORTED BY SUBSTANTIAL, COMPETENT EVIDENCE

AND SHOULD BE GRANTED

The ALUs proposed in the Grey Rock plan are housing facilities within the scope of the BCZR. BCZR Section 432.4 specifically authorizes the Zoning Commissioner to modify or waive RTA restrictions for this type of housing development, in cases where such a development would be severely or adversely affected by the strict applications of RTA restrictions otherwise applicable. Still the Zoning Commissioner is authorized to modify or waive the RTA requirements upon a determination that:

Road; this will permit residents to walk to the Festival at Woodholme Shopping Center and other facilities near by Furthermore, the site is located near the medical offices at McDonogh Crossroads, and public transportation is available. This evidence establishes that the residents and their guests will enjoy a facility which is in close proximity to commercial and medical facilities, is easily accessible to friends, relatives and other visitors, and provides "the best of both worlds."

C. The evidence established that the development will not be detrimental to the use, peaceful enjoyment, economic value and development of the surrounding properties and the general neighborhood.

The evidence adduced before the Zoning Commissione: established that the basis for justifying an RTA variance set forth in BCZR Section 432.4.C was satisfied by the plan as proposed. Mr. Haile testified that there would be no traffic impact on the residents of the Grev Rock subdivision because the sole access to the facility will be along Reisterstown Road and not along Grey Rock Road or Stone Chapel Road. Furthermore, Mr. Haile testified without contradiction that a three-story facility would probably not be observable from the residential units in Grey Rock because of the topography and the existing vegetation. Moreover, the proposed plan also provides for additional planting and screening.

Mr. Haile reached the conclusion that the Grev Rock project

satisfied the requirements of Section 432 after testifying that he is familiar with the Reisterstown Road Corridor Study and that the development of the site for an assisted living facility is consistent with that study as well as consistent with the Baltimore County Master Plan. Indeed, the evidence before the Zoning Commissioner (Exhibit 7) indicates that the Baltimore County's comprehensive affordability strategy provides an estimate that thirty-five percent (35%) of the county's elderly population require assistance with one or more daily living activities. This is a proportion which equals approximately 41,000 frail, elderly citizens. Baltimore County acknowledges a county-wide need for assisted living facility for senior citizens due to the very limited availability of this type of housing throughout Baltimore County. It is important to have a distribution of this type of facility throughout Baltimore County, so that residents of ALUs can live close to their families. Mr. Haile then testified that the RTA variances should be granted because the test requirements for a modification of variances from the RTA requirements under Section 432.4. had been satisfied.

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The testimony of Mr. Haile was buttressed by that of Mickey Cornelius of The Traffic Group. Mr. Cornelius was accepted as an expert in traffic and is experienced in the planning of assisted living facilities. Mr. Cornelius testified that based on his experience he has found that assisted living facilities are low traffic generators. Mr. Cornelius further testified that he is personally familiar with the level of service at the intersections

As example of the heightened preference which the Baltimore County Council has placed on ALU's, the County has increased to the Council has placed on ALU's, the County has increased to Bill 189-93 specifically provides that one of the purposes of the legislation was to except ALU's from residential transition and development plan requirements.

of Reisterstown Road and Mt. Wilson Lane and Reisterstown Road and McDonoch Road. The uncontradicted testimony was that these intersections are at level of service "A" and level of service "B", Mr. Cornelius further testified without respectively. contradiction that the development of the site as a 120 unit facility will not inconvenience or adversely impact the area. Mr Cornelius' unrebutted conclusion was that there would be no adverse impact on the general neighborhood or surrounding properties if the assisted living facility were built as proposed.

TV THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION SHOULD BE GRANTED

In their letter memorandum protestants Carey and Tydings do not challenge or object to the grant of the special exception. Indeed, the evidence establishes beyond dispute that the special exception should be granted as requested. Ed Haile, accepted as an export witness onined as to BCZE Section 502.1. He testified that the Grev Rock subdivision was planned under his supervision at Daft- McCune-Walker. Phases I, II and IV are currently under development with town houses and European-style villas or "flats."

The subject of the instant petition is Phase III. The property which comprises Phase III has frontage in part along Reisterstown Road, and is essentially oriented toward Reisterstown Road, consistent with sole access to the facility being through Reinterstown Road. This provides ready access to the Baltimore Beltway from the Grey Rock site for families of the residents.

Mr. Haile testified that Phase III has CRG approval for a two-

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the foregoing was mailed, first class, postage pre-paid to:

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Newton A. Williams, Esquire, Court Towers, Suitr 700, 210 W.

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Benjamin Bronstein

story seventy-two unit assisted living facility. No special exception has previously been applied for, however, in connection with Phase III. The current plan consists of a three-story assisted living facility with one hundred twenty units. Mr. Haile testified (and his testimony in this regard was verified by Exhibit I) that access to the site would be through Reisterstown Road and not over Grey Rock Road. In consequence, there will be no impact on traffic in the Grey Rock subdivision as a result of the granting of the special exception requested in this case. Mr. Haile had prep red a sight line exhibit (Exhibit 4) which

demonstrates that the three-story assisted living facility will not be observable from the residential units in Grey Rock because of the topography and the existing vegetation. The evidence before the Zoning Commissioner established that regardless of whether the facility is a two-story or three-story structure, there will be no negative impact within the ambit of BCZR Section 502.1. The evidence establishes that there is no adverse impact on adjoining properties within the scope of Schultz v. Pritts, 291 Md. 1 432 A2d 1319 (1981). Although Ms. Tydings expressed a concern that her swimming pool might be seen from the proposed facility, this concern was rebutted by the site plan and facts put into evidence. Mr. Haile testified that part of the existing vegetation would be retained, and additional vegetation would be planted. Together with the distance between the ALU and the Carey propert residents of the ALU would be unlikely to see Mrs. Tyding even if they were so disposed. There were no facts put in evidence by any of the

IN RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING . BEFORE THE AND STREETH SHEET STREET . DEPUTY ZONING COMPISSIONER * Case No. 94-293-SPHD Rocky Gorge at Grey Rock, L.P., Rocky Gorge Communities, Inc. - Petitioners

FINDINGS OF PACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This satter comes before the Deputy Zoning Commissioner as Petitions for Special Hearing and Special Exception for that property known as 11 Stone Chapel Road, located in the vicinity of Reisterstown in northwestern Baltimore County. The Petitions were filed by the owners of the property, Rocky Gorge at Grey Rock Limited Partnership, by Christopher Dorment with Rocky Gorge Communities, Inc., a General Partner, through cheir attorney, Benjamin Bronstein, Esquire, The Petitioners request a special hearing to approve the utilization of density on a tract under common ownership but separated by a 4-foot unbuildable fee strip, and a special exception for an assisted living facility on the subject site and to modify or waive the RTA requirements found in Section 1801.1.8.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) as follows: From Section 1801.1.B.1.b to permit a building height of as much as 45 feet in lieu of the maximum permitted 35 feet: from Section 1801.1.8.1.b.2 to permit a building length of as much as 360 feet in lieu of the maximum permitted 130 feet; from Section 1801.1.8.1.b.3(a) to permit a rear setback of as close as 35 feet in lieu of the required 150 feet, a side setback of as close as 65 feet in lieu of the required 75 feet, and a parking setback of as close as 15 feet in lieu of the required 75 feet; and from Section 1801.1.8.1.b.3(b) to

permit a rear buffer of 35 feet in lieu of the required 75 feet, a side

protestants to rebut the clear, unequivocal testimony of Mr. Haile.

The "concerns" expressed by protestants fail to raise to the standard of adverse impact required by the Maryland cases, particularly Board of County Commissioners for Cecil County v. Holbrook, 314 Md. 210 550 A.2d 664 (1988). The house here in question is located in an urbanizing area surrounded by current development (Grey Rock) and future development (Avalon). Townhouses or detached single family houses could be erected on the subject parcel, and these w'll also be clearly as visible to the Carey property as the proposed ALU. There is no "adverse" impact from the ALU facility different and apart from that of those structures permitted as of right. Indeed, it is apparent that there is no impact whatsoever on the Carey/Tydings property as expressed by the protestants --- the protestants' residence is separated by 160 feet from the proposed facility and in addition to the minimalization by distance, there will be substantial foliage retained and supplemented.

Under these circumstances, there was no credible evidence before the Zoning Commissioner which would support a denial of the requested special exception for one hundred twenty units.

There was no testimony which would support a denial of the requested special exception for seventy-two units as approved by the CRG, since these units are stand alone and do not require utilization of density. Indeed, the only testimony as to the appropriateness came from Mr. Haile, who gave his expert opinion that the requirements of BCZR Section 502.1 were fully satisfied by

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the proposed project

CONCLUSION

The evidence produced at the hearing establishes that:

- Utilization of density across the non-buildable four foot fee strip is permitted by the Baltimore County Zoning Laws;
- That utilization of the density as proposed in the plan is permitted under the Baltimore County Regulations which apply to this CRG Plan which was approved prior to the affective date of 8111 1-92;
- That there is a plethora of evidence to compel a finding that the RTA restriction should be modified in this case in full conformance with the requirements of BCER 432.4;
- That the site is an ideal one for development of an assisted living facility, including the of the site, seas of access for visiton of the site, seas of access for visiton and the season of the conserval and medical facilities by residents which visitors), and the secluded ambiance which results from the carful design of the plan substituted in connection with this hearing.

Under the circumstances, and in the light of the governing principles of law, the Petition for Density Utilization and for RTA Variances should be GRANTED as requested by Petitioner.

Respectfully submitted,

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buffer of 30 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet, and a parking buffer of 15 feet in lieu of the required 75 feet. The subject property and relief cought are more particularly described on the site plan submitted and marked into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

Appearing at the hearing on behalf of the Petitions were John Dorment and Lisa Benjamin with Rocky Gorge Communities, Inc., Ed Haile and Jeanne Tansey with Daft-McCune-Malker, Inc., and Benjamin Bronstein, Esquire, attorney for the Petitioners. Appearing in opposition to the Petitioners' request were various concerned citizens from the surrounding community, some of whom were represented by counsel. Newton A. Williams Esquire appeared and represented Mr. William Carey and Mrs. Roseman Tydings. Robert A. Hoffman, Esquire, appeared and represented the Blaustein family.

It should be noted that subsequent to the hearing, I received letter dated November 23, 1994 from Mr. Benjamin Bronstein on behalf of the Petitioner specifically requesting a withdrawal of the Petition for Special Hearing seeking approval to utilize density on a tract under common ownership but separated by a 4-foot fee simple strip. Pursuant to his letter, the special hearing request has been withdrawn and a decision will be rendered on the special exception request, only.

of a gross area of 4.842 acres, more or less, zoned D.R. 3.5 and is located on the northeast side of Reisterstown Road at its intersection with ht. Wilson Lane, just south of Stone Chapel Road. The property, also known as Phase III of Grey Rock, is proposed for development with an assisted living/nursing care facility and has received CRG approval for a two-story building containing 95 beds, or 73 assisted living units and 22

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nursing care units. Pursuant to the Petitions filed in the instant case. the Petitioner proposed to increase the size of the building to a three story structure with an increased capacity to 144 beds, or 122 assisted living units and 22 nursing care units. Much of the testimony offered by the Petitioner's witnesses and the Protestants concerned the proposed increase in size and capacity of the facility. After the hearing. Counsel for both the Petitioner and the Protestants were given an opportunity to submit memoranda in support of and in opposition to the rel'of sought. As noted above, the Petitioner subsequently withdrew its special hearing request to increase the size and capacity of the proposed facility, having returned to its original plan for a 95 bed facility. The Petitioner now seeks a ruling on the special exception request, only

As noted earlier, the Petitioners obtained CRG approval for a two-story building containing 73 assisted living units and 22 nursing care units. Inasmuch as the Petitioner has withdrawn its request for a third floor, the height of the building will be reduced to the originally approved two-story height. Therefore, the requested height variance from RTA requirements, pursuant to Section 1801.1.8.1.b.1, shall be dismissed as moot. However, the remaining variances to RTA setback requirements are still necessary

Mr. Ed Hail., Professional Engineer with Daft-McCune-Walker, Inc. and Mr. Mickey Cornelius, Traffic Expert with The Traffic Group appeared and tostified in support of the RTA variance relief requested Haile confirmed that Phase III of Grev Rock has already received CRG opproval for a two-story assisted living facility containing 95 beds. He testified concerning the special exception requirements set forth in Section 502.1 of the B.C.Z.R. and demonstrated that the relief requested

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meets the spirit and intent of Section 307.1 of the B.C.Z.R. Mr. Cornelius testified concerning what effects any traffic generated by the proposed assisted living facility might have on the surrounding locale. His testimony was that the effects of this facility on traffic will be minimal.

As stated previously, several residents from the surrounding community appeared and offered testimony in opposition to the Petitioner's request. Although the special hearing request has been withdrawn, it was clear from the testimony that these residents are opposed to any assisted living facility being located on the subject property. They argued that the property had been previously approved for townhouse dwelling units and therefore, should be developed accordingly. For traffic reasons, effects on property values, and the visibility of such a large structure, the residents were opposed to the construction of an assisted living facility or the subject property in any respect

In addition to the concerns raised by the residents, an argument was made that the Petitioner has failed to demonstrate that the proposed assisted living facility would be compatible with the surrounding community. The Protestants argued that the Petitioner has failed to meet the compatibility standards imposed by the B.C.Z.R., pursuant to Section 1801 1.8.1.c. Specifically, subsection 2 thereof states that the RTA requirements for a tract may be modified pursuant to findings made in accordance with Section 26-282 of the Baltimore County Code. Mr. Bronstein argued on behalf of his clients that Section 26-282 of the Code does not apply to this property while Mr. Williams, who represented two of the Protestante in this matter, argued that this Section is applicable.

Section 26-282 of the Code specifically requires and mandate that compatibility findings be made when a modification or variance to RTA

requirements is being requested. Therefore, I believe this matter should be reviewed by the Director of Planning and Zoning to determine whether or not the proposed facility meets the compatibility standards set forth is Section 26-282. At the time of the hearing on this matter, it was clear and the testimony demonstrated, that the Petitioner did not have an entity who would operate the proposed assisted living facility. Mor did the Petitioner know at that time the architecture or design of the proposes facility. I understand, however, that the Petitioner now has a user for this site and that documentation can be submitted to the Director of Planning and Zoning for his review and findings of compatibil'cy of such facility on this site. Therefore, as a condition of my Order, I shall require the Petitioner submit the appropriate information to the Director of Planning and Zoning for a determination in this regard

It is clear that the B.C.Z.R. permits the use proposed in a D.R 3.5 zone by special exception. However, it must be determined if the conditions as delineated in Section 502.1 are satisfied

The Patitioner had the burden of adducing testimony and evidence which would show that the proposed use set the prescribed standards and requirements set forth in Section 502.1 of the B.C.Z.R. The Petitioner has 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 do not show that the proposed use at the partimles location described by Datitioner's Publish 1 would have any adverse impact above and beyond that inherently associated with such a specia No. exception use, ir spective of its location within the zone. Schultz v. Pritts, 432 A.2d 1319 (1981).

The proposed use will not be detrimental to the health, safety, or general welfare of the locality, nor tend to create connection in roads, streets, or alleys therein, nor be inconsistent with the paymoses of the property's zoning classification, nor in any other way be inconcistent with the spirit and intent of the B.C.Z.R.

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

As to the utilization of this property for an assisted living/

nursing care facility consisting of a two-story building housing 73 assisted living units and 22 nursing care beds, and the Petitioner's request for a modification of RTA requirements. I am satisfied that the Petitioner has met its burden and that the relief requested should be granted. However, the granting of this special exception is expressly contingent upon the Petitioner submitting all information deemed appropriate by the Director of Planning and Zoning to make a determination as to the compatibility of this facility with the surrounding community. In the event the D. rector of Planning and Zoning finds that this facility is not compatible with the surrounding community, then this matter shall be reset for another hearing before me so that the issue of compatibility may be fully litigated. In the event the Director of Planning and Zoning determines the facility is compatible, then there shall be no need for any further hearing on the matter. The information necessary for the Director to make a finding or this issue shall be submitted within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. Purthermore, a landscape plan shall be submitted for review and owal by the Landscape Architect for Baltimore County within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order.

Pursuant to the special exception relief sought, the Petitioner requested variances to RTA requirements applicable to the subject site. The Deputy Zoning Commissioner may, by special exception, notwithstanding Subparagraph 1801.18.1.b.7, modify or waive the residential transition area restrictions in cases where an elderly housing facility development would be severely or adversely affected by the restrictions set forth in Paragraph 1801.18.1.b, if the Deputy Zoning Commissioner determines that:

A. Compliance with all or part of the residential transition area restrictions will cause unreasonable hardship on the development:

The quality of the site design and amenities pro-vided would justify a modification or waiver of the residential transition area restrictions; and,

C. The development will not be detrimental to the use, peaceful enjoyment, economic value or development of surrounding properties and the general neighborhood. [Bill No. 36, 1988].

After due consideration of the testimony and evidence presented it is clear that practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship will remait if the variances, as modified herein, are not granted. It has been established that special circumstances or conditions exist that are peculiar to the land or structure which is the subject of this request and that the requirements from which the Petitioner seeks relief will unduly restrict the use of the land due to the special conditions unique to this perticular parcel. In addition, the relief requested will not cause any injury to the public health, safety or general welfare and is in strict harmony with the spirit and intent of the B.C.Z.R.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on these Petitions held, and for the reasons given above, the special exception and variances, as modified herein, should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Bultimore County this 6 day of December, 1994 that the Petition for Special Hearing to approve the utilization of density on a tract under common ownership but separated by a 4-foot unbuildable fee simple strip,

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition for Special Exception for on assist d living facility on the subject site and to modify or waive the are requirements set forth in the 3.C.Z.R. as follows: From Section 1801.1.8.1.b.2 to permit a building length of as much as 360 feet in lieu of the maximum permitted 130 feet; from Section 1801.1.8.1.b.3(a) to permit a rear setback of as close as 35 feet in lieu of the required 150 feet, a side methack of as close as 65 feet in lieu of the required 75 feet, and a parking setback of as close as 15 feet in lieu of the required 75 feet; and from Section 1801.1.8.1.b.3(b) to permit a rear buffer of 35 feet in lieu of the required 75 feet, a side buffer of 30 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet, and a parking buffer of 15 feet in lieu of the required 75 feet, be and the same is hereby GRANTED, subject to the following re-

- The relief granted herein is limited to the CRG approved two-story assisted livins/mursing care facility with a naximum capacity of \$\$ beds, or 7\$, assisted livinsy units and 22 norming care units. Within thirty (10) days of the date of this Ordor, the Petitioner shall subsit a revised site plan incorporating the modified relief granted herein.
- Within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order the Petitioner shall submit all information deeme appropriate to the Director of Planning and Zoning for a determination as to the compatibility of this facili a determination as to the compatibility of characteristy with the surrounding community. In the seval thirty of the Planning and Zoning finds that this facility is not compatible with the surrounding community then the matter shall be reset before me so that thissue of compatibility may be fully litigated. In the event that the Director of Planning and Zoning deter

mines that this facility is compatible, then there shall be no need for any further hearing.

A landscape plan shall be submitted for review and approval by the Landscape Architect for Baltimore County within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition for Special Exception to modify or waive the RTA requirements set forth in Section 1801.1.8.1.b of the B.C.Z.R. permit a building height of as much as 45 feet in lieu of the maximum permitted 35 feet, he and is hereby DENIED

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any appeal of this decision must be filed within thirty (30) days of the date that the Director of Planning and Zoning issues his written determination as to the compatibility of th proposed assisted living/nursing care facility on the surrounding communi ty, pursuant to Section 26-282 of the Baltimore County Code

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Appeal 94-293-SPHX (11 Stone Chapel Road)

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Honorable Timothy M. Kotroco, Esquire Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County Suite 112, Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 Re: Rocky Gorge at Grey Rock, L.P. and Rocky Gorge Communities, Inc., Petitioners Case No. 94-293-SPHX

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If there is anything further that your office or the Board needs, please notify us immediately and it will be forwarded. Thanking you and your staff for your kind attention to this appeal. I am with best regards of the season,

Respectfully, Menter Newton A. William

/vrs Mrs. Kathy Weidenhammer Administrative Assistant County Board of Appeals

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This office will ensure that the legal requirements for posting and advertising are satisfied. However, the potitioner is responsible for the coats associated with these requirements.

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Director Zoning Administration and Zoning Administration and Development Management Baltimbre County Office Building Towson, MD 21204 MAIL STOP-1105

RE: Property Owner: SEE BELOW LOCATION: SEE BELOW

Item No.: SEE BELOW Zoning Agenda

Fursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Bureau and the comments below are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property.

The Fire Prevention Bureau has no comments at this time, FOR THE FOLLOWING "ITEM NUMBERS": 285, 289, 291, 292, 293, 294 AND 298.



REVIEWER: LT. ROBERT P. SAUERWALD Fire Prevention, PHONE 887-4881, MS-1102F

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My telep vone number is ____410-333-1350 Maryland Relay Service for Impaired Hearing or Speech

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NOTICE OF HEARING

The Loning Commissioner of Baltimere Courty, by authority of the Loning let and Regulations of Baltimere Courty, will bold a public hearing on the property identified herein in Room 106 of the Courty Office Building, 111 W. Chesspeaks Reson in Towner, Navyland 21204

or Room 118, Old Courthouse, 400 Hashington Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204 as follows:

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(2) FOR INFORMATION CONCURRED THE FILE MAD/OR HEARING, FLEARE CALL 887-3391.

Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration

Ms. Charlotte Minton

Dear Ms. Minton

Zoning Administration and Development Management County Office Building

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February 23 1994

Benjamin Bronstein, Esquir Evans, George and Bronstein 29 West Susquehanna Avenue, Suite 205 Towson, Maryland 21204

Case No. 94-293-SPHX, Item No. 294
Petitioner: Rocky Gorge at Grey Rock Limited Partnership
Petitions for Special Hearing and Special Exception

The Zoning Plans Advisory Committee (ZAC) has reviewed the plans substituted with the shows referenced pertition. The attended comments from the toning action requested, but to assure that all parties, i.e., zoning commissioner, attorney and/or the petitioner, are made eware of plans or problems with repart to the proposed improvement that may have a bearing

Enclosed are all comments unbatted thus far from the nembers of 2Dc. that offer or expense information on your pattion. If editional comments are received from other members of 2Dc, 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 January 27, 1994, and a hearing was schebuled economically.

The following comments are related only to the filing of future goning petitions and are simed at expediting the petition filing process with the office and are simed at expediting the petition filing process

The director of Zoning Administration and Development Menosement has instituted a system whereby seasoned conting accorage the half appear of the Toning regulations and petitions filling requirements can file their petitions with this office without the necessity of a petilinary review by coming personnel.

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of a qualified forester to work with a landscape architect to develop a best management practice.

A limit of disturbance line shall be required on the final development plan around those areas designated for protection. This area must be fenced prior to grading or utility construction.

Nevelopers are encouraged to utilize natural features as a basis of design and to control the unnecessary destruction of this area's most valuable assets so as to enhance the ultimate design quality of the arms.

Cluster development shall be encouraged where appropriate as a means of preserving natural features.

E. Landscaping

1. Promenade

The Promenade is not only a primary part of the plan, but it is the element that makes this proposal unique in failthour County. The proposal properties of the properties of the properties of the properties of places to live and work, a well as to create an attractive gatemy to Pitzeville and to Onings Hills. The Promesade will vary in width from all to 10 feet on each seminate of the properties of the pr

The design of the Promenade should include the following guidelines

- The primary landscape will be provided by the planting of London Plane Trees (Sycamores) along the Reisterstown Road Corridor. The London Plane Tree thrives in an urban environ-ment, has a stately, almost repal appearance particularly when in double or triple rows parallel to the roadway.
- The path or sidewalk system should be at least ten feet wide and should be constructed with materials in keeping with the character of the area; e.g., brick pavers would be appropriate. Sidewalks should be allowed to meander within
- c. Light standards should be of uniform design throughout the entire corridor. Special design features such as stone or brick-faced retaining walls capped with slate or stone and built-in benches for pedestrians, possibly at bus stops, set into low-hedged seating areas should be built.

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Arnold Jablon, Director Zoning Administration 6

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

DATE: February 10, 1994

SUBJECT: 11 Stone Chapel Road INFORMATION:

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Petitioner: Rocky Gorge at Grey Rock, L.P. Rocky Gorge Communities, Inc.

Zoning: D.R. 3.5 Requested Action:

Hearing Date: SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Based upon a review of the information provided, staff offers the following com-

Prior to the issuance of building permits for the assisted living facility, staff requests the opportunity to review and approve architectural elevation drawings.

The Relaterstown Road Corridor Study calls for a landscaped promenade for this portion of Relaterstown Road. The plan states the purpose of the promenade is to live and the purpose of the promenade is to live and work, as well as to create an attractive gatesys to Pulsarian Staff supports the applicant's request provided that a landscaped promenade is provided (see attached).

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ZONING COMMISSIONER

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 717 - Baltimore, MD 21203-0717 Street Address: 707 North Calvert Street - Baltimore, Maryland 21202

It you have any questions, please contact Bob Small at 410-333-1350. Thank you for the opportunity to review this plan.

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Rocky Gorge at Grey Rock #11 Stone Chapel Way

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Special exception reques

February 23, 1994

This office has reviewed the plan for the referenced item and offer the following:

We have no objection to approval for the Special Hearing request to approve utilization of density on a tract of a 4" non-buildable fee strip, or the Special Exception for an assisted living facility and to modify or waive the RTA restriction.

However, our review of the plan reveals that the proposed coast whe side on DD 140 is not acceptable to the State Highway Administry (SEEA). Do not the interaction of MD 140 and Grop Rock Road, and in keeping with SEEA policy to limit access tooth State roadways, all access to this development should be from either Stone Chapel Way or firey Rock Road as a condition of plan appropriate Chapel Way or Grey Rock Road as a condition of plan approach.

Very truly yours,

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INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Arnold Jablon, Director Zoning Administration in Development Management

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

DATE: March 2, 1994

emater: 11 Stone Chapel Road

INFORMATION:

Item Number: Rocky Gorge at Grey Rock Pet it ioner:

D.R. 3.5 Requested Action: Mearing Date:

SUNMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

AMENDED COMMENT

Further review of the subject request raises the following questions: The Office of Planning and Zoning is not opposed to the proposed use for elderly assisted living on this site.

The 5.15 acre sits is somed D.R. 3.5 which only allows a density of 18.06 are sits in somed D.R. 3.5 which only allows a density of 18.06 are not one continuous land. He are opposed to my such request. Herefore, we believe the naximum density for this assisted living special exception is (18 4.02) Monetty white.

The accompanying plan indicates a maximum of three stories for the proposed building. We are opposed to any request for increased transit.

Prepared by: he hadden Division Chief: Caryl Lemm by / 11 - 19

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111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

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January 5, 1995

Benjamin Bronstein, Esquire 29 M. Susquehanna Avenue, Suite 205 Towson, ND 21204

RE: Petition for Special Hearing and Special Exception Relaters was Rood intersection with Mt. Wilson Lane (1) Store Chapel Rood) 3rd Councilmant District Rock Gorge at Grey Ronk, L.P., Rock Gorge Communities, Inc.-Petitioner Case No. 34-233-SPMX

Please be advised that an appeal of the above-referenced case was filed in this office on December 16, 1994 by Newton A Williams, Esquire on behelf of Nr. Williams / Carey. All materials relative to the case have been for

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Julie Miniarski at 887-3391.

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County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County OLD COURTHOUSE, ROOM 49

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12/06/94 -D.Z.C.'s Order in which Petitions for Special Meering is DISMISSED; Petition for Special Exception is GRANTED in pert and DEWIED in part.

ASSIGNED FOR: TUESDAY, MAY 9, 1995 at 10:00 s.m.
CCI Newton A. Williams, Esquire Counsel for Appellant /Protestant William P. Carey

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ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

CASE NO: 94-293-SPH) ROCKY G'RGE AT GREY ROCK, L.P. and

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Please enter the appearance of the People's Counsel in the above captioned matter. Notice should be sent of any hearing dates or other proceedings in this matter and of the passage of any preliminary or



Poder Mes Ben Peter Max Zimmerman People's Counsel for Baltimore County Ca 18/20

Carole S. Demilio Deputy People's Counsel Room 47, Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 (410) 887-2188

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT on this DY day of Folyman, 1994, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Benjamin Bronstein, Esq., 29 W. Susquehanna Avenue, Suite 205, Towson, ND 21204.

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Request Notification: Patrick Kaller, Director, Planning & Zoning Timothy M. Kotroco, Deputy Zoning Commission W. Carl Richards, Jr., Zoning Supervisor Docket Clerk Arnold Jablom, Director of ZADM

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Suite 112 Courthous 400 Washington Ave Towson, MD 21204

March 6, 1995

Benjamin Bronstein Evans, George and Bronstein 29 West Susquehanna Avenue, Suite 205 Towson, Maryland 21204

RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL MEASURE AND SPECIAL EXCEPTION MISS Besisterstoom Road at its intersection with Mt. Wilson Laws (1) Stone Chapel Load)
1rd Election District - 3rd Communicate District Rocky Gorge at Grey Rock, 1,7,
and Rocky Gorge Communities, Inc. - Petitioners Case No. 94-739-5882

Dear Mr. Bronstein:

I am in receipt of your letter dated Feorrary 13, 1995 in which you have requested that I defer the time required for your client to submit information to the Office of Planning and Zoning for a competibility finding. Given the latest developments involving your client's project, I agree with you that this time requirement should be deferred.

Therefore, Restriction No. 2 of my Order dated December 6, 1994 shall be extended until much time as the appeal before the Board of Appeals has been determined or a revised plan is submitted for review.

Should you have any questions on the subject, please feel free

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1/31/95 -Notice of Assignment for hearing scheduled for Tuesday, May 9, 1995 at 10:00 a.m. sent to following:

Newton A. Williams, Enquire William F. Carry William F. Carry William F. Carry F. Ca Newton A. Williams, Esquire

MEMORANDUM

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As you requested, I in restigated the distribution of density between the DR 3.5 and 10.5 zones to determine from which zone the dwelling units transferred to Phase III came. The breakdown within Phases I and II is as follows:

DE 11 7000 Area = 29.69 Ac. (does not include Phase III) Density Allowed = 104 Dwelling Units
Density Proposed = 157 Dwelling Units
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Total Excess 15 Dwelling Units (transferrable to Ph. III)

Area = 5.16 Ac.
Density Allowed = 18 Dwelling Units
Transferred Density = 15 Dwelling Units

Total, Ph. III = 33 Dwelling Units (132 Assisted Living Units)

The developers actually used less density within the DR 10.5 portion of the property than within the DR 3.5 portion. Density zoning, of course, allows this to happen.



February 13, 1995

The Honorable Timothy Kotroco Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue son. Maryland 21204

RE: Rocky Gorge at Grey Rock, L.P. and Rocky Gorge Community, Inc., Petitioners Case No.: 94-293

Dear Mr. Kotroco:

In your order of becember 8, 1994, you imposed restrictions on the grant of the special exception. Condition No. 2 required that the special exception. Condition No. 2 required that ill information desend necessary for a compactibility determination. An appeal was thereafter noted by Nolan, Pumbort and Illiam symmetrated that the special exception of the condition of the special exception of the third in the special exception of the third property. I suppose that in all probability to his adjoining property. I suppose that in all probability to the special exception of the there are not not provided that there are you are required under your order as well as proceed with a new special exception on the Catey Property.

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(410) 823-7800

TELEFAX (410) 296-2765

Re: Rocky Gorge at Grey Rock, L.P. and Rocky Gorge Communities, Inc., Petitioners Case No. 94-293-SPHX

On behalf of my client, Mr. William P. Carey, an aggrieved party mining the adjoining property at 17 Stone Chapel Road, please me an Appeal to the County Board of Appeals from your opinion and Order of December 6, 1994, and each and every part thereof.

Our check in the amount of \$460.00, representing \$250.00 to appeal the special exception, \$175.00 to appeal the special hearing, and \$35.00 to the Board of Appeals posting sign is enclosed.

Honorable Timothy M. Kotroco, Esquire Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County Suite 112, Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue

Towson, Maryland 21204

December 9, 1994

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November 23, 1994

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The Honorable Timothy Kotroco Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore Country Courthouse 400 Mashington Avenue Towson, Maryland 2:204

RE: Petition for Special Exception and Special Hearing Booky Gorge at Gray Rock Case No.: 94-292-8FEE

Dear Mr. Kotroco:

On behalf of the developer, Rocky Gorge at Grey Rock, L.P. and Rocky Gorge Communities, Inc., please withdraw the Petition for Special Hearing filed in the above entitled case. I would appreciate your ruling on the Petition for Special Exception for an assisted living facility and modification of the RTA restriction.

By withdrawing the Request for Special Hearing the maximum number of units permitted under the special exception is 72 in a 2-story building in lieu of a 120 units in a 3-story building within the same building envelope.

NOLAN, PLUMBOFF & WILLIAMS

SUITE 700, COURT TOWER

TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204-5340

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March 10, 1994

Some further thoughts regarding The Rocky Gorge Request for Density Transfer. Special Exception for Assisted Living Units and Numerous RTA Variances Came No.: 94-293-SPHX

As I told you at the close of the case, the shortness of time did not allow my clients and me to adequately research this matter prior to the Hearing held on March 3, 1994.

As you will recall, a key issue revolves around whether the 5 scre tract proposed for this Assisted Living Unit can utilize density from other portions of the tract. Me respectfully submit that the answer is clearly that it cannot under the Regulations, and it should not under common sense

In carefully reviewing the Daft, McCune 5 Walker plat, which I believe is Petitioner's Exhibit 1, please note that 2 120 assisted living unit facility at one quarter density unit per bed requires 30 density units for it to be built. This parcel alone can at best support only 18 density units.

Recall that Protestant's Exhibit 2, the 18 townhouse units approved by the CRG requires <u>only</u> 18 density units, which is equal to 3.5, the zoning times the gross acreage of 5.16. Also, the 18 townhouses could be built with <u>no</u> RTA variances according to Mr. Maile's testimony.

Honorable Timothy M. Kotrcco, Esquire Deputy Zoning Commissioner Court House Towson, Maryland 21204

Dear Commissioner Kotroco:

Thank you for your kind consideration and prompt attention to this matter.

Very truly yours, EVANS, GEORGE AND BRONSTEIN

JAMES D NOLA

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BB/mlg cc: Newton Williams, Esquire

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The Honorable Timothy Kotroco Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore Country Courthouse 400 Mashington Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

RE: Petition for Special Exception and Special Hearing Rocky Gorge at Gray Rock Case No.: 94-192-8FRE

Dear Mr. Kotroco:

Enclosed is a Reply Memorandum in Support of Requested Zoning Relief for filing on behalf of Rocky Gorge in reference to the above entitled case.

Thank you for your kind consideration and attention to this matter.

PLUMBOFF & WILLIAM

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March 8, 1995

Re: Rocky Gorge at Grey Rock, LP Case No. 94-293-SPRX, Scheduled for Tuesday, May 9, 1995 at 10:00 a.m. DISMISSAL OF APPEAL

On behalf of my client, Mr. Willism P. Carey, please dismiss our earlier appeal in the above entitled matter. Enclosed herewith is a formal Order of Diamissal which I am forwarding to all parties concerned. Thanking you and your staff for your kind attention to this matter, I am

Respectfully,

Newton a. Williams

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The Honorable William T. Hackett, Chairman County Board of Appeals Court House Towson, Maryland 21204

TELEFAX 14101 296-2765

Very truly yours, EVANS, GEORGE AND BRONSTEIN

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June 23, 1994

The Honorable Timothy Kotroco Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County Courthouse 400 Mamhington Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

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Enclosed is a Memorandum for filing on behalf of Rocky Gorge in reference to the above entitled case. Thank you for your kind consideration and attention to this

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Dear Mr. Williams

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cc: Benjamin Bronstein, Esquire Counsel for Rocky Gorge

Dear Chairman Hackett:

Mr. William P. Carey W.P. Carey Co., Inc. Daniel O'C. Tracy, Jr., Esquire Venable, Baetjer and Howard

Robert A. Hoffman, Esquire Venable, Baetjer and Howard

Ms. Lisa Benjamin Rocky Gorge

If there is anything further that your office or the Board needs, please notify us immediately and it will be forwarded. Thanking you and your staff for your kind attention to this appeal, I am with best regards of the season, Respectfully, newton Newton A. Williams

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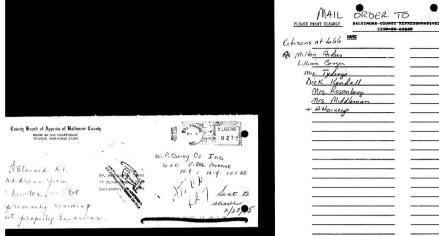
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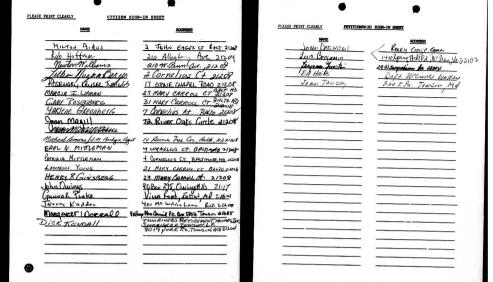
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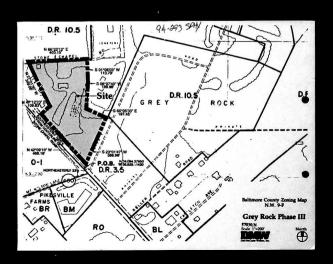
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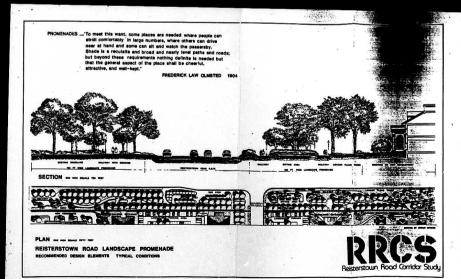
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EDMUND F. HAILE



Ed Haile has extensive experience in engineering administration and management in both governmental and privals service. He is recognized as an expert in county policies and procedures, particularly in the public works area. He manages large development projects from inception in the office to completion in the field.

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Goucher College Trustee, 1978 - Present Metropolitan Manpower Consortium Private Industry Council Chairman, 1979 - 1981

Old St. Paul's Episcopal Church Vestry, 1980 - Pre Maryland Chamber of Commerce Vice President & Director 1980 - 1981 Baltimore Symphony Orchestra Director, 1980 - 1982

MICKEY A. CORNELIUS

Mickey Cornelius is a registered Professional Engineer with over ten years experience in the Highway Transportation and Traffic Engineering profession. He has served as a consulting traffic engineer for more than eight years. His experience in both the public and private sectors has provided Mr. Cornelius with a broad range of knowledge.

Mr. Cornelius is responsible for managing all aspects of the firm's traffic engineering and transportation planning studies. His experience in traffic engineering and transportation planning includes traffic capacity analysis, traffic forecasting and associated modeling.

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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND B.S. in Civil Engineering with emphasis in Transportation — The Pennsylvania State University Traffic Engineering Courses: Northwestern University Traffic Institute; Polytechnic Institute of New York

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Master Plan analysis, needs analysis, development of alternatives, geometric design, operations analysis, parking and circulation, traffic signal wa rant studies, traffic signal design, traffic control plans, Transportation Systems Management and Travel Demand Management evaluations.

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March 3, 1994

Hr. Benjamin Bronstein Evans, George and Bronstein 29 W. Busquehana Avenue Towson, Maryland 21209

Re: Assisted Living Facilities

On Friday, Fobruary 25, 1994, you and I priefly discussed the need for assisted living facilities for the elderly in Baltimore County.

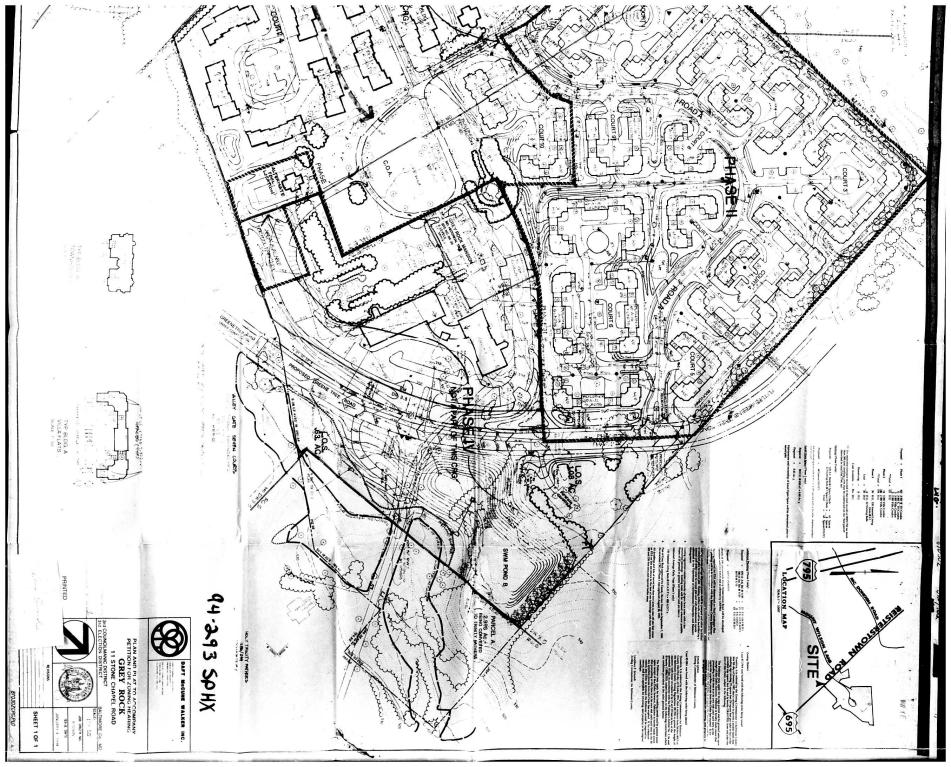
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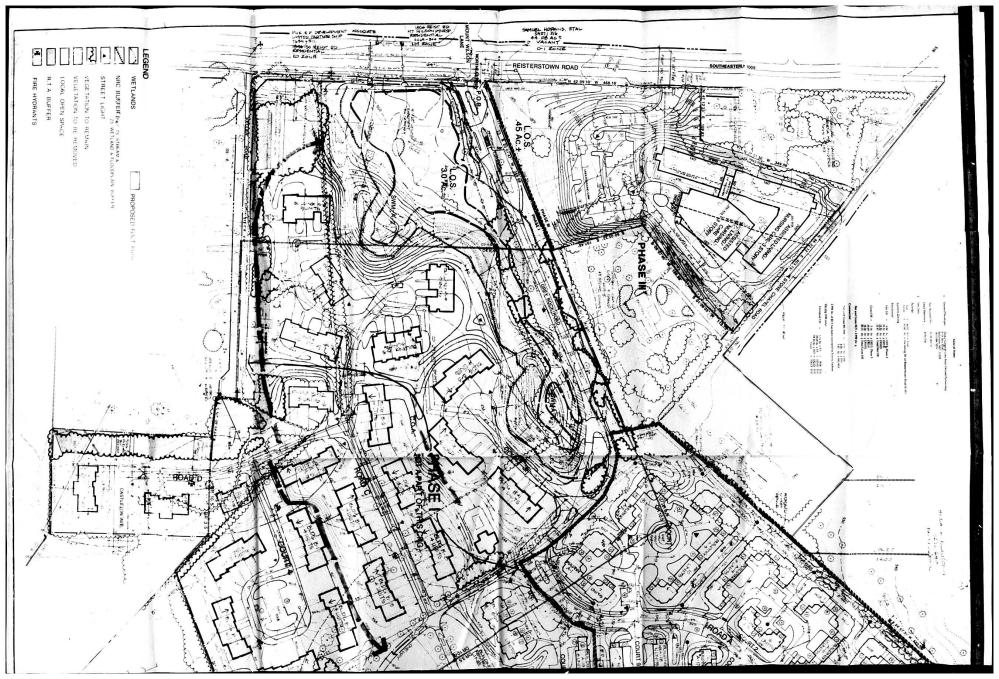
Please understand that this letter pertains to the need for this type of housing County-wide and does not express support from this office or department for a specific zoning or development matter. Please cell se if you have any questions.

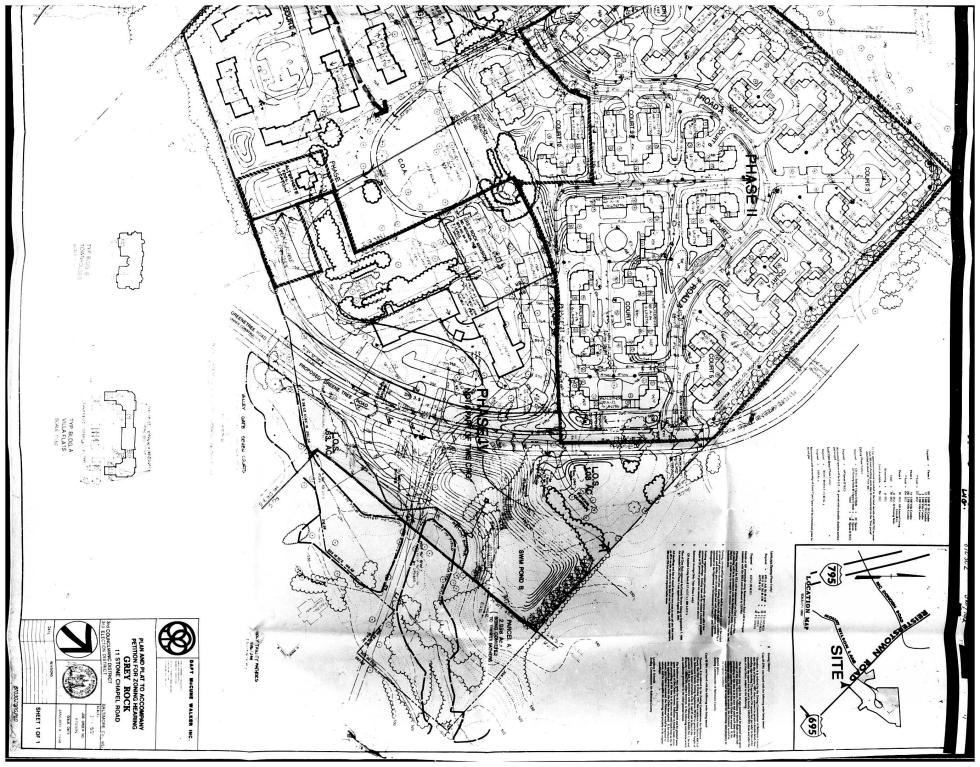


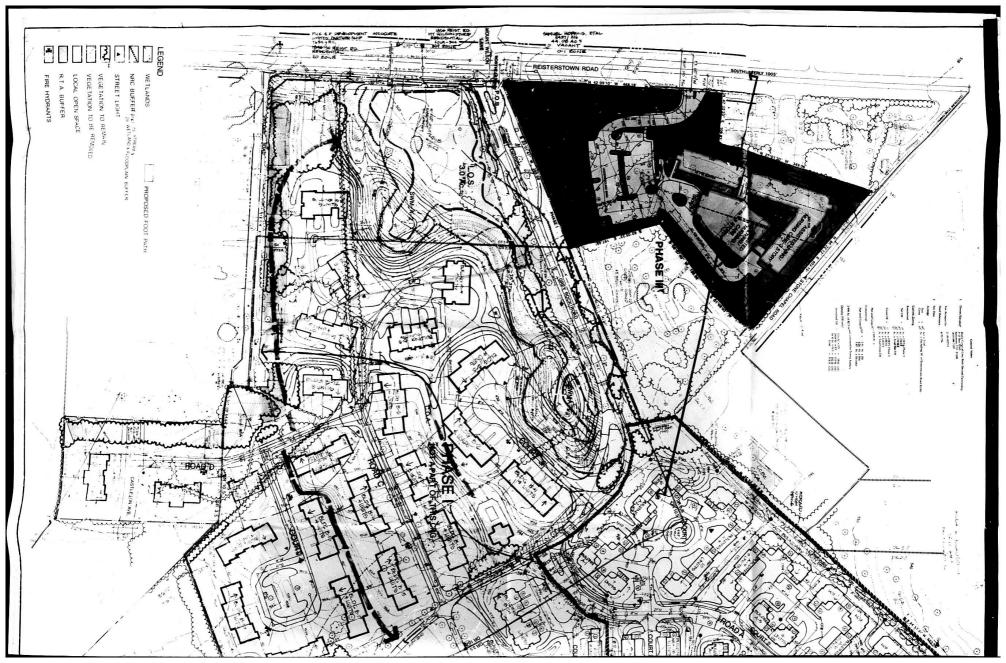
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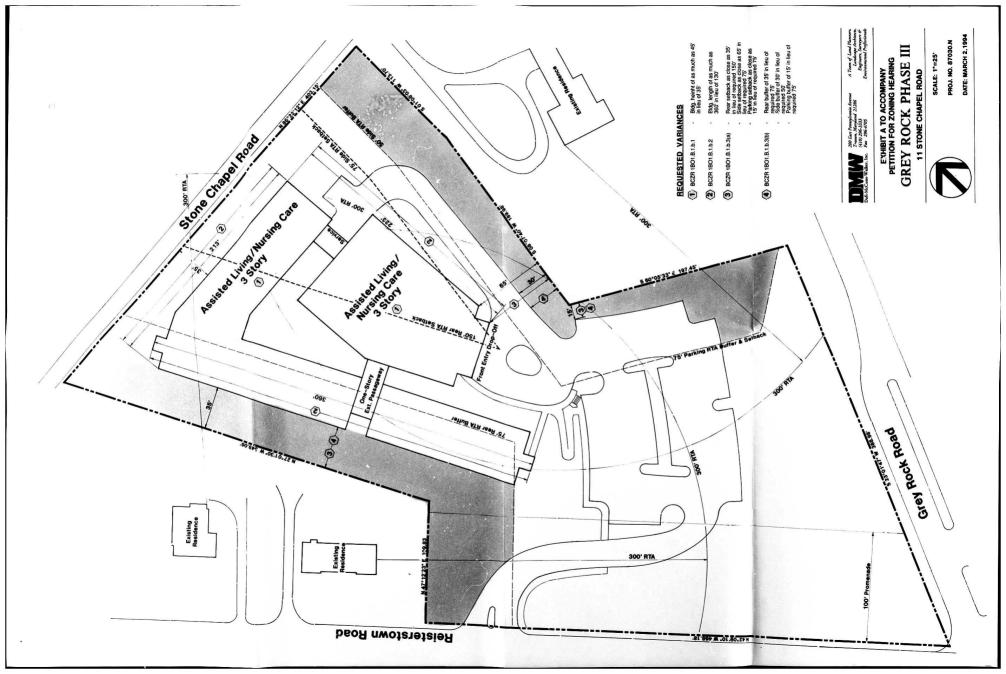
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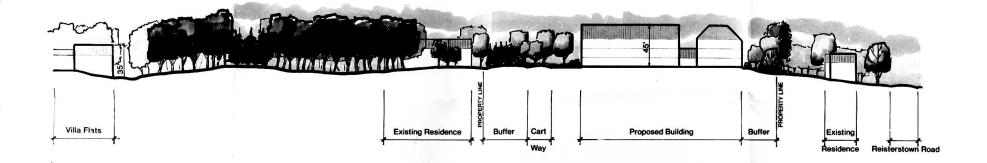














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EXHIBIT C TO ACCOMPANY PETITION FOR ZONING HEARING

GREY ROCK PHASE III

11 STONE CHAPEL ROAD

SCALE: 1"=30"

PROJ. NO. 87030.N

DATE: MARCH 2, 1994

