IN RE: PETITION FOR ZONING VARIANCE \*

BEFORE THE

S/S Annadale Road, 171 ft. +/from c/l Tabasco Road \*

ZONING COMMISSIONER

3833 Annadale Road

15th Election District

OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

7th Councilmanic District

John F. Gemma. et ux \* Case No. 97-290-A

Petitioners

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### FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This matter comes before the Zoning Commissioner as a Petition for Variance for the property at 3833 Annadale Road and located adjacent to Bear Creek in eastern Baltimore County. The Petition is filed by Jonathan F. Gemma and Judy L. Gemma, property owners. Variance relief is requested from Section 400.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR) to allow an accessory structure (shed) to be located in the front yard with a 0 ft. setback, in lieu of the required rear yard, and a minimum setback of 2-1/2 ft. The subject property and requested relief are more particularly shown on the plat to accompany the Petition for Variance, marked as Petitioners' Exhibit No. 1.

Appearing at the public hearing held for this case was Jonathan F.

Gemma, property owner. There were no Protestants or other interested persons present.

Testimony and evidence offered was that the subject property is approximately 7182 sq. ft. in area, zoned D.R.5.5. This is a rectangularly shaped lot, roughly 67 ft. in width by 115. ft. in depth. The property is improved with a single family dwelling which Mr. and Mrs. Gemma reside. This is a waterfront property on Bear Creek. The dwelling contains an attached deck which faces the water and a gravel driveway which leads from Annadale Road. The site also features an 8 ft. x 12 ft. shed, which is the subject of this hearing. As shown on the site place and photographs submitted at the hearing, the shed is located on that part of the

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property between the house and the road. Under the BCZR, in most cases, that would be considered the front yard. However, owing to the uniqueness of waterfront properties, this part of the subject property should be considered the rear yard. It has been consistently held by this Zoning Commissioner that the front yard of waterfront lots is that portion of the property between the water and the house. This is so because most houses are directed towards the water. I find no reason to deviate from that accepted interpretation in this case, in that the house on the lot is clearly oriented towards the water. Thus, variance relief to permit the shed to be located in the front yard is unnecessary, in that I find that the shed is located in the rear yard.

However, variance relief must be obtained from the setback regulation. In this regard, photographs show that the shed immediately abuts the property line which separates the subject lot from the property known as 3835 Annadale Road. A letter was submitted at the hearing from Dennis Kotova, the owner of that lot, indicating that he has no objection to the shed's location.

Mr. Gemma testified that the shed was necessary to provide additional storage. He believes that the shed's location is most appropriate in that same causes little environmental impact and does not detract from his view of the water. Moreover, the location of the shed does not block the driveway or interfere with sight distance along Annadale Road.

Based upon the testimony and evidence presented, all of which was uncontradicted, I am persuaded to grant the Petition for Variance. In my judgment, the location of the shed as shown is most appropriate for the reasons set forth above.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the relief requested should be granted.

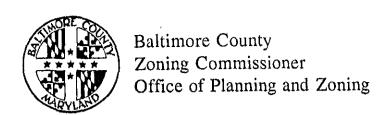
THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this Aday of February 1997 that a variance from Section 400.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR) to allow an accessory structure (shed) to be located in the front yard, in lieu of the rear yard, be and is hereby DISMISSED AS MOOT; and,

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a variance from Section 400.1 of the BCZR to allow an accessory structure (shed) with a 0 ft. setback, in lieu of the required setback of 2-1/2 ft., be and is hereby GRANTED, subject, however, to the following restrictions:

- 1. The Petitioners are hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at their own risk until such time as the 30 day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed, the Petitioners would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said property to its original condition.
- 2. Compliance with the ZAC comments submitted by DEPRM dated January 29, 1997, (attached hereto) are adopted in their entirety and made a part of this Order.

LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

LES/mmn



Suite 112, Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 (410) 887-4386

February 25, 1997

Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan F. Gemma 3833 Annadale Road Baltimore, Maryland 21222

RE: Case No. 97-290-A

Petition for Zoning Variance Property: 3833 Annadale Road

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Gemma:

Enclosed please find the decision rendered in the above captioned case. The Petition for Variance has been granted, in accordance with the attached Order.

In the event the decision rendered is unfavorable to any party, please be advised that any party may file an appeal within thirty (30) days of the date of the Order to the County Board of Appeals. If you require additional information concerning filing an appeal, please feel free to contact our Appeals Clerk at 887-3353.

Very truly yours,

Lawrence E. Schmidt Zoning Commissioner

LES:mmn att.

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### to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

for the property located at 3833 ANNACAIC Rd

which is presently zoned

This Petition shall be filed with the Office of Zoning Administration & Development Management.

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) 400.1, BCZR

To allow an accessory structure (shed) to be located in the front yard and zero foot setback in lieu of the required rear yard and minimum setback of 2-1/2 feet.

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

To be desirased at hearing

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 filling 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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Contract Purchaser/Lessee:			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):



ZONING DESCRIPTION FOR 3833 ANNADATE ROAD BESWARE AT A POINT ON The SOUTH SIDE Side OF 3833 ANNALALERS which is 171.85 FEET MEASURED GASTERLY FROM THE EAST SIDE OF TABASCO ROAD wide AT The distance of 20 FEET Annadale CONTERTINE OF THE WEAREST IMPROVE ( INSECTING STREET MATHET Rd wide. Boing LOT# 34 which is 40 FOETHER in the subdivision of Annadale SOCTION & Block 2, 8 as Recorded in BAIHIMORE COUNTY PLAT BOOKE WIFE 8, FUILT 34 CONTAINING 9,900 S.F. Also KNOWN AS 3833 AWNACALE Rd.
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Hearing: Thursday, February
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118-Old Courthouse. (Item 290)
3833 Annadale Road, 1711+ Case: #97-290-A

Zoning Commissioner for Battimore County
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Development Processing County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

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### ZONING HEARING ADVERTISING AND POSTING REQUIREMENTS & PROCEDURES

Baltimore County zoning regulations require that notice be given to the general public/neighboring property owners relative to property which is the subject of an upcoming zoning hearing. For those petitions which require a public hearing, this notice is accomplished by posting a sign on the property (responsibility of which, lies with the petitioner/applicant) and placement of a notice in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the County.

This office will ensure that the legal requirements for advertising are satisfied. However, the petitioner is responsible for the costs associated with this requirement.

Billing for legal advertising, due upon receipt, will come from and should be remitted directly to the newspaper.

NON-PAYMENT OF ADVERTISING FEES WILL STAY ISSUANCE OF ZONING ORDER.

ARNOLD JABLON, DIRECTOR
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PLEASE FORWARD ADVERTISING BILL TO:
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### CERTIFICATE POSTING

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	Petitioner/Developer:
	John Gemma
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Baltimore County Department of Permits and Development Management County Office Building, Room 111 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204	•
Attention: Ms. Gwendolyn Stephens	
Ladies and Gentlemen:	
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	Case No.: 97-290 -A
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DATE AND TIME:

REQUEST: To allow an accessory structure (shed)

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Setback in lieu of the required rear yard

and minimum setback of 21/2 ft.

POSTPONEMENTS DUE TO WEATHER OR OTHER CONDITIONS ARE SOMETIMES NECESSARY.

THE ZONING COMMISSIONER IN TOWSON, MD

DO NOT REMOVE THIS SIGN AND POST UNTIL DAY OF HEARING UNDER PENALTY OF LAW

TO CONFIRM HEARING CALL 887-3391.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore
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Room 105 of the County Office Building, 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson, Maryland 21204

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

CASE NUMBER: 97-290-A (Item 290)
3833 Annadale Road
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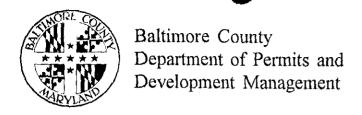
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HEARING: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1997 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 118, Old Courthouse.

LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT ZONING COMMISSIONER FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

NOTES: (1) HEARINGS ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE; FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CALL 887-3353.

(2) FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING THE FILE AND/OR HEARING, PLEASE CALL 887-3391.



Development Processing County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

January 24, 1997

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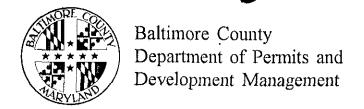
Director

cc: Jonathan and Judy Gemma

bcc: Joe Ernstberger

NOTES: (1) YOU MUST HAVE THE ZONING NOTICE SIGN POSTED ON THE PROPERTY BY FEB. 5, 1997.

- (2) HEARINGS ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE; FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CALL 887-3353.
- (3) FOR INFORMATION CONCERING THE FILE AND/OR HEARING, CONTACT THIS OFFICE AT 887-3391.



Development Processing County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

February 18, 1997

Mr. and Mrs. Jonathon Gemma 3833 Annadale Road Baltimore, MD 21222

RE: Item No.: 290

Case No.: 97-290-A

Petitioner: Jonathon Gemma, et ux

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Gemma:

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC), which consists of representatives from Baltimore County approval agencies, has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition, which was accepted for processing by Permits and Development Management (PDM), Zoning Review, on January 13, 1997.

Any comments submitted thus far from the members of ZAC that offer or request information on your petition are attached. These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties (zoning commissioner, attorney, petitioner, etc.) are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed improvements that may have a bearing on this case. Only those comments that are informative will be forwarded to you; those that are not informative will be placed in the permanent case file.

If you need further information or have any questions regarding these comments, please do not hesitate to contact the commenting agency or Roslyn Eubanks in the zoning office (887-3391).

Sincerely, Cont Price - >

W. Carl Richards, Jr. Zoning Supervisor

WCR/re
Attachment(s)



### BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

### DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

### INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Mr. Arnold Jablon, Director

January 29, 1997

Zoning Administration and Development Management

FROM:

R. Bruce Seeley

DEPRM

SUBJECT:

Zoning Item #290 - Gemma Property

3833 Annadale Road

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of January 27, 1997

The Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management offers the following comments on the above-referenced zoning item:

### Environmental Impact Review

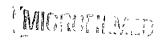
Development of this property must comply with the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Regulations (Sections 26-436 through 26-461, and other Sections, of the Baltimore County Code).

The entire property is located in the 100 foot buffer to Bear Creek. A Critical Area Administrative Variance must be submitted and approved prior to building permit issuance; such a variance is approvable.

RBS:sp

c: Jonathan and Judy Gemma

GEMMA/DEPRM/TXTSBP



### Baltimore County Government Fire Department



700 East Joppa Road Towson, MD 21286-5500 Office of the Fire Marshal

January 27, 1997

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

RE: Property Owner: SEE BELOW

Location: DISTRIBUTION MEETING OF JAN. 27, 1997.

Item No.: SEE BELOW Zoning Agenda:

Gentlemen:

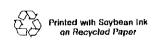
Pursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Bureau and the comments below are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property.

8. The Fire Marshal's Office has no comments at this time, IN REFERENCE TO THE FOLLOWING ITEM NUMBERS: 271, 287, 288, 289, 290, 292, 293, 294, 295 AND 297.

REVIEWER: LT. ROBERT P. SAUERWALD

Fire Marshal Office, PHONE 887-4881, MS-1102F

cc: File



### BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

### INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

**DATE:** January 29, 1997

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

Permits and Development

Management

FROM:

Pat Keller, Director

Office of Planning

SUBJECT:

Petitions from Zoning Advisory Committee

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The Office of Planning has no comments on the following petition(s):

Item Nos. 271, 287, 289, 290, 293, and 294

If there should be any further questions or if this office can provide additional information, please contact Jeffrey Long in the Office of Planning at 887-3495.

Prepared by:

Division Chief:

PK/JL

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### BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

### INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

Date: February 10, 1997

Department of Permits & Development

Management

More Robert W. Bowling, Chief
Development Plans Review Division

SUBJECT:

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

for February 3, 1997

Item Nos. 271, 289, 290, & 293

The Development Plans Review Division has reviewed the subject zoning item, and we have no comments.

RWB:HJO:jrb

cc: File



David L. Winstead Secretary Parker F Williams Administrator

Ms. Roslyn Eubanks
Baltimore County Office of
Permits and Development Management
County Office Building, Room 109
Towson, Maryland 21204

RE: Baltimore County 1.24.97

Item No. Zoo (JRF)

Dear Ms. Eubanks:

This office has reviewed the referenced item and we have no objection to approval as it does not access a State roadway and is not affected by any State Highway Administration projects.

Please contact Larry Gredlein at 410-545-5606 if you have any questions.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this item.

Very truly yours,

P. J. Hredle Ronald Burns, Chief

**Engineering Access Permits** 

Division

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d Hearing or Speech

My telephone number is \_\_

### BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

### INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Carl W. Richards
Zoning Coordinator

January 14, 1997

FROM: James H. Thompson -LJW

Zoning Enforcement Coordinator

RE: Item No. 97/1756 270

VIOLATION CASE # C-97/1756 LOCATION OF VIOLATION 3833 ANNADALE RD DEFENDANT JOHN & JUDY GEMMA ADDRESS 3833 ANNADALE RD,21222

Please be advised that the aforementioned petition is the subject of an active violation case. When the petition is scheduled for a public hearing, please notify the following persons:

NAME & ADDRESS

JOE ERNSTBERGER 3830 ANNADALE ROAD, 21222

After the public hearing is held, please send a copy of the Zoning Commissioner's Order to the Zoning Enforcement Coordinator, so that the appropriate action may be taken relative to the violation case.

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\* OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

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### ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

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 final Order.

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Peter Max Zimmerman

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People's Counsel for Baltimore County

CAROLE S. DEMILIO
Deputy People's Counsel
Room 47, Courthouse
400 Washington Avenue
Towson, MD 21204
(410) 887-2188

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 20 day of February, 1997, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Jonathan F. and Judy I. Gemma, 3833 Annadale Road, Baltimore, MD 21222, Petitioners.

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December 27, 1996

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

own, and reside at, the property located at 3835 Annadale Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21222.

In reference to the shed on the property owned by Jonathon and Judy Gemma located at 3833 Annadale Road, I hereby declare that I have no objection to the shed's present location on the Gemma's property and I understand that the shed is not located the suggested distance of two and one-half feet from my property line. I also declare that IF the shed is relocated on the Gemma property to a location between our two houses and setting against the house wall of 3833 Annadale Road, Lagain have no objection to the shed's proposed location and understand that the shed would be less than the suggested distance of two and one-half feet from my property line.

Signature

