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IN RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING *

AND VARIANCE - N/S Benson Avenue,

75' W of Benson Court (4802 Benson Avenue)

13th Election District

1st Councilmanic District

Paul G. Fischer, Sr.

Petitioner

BEFORE THE

DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER

OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

Case No. 98-171-SPHA

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AMENDED FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

WHEREAS, this matter came before this Deputy Zoning Commissioner for consideration of Petitions for Special Hearing and Variance filed by the owner of the subject property, Paul G. Fischer, Sr., seeking approval of an open air pavilion for seasonal, live entertainment, as an accessory use to the existing tavern on the subject property, and variance relief to parking and area setback requirements, pursuant to the site plan submitted and accepted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

By Order issued January 6, 1998, the relief requested was granted, subject to certain terms and restrictions.

As noted in my Opinion, I had received a letter of complaint from Mr. George E. Miller, Jr., a nearby resident of the area, on January 5, 1998. Attached to his letter was a Petition of opposition which had been signed by several of his neighbors. In addition, subsequent to the issuance of my Order, this Office received a telephone call from Ms. Shirley Mendez, President of the Violetville Community Association, who indicated that she was not advised of the rescheduled hearing date in this matter. A review of the case file indicated that this matter was originally scheduled to be heard on December 2, 1997; was postponed to December 12, 1997; and again postponed to December 16, 1997, at which time it was heard in

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its entirety. Apparently, due to the unique location of this property, surrounding residential property owners were not aware that a hearing was taking place until after the fact, and as such, were not able to participate at the hearing held on December 16, 1997.

Consequently, after further review of the case file, Mr. Miller's correspondence, which I have treated as a request for modification of my decision, and Ms. Mendez' inquiry concerning this matter, I felt compelled to reconsider my decision in this matter and determined that additional restrictions should be imposed upon the Petitioner to address all of the comunity concerns. In lieu of scheduling this matter for a continued hearing, I have revised Revision No. 2 of my original Order and offer the following additional comments with regard to the issue of noise.

Initially, I planned to require that the Petitioner install a sound barrier wall on the side of the pavilion itself. Upon discussing this matter with Mr. Fischer, I learned that it would not be feasible to erect a sound barrier wall on the side of the pavilion, given that when outdoor entertainment is provided, it is usually set up within the pavilion itself, which forces many patrons to sit outside beyond the pavilion. The wall would then prevent those patrons from viewing the entertainment. I then made a site visit to the property to determine the logistics of requiring a sound barrier wall and observed that construction was taking place on an office/warehouse building on the adjacent property which may act as a sound barrier for the subject pavilion.

After discussing this matter further with the Petitioner, it was determined that the issue of noise cannot be effectively resolved until live entertainment resumes in the spring, at which time I will make another

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inspection of the property during the time that such live entertainment is taking place. Therefore, the issue of noise shall remain open until after my inspection of the subject property and surrounding community during the time of such live entertainment to determine what, if any, conditions and restrictions should be imposed upon the Petitioner to address the issue of noise emanating from his establishment.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this // day of February, 1998 that the Order issued January 6, 1998 shall be AMENDED to revise Restriction No. 2 thereof as follows:

"2) Use of the pavilion for outdoor entertainment shall be limited to Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings, only. Furthermore, outdoor entertainment shall only be permitted between Memorial Day Weekend and Labor Day Weekend of any given year. The use of loudspeaker systems, including visiting DJ's and live bands, shall cease at 11:00 PM on Thursday evenings, and 12:30 AM on Fridays and Saturdays, excepting the Memorial Weekend and Labor Day Weekend Holidays, at which time Sunday evening hours will be permitted, but must also cease by 12:30 AM."

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the issue of noise emanating from the subject property shall be preserved until late spring when live entertainment resumes. The Deputy Zoning Commissioner shall make a site inspection of the property during a live entertainment performance, after which, a second amended Order shall be issued to address the issue of noise.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all other terms and conditions of the Order issued January 6, 1998 shall remain in full force and effect. As in all zoning cases, in the event any party is dissatisfied with my decision in this matter, you have the right to file an appeal to the County Board

of Appeals, provided you do so within thirty (30) days of the date of this Amended Order.

TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO

Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

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cc: Mr. Paul G. Fischer, Sr. 4802 Benson Avenue, Baltimore, Md. 21227

Mr. William P. Monk

222 Bosley Avenue, C-6, Towson, Md. 21204

Mr. George E. Miller, Jr.

5102 Arbutus Avenue, Baltimore, Md. 21227

Ms. Shirley Mendez

1115 Pine Heights Avenue, Baltimore, Md. 21229

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Appearing at the hearing on behalf of the Petitions were Paul G. Fischer, Sr., property owner, and William B. Monk, expert Land Planning and Zoning Consultant. There were no Protestants or other interested persons present.

Testimony and evidence offered revealed that the subject property consists of a gross area of 1.122 acres, more or less, zoned M.L.-I.M. and is improved with a one-story stucco tavern, known as the Fish Bowl Inn, a 12' x 24' block building and two fishing ponds. The property is located in the middle of an industrial park and is bordered by industrial uses. The Petitioner has owned and operated a bar from the subject property for the past 16 years. Prior to Mr. Fisher's ownership of the property, the bar was known as Elgerts Bar for 40 or 50 years. The Petitioner is desirous of expanding the uses on the property and recently constructed an open pavilion to the rear of the tavern building to provide an outdoor eating/ Apparently, when the Petitioner updated his liquor license sitting area. to include the pavilion area, the Zoning Office became aware of the change to his property, thereby necessitating the instant Petition process. The Petitioner testified that the pavilion is only used on weekends during the summer months when weather permits outdoor activities. As a result of the new pavilion and use thereof, the requested special hearing relief is Furthermore, the requested variances are needed to legitimize necessary. those buildings which have existed on the property for many years.

While no one appeared in opposition to the Petitioner's request, I received a letter of complaint from Mr. George E. Miller, Jr., dated December 31, 1997. Attached to his letter was a Petition of opposition signed by several of Mr. Miller's neighbors. Mr. Miller pointed out some problems concerning noise associated with the use of the outdoor pavilion

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as well as patrons who leave the bar at 2:00 AM and speed down residential streets. Mr. Miller noted that patrons drive in excess of the speed limit, throw trash and debris throughout the neighborhood, and on occasion, have stopped to urinate on the roadsides. Mr. Miller also indicated that none of his neighbors knew of the hearing, even though the property was properly posted and advertised. While Mr. Miller raises legitimate concerns, I do not believe it is necessary to reconvene the hearing. However, I believe it is appropriate to address Mr. Miller's concerns by way of conditions and restrictions which will be imposed upon the Petitioner at the end of this Order. Should the citizens who have signed the Petition of opposition attached to Mr. Miller's letter feel aggrieved by this decision, they may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals for a new hearing.

An area variance may be granted where strict application of the zoning regulations would cause practical difficulty to the Petitioner and his property. McLean v. Soley, 270 Md. 208 (1973). To prove practical difficulty for an area variance, the Petitioner must meet the following:

- whether strict compliance with requirement would unreasonably prevent the use of the property for a permitted purpose or render conformance unnecessarily burdensome;
- 2) whether a grant of the variance would do a substantial justice to the applicant as well as other property owners in the district or whether a lesser relaxation than that applied for would give sufficient relief; and,
- 3) whether relief can be granted in such fashion that the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and public safety and welfare secured.

Anderson v. Bd. of Appeals, Town of Chesapeake Beach, 22 Md. App. 28 (1974).

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After due consideration of the testimony and evidence presented, I am persuaded to grant the special hearing and variance relief requested. As noted above, a tavern business has existed on the subject property for many years. Moreover, it is clear from the testimony that the pavilion is accessory to the tavern and will only be used when weather permits. In addition, the Petitioner testified that he has an agreement to use his neighbors' properties for overflow parking when the need arises. Thus, he obviously has a good relationship with adjoining property owners. Furthermore, the granting of the relief requested, subject to the restrictions imposed hereinafter, will not result in any injury to the public health, safety or general welfare, and meets the spirit and intent of the B.C.Z.R.

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

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this day of January, 1998 that the Petition for Special Hearing to approve an open air pavilion for seasonal, live entertainment, as an accessory use to the existing tavern on the property, in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit 1, be and is hereby GRANTED; and,

relief from Section 409.6.A.2 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit the existing tavern (primary use) to be located 3.3' from the front property line on Benson Court and 27 feet from the side property line in lieu of the required 25 feet and 30 feet, respectively, pursuant to Sections 255.1 and 238 of the B.C.Z.R.; to permit the existing parkings spaces, Nos. 4 through 10, to be located within the existing private access and utility easement on Benson Court; to permit two build-

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- 1) The Petitioner may apply for his building permit and be granted same upon receipt of this Order; however, the Petitioner is hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at his own risk until the 30-day appeal period from the date of this Order has expired. If an appeal is filed and this Order is reversed, the relief granted herein shall be rescinded.
- 2) Use of the pavilion for outdoor entertainment shall be limited to Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings, only. Furthermore, outdoor entertainment shall only be permitted between Memorial Day Weekend and Labor Day Weekend of any given year. The use of loudspeaker systems, including visiting DJ's and live bands, shall cease at 12:30 AM on those nights when such activity is permitted.
- 3) The use of the subject property shall strictly adhere to all noise ordinances. Should excessive noise emanate from the subject property, the neighborhood residents are advised to contact the Baltimore County Police.
- 4) When applying for a building permit, the site plan filed must reference this case and set forth and address the restrictions of this Order.

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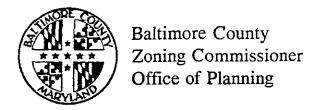
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Suite 405, County Courts Bldg. 401 Bosley Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 410-887-4386

January 6, 1998

Mr. Paul G. Fischer, Sr. 4802 Benson Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21227

RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING AND VARIANCE
N/S Benson Avenue, 75' W of Benson Court
(4802 Benson Avenue)
13th Election District - 1st Councilmanic District
Paul G. Fischer, Sr. - Petitioner
Case No. 98-171-SPHA

Dear Mr. Fischer:

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

In the event any party finds the decision rendered is unfavorable, any party may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on filing an appeal, please contact the Zoning Administration and Development Management office at 887-3391.

Very truly yours,

TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO

Deputy Zoning Commissioner

for Baltimore County

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cc: Mr. William P. Monk

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Petition for Special Hearing

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

for the property located at

4802 Benson Avenue

which is presently zoned

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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 Special Hearing under Section 500 7 of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to determine whether or not the Zoning Commissioner should approve

- to approve an open air pavilion for seasonal, live entertainment as an assessory use to the tavern.

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

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

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

See attached "B"

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

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Contract Purchaser/Lessee:			legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition. Legal Owner(s):
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PETITION FOR VARIANCE 4802 Benson Avenue

- A) 1. 409.6A.2 to permit 37 parking spaces in lieu of the required 149 spaces
 - 2. to permit the existing tavern (primary use) to be located 3.3' from the front property line on Benson Court and 27' from the side property line in lieu of the required 25' and 30' respectively per Section 255.1 & 238.
 - 3. to permit the existing parking spaces #4 10 to be located within the existing private access and utility easement (Benson Court).
 - 4. to permit 2 buildings, principle use (tavern), and accessory use (pavilion), to be located 3.4' apart in lieu of the required 52.5'.

and to permit the block building (accessory use) to be located 6.6' from the pavilion (as accessory use) in lieu of the required 60' and 15' from the side lot line in lieu of the required 30'. Per Sections 255.1 & 238.

B) The tavern is located within a highly industrialized area. Patrons frequent the facility primarily during off peak hours (evenings), thus being able to utilize the adjacent streets and near by parking areas. All building in existence, removal would be a hardship to the applicant.

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Legal Owner(s)

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Hearing: Friday, December 12, 1997 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 407, County Courts Bidg., 401 Bostey Avenue. LAWRENCE'E. SCHMIDT Zoring Commissioner for

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Attention: Ms. Gwendolyn Stephens	
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Case No.: 98-171-SPHA

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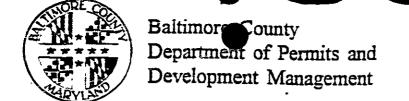
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TO CONFIRM HEARING CALL 887-3391.

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

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.

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Please forward billing to:

Paul G. Fischer, Sr. 4802 Benson Avenue Baltimore. MD 21227 410-247-2474

NOTICE OF HEARING

The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore County, will hold a public hearing in Towson, Maryland on the property identified herein as follows:

CASE NUMBER: 98-171-SPHA

4802 Benson Avenue

N/S Benson Avenue, 75' W of Benson Court 13th Election District - 1st Councilmanic District

Legal Owner: Paul G. Fischer, Sr.

Special Hearing to approve an open air pavilion for seasonal, live entertainment as an accessory use to the tavern. Variance to permit the existing tavern to be located 3.3 feet from the front property line and 27 feet from the side property line in lieu of the required 25 feet and 30 feet, respectively; to permit the existing parking spaces #4-10 to be located within the existing private access and utility easement; to permit 2 buildings, principle use and accessory use, to be located 3.4 feet apart in lieu of the required 52.5 feet; and to permit the block building (accessory use) to be located 6.6 feet from the pavilion in lieu of the required 60 feet and 15 feet from the side lot line in lieu of the required 30 feet.

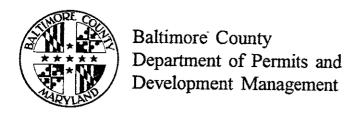
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ZONING COMMISSIONER FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

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

November 19, 1997

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Legal Owner: Paul G. Fischer, Sr.

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HEARING: Friday, December 12, 1997 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 407, County Courts Building, 401 Bosley Avenue.

Arnold Jablon

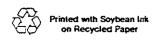
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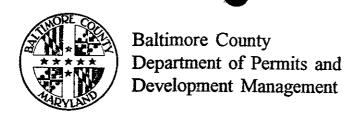
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William Monk

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Arnold Jablon Director

cc: Paul G. Fischer, Sr.

William Monk

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TO: PATUXENT PUBLISHING COMPANY
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Please forward billing to:

Paul G. Fischer, Sr. 4802 Benson Avenue Baltimore, MD 21227 410-247-2474

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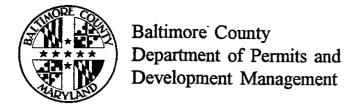
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LAWRENCE E. SCHNIDT ZONING COMMISSIONER FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

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

November 26, 1997

Mr. Paul G. Fischer, Sr. 4802 Benson Avenue Baltimore, MD 21227

Item No.: 171

Case No.: 98-171-SPHA

Petitioner: Paul Fischer, Sr.

Dear Mr. Fischer:

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 October 29, 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.

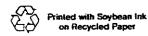
If you need further information or have any questions regarding these comments, please do not hesitate to contact the commenting agency or Roslyn Eubanks in the zoning office (410-887-3391).

Sincerely,

W. Cont Richardy Ja W. Carl Richards, Jr.

Zoning Supervisor

WCR/re Attachment(s)





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

Baltimore County i 1 - 1 - 91 Item No. |1| JLL RE:

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.

Ronald Burns, Chief Engineering Access Permits

Division

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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

PDM

DATE: ///6/97

FROM:

R. Bruce Seeley . R. B. Permits and Development Review

DEPRM

SUBJECT: Zoning Advisory Committee
Meeting Date: 200.10, 1997

The Department of Environmental Protection & Resource Management has no comments for the following Zoning Advisory Committee Items:

Item #'s:

RBS:sp

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

Date: November 14, 1997

Department of Permits & Development

Management

FROM:

Robert W. Bowling, Chief

Bureau of Developer's Plans Review

SUBJECT

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

for November 17, 1997

Item Nos. 169, 170/171, 172,

174, and 176

The Bureau of Developer's Plans Review has reviewed the subject zoning item, and we have no comments.

RWB:HJO:jrb

cc: File



Office of the Fire Marshal 700 East Joppa Road Towson, Maryland 21286-5500 (410)887-4880

November 19, 1997

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

RE: Property Owner: Paul G. Fischer, Sr.

Location: DISTRIBUTION MEETING OF November 10, 1997

Item No.: 171 Zoning Agenda:

Gentlemen:

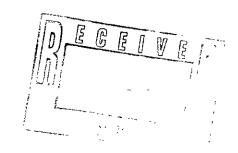
Pursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Bureau and the comments below are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property.

- 4. The site shall be made to comply with all applicable parts of the Fire Prevention Code prior to occupancy or beginning of operation.
- 5. The buildings and structures existing or proposed on the site shall comply with all applicable requirements of the National Fire Protection Association Standard No. 101 "Life Safety Code", 1991 edition prior to occupancy.

PEVIEWER: LT. POBERT P. SAUEPWALD

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

cc: File





BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

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Date: December 3, 1997

ONING COMMISSIONER

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Arnold Jablon, Director Department of Permits and Development Management

FROM: Arnold F. "Pat" Keller, III, Director

Office of Planning

SUBJECT: 4802 Benson Avenue

INFORMATION

Item Number:

171

Petitioner:

Fischer Property

Zoning:

ML-IM

Requested Action:

Variance

Summary of Recommendations:

The subject property, which is located within an industrial park, is improved with an existing tavern known as the Fish Bowl. There are a few scattered homes and businesses located in the vicinity along Benson Avenue. The closest residential community to the subject site is located along the other (south) side of I-695.

The requested Variances and Special Hearing, if granted, would allow continued use of an outdoor pavilion for seasonal live entertainment as an accessory use to the tayern.

Should the applicant's request be granted, the Office of Planning recommends (1) that Mr. Fischer provide information that demonstrates the existence of a shared parking agreement, and (2) that restrictions should be placed on the hours of operation of the outdoor pavilion and said restrictions so noted on the approved plan.

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Prepared by

Division Chief:

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ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

Please enter the appearance of the People's Counsel in the abovecaptioned 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.

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN

People's Counsel for Baltimore County

Peter Mars Zimmeina

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 151 day of December, 1997, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to William Monk, 222 Bosley Avenue, Suite C-6, Towson, MD 21204, representative for Petitioner.

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN

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Baltimore County Board of Liquor License Commissioners

111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 410-887-3191

Fax: 410-887-3970

October 21, 1997

Paul G. Fischer 9912 Hoyt Circle Randallstown, Md. 21133

RE: FISH BOWL INN
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE

Dear Mr. Fischer:

The Board of Liquor License Commissioners for Baltimore County has approved the Application for Increase in Premises of a Class D(BWL) Alcoholic Beverage License on October 20, 1997 subject to the licensee completing all of the requirements on the enclosed check list.

The check list requirements should be completed within 30 days of the hearing date. The Board may declare the hearing decision NULL AND VOID after thirty days from the date of the hearing. If an extension is requested, please include the reasons for the delay.

Sincerely,

Jerry Kilduff

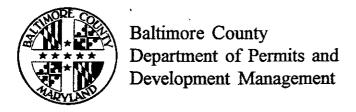
Deputy Admin./Chief Inspector

JK:cdt

Enclosure

cc: Licensee File Day File

LETTER . Q/PERMIT/SHELL



Code Inspections and
Enforcement
County Office Building
111 West Chesapeake Avenue
Towson, Maryland 21204
pdmenforce@co.ba.md.us
pdminspect@co.ba.md.us

July 12, 1999

William Monk, Inc. Courthouse Commons 222 Bosley Avenue, Suite C-6 Towson, Maryland 21204

Dear Mr. Monk:

Re: Case No. B-97-092-13, Case No. 97-8687, 4802 Benson Avenue, Paul G. Fischer, Sr./Owner

In response to Deputy Zoning Commissioner Timothy M. Kotroco's letter of June 21, 1999 (enclosed), the Bureau of Code Inspection can officially close their case file, once you are able to obtain the required building/electrical permits for the outdoor pavilion. It is recommended that you have in your possession copies of both the January 6, 1998, and February 12, 1998, decision in Case No. 98-171-SPHA. Also, one should have the deputy's most recent June correspondence at the time of filing. In conclusion, once the permits are issued, I will notify Inspector Claude Profili, who can then close his case file on this matter.

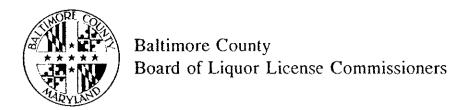
Sincerely,

James H. Thompson Code Inspections and Enforcement Supervisor

410-887-3352

JHT/hek Enclosure

c: Inspector Claude Profili



111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 410-887-3191

Fax: 410-887-3970

June 25, 1999

Mr. Paul G. Fisher FISH BOWL INN 4802 Benson Ave. Baltimore, MD 21227

RE: Increase in Premises
- Outdoor Pavilion

Dear Mr. Fisher:

Regarding Deputy Zoning Commissioner Timothy Kotroco letter to you dated June 21, 1999, it is stated, that all zoning matters applicable to your property have been resolved.

It is now my understanding in order to approve Building Permit No. 313818 and be issued a use and occupancy, the following is needed.

- 1. Zoning Review office approval
- 2. Permits and Development Management Landscape Architect approval
- 3. Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management approval (Food Plans Review)

Also, the Liquor Board will need 4 additional signatures of real estate owners residing within one mile of the business and are registered voters in Baltimore County. (form enclosed)

Upon the issuance of the use and occupancy permit and approval of the additional signatures, it will be necessary to bring in your current alcohol beverage license to the Boards office to issue a license to include the outside pavilion. Cost for the license is \$20.00.

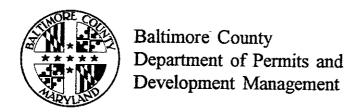
Very Truly Yours

Stanley Pianowski Administrator

Enclosures

SP:cdt

c: William Monk Jim Thompson License File Day File fishbowlinn3.doc



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

November 14, 1997

Mr. William Monk 222 Bosley Avenue Suite C-6 Towson, MD 21204

RE: Case Number 98-171- SPHA

Petitioner: Paul G. Fischer, Sr. Location: 4802 Benson Avenue

Dear Mr. Monk:

The above matter, previously assigned to be heard on December 2, 1997 at 11:00 a.m. has been postponed at your request.

Please be advised that, as the individual requesting and receiving the postponement, the responsibility and costs associated with the appropriate posting of the property now lies with you. The petitioner or his/her agent may not personally post or change a zoning sign. One of the currently approved vendors/posters must be contacted to do so

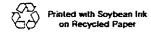
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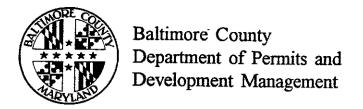
Very truly yours.

Director

AJ:sci

c: Paul G. Fischer, Sr.





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

December 4, 1997

Mr. William Monk 4802 Benson Avenue Baltimore, MD 21227

RE: Case Number 98-171-SPHA

Petitioner: Paul G. Fischer, Sr. Location: 4802 Benson Avenue

Dear Mr. Monk:

The above matter, previously assigned to be heard on Friday, December 12, 1997 has been postponed due to a scheduling conflict. Your case has been rescheduled for **Tuesday**, **December 16, 1997 at 2:00 p.m. in Room 407**, County Courts Building, 401 Bosley Avenue.

If the property has been posted with notice of the hearing date, as quickly as possible the new hearing date should be affixed to the sign.

Very truly yours,

Arnold Jablon Director

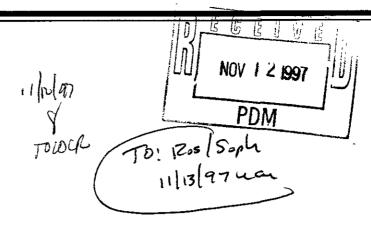
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November 12, 1997

Mr. Arnold Jablon
Director of Permits
& Development Management
111 W. Chesapeake Avenue
Room 111
Towson, MD 21204



RE:

Case #98-171-SPHA, 4802 Benson Avenue

Hearing scheduled for December 2, 1997

Dear Arnold:

Please let this serve as a request to reschedule the aforementioned hearing. I have a conflict in that I am already scheduled to appear and testify at a hearing in Anne Arundel County at 10:30 AM that same date. Your assistance in a timely rescheduling would be most appreciated.

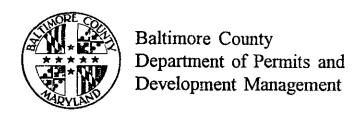
Cordially,

William P. Monk

wpm/cjs

cc: Paul Fischer

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November 6, 1997

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Suite 405, County Courts Bldg. 401 Bosley Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 410-887-4386

Fax: 410-887-3468

Sola

June 21, 1999

Mr. Paul G. Fischer, Sr. 4802 Benson Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21227

Re: Case No. 98-171-SPHA

Dear Mr. Fischer:

I am writing this letter as a follow-up to my order dated the 6th day of January 1998 involving Case No. 98-171-SPHA. Pursuant to that order, your special hearing request and several variances were approved. At issue in the case was the use of an outdoor pavilion by you, during the summer months, for outdoor entertainment. My site inspection of the property and follow-up visits indicate that no further action or improvements need be taken by you regarding the use of this outdoor pavilion. You are advised, however, that you must strictly adhere to the conditions and restrictions that I imposed upon the use of the property by my order dated the 6th of January, 1998. Excessive noise on the property will not be tolerated and will be handled by the appropriate authorities. However, at this time, it is not necessary for you to take any further actions concerning your property as far as my order is concerned. I trust that this letter will resolve any outstanding matters pertaining to your use of this outdoor pavilion.

By copy of this letter, I am advising Mr. Stanley Pianowski from the Board of Liquor License Commissioners, that all zoning matters applicable to your property have been resolved.

If I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me.

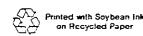
Very truly your

Timothy M. Kotroco

Deputy Zoning Commissioner

TMK:raj

C: William Monk Stanley Pianowski Jim Thompson



5210 Benson Avenue Baltimore, MD 21227-2510 January 18, 1998

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I am writing on behalf of the Fish Bowl Inn and Mr. Fischer, its owner. As you can see, I am a resident of Benson Avenue, living only two tenths of a mile from the nightclub. While I do not frequent Mr. Fischer's establishment, I have had occasion to attend a concert given on his new deck last summer.

The concert performed by Mr. Ronnie Dove and his back-up band, Sure Gold was wonderful. I attended this concert for several reasons: first, Mr. Dove was going to support a Cystic Fibrosis event fundraiser for me later in the year and I wanted to support him; second, Mr. Fischer is a corporate supporter of the same fundraiser and I thought to support his new addition to his nightclub; third, I wanted to hear the acoustics and then judge the impact of same on my residence.

As I said, the music was great! Before the end of the evening, I went to my home to see if I could hear any of the music because the stage does face our community. We were not impacted by the concert at our home. However, I could hear the music as I was returning to the nightclub.

I understand the issue at hand is the alleviation of loud noise in the neighborhood. To combat this, I would suggest putting a type of sound barrier at the **back** of Mr. Fischer's property. I say the back because if it was put any closer to the deck the acoustics would not be proper. Also, their is seating outside of the deck near the fish ponds and volleyball court which would need to be eliminated if the sound barrier was at the end of the deck.

Mr. Fischer has done an excellent job of improving the type of clientele who frequents his establishment; he is to be commended for that as well as his cooperation and dedication in resolving the situation with the sound and his new deck.

If you need verbal confirmation of this letter, please feel free to call me at 410-242-4837 or on my cell phone at 410-493-4836.

cell phone at 410-493-48

Patrick S. McManus



4802 BENSON AVE. ARBUTUS, MARYLAND 21227 Phone 410-247-2474

To: The Baltimore County Zoning Board

From: Paul G. Fischer

T/A The Fishbowl Inn 4802 Benson Ave. Arbutus, MD. 21227 License # 973924

Dear Sir(s) and/or Madam(s),

Construction and remodeling of the outside area in question was completed in July of 1997. With the exception of two weekends of rainy weather, we had some sort of live entertainment outside every weekend from the middle of July to the first weekend in October. This entertainment consisted of a variety of live bands, concerts and adult entertainment. This totals to approximately 20 performances. Many of these were near sell out capacity. At no time during any of these performances, were any complaints or concerns ever directed to us, either by any neighbors or the police department. This holds true for not only noise, but also the demeanor of our clientele arriving and leaving the area.

The Fishbowl has always maintained a safe, congenial setting, to which our patrons can relax and enjoy an evening out. We have always been concerned with noise levels, long before the addition of the pavilion. I am well aware that sound carries differently outdoors then in, but I assure you that it will be monitored the same way. We have actually made bands stop playing if they couldn't maintain a satisfactory level.

I have read the letter from Mr. McManus and conclude that it is not a complaint by any means, but merely a suggestion if there was a problem. His idea of a barrier would certainly be an ultimate solution if a noise problem existed. I believe our past history of over 20 performances during the summer without any complaints, clearly demonstrates our ability to monitor the situation. Our wishes are to continue to provide a variety of entertainment that is acceptable to both our patrons and our surrounding neighbors. Our concerns for our neighbors are genuine and we certainly would take immediate steps to address any inquiries during a performance.

Sincerely.

Paul G. Fischer



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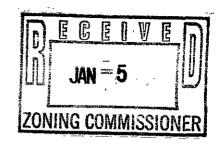
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December 31, 1997

Mr. Timothy Kotroco Deputy Zoning Commissioner 401 Bosley Avenue, Room 405 Towson, MD 21204

RE: Zoning Case No. 98-171SPHA

Dear Mr. Kotroco:



This letter is to address my concerns regarding the outdoor beer garden/music theatre at the Fish Bowl Inn located at 4802 Benson Avenue.

First, there is a permanent sign on Benson Avenue for the Fish Bowl Inn. Any time there is a function at the Inn, they put temporary signs on Benson Avenue to tell people what events are going on. Why wasn't the zoning sign put down at the permanent sign on Benson Avenue where residents could see it? Instead, they put the sign up on the property off of Benson Avenue on Benson Court, which is a dead end street. The sign could not be seen from Benson Avenue. Keeping in mind that this actual address is 4802 Benson Avenue, not Benson Court. This was an obvious deception and it worked. No one in the neighborhood knew of the hearing until after the fact.

Second, there were several times during the late summer that I called the police to complain of the loud music coming from the Fish Bowl Inn. Several times the music played up until 2:00 a.m.

At 2:00 a.m. when the bar closes, Benson Avenue between Benson Court and Sulphur Spring Road becomes a race course for vehicles. The speed limit is twenty-five miles per hour in this area. Most of the vehicles do forty miles per hour or faster. The underpass at the Beltway on Benson Avenue entices motorcyclists and vehicles to stop and gun their engines at 2:00 a.m. Also, Arbutus Avenue becomes a rest stop at 2:00 a.m. where people stop, get out of their cars, urinate behind trees and vehicles, throw their trash on the ground and then, leave the neighborhood speeding down Arbutus Avenue. This happens throughout the summer.

Based on the Baltimore County Noise Ordinance, Adopted August 2, 1993, Sec. 20-47 Standard states:

A person may not create or <u>permit</u> to be created any domestic noise in such a manner as to unreasonably disturb the peace, quiet and comfort of the neighboring inhabitants.

I believe if Baltimore County approves this Zoning Variance without exception, then Baltimore County is breaking their own

noise ordinance law by permitting this.

I am requesting that a new hearing be scheduled and posted and advertized correctly to let the neighboring community know of the hearing to discuss their concerns. Or if it is impossible to do this, then put a stipulation in the zoning approval to the Fish Bowl Inn that the outside entertainment stop at 11:00 p.m. on any given night based on the make-up of the neighborhood.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter and I look forward to hearing from you.

Very truly yours,

George E. Miller, Jr

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George E. Miller, Jr. 5102 Arbutus Avenue Baltimore, MD 21227 Phone (H) 410-242-4767

(W) 410-247-1422

P.S. I have attached a copy of the Noise Ordinance Law.

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LETTER OF PETITION

·I, the undersigned, hereby agree with some or all of the concerns that Mr. Miller has addressed in his letter. If we were informed about the hearing of December 16, 1997, we would have made our concerns known at that time, either by letter or appearing in person.

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STEPHEN G. MUEL MOXLEY COUNCILMAN, FIRST DISTRICT

754 FREDERICK ROAD CATONSVILLE, MARYLAND 21228 (410) 887-0896 FAX (410) 887-1012

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August 27, 1997

Ms. Helen Miller 5102 Arbutus Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21227

Dear Ms. Miller:

Enclosed is a copy of Baltimore County's noise ordinance. I know that this document will help you in your dealing with the Fish Bowl bar in your neighborhood. whenever you feel that they are violating the ordinance, please contact the Police Department.

If you have any other questions, concerns or comments do not hesitate to call me at (410)887-0896.

Sincerely,

S. G. Samuel Moxley Councilman, First District

SGM:pln Enclosure MILLER.LTR

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND LEGISLATIVE SESSION 1992, LEGISLATIVE DAY NO. 15

BILL NO. 123-93

MR. DOUGLAS B. RILEY, COUNCILMAN

BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL, AUGUST 2, 1993

A BILL

ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Noise

FOR the purpose of repealing the existing noise ordinance and enacting a new ordinance regulating noise in Baltimore County, defining terms, stating legislative intent, specifying what constitutes excessive levels of domestic noise in Baltimore County, providing for the enforcement of the law, providing for penalties for violations of the law, providing for penalties against the owner of the premises, and generally relating to the regulation of noise in Baltimore County.

BY repealing

Section 20-8

Title 20 - Miscellaneous Provisions and Offenses
Baltimore County Code, 1988

By adding

Sections 20-45 to 20-50, Article III. Noise

Title 20 - Miscellaneous Provisions and Offenses

Baltimore County Code, 1988

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from bill.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

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1. SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE

2. COUNTY, MARYLAND that Section 20-8 of Title 20 - Miscellaneous

3. Provisions and Offenses, Baltimore County Code, 1988, be and it is

4. hereby repealed.

5. SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that Sections 20-45 to

6. 20-50, Article III. Noise, be and they are hereby added to Title 20
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ARTICLE III. NOISE

10. SECTION 20-45. DEFINITIONS.

read as follows:

- (A) AS USED IN THIS ARTICLE, THE FOLLOWING TERMS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
- (B) DOMESTIC NOISE MEANS ANY NOISE RELATED TO HUMAN ACTIVITY WHICH IS NOT CREATED BY ANY MACHINERY, TOOL, MECHANICAL DEVICE OR EQUIPMENT USED IN CONNECTION WITH A BUSINESS PURPOSE. THE TERM INCLUDES BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO THOSE NOISES PRODUCED VOCALLY, OR WITH ANY RADIO RECEIVING SET, MUSICAL INSTRUMENT, PHONOGRAPH OR ANY OTHER DEVICE INTENDED FOR THE PRODUCTION OR REPRODUCTION OF SOUND OR ANY HOUSEHOLD TOOL OR OTHER EQUIPMENT.
- (C) LANDLORD MEANS THE PERSON WHO MANAGES, LEASES, HOLDS OR OTHERWISE CONTROLS THE PROPERTY FOR THE OWNER.
- (D) OWNER MEANS THE PERSON LISTED IN THE TAX RECORDS OF THE COUNTY AS THE PROPERTY OWNER.
- SEC. 20-46. LEGISLATIVE INTENT.

THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTENDS TO l. PROHIBIT EXCESSIVE DOMESTIC NOISE FOR THE PURPOSE OF SECURING AND 2. PROMOTING PUBLIC HEALTH, COMFORT, CONVENIENCE, SAFETY, WELFARE, PEACE 3. AND QUIET IN THE COUNTY. 4. SEC. 20-47. STANDARDS. 5. A PERSON MAY NOT CREATE OR PERMIT TO BE CREATED ANY DOMESTIC 6. NOISE IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO UNREASONABLY DISTURB THE PEACE, QUIET AND 7. COMFORT OF THE NEIGHBORING INHABITANTS. 8. SEC. 20-48. ENFORCEMENT. 9. (1) A POLICE OFFICER SHALL INVESTIGATE COMPLAINTS OF 10. ALLEGED DOMESTIC NOISE VIOLATIONS OCCURRING IN THE COUNTY IN VIOLATION 11. OF SECTION 20-47. 12. (2) A POLICE OFFICER SHALL FILE A WRITTEN REPORT IF THE 13. INVESTIGATION CONCLUDES THAT A VIOLATION OF SECTION 20-47 HAS OCCURRED. SEC. 20-49. PENALTIES, CRIMINAL AND CIVIL. 15. (A) ANY PERSON VIOLATING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 20-47 IS 16. GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND UPON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE OF NOT 17. MORE THAN FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) OR IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE 18. THAN NINETY (90) DAYS OR BOTH FOR THE FIRST OFFENSE, AND FOR ANY 19. SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE BY A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS 20. (\$500.00) OR IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN NINETY DAYS OR BOTH. 21. (B) AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO A CRIMINAL ACTION, THE POLICE MAY 22.

ISSUE A CIVIL CITATION TO ANY PERSON VIOLATING THE PROVISIONS OF

23.

SECTION 20-47. THE AMOUNT OF THE CIVIL PENALTY SHALL NOT EXCEED \$500.
 THE POLICE MAY REQUEST THAT THE COUNTY SEEK AN INJUNCTION TO PROHIBIT
 THE PERSON FROM CREATING OR PERMITTING THE CREATION OF DOMESTIC NOISE.

SEC. 20-50. RESPONSIBILITY OF OWNER OF PREMISES.

- (A) A POLICE OFFICER MAY ISSUE A CIVIL CITATION TO THE OWNER OR LANDLORD OF THE BUILDING OR PREMISES FROM WHICH DOMESTIC NOISE IN VIOLATION OF SECTION 20-47 EMANATES, IF MORE THAN THREE WRITTEN REPORTS HAVE BEEN FILED UNDER 20-48, AT ONE ADDRESS, WITHIN A SIXTY (60) DAY PERIOD. ADDITIONAL CITATIONS MAY BE ISSUED FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT REPORT FILED WITHIN SIX (6) MONTHS OF THE INITIAL REPORT.
- (B) PRIOR TO ISSUING A CITATION, THE POLICE CHIEF OR HIS DESIGNEE SHALL EITHER <u>SEND BY CERTIFIED</u> MAIL OR DELIVER WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE OWNER OR LANDLORD THAT THREE (3) WRITTEN REPORTS HAVE BEEN FILED UNDER SECTION 20-48 WITHIN A SIXTY (60) DAY PERIOD.
- (C) THE AMOUNT OF THE CIVIL PENALTY SHALL BE $\underline{\text{NOT}}$ EXCEED:
 - (1) \$500 FOR THE FIRST CITATION; AND
- (2) \$750 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL CITATION ISSUED WITHIN SIX
 (6) MONTHS OF THE INITIAL WRITTEN REPORT FILED UNDER 20-48.
- SECTION 3. And be it further enacted, that this Act shall take effect forty-five days after its enactment.

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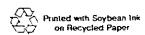
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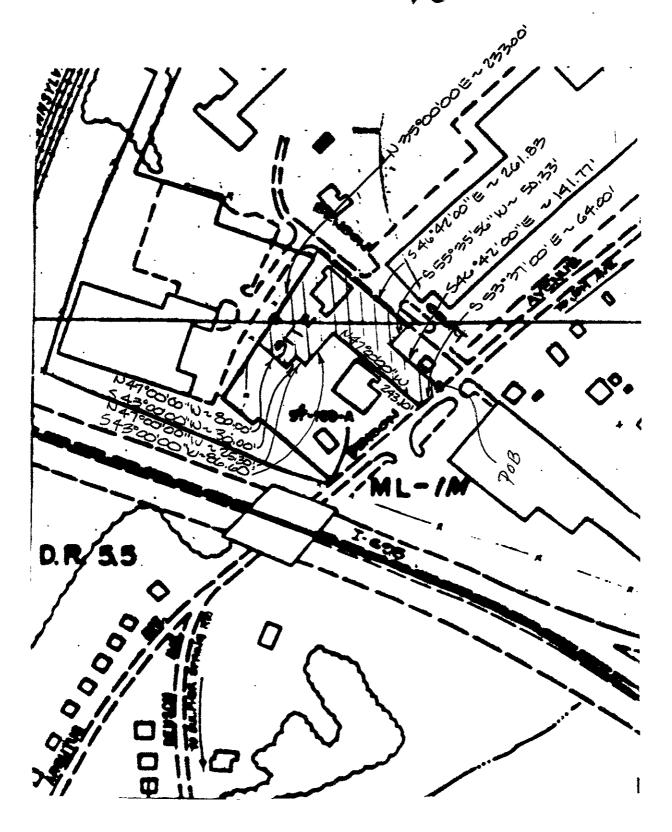
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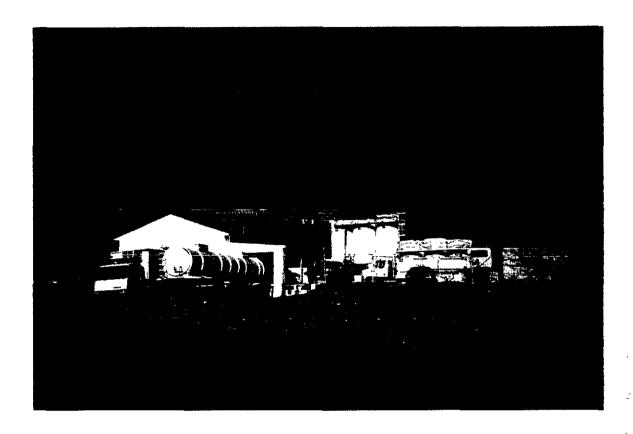
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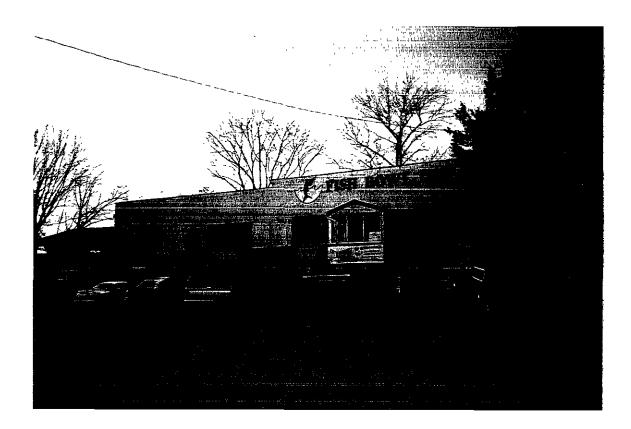
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