IN RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING E/S York Road, 100' +/- SE corner York Road & Regester Avenue 9<sup>th</sup> Election District 4<sup>th</sup> Councilmanic District (6805 York Road) \* BEFORE THE

DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER

\* OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

\* CASE NO. 00-016-SPHA

Stoneyork Limited Partnership, Petitioner and

Bagels, Inc., Contract Purchaser

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### FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This matter comes before this Deputy Zoning Commissioner as a petition for special hearing requesting approval that Restriction No. 2 contained within the Order issued in Case No. 97-64-A is applicable to the present operator of the bagel business. In the alternative, the Petitioner is requesting a variance to allow four (4) parking spaces in lieu of the required twenty (20) spaces, and to amend the previous case plan and Order in Case No. 97-64-A.

Appearing at the hearing on behalf of the request were Allan Gallant, current owner and operator of Bagels, Inc., t/a Sam's Bagels, James Matis, professional engineer who prepared the site plan of the property, Martha Talbott and Carol Currotto, nearby neighbors and Stanley Fine, attorney at law, representing the Petitioner. Appearing as interested citizens in the matter were Jean Duvall, representing the Rodgers Forge Community, Inc. and Jim Dobson, representing the Anneslie Community Association. Appearing in opposition to the Petitioner's request were Stephanie and Ed Rohe.

Testimony and evidence indicated that the property, which is the subject of this request, is located at 6805 York Road in the Anneslie area of Baltimore County. The subject property is located on the east side of York Road, situated between Regester Avenue and Murdock Road. Specifically, the subject property comprises one of a cluster of commercial businesses located on

this particular block of York Road. Petitioner's Exhibit No. 1, the site plan of the property, shows that the Petitioner, Bagels, Inc. leases and operates a bagel store within one half of the subject building. The Petitioner's business occupies a leasable area of 25 ft. in width by 76.6 ft. in depth. Also associated with the subject building are 4 parking spaces located in the rear of the building along Locust Drive. This property was the subject of a prior variance request which was granted in Case No. 97-64-A. The Petitioner in that case, Mr. James Thomas, who owned and operated Baltimore Bagel Company, was granted a variance pursuant to my Order dated the 14<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1997. The variance request was to allow the 4 parking spaces in lieu of the required 10 spaces. The variance was granted conditioned upon compliance with certain restrictions and conditions contained at the end of the order. Specifically, Restriction No. 2 stated as follows:

"2) The relief granted herein is limited to the Baltimore Bagel Company, Inc., trading as Charm City Bagel Company. In the event the Baltimore Bagel company ceases to operate its business on the premises, then the parking variance granted herein shall cease and terminate. This variance shall not apply to Hoang's or the office space located on the second floor of the subject building, as no testimony was offered regarding those uses."

The purpose of imposing that restriction on the property was to revisit the subject site in the event a new owner or operator of the bagel business would take over the property.

As was testified to at the hearing before me, Mr. Allan Gallant, President of Bagels, Inc., has purchased the assets of the former Baltimore Bagel Company which traded as Charm City Bagel Company. Mr. Gallant owns and operates 7 bagel stores in the Baltimore area, trading under the trade name of Sam's Bagels. He was the supplier of bagels to the former Baltimore Bagel Company which operated from this site. The Baltimore Bagel Company was going out of business and Mr. Gallant seized the opportunity to purchase the assets of the Baltimore Bagel Company and began to operate Sam's Bagels at the present location.

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Mr. Gallant testified that he was unaware of the conditions and restrictions that I imposed upon the prior tenant of this property. When taking over the site, Mr. Gallant changed the name of the business from Charm City Bagel Company to Sam's Bagels. Other than the change in the name of the business, there have been no other changes in the operation of the previous bagel store. Mr. Gallant has made no physical changes to the subject property and continues to offer the exact same bagels which were offered by the prior operator. Mr. Gallant is simply requesting a special hearing to continue the relief that was previously granted to the Charm City Bagel Company based on the continuity in the operation of the business itself.

Mr. Gallant testified that had he known of the previous zoning order, he simply would have purchased the corporation known as the Baltimore Bagel Company, Inc. and not just the assets themselves. Had Mr. Gallant purchased the corporation, the special hearing requested herein would be unnecessary. He has literally changed nothing other than the name of the business itself.

Testifying as interested citizens in the matter were Jim Dobson and Jean Duvall. Mr. Dobson testified on behalf of the Anneslie Community Association of which he is the President. The Anneslie Community Association is in favor of the approval of the Petitioner's request so long as the current operator abides by the conditions and restrictions imposed by my previous order in Case No. 97-64-A. In addition, Mr. Dobson is requesting a clarification regarding the total number of outdoor seats which are permitted. My previous order allowed the Petitioner to provide 25 seats, which seats were to be provided either inside the store or out on the sidewalk adjacent to the store front. However, my previous order did not clarify the total number of seats that could be out on the sidewalk. Mr. Dobson asked for a clarification on this point.

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Also testifying as an interested citizen in the matter was Ms. Jean Duvall. Ms. Duvall appeared on behalf of the Rodgers Forge Community Association. The Rodgers Forge Community Association also supports the Petitioner in his request, so long as he abides by the conditions and restrictions imposed by my previous order. Furthermore, the Rodgers Forge Community Association has requested that the relief granted herein not be transferable to a future bagel store. They believe it is appropriate to review this particular operation in the event of a transfer of ownership.

Finally, Ms. Duvall individually requested that there not be any outside seating at all on the property. She is concerned over the trash that is deposited outside and the unsightliness of the tables and chairs.

Testifying in opposition to the Petitioner's request were Stephanie Rohe and Ed Rohe. Mr. and Mrs. Rohe live at 605 Murdock Road within the Anneslie Community. In addition, they are the owners and operators of Harry Littles, a well known carry-out sub shop located at the corner of York Road and Regester Avenue. The Rohes are very much concerned over the limited amount of parking that all of the merchants must share for their patrons. They do not wish to see one particular merchant monopolizing parking spaces to the detriment of the other businesses in the area. Furthermore, they have requested and expect strict adherence by the Petitioner to the restrictions imposed upon him. Testimony indicated that on occasions there have been more than 25 seats provided within the bagel store itself. Also, testimony revealed that the trash dumpsters located to the rear of the property have blocked the 4 parking spaces situated there. They, therefore, ask that the Petitioner abide by the terms and conditions of my previous order, as well as any additional restrictions and conditions imposed herein.

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After considering the testimony and evidence offered at the hearing, as well as my personal site visit to the property, I find that the Petitioner's request for special hearing, to allow the zoning relief granted in Case No. 97-64-A to be applicable to the current operator of the bagel store at 6805 York Road, be and is hereby granted. Mr. Gallant, who currently operates Sam's Bagels at this location, has made no changes to the former operation of the bagel store except for a change in name. He is perfectly willing to abide by the terms and conditions of my previous decision. Given the consistency of the current bagel store operator to the previous operator, I find that the special hearing should be granted to allow the continuation of the operation of the bagel store at this location.

Given that the special hearing relief has been granted, it is not necessary to consider the variance that is being requested by the current tenant of the property. The variance previously granted shall carry forward and apply to Mr. Gallant's operation. In order to address the concerns raised at the hearing before me, I shall impose additional conditions and restrictions at the end of this Order above and beyond those already imposed by my previous decision contained in Case No. 97-64-A.

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

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this 25th day of November, 1999 that the Petition for Special Hearing requesting that the relief granted in Case No. 97-64-A should be applicable to the current operator of the bagel business known as Bagels, Inc., t/a Sam's Bagels, be and is hereby GRANTED.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the variance request to allow 4 parking spaces in lieu of the required 20, be and is hereby DISMISSED, given that the parking variance requested was previously approved in Case No. 97-64-A and, therefore, need not be reissued at this time. The relief granted herein is subject to the following conditions and restrictions:

- 1. The Petitioner is hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at his own risk until the thirty (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. The relief granted herein is limited to Bagels, Inc., t/a Sam's Bagels. In the event that Bagels, Inc. and/or Sam's Bagels ceases to operate its business on the subject premises, then the special hearing relief granted herein shall cease and terminate. The relief granted herein shall in no way apply to the Mandarin Taste Restaurant which is co-located within the subject building. Furthermore, the 4 parking spaces located to the rear of the subject building shall be associated with Sam's Bagels only and shall in no way be utilized or counted towards the parking requirements associated with the Mandarin Taste Restaurant.
- 3. The hours of operation of Bagels, Inc., t/a Sam's Bagels, shall be limited to 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., seven (7) days a week.
- 4. The Petitioner is prohibited from providing any more than 25 seats in total, either inside or outside the bagel shop. In addition, the Petitioner shall provide no more than 10 of the 25 seats permitted pursuant to this Order on the outside of the subject building. These 10 outdoor seats shall be permitted so long as the operator utilizes the same type of tables and chairs on the outside that are located within the store itself. The Petitioner shall be prohibited from utilizing plastic or PVC outdoor furniture on the exterior of the building. All tables and chairs that are placed on the exterior of the building shall be brought back inside the store at the close of business on any given day. Furthermore, at any time that outdoor seating is provided, the Petitioner shall also provide a trash receptacle in a convenient location for the use of those patrons who wish to consume their food utilizing the outdoor seating. In addition to the 25 seats that are to be provided for the patrons of the bagel shop, the Petitioner shall also be permitted to keep on hand 3 high chairs for use by infants who accompany their parents to the bagel shop. The Petitioner shall be expected to strictly abide by the capacity of the seating permitted by this Order. In the event the Petitioner exceeds this 25 seat restriction (+ 3 baby high chairs) then a new hearing shall be held as to whether the relief granted herein shall be rescinded and the Petitioner's business closed.

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5. The Petitioner shall be required to stripe the 4 parking spaces located to the rear In addition, the Petitioner shall also paint and identify the of the building. dumpster area wherein the 2 trash dumpsters are to be located. Furthermore, the 2 trash dumpsters located to the rear of the store shall in no way interfere with or block the 4 parking spaces provided at that location. The Petitioner shall be required to maintain the same trash company for both trash dumpsters. This will provide one trash pick up for both dumpsters thereby cutting down on the amount of noise that would be generated if each dumpster were picked up separately. In addition, the Petitioner shall provide new signage along the rear of the building indicating that the 4 parking spaces are for customers of Sam's Bagels only, which signage shall be conspicuously placed on the Petitioner's building. The Petitioner shall also install a small sign in the front window of the building along York Road indicating that customer parking is provided in the rear of the building. All striping and signage shall be done within sixty (60) days from the date of this Order.

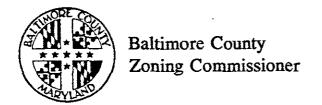
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Suite 405, County Courts Bldg. 401 Bosley Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 410-887-4386

Fax: 410-887-3468

November 15, 1999

Stanley S. Fine, Esquire Rosenberg, Proutt, Funk & Greenberg, LLP 25 S. Charles Street Baltimore, Maryland 21201

> Re: Petition for Special Hearing Case No 00-016-SPH Property: 6805 York Road

Dear Mr. Fine:

Enclosed please find the decision rendered in the above-captioned case. The Request for Special Hearing has been granted in accordance with the enclosed 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 from 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 410-887-3391.

Very truly yours,

Timothy M. Kotroco

Deputy Zoning Commissioner

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to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

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# Petition for Variance

### to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

for the property located at 6805 York Road which is presently zoned BL.AS

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Reviewed By

This Petition shall be filed with the Department of Permits and 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)

409.6 to allow 4 parking spaces in lieu of the required 20 spaces and to amend previous case plan and order in 97-64A

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 determined at hearing

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by the zoning regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance, advertising, posting, etc. and further agree to and are to be bounded by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the zoning law for Baltimore County. I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition. Contract Purchaser/Lessee: Legal Owner(s): Bagels, Inc. Stoneyork Limited Partnership Name - Type or Print Name - Type or Print Allan Gallant, Signature President 325 Dukeland Street 410-945-6890 Address Telephone No. Baltimore MD 21223 City State Zip Code 13**90**0 Dulaney Valley Rd.410-592-8786 Attorney For Petitioner: Address Telephone No. Stanley S. Fine Glen Arm, 21057 MD Zip Code Name - Type or Print Representative to be Contacted: Stanley S. Fine Signature Rosenberg Proutt Funk & Greenberg, LLP Rosenberg Proutt Funk & Greenberg Name 25 S. Charles Street 410-727-6600 25 S. Charles St. 410-727-6600 Telephone No. Address Telephone No. Address Ltimore, MD 21201 Baltimore, MD 21201 Zip Code State Zip Code State OFFICE USE ONLY ESTIMATED LENGTH OF HEARING Case No. <u>60-16-5PHA</u>

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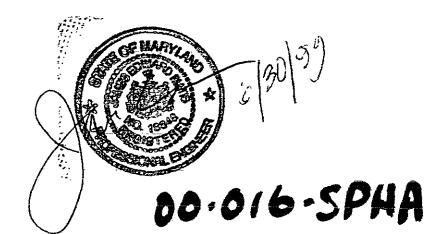
Description to Accompany Zoning Petition No. 6805 York Road 9th Election District

Beginning for the same at a point on the east side of York Road, said point distant South 18° 52' West 100 feet more or less from the southeast corner of York Road and Regester Avenue, running thence and leaving the east side of York Road:

- 1) South 71° 59' East 125 feet to the west side of Locust Drive, running thence along the west side of Locust Drive
  - 2) South 18° 52' West 50 feet thence leaving said west side of Locust Drive
- 3) North 71° 59' West 125 feet to the east side of York Road, running thence and and binding along the east side of York Road
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Containing 0.144 acres of land more or less.

This description is intended for zoning purposes only and should not be used for conveyance of land.



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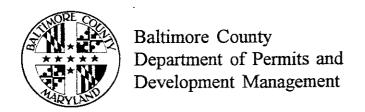
Baltimore County Department of Permits and Development Management County Office Building, Room 111 111 West Chesapeake Ave. Towson, Maryland 21204

ATTENTION: MS. GWENDOLYN STEPHENS

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

This letter is to certify under the penalties of perjury that the necessary sign(s) required by law were posted conspicuously on the property located at 6805 York Road Baltimore, Maryland 21212\_\_

Sincerely,
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(Signature of Sign Poster & Date)
Thomas P. Ogle, Sr
325 Nicholson Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21221
(410)-687-8405
(Telephone Number)



Director's Office County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 410-887-3353

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August 11, 1999

### NOTICE OF ZONING HEARING

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NOTES: (1) THE PETITIONER MUST HAVE THE ZONING NOTICE SIGN POSTED BY AN APPROVED POSTER ON THE PROPERTY BY AUGUST 23, 1999.

- (2) HEARINGS ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE; FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CALL THE ZONING COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE AT 410-887-4386.
- (3) FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING THE FILE AND/OR HEARING, CONTACT THE ZONING REVIEW OFFICE AT 410-887-3391.

TO: PATUXENT PUBLISHING COMPANY

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Please forward billing to:

Stanley S. Fine

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Rosenberg, Proutt, Funk & Greenberg, LLP

25 South Charles Street Baltimore, MD 21201

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# DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT ZONING REVIEW

### ADVERTISING REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR ZONING HEARINGS

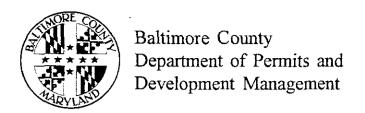
The <u>Baltimore County Zoning Regulations</u> (BCZR) require that notice be given to the general public/neighboring property owners relative to property which is the subject of an upcoming zoning hearing. For those petitions which require a public hearing, this notice is accomplished by posting a sign on the property (responsibility of the petitioner) and placement of a notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the County, both at least fifteen (15) days before the hearing.

Zoning Review will ensure that the legal requirements for advertising are satisfied. However, the petitioner is responsible for the costs associated with these requirements. The newspaper will bill the person listed below for the advertising. This advertising is due upon receipt and should be remitted directly to the newspaper.

### OPINIONS MAY NOT BE ISSUED UNTIL ALL ADVERTISING COSTS ARE PAID.

For Newspaper Advertising:
Item Number or Case Number:# 19
Petitioner: STONEYORK LTD PRTNRSHIP.
Address or Location: 6805 VCNK RP.
PLEASE FORWARD ADVERTISING BILL TO:
Name: STANLEY S. FINE (ROSENBERG PROUTT FUNK & GREENBERG, LLP.
Address: 25 South CHARIES ST.
BALTO, MD 21201
Telephone Number: 410-121-6600

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Development Processing County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 pdmlandacq@co.ba.md.us

September 3, 1999

Stanley S. Fine, Esq.
Rosenberg Proutt Funk & Greenberg, LLP
25 S. Charles Street
Baltimore, MD 21201

Dear Mr. Fine:

RE: Case No.: 00-16-SPHA, Petitioner: Stoneyork Limited Partnership,

Location: 6805 York Road

The above referenced petition was accepted for processing by the Bureau of Zoning Review, Department of Permits and Development Management (PDM), on July 13., 1999.

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC), which consists representatives from several Baltimore County approval agencies, has reviewed the plans that were submitted with your petition. All comments submitted thus far from the members of the ZAC are attached. These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to ensure 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. All comments 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.

Very truly yours,

W. Carl Richards, Ji

Zoning Supervisor

Zoning Review

WCR:qqs

Enclosures



700 East Joppa Road Towson, Maryland 21286-5500 410-887-4500

August 26, 1999

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 AUGUST 9, 1999

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:

015, 016, 017, 019, 022, 023, 024, 025, 026, 027,

028, 029, 030, 031, 032, 033, 034, 035, 036, 038,

039, 040, 043, 044,

REVIEWER: LT. HERB TAYLOR

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

cc: File

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

### INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

Date: August 16, 1999

Department of Permits & Development

Management

FROM:

Robert W. Bowling, Supervisor

SUBJECT:

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting for August 16, 1999
Item Nos. 016, 017, 018, 019, 020,

Item Nos. 016, 017, 018, 019, 020, 021, 022, 023, 024, 026, 028, 030, 031, 032, 033, 034, 035, 042, 043,

044

and

Case Number 99-200-SPHXA 1010 Eastern Avenue and 1017 Eastern Boulevard

Item #37 (commercial)
Radcliffe Shopping Center
1017 York Road

Item #38 (residential)
OXEYE ROAD - Greengate
2208 OXEYE ROAD

The Bureau of Development Plans Review has reviewed the subject zoning items, and we have no comments.

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cc: File

### BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

### INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

DATE: August 4, 1999

TO: Larry E. Schmidt

Zoning Commissioner

FROM: James H. Thompson - JP

Code Enforcement Supervisor

SUBJECT: ITEM NO.: 016

PETITIONER: Stoneyork Limited Partnership

VIOLATION CASE NO.: 99-1079

LOCATION OF VIOLATION: E/S York Road, 100'S of Regester Avenue

(6805 York Road)

DEFENDANT(S): Stoneyork Limited Partnership

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 person(s):

NAME ADDRESS

Stephanie Rowe 6809 York Road

Baltimore, MD 21212

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

JHT/jp/lmh

### BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

### INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

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Date: August 24, 1999

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

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

Office of Planning

**SUBJECT:** Zoning Advisory Petitions

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

Item No(s): 016 and 061

If there should be any questions or this office can provide additional information, please contact Jeffrey Long in the Office of Planning at 410-887-3480.

Section Chief:

AFK/JL



Parris N. Glendening Governor John D. Porcari Secretary Parker F. Williams Administrator

Date: 8.12.99

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

RE: Baltimore County

Item No. 016

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Dear Ms. Stephens:

We have reviewed the referenced item and have no objection to approval, as a field inspection reveals that the existing entrance(s) on to MD/US are acceptable to the State Highway Administration (SHA) and this development is not affected by any SHA projects.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Larry Gredlein at 410-545-5606 or by E-mail at (lgredlein@sha.state.md.us).

Very truly yours,

Michael M. Lenhart, Chief

**Engineering Access Permits Division** 

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Parris N. Glendening Governor John D. Porcari Secretary Parker F. Williams Administrator

Date:

7.24.00

Ms. Ronnay Jackson

Baltimore County Office of Permits and Development Management County Office Building, Room 109 Towson, Maryland 21204

RE:

**Baltimore County** 

Item No. 016

JIM

Dear. Ms. Jackson:

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.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Larry Gredlein at 410-545-5606 or by E-mail at (lgredlein@sha.state.rad.us).

Very truly yours,

/n Kenneth A. McDonald Jr., Chief Engineering Access Permits Division

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RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING PETITION FOR VARIANCE 6805 York Road, E/S York Rd, 100' S of Register Ave 9th Election District, 4th Councilmanic

Legal Owner: Stoneyork L.P. Contract Purchaser: Bagels, Inc. Petitioner(s)

- BEFORE THE
- \* ZONING COMMISSIONER
- \* FOR
- \* BALTIMORE COUNTY
- \* Case No. 00-16-SPHA

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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.

Peter May Zinneinen PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN

People's Counsel for Baltimore County

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CAROLE S. DEMILIO

Deputy People's Counsel

Old Courthouse, Room 47

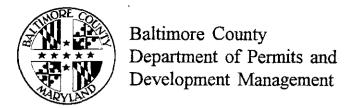
400 Washington Avenue

Towson, MD 21204 (410) 887-2188

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 199 day of August, 1999 a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Stanley S. Fine, Esq., Rosenberg, Proutt, Funk, 25 S. Charles Street, Suite 2115, Baltimore, MD 21201, attorney for Petitioners.

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN



Director's Office County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 410-887-3353

Fax: 410-887-5708

August 23, 1999

Stanley S. Fine, Esquire Rosenberg Proutt Funk & Greenberg, LLP 25 South Charles Street Baltimore, MD 21201

Dear Mr. Fine:

RE: Case Number 00-016-SPHA, 6805 York Road

The above matter, previously scheduled for September 7, 1999, has been postponed at your request. Per your request, the hearing will not be rescheduled until you notify this office.

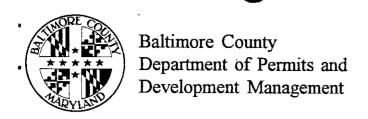
Please be advised that, as the individual requesting and receiving the postponement, the responsibility and costs associated with the appropriate posting of the property now lies with you. The petitioner or his/her agent may not personally post or change a zoning sign. One of the currently approved vendors/posters must be contacted to do so. If the property has been posted with notice of the original hearing date, as quickly as possible a notice of the new hearing date should be affixed to the sign(s).

∡ery truly yours,

Arnold Jablon Director

AJ:scj

C: Stoneyork Limited Partnership, 13000 Dulaney Valley Road, Glen Arm 21057 Bagels, Inc., 325 Dukeland Street, Baltimore 21223 Stephanie Rowe, 6809 York Road, Baltimore 21212



Director's Office County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 410-887-3353

Fax: 410-887-5708

October 19, 1999

Stanely S. Fine, Esq.
Rosenberg Proutt Funk & Greenberg LLP
25 S. Charles Street
Baltimore, MD 21201

Dear Mr. Fine:

RE: Case Number: 00-16-SPHA, Legal Owner: Stoneyork Limited Partnership, Contract Purchaser: Bagels, Inc.

The above matter has been rescheduled for hearing as follows:

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1999 AT 9:00 IN ROOM 407, COUNTY COURTS BUILDING, 401 BOSLEY AVENUE, TOWSON MD 21204

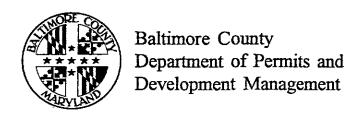
As you are aware, the new hearing information should be affixed to the hearing notice sign posted on the property as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days prior to the new hearing date. Please contact the vendor/poster originally contracted to take care of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Arnold Jablon Director

AJ:ggs

c: Stoneyork Limited Partnership
Bagels, Inc.
Stephanie Rowe



Development Processing County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 pdmlandacq@co.ba.md.us

May 16, 2002

Arnold H. Greenspun, Vice President Terrapin Court Enterprises t/a Sam's Bagels 6805 York Road Baltimore, MD 21212

Dear Mr. Greenspun:

RE: Spirit and Intent, Case # 00-016-SPHA, 6805 York Road, Baltimore, MD 21212, 9th Election District

Your recent letter to Arnold Jablon, Director, was forwarded to me for reply. Based on the information provided therein and my review of the available zoning records, the following has been determined:

- 1. Subject to the plans and restriction #4 in zoning case # 00-016-SPHA, if you reduce your request to permit 10 chairs in front of the building rather than 12 chairs, your property would be within the "spirit and intent" of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR). Be aware, however, that if you place these 10 chairs outside, you would then be limited to a maximum of 15 chairs inside of the building for a total of 25 chairs for the whole site.
- 2. The placement of the planters in front of the building does not appear to conflict with the above captioned order. However, you may wish to contact the State Highway Administration if the planters will be located within the State right-of-way.
- 3. Relative to the change in corporate names, please see the attached copy of a memo from the Deputy Zoning Commissioner clarifying that issue. Be aware, however, that his decision is appealable to the County Board of Appeals. In addition, if his decision is challenged in some other manner, this office may rescind this "spirit and intent" letter and require that a new public hearing be held.
- 4. This "spirit and intent" approval is subject to any required permits from the County or State.
- 5. If a permit is required, you must incorporate a copy of the Deputy Zoning Commissioner's memo and this response letter on all plans submitted for review.
- 6. This "spirit and intent" approval applies to the zoning regulations (BCZR) and policies only and does not apply to regulations enforced by other County and State agencies.

A copy of your letter and this response will be recorded and made a permanent part of the zoning case file.

I trust that the information set forth in this letter is sufficiently detailed and responsive to the request. If you need further information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-887-3391.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey N. Perlow

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Planner II

Zoning Review



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### NOTE TO FILE

DATE: May 15, 2002

TO: Zoning Review Office

Department of Permits and Development Management

FROM: Tim Kotroco, Deputy Zoning Commissioner

RE: Zoning Case File # 00-016-SPHA (6805 York Road)

This memo is to inform all interested parties that the change in corporate name from Bagels, Inc. to Terrapin Court Enterprises, Inc. for the business operating at 6805 York Road and trading as Sam's Bagels meets with the spirit and intent of my original order in zoning case # 00-016-SPHA. Please be aware that this decision is appealable to the County Board of Appeals.

# BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTER-OFFICE MEMO

DATE: July 15, 1999

TO: Sophia Jennings

Zoning

FROM: Lisa Henson

Code Enforcement

RE: Item No. 00-16-SPHA

Violation Case No. 99-1079

Location of Violation: 6805 York Road Defendant: Stoneyork Limited Partnership

Address: 313 East Ridgely Road, Baltimore, MD 21212

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: Stephanie Rowe

Address: 6809 York Road, Baltimore, MD 21212

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

Inspector	Jeffrey Perlow		_
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ANNESLIE COMMUNITY, INC.

November 4, 1999

Stanley S. Fine, Esq. Rosenberg Proutt Funk & Greenberg 25 S. Charles Street Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Dear Mr. Fine:

RE: Case Number: 00-16-SPHA / 99-1079

The Anneslie Community Association Board of Governors has met and discussed the Petition for Variance request made by you and your client, Sam's Bagels, to abide by the original variance granted to Charm City Bagels in 1997 (case number 97-64 A). We feel that the original variance was fair and we see no reason to object to your current request as long as the provisions of that variance are strictly followed.

Because the bagel shop borders the Anneslie Community and has the most impact on our community as far as traffic and parking are concerned, the following provisions as set forth in the 1997 variance are extremely important and should be continued:

- 1. Hours of operation should be limited to 6:00am 4:00pm
- Prohibited from providing more than 25 seats total, either inside or outside the bagel shop. Outside seating should have some limitations so as not to block access to sidewalk areas.
- 3. It should only operate as a bagel shop and not any other type of business.

We also do not object to the provisions of this variance, if they are approved as suggested, being transferred to a new owner if the business is sold and operated only as a bagel shop.

Best Regards,

James W. Dobson, President For the Board of Governors

Anneslie Community Association

cc. Baltimore Zoning Commissioner / Anneslie Board of Governors

# The Rodgers Forge Community, Inc.

AN ORGANIZATION OF THE RESIDENTS OF RODGERS FORGE BALTIMORE, MD. 21212

November 8, 1999

Stanley Fine, Esq. C/O Rosenberg, Proutt, Funk & Greenberg 25 S. Charles Street Suite 2115 Baltimore, MD 21201

Dear Mr. Fine:

This is to inform you that the Board of Governors of The Rodgers Forge Community Association voted at its September 8, 1999 meeting, to limit the variance and exception to be heard in case number 0016SPHA to Sam's Bagels only and not to any assigns or future purchasers.

I hope this meets with your needs.

Sincerely,

Arnold H. Greenspun, President

6805 YORK ROAD BALTIMORE, MD 21212

PHONE: 410-372 0500 FAX: 410-372 0502

Ternopin Court Enterprises, Inc. +/a
Sam's Bagels Rodgers Forge

April 26, 2002

Mr. CARL RICHARDS, ZONING SUPERVISOR BALTIMORE COUNTY ZONING OFFICE 111 W. CHESAPEAK AVE. TOWSON, MD 21204

DEAR MR. RICHARDS:

THIS LETTER IS A FOLLOW-UP TO OUR CONVERSATION OF MARCH 21, 2002, RELATING TO OUR REQUEST TO ADD (6) SIX 24' BISTRO TABLES WITH (2) TWO CHAIRS EACH, IN PRONT OF OUR STORE. WE ALSO INTEND TO PLACE SEVERAL PLANTERS IN KEEPING WITH THE YORK ROAD STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS.

THE PAVE MENT IN FRONT OF THE STORE EXTENDS 36' TO THE CURB. THE COMBINATION OF THE SEATING AND THE PLANTERS WILL NOT EXTEND MORE THAN 16' OUT FROM THE FRONT OF THE STORE, LEAVING MORE THAN AMPLE ROOM FOR PEDESTRIANS

IT IS ALSO OUR INTENTION TO BRING THE TABLES AND CHAIRS IN ON A DAILY BASES TO PREVENT VANDALISM.

THE NEIGHBORHOODS OF ANNESLIE, STONELEIGH AND RODGERS FORGE ALL SUPPORT US IN THIS EFFORT.

WE HOPE THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS SUFFICIENT FOR A USE PERMIT.

Sincerely,

ARNOLD H. GREENSPIN

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August 19, 1999

Arnold Jablon, Director
Baltimore County Department of Permits
and Development Management
County Office Building
111 W. Chesapeake Avenue
Towson, Maryland 21204

Re:

Case No.:

00-016-SPHA

6805 York Road

Dear Mr. Jablon:

STANLEY S. FINE

Please be advised that this firm represents Bagels, Inc., the Petitioner in the above matter, which is scheduled to be heard by the Zoning Commissioner on Tuesday, September 7, 1999 at 2:00 p.m.

I have been in contact with the adjoining communities to the subject property and have been advised that these communities will not be meeting until mid-September to consider this matter. Consequently, I respectfully request that the matter scheduled for September 7, 1999 be postponed so that we may have the opportunity to meet with these community groups. As soon as these meetings are completed, I will notify your office and request the rescheduling of this matter.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely

Stanley S. Fine

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cc: Bagles, Inc.

Stoneyork Limited Partnership The Rogers Forge Community, Inc.

Anneslie Community Association

The Greater Towson Council of Community Associations, Inc.

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October 18, 1999

#### VIA FACSIMILE (410) 887-2824

Baltimore County Department of Permits and Development Management County Office Building 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 Attn: Gwenn Stephens

Re:

Case No.:

00-016-SPHA

6805 York Road

Dear Ms. Stephens:

As I indicated to you in our telephone conversation of today, this firm represents Bagels, Inc., the Petitioner in the above matter.

We have been in contact with the adjoining communities to the subject property and have been advised that these communities have met and determined their position in this matter. Consequently, I respectfully request that this matter be scheduled for a hearing.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Stanley 8. Fine

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CC:

Bagels, Inc.

Stoneyork Limited Partnership
The Rogers Forge Community, Inc.
Anneslie Community Association

The Greater Towson Council of Community Associations, Inc.



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STEPHANIE ROHE & ED ROHE	605 MURDOCK RD.



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#### PETITIONER(S) SIGN-IN SHEET

NAME	ADDRESS
CAROL CURROTTO	721 AURDOCK PD 21212
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JAMES MATIS	GLOW YORK FORM SUTE 209 212
Allan D. GALLANT	2200 South Rd. By HIMPA 2170
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#### PROTESTANT(S) SIGN-IN SHEET

NAME	ADDRESS
STEPHANIE & ED ROHE	605 MURDOCK RD.



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IN RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE

E/S York Road, 100' S of

Regester Avenue (6805 York Road) 9th Election District

4th Councilmanic District

Stone York Limited Partnership

Petitioner

BEFORE THE

DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER

\* OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

\* Case No. 97-64-A

#### FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Petition for Variance for that property known as 6805 York Road, located between Regester Avenue and Murdock Road in Rodgers Forge. The Petition was filed by the owners of the property, Stone York Limited Partnership, by Andrew J. Georgelakos, Partner, and the Contract Lessee, Baltimore Bagel Company, Inc., by James Thomas, President, through their attorney, Robert A. Hoffman, Esquire. The Petitioners seek relief from Section 409.6 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit 4 parking spaces in lieu of the required 41 spaces and to amend the previously approved site plan in prior Case No. 4906, which allowed a parking variance of 6 spaces in lieu of the then required 16 spaces. The subject property and relief sought are more particularly described on the site plan submitted which was accepted and marked into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

Appearing at the hearing on behalf of the Petition were James G. Thomas, Jr., President, Baltimore Bagel Company, the Contract Lessee of the subject site, James Matis, Professional Engineer who prepared the site plan for this property, Robert Smith and Mark Andrews. The Petitioners were represented by Robert A. Hoffman, Esquire. Appearing in opposition to the request were Charles Whittington, Stephanie Rohe, and Jim Dobson, residents from the surrounding community.

Testimony and evidence offered revealed that the subject property consists of a gross area of 0.19 acres, more or less, zoned B.L.-A.S., and is improved with a two-story brick and block building which houses a variety of commercial uses. Included among those uses is a restaurant/ carry-out establishment known as Harry Little, a computer and video store, a hair salon, business offices, a dry cleaning business, another restaurant known as Hoang's, and the Baltimore Bagel Company, trading as Charm City Bagels, which occupies approximately 1,915 sq.ft. of the subject building. The first floor of the building is occupied by the Baltimore Bagel Company, and the adjacent restaurant known as Hoang's, which also occupies 1,915 sq.ft. The second floor of the building is utilized as general office space and consists of 1,572 sq.ft. The building has a basement which is used for storage purposes only and consists of 2700 sq.ft. As a result of a complaint filed against the owner of the shopping center for insufficient parking, it was discovered that the Petitioners lacked the required number of parking spaces for their use on the property and that a variance was necessary in order for them to continue their operation on the premises.

Appearing and testifying on behalf of the Baltimore Bagel Company and in support of the request was James G. Thomas, Jr. Mr. Thomas is the President of the company and both owns and operates the business at this location. Mr. Thomas testified that he has operated his bagel business from the subject site for approximately the past nine months. He testified that he and his investors performed substantial renovations to the subject property in order to build out the 1,915 sq.ft. of leasable space into a bagel shop. Mr. Thomas testified that he presently employs 13 individuals who work for him over the course of the week and that his hours of operation are 7 days a week, from the early morning hours to late

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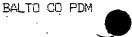
afternoon. Mr. Thomas testified that his business is not open for dinner or in the evening hours.

Mr. Thomas testified concerning the revenue he has earned up to the date of the hearing. His statistics and records show that 78% of all his business is carry-out. The Petitioner does provide tables and chairs within the store for patrons to sit and dine. Photographs of both the interior and exterior of the bagel shop were submitted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibits 3A and 3B. At the present time, the Petitioner has 30 chairs, some of which are located outside the bagel store on the sidewalk. Mr. Thomas indicated that many of his patrons will make their purchases and sit for a few moments, long enough to consume their meal and converse with friends or read the paper. Mr. Thomas wishes to continue this seating arrangement in that he feels it best serves the needs and desires of his customers. Mr. Thomas also submitted a Petition of Support which was signed by 840 individuals who are neighbors and community residents from the surrounding area. The Petition indicates that these individuals are in favor of the bagel shop and the variance to parking regulations. Furthermore, Mr. Thomas met with and obtained several letters of Submitted into support from the surrounding community associations. evidence as Petitioner's Exhibits 5A, 5B, and 5C were letters from the Greater Towson Council of Community Associations, Inc., the Anneslie Community Association, and the Rodgers Forge Community Association, all of whom support the request for variance, provided certain terms and conditions are placed upon the use of this property.

Mr. Thomas admitted that the parking arrangement for; all of the businesses at this location is at a premium. However, he testified that his customers as well as his employees and the patrons of the other busi-

exists for all of the businesses in this particular building. Mr. Thomas indicated that he has not witnessed nor heard any complaints from his customers as to inadequate parking. If the variance is granted, Mr. Thomas agrees to be restricted to provide seating for no more than 30 customers at a time, both in and outside the restaurant. He further agreed that the variance only applies to the Baltimore Bagel Company and that the variance would terminate upon the discontinuance of his use of the property.

As noted above, several individuals appeared in opposition to the Ms. Stephanie Rohe, who owns and operates the restaurant and carry-out business known as Harry Little, predominantly led the opposition to the Petitioner's request for variance. Ms. Rohe's restaurant is located at the end of the building at the corner of York Road and Regester Avenue. She testified that she has owned and operated Harry Little's for the past 15 years and that she has been a resident of Anneslie for 20 years. She is opposed to the granting of a parking variance for the Baltimore Bagel Company, and argued that the customers and patrons of that business monopolize the limited number of parking spaces that are available in this area. She believes that the Petitioner has overburdened the use of the property by adding outdoor seating for his customers which encourages them to stay [or longer periods of time while enjoying their food. She noted that her business is strictly a carry-out operation, wherein no seating is provided for customers. Her customers come in, place an order, and leave upon receiving their order. Whereas, at the Bagel Shop, patrons will sit at a table, read the paper, eat their food, and converse with friends or other customers, thereby causing patrons to linger longer and thus utilizing a parking space for a longer period of time. Ms. Rohe indicated, and the



testimony showed, that many people from the surrounding community walk to the businesses at this location. However, many others do drive to the property, and therefore, take up parking spaces.

In further support of her position, Ms. Rohe submitted into evidence as Protestant's Exhibits 5A through 5G, various photographs of the surrounding area which show that all available parking is utilized. She further testified that parking for all of the businesses in this area is at a premium and pointed out that Mr. Thomas has been inconsistent in disclosing the number of seats he intends to provide for his customers. Rohe submitted into evidence as Protestant's Exhibit 3, a copy of the food service permit application filed by Mr. Thomas wherein it is indicated Ms. Rohe also that seating for up to six customers will be provided. submitted into evidence as Protestant's Exhibit 1, a copy of Mr. Thomas' building permit application, wherein it is indicated that no seating would be provided on the premises, only carry-out service. Furthermore, submitted into evidence as Protestant's Exhibit 2 is a copy of an article that appeared in the Towson Times which states that the Petitioner intends to provide seating for up to 30 customers. Ms. Rohe believes that Mr. has not been forthright in disclosing the number of seats he intends to provide at his business, and she believes that this issue should have been resolved prior to the opening of the Charm City Bagel Shop. Ms. Rohe also submitted a Petition which had been circulated among the various other business owners and operators in this area, all of whom signed in opposition to the granting of the variance. Ms. Rohe testified that her objection to the granting of a variance is consistent with that of the other business owners in this area and that her primary complaint is that the Charm City Bagel Shop monopolizes the limited number of parking spaces

that is available to ail of the businesses at this location. She is therefore opposed to the granting of the variance and believes that the Petitioner should not be allowed to provide seating in his restaurant.

Mr. Charles Whittington, a nearby resident on Kingston Road, also appeared and testified in opposition to the variance. Mr. Whittington is concerned over the encroachment of commercial uses into the surrounding residential neighborhoods. He testified that individuals visiting the area for business as well as pleasure have double-parked along York Road. He is opposed to this commercial encroachment into his residential community and believes that these businesses should be kept in check.

In deciding whether a variance to parking requirements should be granted, the first issue to be determined is what type of restaurant use is being operated at the subject location. The Petitioner argued that his use is a carry-out restaurant and meets the definition of same as found on Page 1-26 of the B.C.Z.R. The Protestants assert that the Petitioner is operating a standard restaurant, as that term is defined on Page 1-26A of the B.C.Z.R. The classification of the restaurant type is important in that the amount of parking required is determined by the particular type of restaurant use. For example, the number of parking spaces required for a carry-out restaurant is 5 spaces per 1,000 sq.ft. of gross floor area; however, the parking requirements for a standard restaurant are 16 spaces per 1,000 sq.ft. of its gross floor area.

Section 101 of the B.C.Z.R. defines a carry-out restaurant on Page 1-26 as "An establishment whose principal business is the sale of ready-to-consume food and beverages to customers who order their food and beverages over the counter, by telephone or fax machine and whose principal characteristic is that food and beverages are consumed off the premises."



Testimony offered by the Petitioner was that 78% of his customers take their purchases off the premises for consumption. Furthermore, there are no waiters or waitresses to take orders from patrons who are seated within the restaurant. Finally, the product offered for sale is "ready-to-consume food" which is ordered over the counter within the Bagel Shop.

After considering the testimony and evidence offered by the Petitioner as well as the Protestants. I find that the business operated on the subject property by the Baltimore Bagel Company, is that of a carry-out restaurant, as that term is defined in the B.C.Z.R., and as such, that use of the property requires a minimum of 5 parking spaces per 1,000 sq.ft. of gross floor area.

The Protestants argued that inasmuch as the Petitioner provides seating within his restaurant. it automatically prevents him from being considered as a carry-out restaurant. However, nowhere contained within the definition of a carry-out restaurant is there a restriction or prohibition on providing seating. Therefore, I believe it is permissible for a carry-out restaurant to have a limited number of seats for its patrons. It is also important to note that each case is decided based on its own merit. In my opinion, based on the facts and evidence presented, the use of the subject property by the Baltimore Bagel Company as a carry-out restaurant applies only to the Petitioners in this case. Other such businesses may differ somewhat from the operation of this particular establishment and therefore, cannot benefit from the decision rendered in this matter to classify the Baltimore Bagel Company as a carry-out restaurant.

Having determined that the Bagel Shop is a carry-out restaurant, the regulations require that the Petitioner provide 5 parking spaces for every 1,000 sq.ft. of gross floor area. Inasmuch as the Petitioner occu-

pies 1,915 sq.ft. of space. he must provide a minimum of 9.58 parking spaces, or 10 spaces total. The site plan and testimony offered revealed that the Petitioner only has 4 parking spaces available on-site. Therefore, a variance of 5.58, or 6 parking spaces is necessary, and as such, the Petitioner's request for variance is appropriate.

As stated previously, the testimony and evidence offered in this case involves the Baltimore Bagel Company operating as Charm City Bagel Company. The decision rendered in this matter shall only apply to the Charm City Bagel Company, and not to any other tenant of the subject building.

At the conclusion of the hearing in this matter, I indicated that I would personally make a site inspection of the property and on seven separate occasions, I visited the Bagel Shop and surrounding businesses. I visited both during the morning hours and lunch time hours, and made one inspection and visit on a Saturday morning. These visits were made in an attempt to determine whether a parking variance would be appropriate for this particular business. Based upon my observations during the course of these site visits as well as the testimony and evidence offered at the hearing, I find that the relief requested is appropriate and that a variance should be granted. Certain restrictions will be imposed at the end of this Order, however, to insure that the operation of the Charm City Bagel Shop at this location will not be detrimental to the surrounding The businesses in this commercial strip have existed in this community. location for over 40 years. The parking situation has remained the same. That is, there has always been only a very limited number of parking spaces for the tenants of this building. The customers, patrons and residents of the area have adjusted to this parking situation, and the businesses have continued to operate, in spite of these parking deficiencies.



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).

After due consideration of the testimony and evidence presented, it is clear that practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship will result if the variance is not granted. It has been established that special circumstances or conditions exist that are peculiar to the subject property 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 particular parcel. In addition, the variance 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 this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the variance requested should be granted.

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THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this 14 day of January, 1997 that the Petition for Variance seeking relief from Section 409.6 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit 4 parking spaces in lieu of the required 10 spaces and to amend the previously approved site plan in prior Case No. 4906, which allowed a parking variance of 6 spaces in lieu of the then required 16 spaces, in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit 1, be and is hereby GRANTED, subject to the following restrictions:

- 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 relief granted herein shall be rescinded.
- The relief granted herein is limited to the Baltimore Bagel Company, Inc., trading as Charm City Bagel Company. In the event the Baltimore Bagel Company ceases to operate its business on the premises, then the parking variance granted herein shall cease and terminate. This variance shall not apply to Hoang's or the office space located on the second floor of the subject building, as no testimony was offered regarding those uses.
- The hours of operation of the subject business shall be limited to 6:00 AM to 4:00 PM, seven days a week.
- The Petitioner is prohibited from providing any more than 25 seats total, either inside or outside the Bagel Shop. This limited seating shall insure that the principal business of the Bagel Shop is for carryout purposes, only.
- When applying for any permits, the site plan filed must reference this case and set forth and address the restrictions of this Order.

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Deputy Zoning Commissioner

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#### To the Zoning Commission:

I am a resident of the Anneslie Community at 526 Murdock Road, approximately one city block away from Sam's Bagels which is on York Road in the Anneslie neighborhood of Towson. I am writing in support of a variance from parking requirements for Sam's Bagels. Allowing for this variance would be consistent with past practice with respect to Charm City Bagel Company and would be in the best interests of the surrounding neighborhoods.

The Charm City Bagel Company operated for several years with tables inside and outside for its customers without incident or inconvenience for the surrounding neighborhood. My understanding is that the only significant complaint with respect to parking for either the Charm City Bagel Company or Sam's Bagels has come from the proprietors of Harry Little's sandwich shop. I believe this is a complaint without merit and is being made solely in the interest stifling competition with a nearby food establishment. Harry Little has no parking and I understand it is only exempt from parking requirements because it occupied the shopping center prior to the advent of parking requirements. In my opinion, Harry Little is abusing a technicality in the law to impose an undue burden on a neighboring business.

If Sam's Bagels is to be subject to parking requirements included in the zoning code, it only seems equitable that all of the businesses present in that shopping center be subject to the same rules. As a resident of Anneslie, I would oppose making all businesses subject to such parking requirements because it would necessitate either the closing of local businesses or the building of a parking lot which would fundamentally alter the character of the shopping center and the surrounding neighborhood and would not be in our interests.

Sam's Bagels is a good business. Residents from Anneslie, Rodger's Forge and Stoneleigh walk to buy bagels there. It is clean and well maintained and provides good employment opportunities for nearby teenagers and young adults. It would be terrible for the surrounding communities to lose this fine establishment over such a minor complaint that is motivated by purely selfish business reasons rather than a real concern about parking. It is clearly more in the interests of the surrounding communities to have Sam's Bagels operate in its present capacity than to close. A vacant business at that location is clearly not in the interests of the surrounding neighborhoods.

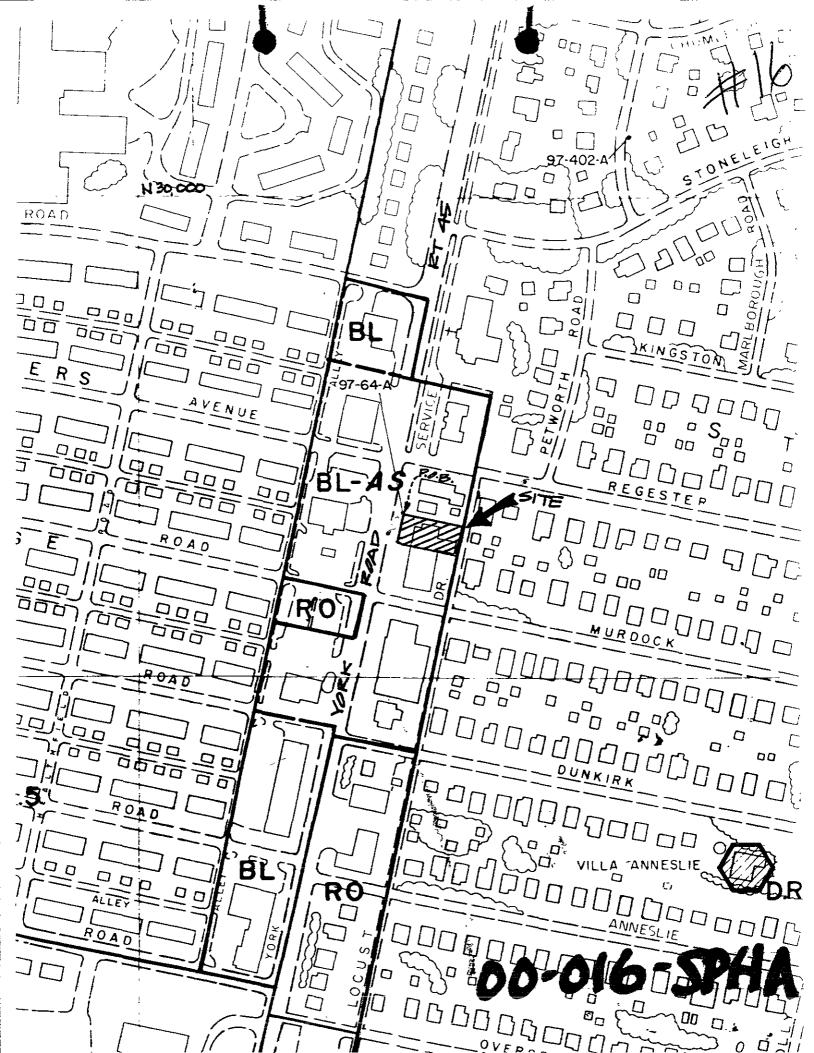
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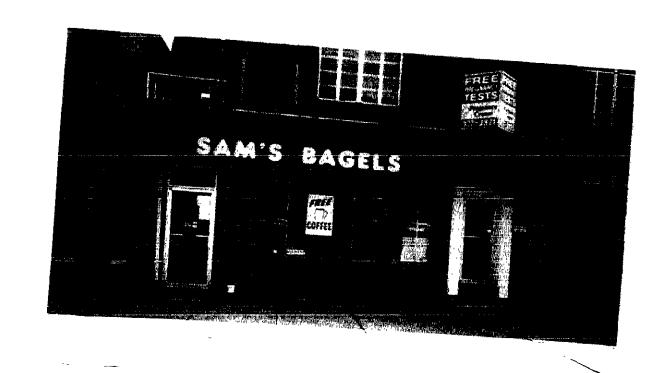
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