S/S Hilltop Avenue, 430' E
Centerline of Oakfield Avenue
15th Election District
5th Councilmanic District
(1817 Hilltop Avenue)
John Lacsny

IN RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE

John Lacsny Petitioner

- * BEFORE THE
- * DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER
- * OF BALTIMORE COUNTY
- * CASE NO. 01-379-A

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FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This matter comes before this Deputy Zoning Commissioner as a Petition for Variance filed by the legal owner of the subject property, John Lacsny. The Petitioner is requesting a variance for property he owns at 1817 Hilltop Avenue, located in the Essex area of Baltimore County. The subject property is zoned DR 3.5. The variance request is from Section 104.3 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.), to permit an expansion of a residential dwelling with the existing non-conforming setbacks in lieu of the setbacks currently established in the DR 3.5 zone.

Appearing at the hearing on behalf of the variance request were John Lacsny, along with his wife and son and Buck Jones, contractor.

Testimony and evidence indicated that the property, which is the subject of this variance request, consists of 0.55 acres, more or less, located on the south side of Hilltop Avenue on Middle River. The owner of the property, Mr. Lacsny, is interested in constructing an addition onto his house as shown on Petitioner's Exhibit No. 1, the site plan submitted into evidence. The setbacks for the proposed addition will be less than the existing setbacks for the existing home. The subject dwelling has been on the property for many decades and the setbacks for the existing home are non-conforming. Therefore, the request before me is to approve the

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construction of the addition to the existing home with the same or lesser setbacks then the existing dwelling.

Also submitted into evidence at the hearing are letters of support from adjacent property owners who reside around the subject dwelling. It should be noted that the property is a waterfront parcel and the construction of this addition only affects a limited number of neighbors. All of these neighbors support the Lacsny's in their request to construct this addition.

After reviewing the testimony and evidence offered at the hearing and the photographs submitted, I find that the Petitioner's request to permit the variance, to allow the addition to be constructed onto the existing dwelling, as shown on Petitioner's Exhibit No. 1, should be granted.

An area variance may be granted where strict application of the zoning regulations would cause practical difficulty to 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:

- 1) 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 property which is the subject of this request and that the requirements from which the Petitioner seeks relief will

unduly restrict the use of the land due to the special conditions unique to this particular parcel. In addition, the relief requested will not cause 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 after considering the testimony and evidence offered by the Petitioner, I find that the Petitioner's variance request should be granted.

1) The Petitioner may apply for his permit and be granted same upon receipt of this Order; however, Petitioner is hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at his 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 Petitioner would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said property to its original condition.

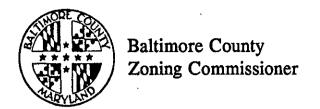
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July 9, 2001

Mr. Buck Jones 500 Vogts Lane Baltimore, Maryland 21221

> Re: Petition for Variance Case No. 01-379-A

Property: 1817 Hilltop Avenue

Dear Mr. Jones:

Enclosed please find the decision rendered in the above-captioned case. The Petition for Variance 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 Department of Permits and Development Management. 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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c: Mr. John Lacsny 1817 Hilltop Avenue Baltimore, MD 21221



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to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

for the property located at 1817 Hilltop Avenue

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Affidavit in Support of Administrative Variance

The undersigned hereby affirms under the penalties of perjury to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, as follows: That the information herein given is within the personal knowledge of the Affiant(s) and that Affiant(s) is/are competent to testify thereto in the event that a public hearing is scheduled in the future with regard thereto.

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My Commission Expires My Commission Expires November 12, 2003





Petition for Administrative Variance

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

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ZONING DESCRIPTION

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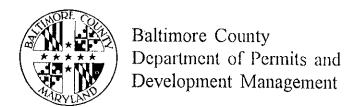
LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT
Zoning Commissioner for
Baltimore County
NOTES: (1) Hearings are
Handicapped Accessible; for
special accommodations
Please Contact the Zoning
Commissioner of Office at
(410) 887-4386
(2) For information concerning the File and/or
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(410) 8873391.

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CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

6/14,2001
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Development Processing County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

April 30, 2001

Pam & John Lacsny 1817 Hilltop Avenue Baltimore MD 21221

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Lacsny:

RE: Case Number: 01-379-A, 1817 Hilltop Avenue

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If you need further information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the commenting agency.

Very truly yours,

W. Carl Richards, Jr. らりて Supervisor, Zoning Review

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WCR: gdz

Enclosures

c: Buck Jones, 500 Vogts Lane, Baltimore 21221 People's Counsel

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

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Ladies and Gentlemen:	710 /W (F).
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410-666-5366; CELL: 410-905-8571 (Telephone Number)

1817 HILL-TOP LACSNY

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DEPARTMENT F 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: 0/-379-4
Petitioner: JOHN LACSNY
Address or Location: 18/7 HILL TOP AUR
PLEASE FORWARD ADVERTISING BILL TO:
Name: JOIT LAUSNY
Address: 1817 IALL TOP DUE
BALT MP 21221
Telephone Number: 443 - 572 - 7615

Revised 2/20/98 - SCJ

ZONING REVIEW

ADMINISTRATIVE VARIANCE INFORMATION SHEET AND DATES

Case Number 01- 379 -A Address 1817 Hillton Ave
Case Number 01- 379 -A Address 1817 Hilltop Ave. Contact Person: Bruco Rudartis Phone Number: 410-887-3391
Filing Date: 4/5/81 Posting Date: 4/15/61 Closing Date: 4/70/01
Any contact made with this office regarding the status of the administrative variance should be through the contact person (planner) using the case number.
POSTING/COST: The petitioner must use one of the sign posters on the approved list (on the reverse side of this form) and the petitioner is responsible for all printing/posting costs. Any reposting must be done only by one of the sign posters on the approved list and the petitioner is again responsible for all associated costs. The zoning notice sign must be visible on the property on or before the posting date noted above. It should remain there through the closing date.
2. DEADLINE: The closing date is the deadline for an occupant or owner within 1,000 feet to file a formal request for a public hearing. Please understand that even if there is no formal request for a public hearing, the process is not complete on the closing date.
ORDER: After the closing date, the file will be reviewed by the zoning or deputy zoning commissioner. He may: (a) grant the requested relief; (b) deny the requested relief; or (c) order that the matter be set in for a public hearing. You will receive written notification (typically within 7 to 10 days of the closing date) as to whether the petition has been granted, denied, or will go to public hearing. The order will be mailed to you by First Class mail.
4. POSSIBLE PUBLIC HEARING AND REPOSTING: In cases that must go to a public hearing (whether due to a neighbor's formal request or by order of the zoning or deputy zoning commissioner), notification will be forwarded to you. The sign on the property must be changed giving notice of the hearing date, time and location. As when the sign was originally posted, certification of this change and a photograph of the altered sign must be forwarded to this office.
(Detach Along Dotted Line)
Petitioner: This Part of the Form is for the Sign Poster Only
USE THE ADMINISTRATIVE VARIANCE SIGN FORMAT
Case Number 01- 379 -A Address 1817 H://top Aue.
Petitioner's Name John hacshy Telephone 443-572-7615 Posting Date: 4/15/00 Closing Date: 4/30/0/
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Wording for Sign: To Permit the expansion of a non-conforming residence of 104 90 (1450 ft,2) in lieu of the required 25% (348 ft,2)

TO: PATUXENT PUBLISHING COMPANY

Thursday, June 14, 2001 Issue - Jeffersonian

Please forward billing to:

John Lacsny 1817 Hilltop Avenue Baltimore MD 21221

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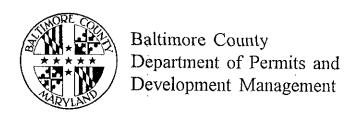
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LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT GDZ ZONING COMMISSIONER FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

NOTES: (1) HEARINGS ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE; FOR SPECIAL ACCOMODATIONS, PLEASE CONTACT THE ZONING COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE AT 410-887-4386.

(2) FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING THE FILE AND/OR HEARING, CONTACT THE ZONING REVIEW OFFICE AT 410-887-3391.



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

Fax: 410-887-5708

June 4, 2001

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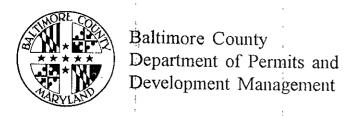
Arnold Jablon 602 Director

C: John Lacsny, 1817 Hilltop Avenue, Baltimore 21221 Buck Jones, 500 Vogts Lane, Baltimore 21221

NOTES: (1) THE PETITIONER MUST HAVE THE ZONING NOTICE SIGN POSTED BY AN APPROVED POSTER ON THE PROPERTY BY SATURDAY, JUNE 16, 2001.

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

June 29, 2001

John J Lacsny 1817 Hilltop Avenue Baltimore MD 21221

Dear Mr. Lacsny:

RE: Case Number: 01-379-A, 1817 Hilltop Avenue

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WCR: gdz

Enclosures

c: Buck Jones, 500 Vogts Lane, Baltimore 21221 People's Counsel

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

DATE: April 19, 2001

Department of Permits and Development Management

FROM:

Arnold F. 'Pat' Keller, III

Director, Office of Planning

SUBJECT: Zoning Advisory Petition(s): Case(s) 01-379, 01-407 & 01-410

The Office of Planning has reviewed the above referenced case(s) and has no comments to offer. For further questions or additional information concerning the matters stated herein, please contact Mark A. Cunningham in the Office of Planning at 410-887-3480.

Prepared by:

Section Chief: _ (

AFK/JL:MAC



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

April 17, 2001

Department of Permits and
Development Management (PDM)
County Office Building, Room 111
Mail Stop #1105
111 West Chesapeake Avenue
Towson, Maryland 21204

ATTENTION: Gwen Stephens

RE: Property Owner: SEE BELOW

Location: DISTRIBUTION MEETING OF April 16, 2001

Item No.: See Below

Dear Ms. Stephens:

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:

379, 383, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 402, 404, 405, 406, 407, 409, and 411

REVIEWER: LIEUTENANT JIM MEZICK, Fire Marshal's Office PHONE 887-4881, MS-1102F

cc: File

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Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration

Parris N. Glendening Governor

John D. Porcari Secretary

Parker F. Williams Administrator

Date: 4.12.01

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

RE:

Baltimore County

Item No. 379

BR

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.md.us).

Very truly yours,

f. J. Gredh

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

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION & RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

10:	Arnold Jabion
FROM:	R. Bruce Seeley PM 5
DATE:	April 23, 2001
SUBJECT:	Zoning Item #379 Hilltop Avenue 1817
Zonir	ng Advisory Committee Meeting of April 16, 2001
	Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management has no nents on the above-referenced zoning item.
an ext	Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management requests tension for the review of the above-referenced zoning item to determine the to which environmental regulations apply to the site.
	Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management offers llowing comments on the above-referenced zoning item:
	Development of the property must comply with the Regulations for the Protection of Water Quality, Streams, Wetlands and Floodplains (Sections 14-331 through 14-350 of the Baltimore County Code).
	Development of this property must comply with the Forest Conservation Regulations (Section 14-401 through 14-422 of the Baltimore County Code).
<u>X</u>	Development of this property must comply with the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Regulations (Sections 26-436 through 26-461, and other Sections, of the Baltimore County Code).
<u>X</u>	Impervious surface area limits cannot be exceeded unless a Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Administrative Variance is requested of and granted by DEPRM with concurrence from the Critical Area Commission.

Reviewer: Glenn Shaffer Date: April 19, 2001







4/30/01 HEARING (?)

RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE 1817 Hilltop Avenue, S/S Hilltop Ave, 430' E of c/l Oakfield Ave 15th Election District, 5th Councilmanic

Legal Owner: John Lacsny Petitioner(s) BEFORE THE

ZONING COMMISSIONER

* FOR

BALTIMORE COUNTY

Case No. 01-379-A

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. All parties should copy People's Counsel on all correspondence sent/ documentation filed in the case.

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN

People's Counsel for Baltimore County

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 23rd day of April, 2001 a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Buck Jones, 500 Vogts Lane, Baltimore, MD 21221, representative for Petitioners.

ETER MAX ZIMMERMAN



May 24, 2001

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

Fax: 410-887-3468

Mr. Buck Jones, President
Free-State General Contractors, Inc.
500 Vogts Lane
Baltimore, Maryland 21221

RE:

PETITION FOR VARIANCE

(1817 Hilltop Avenue)
John Lacsny – Petitioner
Case No. 01-379-A

Dear Mr. Jones:

In response to the letter from the Office of People's Counsel, dated April 23, 2001, and your letter dated April 30, 2001 concerning the above-captioned matter, the following comments are offered.

As I read the letter authored by Mr. Zimmerman and Ms. Demilio, their objection is as to the process followed in this case. Specifically, People's Counsel alleges that the administrative variance statute (Section 26-127(b) of the Baltimore County Code) does not authorize the relief sought within the Petition filed by you on behalf of Mr. Lacsny. The Office of People's Counsel makes clear that they contemplate an appeal of any decision rendered in this case in accordance with the administrative variance process.

Under the circumstances, I am forwarding a copy of this letter to the Department of Permits and Development Management (DPDM) and requesting that this matter be scheduled for a public hearing. The Zoning Commissioner has discretion to require a public hearing under Section 26-127(b)(2) of the Code. In my judgment, scheduling this matter for a public hearing will provide all interested parties an opportunity to present their respective positions. This includes not only you and Mr. Lacsny, but the Office of People's Counsel. It need be emphasized that I make no judgment at this time as to the merits of the relief requested. The public hearing is being scheduled to resolve the issues raised by Mr. Zimmerman and Ms. Demilio. A decision as to the merits of the case will be rendered timely after the public hearing is conducted.

Your consideration in the matter is appreciated. In the meantime, should you have any questions concerning the scheduling of this case, please contact Mr. George Zahner in DPDM at 887-3391.

Very truly yours,

LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

LES:bjs

cc: Mr. John Lacsny, 1817 Hilltop Avenue, Baltimore, Md. 21221 Office of People's Counsel; Mr. George Zahner, DPDM

Case File



(410) 887-2188

Towson, MD 21204

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN People's Counsel

April 23, 2001

CAROLE S. DEMILIO Deputy People's Counsel

Lawrence E. Schmidt, Esq. **Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner** 400 Bosley Avenue, 4th Floor Towson, MD 21204

Hand-delivered

Re: Petition for Administrative Variance 1817 Hilltop Avenue, S/S Hilltop Ave, 430' E of c/l Oakfield Ave.

15th Election District, 5th Councilmanic

John Lacsny, Petitioner Case No.: 01-379-A

APR 2 A

Dear Mr. Schmidt:

Our office reviewed the enclosed Petition for Administrative Variance received in the normal course from Permits and Development Management.

As you know, Baltimore County Code Section 26-127(b)(1) permits variance relief in an administrative process under certain limited circumstances pertaining to bulk regulations (height and area) for the site's residential zone.

It appears the relief requested here to expand a non-conforming use (BCZR Sec. 104) by over 100% in lieu of the 25% limit requires a Petition for Special Hearing. We do not believe a Petition for Administrative Variance is the proper procedure for the relief requested.

The Petition does not indicate an attorney of record. It may be advantageous for the property owner to present his requested relief to the Zoning Commissioner under what we believe to be the proper procedure. If not, our office will consider the procedure followed in addition to the decision on the merits to determine if an appeal to the County Board of Appeals is warranted.

If you agree, perhaps the property owner will file an amended Petition for Special Hearing and proceed with the required notices and signage.

Lawrence E. Schmidt, Esq. Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner April 23, 2001 Page Two

We will await hearing from you. Thank you kindly.

Very truly yours,

Peter Max Zimmerman

People's Counsel for Baltimore County

Carole S. Demilio

Deputy People's Counsel

PMZ/caf Enclosure

cc: Buck Jones, 500 Vogts Lane, Baltimore, MD 21221, Representative for Petitioner

John Lacsny, 1817 Hilltop Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21221, Legal Owner/Petitioner

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APRIL 30, 2001

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LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT, ESQ.
BALTIMORE COUNTY ZONING COMMISSIONER
400 BOSLEY AVENUE, 4TH FLOOR
TOWSON, MD 21204

RE: PETITION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE VARIANCE 1817 HILLTOP AVENUE BALTIMORE, MD 21221 CASE NO. 01-379-A

DEAR MR. SCHMIDT,

I AM IN POSSESSION OF THE LETTER GENERATED BY THE OFFICE OF PEOPLE COUNSEL, AND WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A FEW COMMENTS.

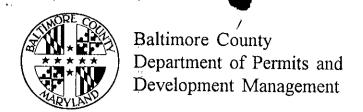
- 1. THE LACSNY'S LIVE ON A DEAD END ROAD THAT IS SURROUND BY WATER AND ONE NEIGHBOR THAT WOULD BE AFFECTED BY THEIR ADDITION. THE NEIGHBOR'S HAVE WRITTEN A FAVORABLE LETTER IN SUPPORT OF THIS ADDITION.
- 2. THE AREA OF THE ADDITION THAT ENCROACHES THE 25' FRONT SET BACK AREA IS THE GARAGE, AS THE ENCLOSED DRAWINGS WILL CONFIRM.
- 3. AS NOTED ON THE ATTACHED SITE PLAN, IF YOU WOULD STRIKE A LINE AT 25' OFF THE ROAD AND CALCULATE THE EXISTING AREA, IT WOULD BE 647 SQUARE FOOT VERSES THE PROPOSED ADDITION WHICH WOULD BE 336 SQUARE FEET. THE PERCENTAGE INCREASE WOULD BE 52%.

I HAVE ENCLOSED PICTURES OF THE LACSNY'S HOUSE AND THE ADJOINING NEIGHBORS HOUSE SO THAT YOU MAY HAVE A BETTER VISUAL OF THE PROJECT.

I HOPE THAT THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL HELP YOU MAKE A FAVORABLE DECISION FOR MY CLIENTS. I THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR TAKING THE TIME TO CONSIDER THIS INFORMATION.

SINCERELY YOURS.

BUCK JONES, PRESIDENT



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

May 17, 2002

Mr. John Lacsny 1817 Hilltop Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21221

RE:

Spirit & Intent for 01-379-A, 1817 Hilltop Ave.,

15th Election District

Dear Mr. Lacsny:

Your recent letter sent to Arnold Jablon, Director of Permits and Development Management has been given to me for reply. Based on the information provided therein and my review of the available zoning records, the following has been determined.

After consulting with Timothy Kotroco, Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County, this office considers the adjustments outlined in your letter and red-lined on your plan to be within the "spirit and intent" of the zoning hearing for 01-379-A. This "spirit and intent" approval applies to the <u>Baltimore County Zoning Regulations</u> and policies only and does not apply to regulations enforced by other government agencies.

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

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate calling me at 410-887-3391.

Sincerely,

Donna Thompson

Planner II

Zoning Review

DT Enclosure John Lacsny 1817 Hilltop Avenue Baltimore, MD 21221 4/10-574-35/6

May 13, 2002

Mr. Arnold Jablon Director of PDM 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

Re:

Spirit of Intent Letter

Modification to plans for variance granted in

Case No. 01-379-A

Property: 1817 Hilltop Avenue

Dear Mr. Jablon:

I wish to change the original plans for which the above variance was granted on July 9, 2001. The issue was not meeting the front setback of 30'.

The original plan had the proposed addition only 15' from the from the front property line, for a length of 42'.

The revised plan moves the addition back to 26' from the front property line, for a length of 60'.

I have attached the original site plan redlined with the proposed change for your approval.

Thanks for your consideration.

Jóhn Lacsny

1817 Hilltop Avenue homeowner

Plat to accompany Petition for Zoning Variance	e Special Hearing
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Dear Mr. Schmidt,

My neighbors, John and Pam Lacsny want to build an addition and a garage at 1817 Hilltop Avenuc. I own Snug Harbor Marina at 1811 Hilltop Marina which is adjacent to the Lacsny residence.

I have reviewed the plans with John and have no problems with his proposal. Since it will not impact the marina in any way and would be an improvement to the neighborhood, I recommend that the permit be approved.

Youran C. Edwards Jr. 6/23/01 410-879-0441

June 21, 2001

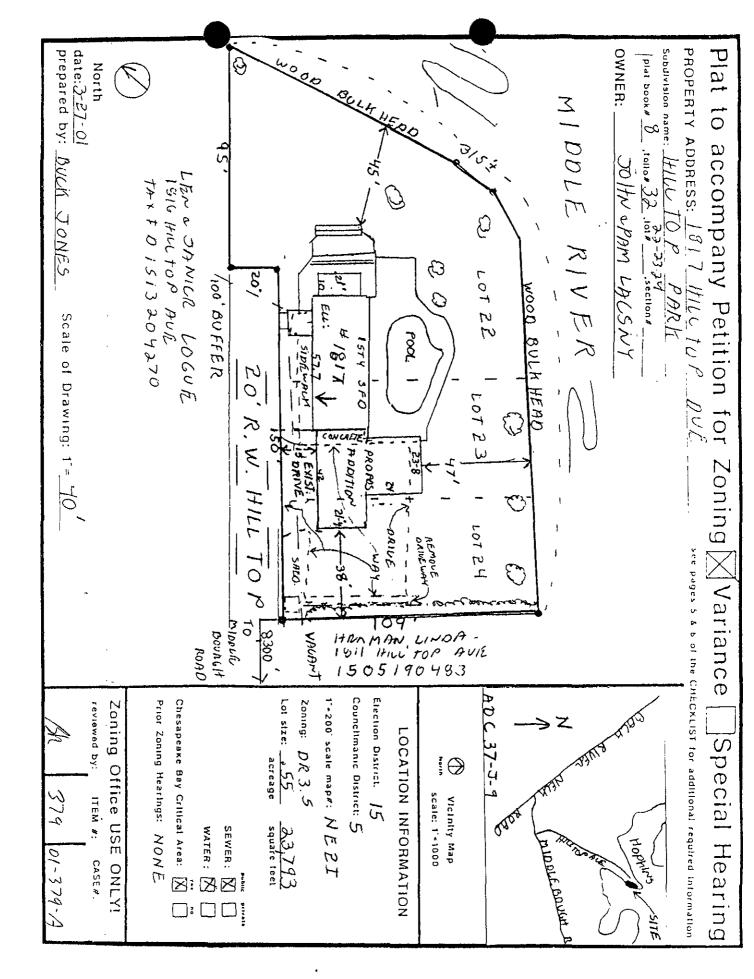
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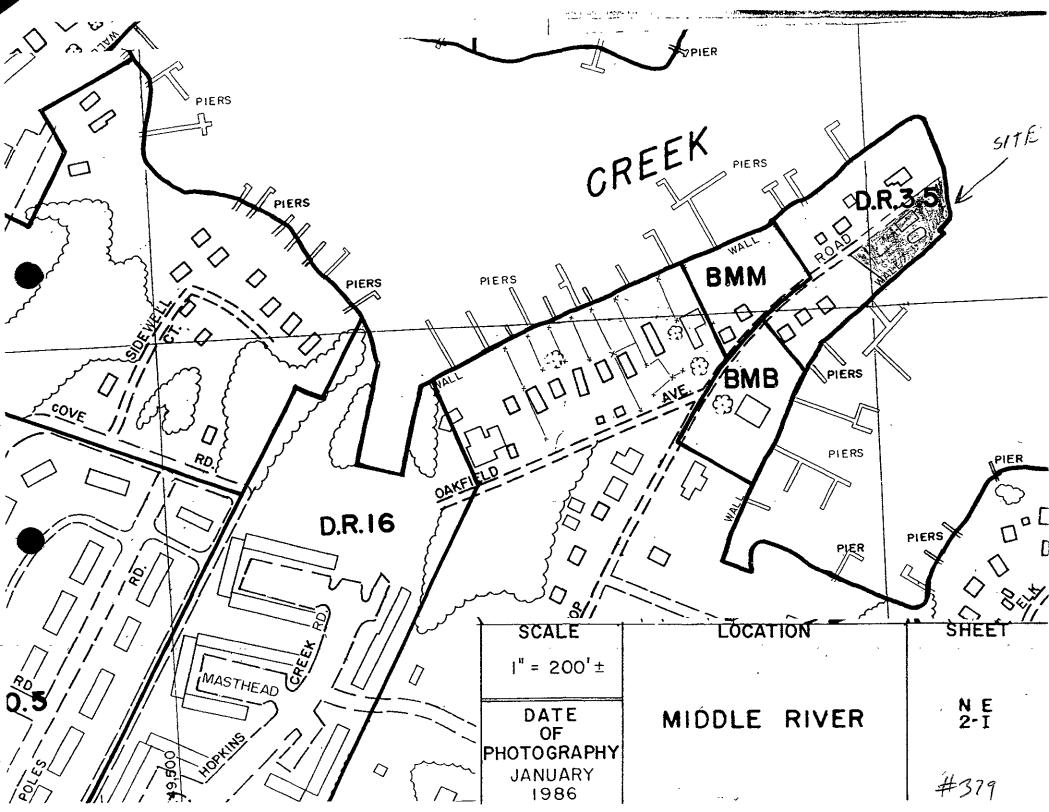
John and Pam Lacsny plan to build a garage and an addition at 1817 Hilltop Avenue. I live at 1814 Hilltop Avenue which is catty-corner from the Lacsny's.

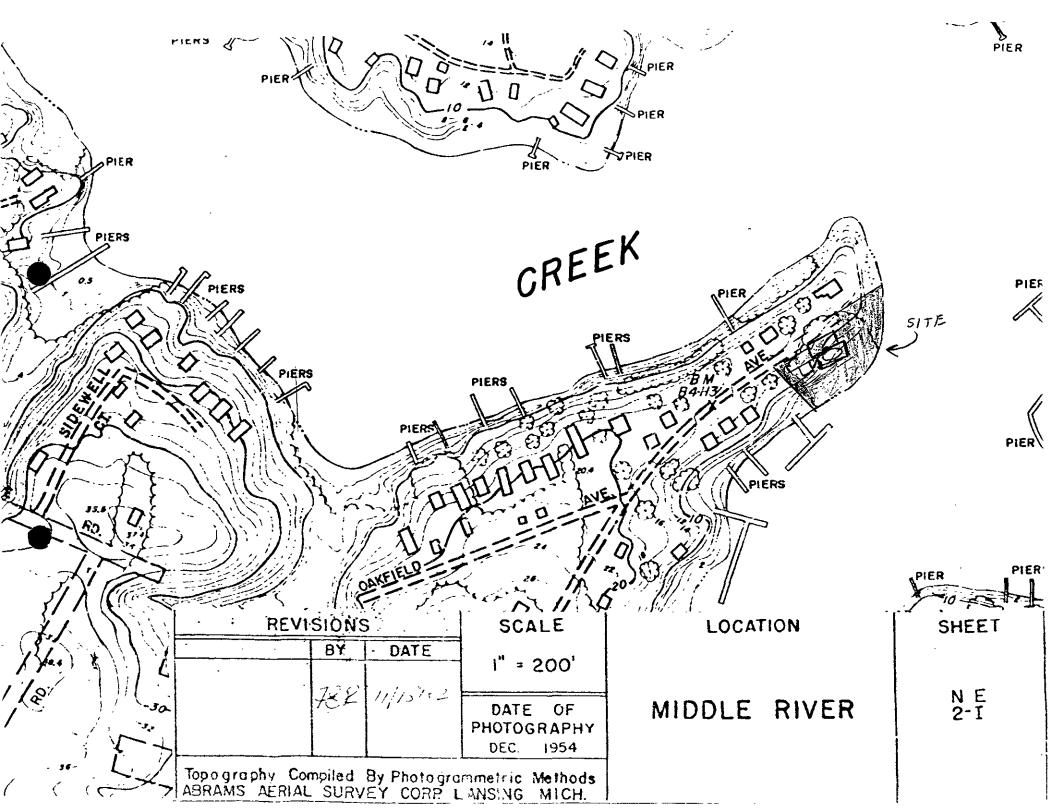
I have seen the house plans feel that it would be a nice improvement to the street. I recommend the permit be approved.

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Jay Pugh









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April 29, 2001

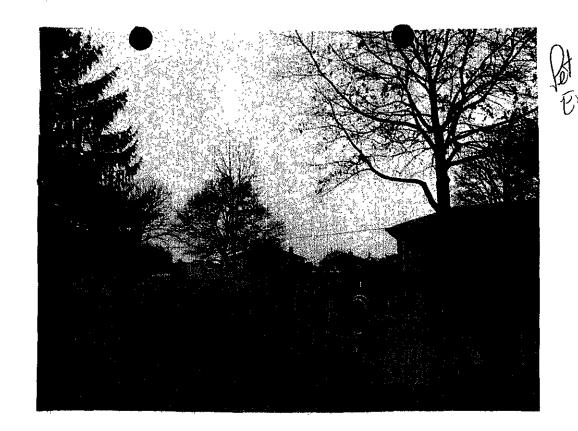
Dear Mr. Schmidt,

I am writing on behalf of my neighbore, John and Pam Lacony, who are planning to build a garage and addition to their house. The Locony & property at 1817 Hieltop are and our property at 1816 Hieltop are form the end of a peninsula. Hieltop avenue deadends unto our driveways and the rest of our properties are surrounded by Hopkins Creek.

Therefore, we would be the only neighbors in any way impacted by the Locary's addition. No one else has access to the

property.

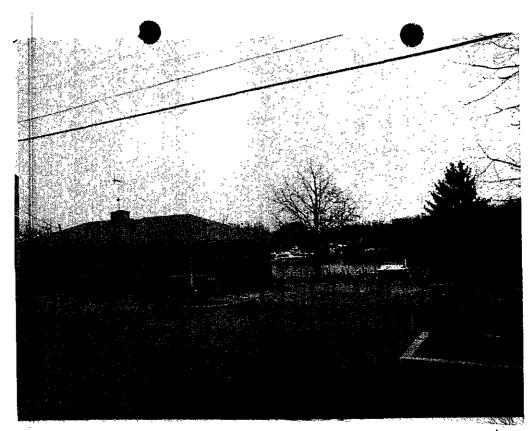
My husband and I do not think there will be any impact on us. The addition will not block our view of the water and it will not really affect the air flow because the addition will be opposite our open driveway. Our



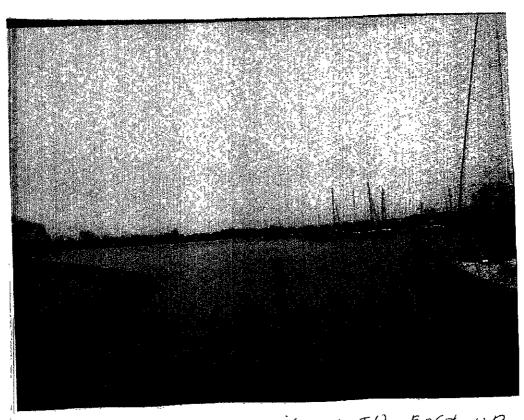
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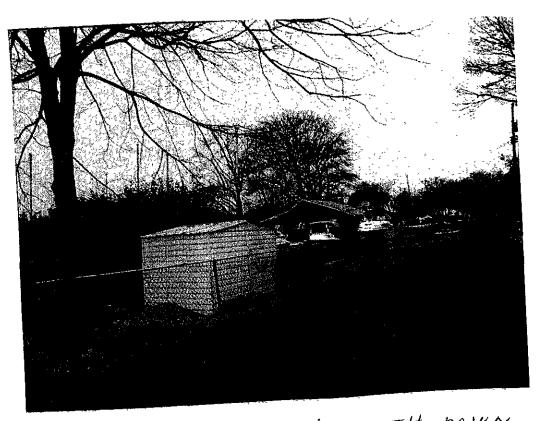


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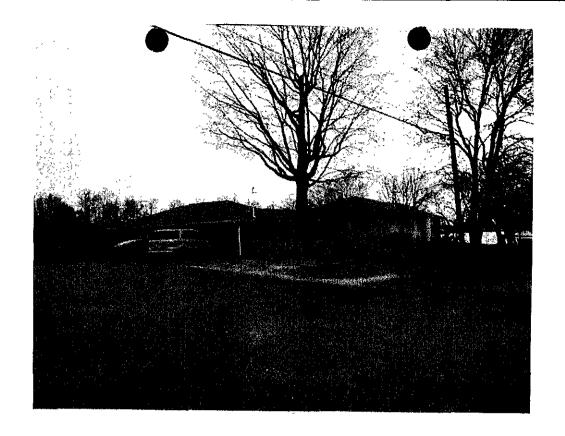
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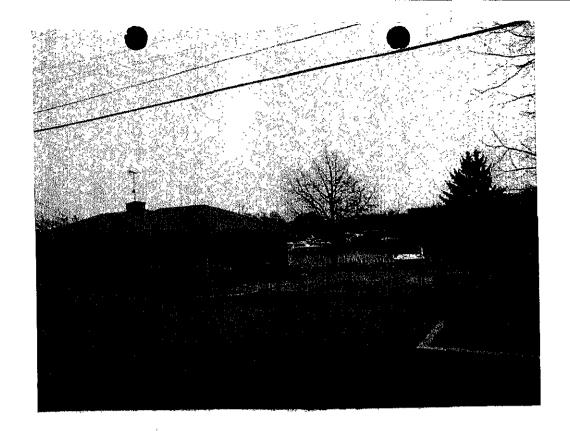
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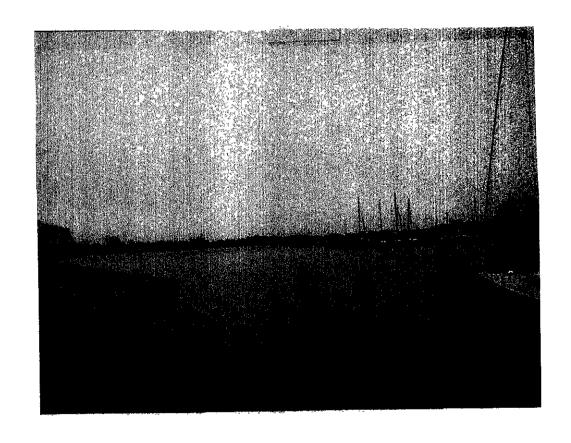
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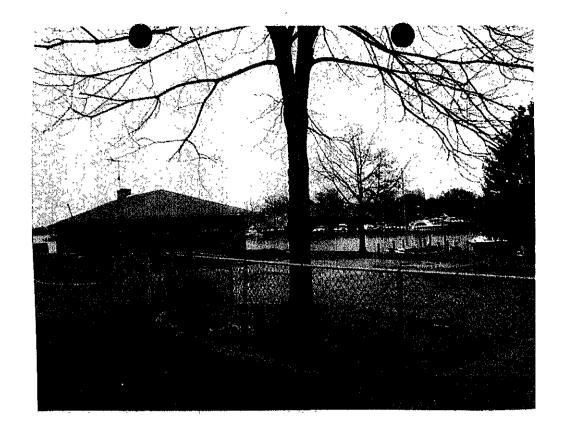
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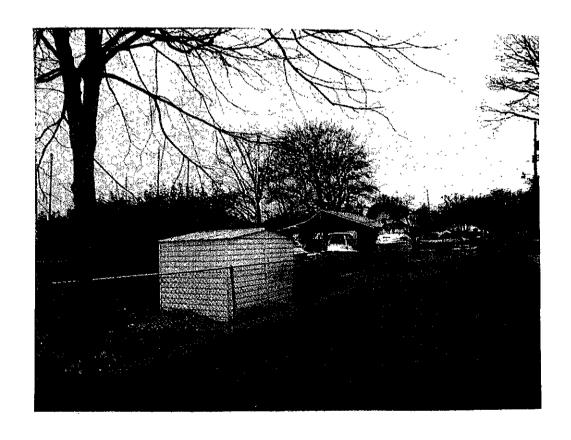
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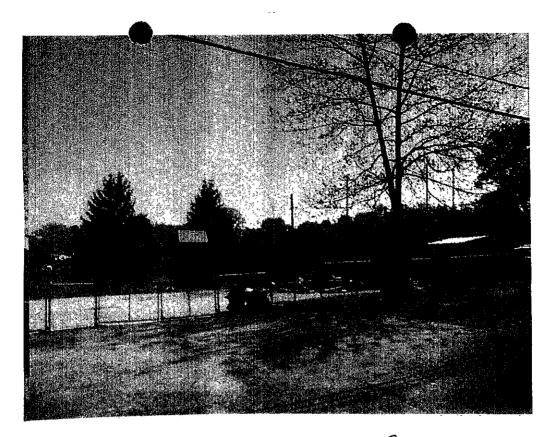
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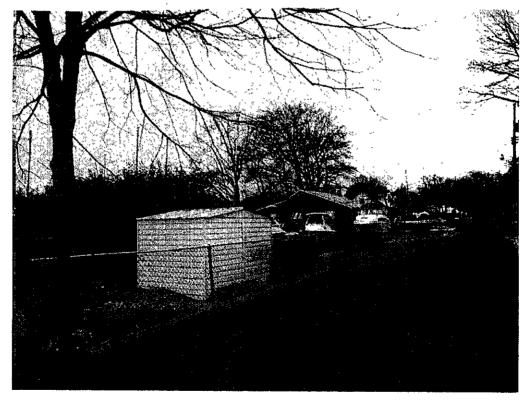
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STANDING ON HILLTOP LOOKING SOUTH DOWN HILLTOP AVE.



STANDING ON LOGUE'S DRIVEWAY (LACENY'S WEIGHBON'S)
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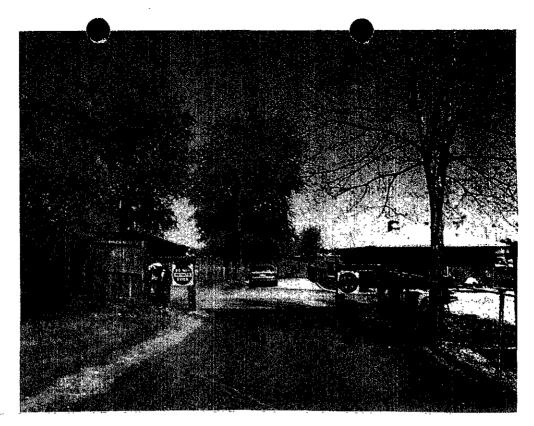
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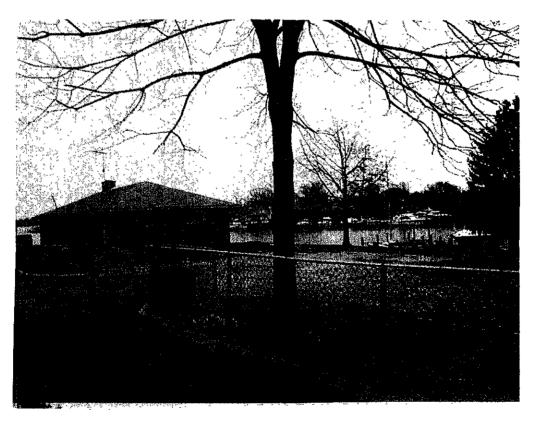
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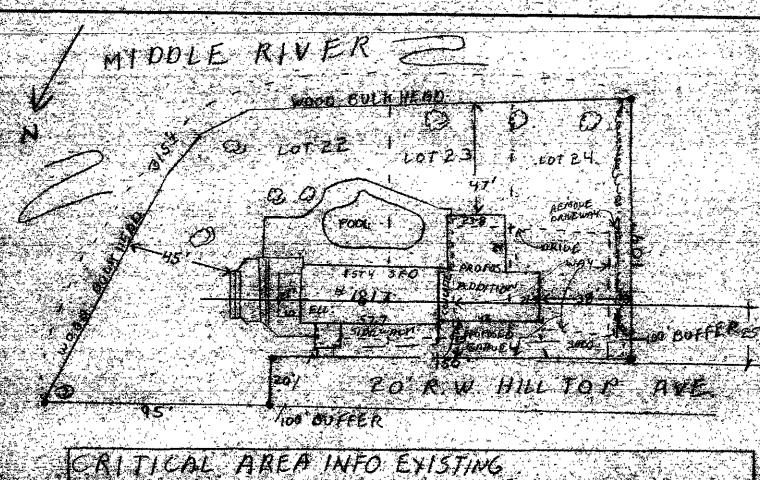
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LOOKING DOWN HILLTOP TOWARD'S DEAD END THE LACSNY'S PROPERTY ON PIGHT AND LOGUE'S PROPERTY IS TO LEFT

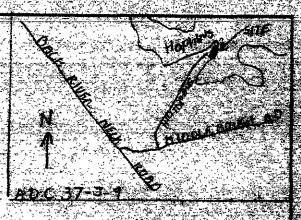


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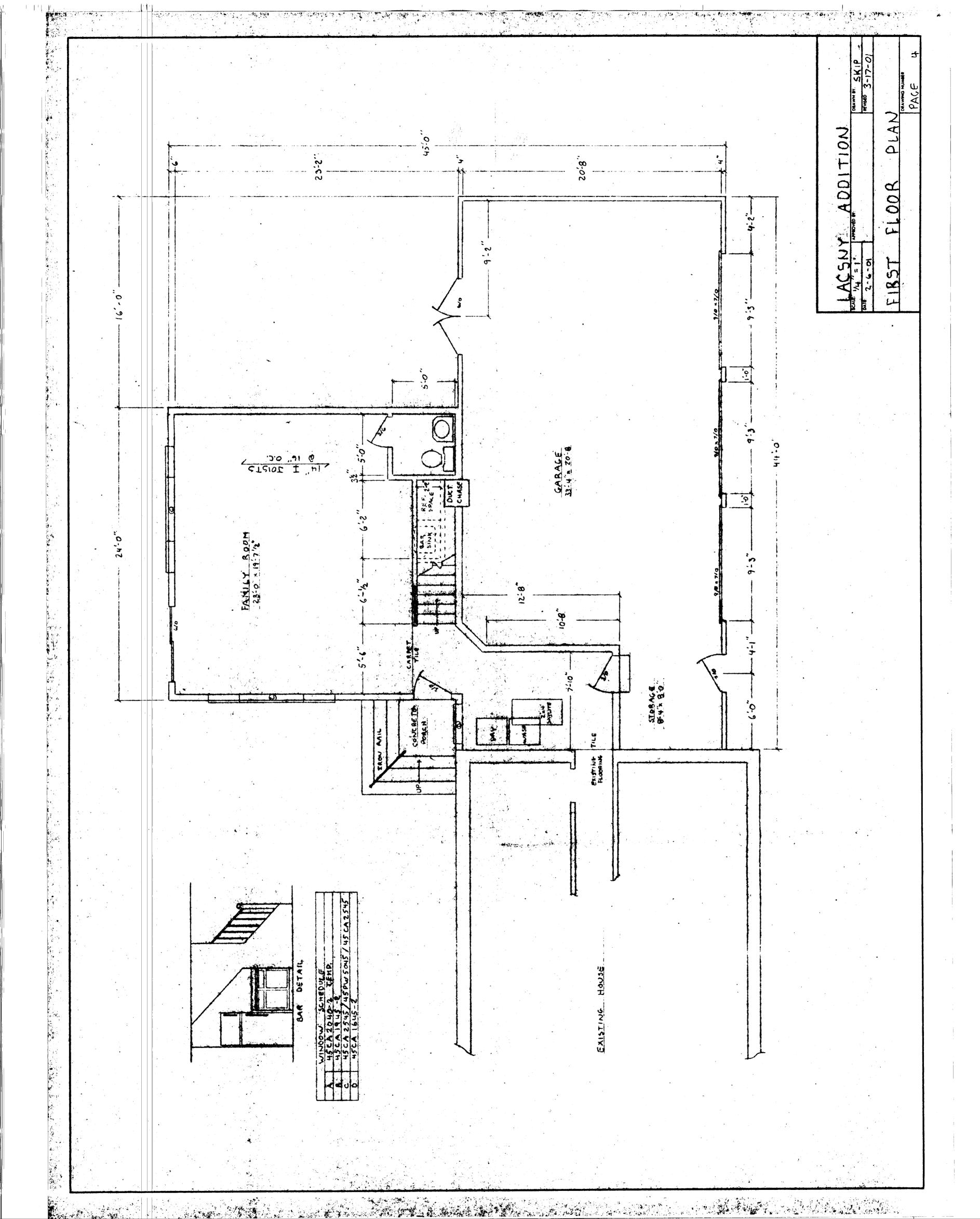
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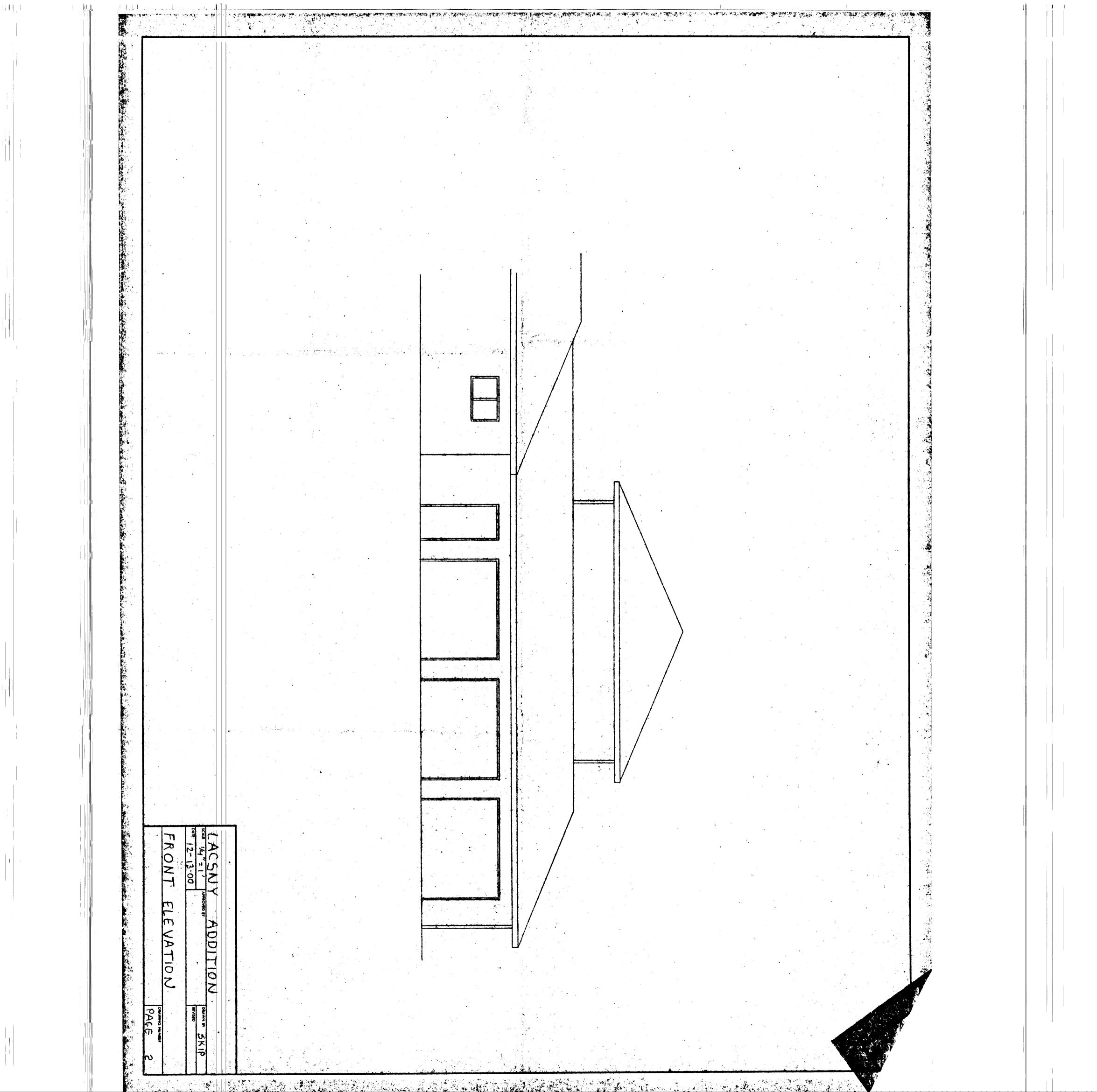
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house sits closer to the water.

Since we are the only neighbors who could be impacted and we think the addition would be attractive, we feel that the commission should approve the Lacony's building plans.

Sincerely,

Janice M. Loque 1816 Hilltop abe Balto, Md. 21221 (410) 574-9001