IN RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE

N/S Glyndon Watch Lane, 408' W

centerline of Bond Avenue

4th Election District

3rd Councilmanic District

(220 Glyndon Watch Lane)

Amy Estes and Jennifer Reed

Petitioners

BEFORE THE

DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER

OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

CASE NO. 01-412-A

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This matter comes before this Deputy Zoning Commissioner as a Petition for Variance filed by the legal owners of the subject property, Amy Estes and Jennifer Reed. The Petitioners are requesting a variance for property they own at 220 Glyndon Watch Lane. The subject property is zoned DR 3.5. The variance request is from Section 1B01.C.1.b of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) and Section 504.2 of the Comprehensive Manual of Development Policies (CMDP), to permit a rear yard setback of 18 ft. in lieu of the required 22.5 ft. for a deck.

Appearing at the hearing on behalf of the variance request were Jennifer Reed and Amy Estes, owners of the property. Appearing in opposition to the Petitioners' request were Michael and Joyce Hull and Walter Welsh, all of whom were represented by J. Carroll Holzer, attorney at law.

Testimony and evidence indicated that the property, which is the subject of this variance request, consists of 0.1268 acres, more or less, zoned DR 3.5. The subject property is improved with a newly constructed single-family residential dwelling. The owners of the property are desirous of constructing a deck off of the second story of the house. The rear of the home is graded in such a fashion that there currently exists a total of 3 stories. The deck in question will

extend off of the kitchen and living room area of the Petitioners' home. It will be constructed 12 ft. above grade. The size of the deck in question extends 12 ft. from the rear wall of the home and is 20 ft. wide. The Petitioners are requesting a variance to allow the deck to be situated 18 ft. from the rear property line in lieu of the required 22.5 ft.

Ms. Estes and Ms. Reed both testified that in the event they have to comply with the zoning setbacks their deck would extend only 7.5 ft. from the rear of their home. They testified that this is hardly wide enough to accommodate a couple of lounge chairs. They hope to utilize their deck in a fashion that would accommodate a table and chairs. They further testified that in their opinion the deck would not impose upon the privacy of any residences located to the rear of their property. Their property backs up to local open space as shown on the site plan. Furthermore, they testified that a 6 ft. high privacy fence has been constructed along the rear of their property which provides a buffer between their home and deck and any nearby residences. They, therefore, believe that their deck will affect no one and should, therefore, be approved.

As stated previously, several residents from the adjacent surrounding community appeared in opposition to the Petitioners' request. These residents were involved with this property at the time that the subdivision was originally approved. They voiced concerns that, given the small size of these lots, future homeowners would be forced to request variances in the future in order to build accessory structures, decks or additions to their homes. Their fears have come to fruition, in that these neighbors have had to reappear at variance hearings filed by the original developer and now by the new homeowner's themselves.

It is obvious from reviewing the record in this case, particularly Protestants' Exhibit No. 2, Protestants' Exhibit No. 3 and Protestants' Exhibit No. 4, that the problems resulting from a poorly planned development, would eventually fall upon the homeowners who purchased the lots

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within this community. Consequently, longtime residents of the area now have to oppose their new neighbors on these variance requests. It is not fair to these longtime residents, as well as to the new buyers of these homes, to have to subject themselves to a contentious public hearing over a matter that results from a poorly thought out development plan.

Previously, the developer has attempted to request variance relief, specifically in Case No. 00-101-A. That particular request involved Lot No. 1 of this subdivision. The variance was denied by Commissioner Schmidt in his order dated the 8th day of November, 1999. In that particular case, the developer attempted to seek a variance to construct a home on Lot No. 1 in the name of a newly created entity known as "Regional Homes of Glyndon Watch, LLC". Commissioner Schmidt saw through the attempt by the developer to disguise their variance request as coming from a homebuilder which had no ties to the developer. Naturally, the variance was denied.

Realizing that their attempts to seek variances for these homes were consistently being rejected by this office, the homebuilder decided to no longer construct amenities such as decks on these homes. They now leave it up to the individual homeowners such as Ms. Estes and Ms. Reed to take their own chances with either seeking a variance for a deck or constructing a very limited deck on their home. This certainly is unfair to the new homeowners who move into these dwellings, as well as the longtime residents who have to continually police this subdivision for new variance requests.

After considering the testimony and evidence offered by the Petitioners, as well as the Protestants, regarding this request for variance, I find that the Petition should be denied. It has been the policy of this office to deny variance requests for this development, all of which have been self-created by the original developer.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED this day of June, 2001, by this Deputy Zoning Commissioner, that the Petitioners' request for variance to allow a rear yard setback of 18 ft. in lieu of the required 22.5 ft. for a deck, be and is hereby DENIED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any appeal of this decision must be made within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order.

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DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER

FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

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Fax: 410-887-3468

June 26, 2001

Ms. Jennifer Reed Ms. Amy Estes 220 Glyndon Watch Lane Reisterstown, Maryland 21136

> Re: Petition for Variance Case No. 01-412-A

> > Property: 220 Glyndon Watch Lane

Dear Ladies:

Enclosed please find the decision rendered in the above-captioned case. The Petition for Variance has been denied 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.

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Deputy Zoning Commissioner

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c: Mr. & Mrs. Michael Hull 231 Sacred Heart Lane Reisterstown, MD 21136 Mr. Walter D. Welsh 233 Sacred Heart Lane Reisterstown, MD 21136



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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)

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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.

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Zoning description for 220 Glyndon Watch Lane. Beginning at a point on the North side of Glyndon Watch Lane, which is 65 feet wide at a distance of 408 feet west of the centerline of the nearest improved intersecting street, Bond Avenue. Bond Avenue which is 39.7 feet wide. Being Lot #7, Block 0, Section #0 in the subdivision of Glyndon Watch as recorded in the Baltimore County plat book #71, Folio #150 containing 0.1268 acres. Also known as 220 Glyndon Watch Lane and located in the 4th Election District, 3rd Councilmanic District.

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DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT ZONING REVIEW

ADVERTISING REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR ZONING HEARINGS

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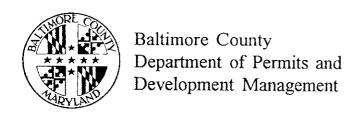
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April 30, 2001

NOTICE OF ZONING HEARING

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

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220 Glyndon Watch Lane
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NOTES: (1) THE PETITIONER MUST HAVE THE ZONING NOTICE SIGN POSTED BY AN APPROVED POSTER ON THE PROPERTY BY SATURDAY, MAY 19, 2001.

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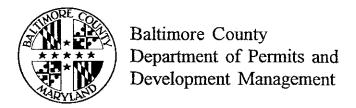
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Fax: 410-887-5708

May 17, 2001

J. Carroll Holzer Holzer & Lee The 508 Building 508 Fairmount Avenue Towson MD 21286

Dear Mr. Holzer:

RE: Case Number 01-412-A, 220 Glyndon Watch Lane

The above matter, previously scheduled for Monday, June 4, 2001 at 2:00 p.m., has been postponed at your request. Once the hearing has been rescheduled you will be notified by mail.

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).

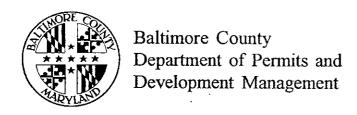
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May 18, 2001

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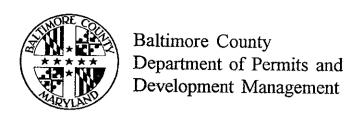
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Development Processing County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

June 8, 2001

Amy Estes & Jennifer Reed 220 Glyndon Watch Lane Reisterstown MD 21136

Dear Ms. Estes & Ms. Reed:

RE: Case Number: 01-412-A, 220 Glyndon Watch Lane

The above referenced petition was accepted for processing by the Bureau of Zoning Review, Department of Permits and Development Management (PDM) on April 9, 2001.

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC), which consists of representatives from several 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, please do not hesitate to contact the commenting agency.

Very truly yours,

W. Carl Richards Jr.

W. Carl Richards, Jr. GoZ Supervisor, Zoning Review

WCR: gdz

Enclosures

c: J. Carroll Holzer, Holzer & Lee, The 508 Building, 508 Fairmount Avenue, Towson 21286
People's Counsel

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

DATE: April 24, 2001

Department of Permits and Development Management

FROM:

Arnold F. 'Pat' Keller, III

Director, Office of Planning

SUBJECT: Zoning Advisory Petition(s): Case(s) 01-412, 01-415, 01-417, & 01-418

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: (

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

April 25, 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 23, 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:

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

cc: File



Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration

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John D. Porcari Secretary

Parker F. Williams Administrator

Date: 4.25.01

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

RE:

Baltimore County

Item No. 412

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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,

I. J. Bredl Ior Kenneth A. McDonald Jr., Chief Engineering Access Permits Division

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

DATE: June 4, 2001

Department of Permits & Development Mgmt.

FROM:

Bureau of Development Plans Review

SUBJECT:

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

For April 30, 2001

Item Nos. 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 424, and 426

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

RWB:HJO:jrb

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION & RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

TO:

Arnold Jablon

FROM:

R. Bruce Seeley / hS

DATE:

April 30, 2001

SUBJECT:

Zoning Petitions

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of April 23, 2001

DEPRM has no comments for the following zoning petitions:

Item #	Address
412	220 Glyndon Watch La
415	220 Glyndon Watch La.
416	27 Gray Squirrel Ct. 1947 Greenspring Dr.
417	217 Sacred Heart La.
418	1905 Broadwy Rd.
419	15233 Jarretsville Pike
420	3804 Southern Cross Dr.
424	8111 Philadelphia Rd.
<u>426</u>	9301 Seven Courts Dr.





RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE 220 Glyndon Watch Lane, N/S Glyndon Watch Ln, 408' W of c/I Bond Ave 4th Election District, 3rd Councilmanic

Legal Owner: Amy Estes & Jennifer Reed Petitioner(s)

- BEFORE THE
- * ZONING COMMISSIONER
- * FOR
- * BALTIMORE COUNTY
- * Case No. 01-412-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

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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 26th day of April, 2001 a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Amy Estes & Jennifer Reed, 220 Glyndon Watch Lane, Reisterstown, MD 21136, Petitioners.

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN

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May 7, 2001 #7210

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Arnold Jablon, Director
Baltimore County Department of Permits and
Development Management
Director's Office
County Office Building
111 West Chesapeake Avenue
Towson, MD 21204

Re: Petition for Variance Case No. 01-412-A 220 Glyndon Watch Lane

Dear Mr. Jabion:

Please be advised that I represent the Protestants in the above captioned matter who are adjacent and adjoining property owners. This case is currently scheduled for a hearing on Monday, June 4th, 2001 before the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County at 2:00 p.m. in Room 407, County Courts Building. For the week of June 4-8, 2001, and June 29, July 6, 2001 I will be away and unable to represent my clients at the hearing.

As a result, I unfortunately must request that the above captioned case be postponed from June 4th, 2001 and rescheduled to a mutually convenient date. I will be glad to coordinate my calendar with your Department's to reschedule this hearing. If you have any questions, please call me 410-825-6961.

JCH: clh

cc: Michael Hull, et al.

Baltimore County, Maryland

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April 4, 2001

Mr. & Mrs. Michael Hull 231 Sacred Heart Lane Reisterstown, Maryland 21136

Mr. & Mrs. Walter Welsh 233 Sacred Heart Lane Reisterstown, Maryland 21136

RE: Chambers/Dett Property, Lot #5 (224 Glyndon Watch Lane) Case No. IV-514

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Hull and Mr. & Mrs. Welsh:

I am in receipt of a copy of your letter dated March 22, 2001 addressed to Mr. Arnold Jablon, Director of the Department of Permits and Development Management (DPDM), concerning the above-captioned property. Indeed, Mr. Jablon is the individual ultimately responsible for investigating and resolving the issues you have raised. I am certain that you will receive a reply from him or a member of his staff in the near future.

As Zoning Commissioner, my authority over this project ended upon the issuance of my written decision. Thus, I no longer have jurisdiction over this matter. The implementation and enforcement of that decision is the responsibility of Mr. Jablon's office.

I do note, however, that I anticipated the current problems, based on the nature of the development plan that was originally submitted. It is unfortunate that these anticipated complications have come to fruition.

Very truly yours,

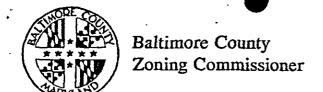
LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT Zoning Commissioner

for Baltimore County

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cc: J. Carroll Holzer, Esquire
508 Fairmount Avenue, Towson, Md. 21286
Arnold Jablon, Director, DPDM; Case File

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November 8, 1999

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Lawrence M. Hammond, Esquire 465 Main Street Reisterstown, Maryland 21136

RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE

N/S Bond Avenue, 25' E of the c/l Glyndon Watch Lane (310 Bond Avenue/231 Glyndon Watch Lane)

4th Election District – 3td Councilmanic District Christopher S. Howell & Samuel R. Rothblum, and Regional Homes of Glyndon Watch, LLC - Petitioners

Case No. 00-101-A

Dear Mr. Hammond:

Enclosed please find a copy of the decision rendered in the above-captioned matter. The Petition for Variance has been denied, in accordance with the attached Order.

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

Very truly yours,

LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT Zoning Commissioner

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for Baltimore County

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cc: Mr. Gordon Greenspun, Regional Homes of Glyndon Watch, LLC

115 Sudbrook Lane, Baltimore, Md. 21208

Messrs. Christopher S. Howell and Samuel R. Rothblum

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Mr. Richard Matz, Colbert-Matz-Rosenfelt

2835 Smith Avenue, Suite G, Baltimore, Md. 21209

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Mr. Phil Huppman, 1 Village Vale Court, Reisterstown, Md. 21136

Mr. Walter D. Welsh, 233 Sacred Heart Lane, Reisterstown, Md. 21136

Mr. & Mrs. Michael W. Hull, 231 Sacred Heart Lane, Reisterstown, Md. 21136 People's Counsel; Case File



IN RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE

N/S Bond Avenue, 25' E of the c/l

Glyndon Watch Lane

(310 Bond Avenue/231 Glyndon Watch Lane)

4th Election District

3rd Councilmanic District

* Case No. 00-101-A

Christopher S. Howell, et al, Owners;

Regional Homes of Glyndon Watch, LLC,

Contract Purchasers

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This matter comes before the Zoning Commissioner for consideration of a Petition for Variance filed by the then owners of the subject property, Christopher S. Howell and Samuel R. Rothblum, and the Contract Purchaser, Regional Homes of Glyndon Watch, LLC, by Gordon Greenspun, Principal. The Petitioners seek relief from Section 1B01.2.C.b of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit a side building face to tract boundary setback of 10 feet in lieu of the required 15 feet, and an amendment to the last approved Final Development Plan for Glyndon Watch (aka Dett/Chambers Property, Case IV-514), Lot 1 thereof, for a proposed dwelling. The subject property and relief sought are more particularly described on the site plan submitted which was accepted into evidence and marked as Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

Appearing at the requisite public hearing in support of the request was Eric M. Levitt, a representative of Regional Homes of Glyndon Watch, LLC, which recently acquired title to the subject property, Richard E. Matz, Professional Engineer who prepared the site plan for this property, and Lawrence M. Hammond, Esquire, attorney for the Petitioners. Appearing as interested persons were Phil Huppman, Walter D. Welsh, and Michael and Joyce Hull. Mr. Welsh and Mr. & Mrs. Hull were represented by J. Carroll Holzer, Esquire.

Testimony and evidence received revealed that the subject lot consists of a gross area of 1.488 acres, more or less, zoned D.R.3.5, and is part of a new residential subdivision, to be known as Glyndon Watch, formerly known as the Dett/Chambers Property. The subject lot, known as Lot 1 of

· Glyndon Watch, is located on the north side of Bond Avenue, adjacent to that road's intersection with a proposed new road, to be known as Glyndon Watch Lane, which will provide access to this subdivision.

This Zoning Commissioner is familiar with the subject property and subdivision by virtue of prior proceedings before me. The Glyndon Watch subdivision was approved following a lengthy review through the County's development review process. Originally, a development plan was submitted showing a proposal to construct 28 single family dwellings. The overall tract for this development contains approximately 8.4409 acres. Following the project's review by appropriate County agencies and a Hearing Officer's Hearing in Case No. IV-514, I issued an Order on December 14, 1998 that denied that plan. I noted in my Hearing Officer's Opinion and Development Plan Order that the proposed scheme of development was inappropriate for the subject property. Specifically, I observed that the proposal represented an over-development of the subject site. I stated, in part, "...the site cannot practically handle a single family dwelling scheme of that density. The dwelling lots are laid out in such a manner so as to not permit any potential expansion to any of the proposed houses, including additions or reasonably-sized decks. Ultimate purchasers will be forced to seek variance relief in order to obtain any such improvements or amenities, which will detrimentally impact existing properties that abut the tract."

Following the issuance of that Order, the Developer filed a Motion for Reconsideration which was denied on January 21, 1999. Ultimately, the Developer reached an agreement with surrounding neighbors and submitted a plan which met the minimum development requirements of Baltimore County. Reluctantly, I approved that plan on March 29, 1999.

The concerns expressed in those prior Orders are indeed realized by the filing of the instant Petition for Variance. In the subject case, the dimensions of proposed Lot 1 are insufficient to accommodate a dwelling of the size proposed. Thus, the applicant now seeks variance relief as set out above.

At the hearing, Mr. Matz testified and presented his best efforts to persuade this Zoning Commissioner that relief should be granted. He indicated that the lot was but 27 feet wide and that a

reasonably-sized single family home cannot be accommodated due to that dimension. He also argued that my prior Order expressed concerns about potential variance relief for decks or additions; however, that this proposal was for neither. That is, the requested relief here was for a dwelling, and not an amenity. He also testified that the Builder was not known at the time of development and that the Builder subsequently elected to construct dwellings in this subdivision should not be penalized for any deficiencies in the original plan.

Mr. Matz' arguments are not persuasive. First, the Petition seeks variances even greater than originally anticipated. As stated in my original Order, I feared that only single family dwellings without decks or additions would fit in the minimal building envelopes shown on the development plan. It appears that my concerns were understated; in fact, the dwellings themselves cannot fit within the approved building envelopes. Secondly, the contention that this Builder is not connected to the plan is disingenuous. Admittedly, Regional Homes of Glyndon Watch, LLC was not a party in the prior development plan case. However, the principal of that limited liability corporation is Gordon Greenspun, who signed the instant Petition on behalf of that LLC. There is no doubt that this is the same Gordon Greenspun who participated in the original proceedings as the Developer. Renaming of a corporate or business entity does not clean unwashed hands.

The requirements for variance relief are set out in Section 307 of the B.C.Z.R. In addition to the standards expressly set out therein, it is clear from the case law that the need for a variance cannot be the result of a self-imposed hardship. That is precisely the case here. The builder, unable to fit his desired size house on the subject property now asks this Zoning Commissioner for relief to accommodate a poorly designed plan. Under the circumstances, relief will not be forthcoming, at least not by my Order.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property and public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons set forth herein, the relief requested shall be denied.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this day of November, 1999 that the Petition for Variance seeking relief from Section 1B01.2.C.b of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit a side building face to

 tract boundary setback of 10 feet in lieu of the required 15 feet, and an amendment to the last approved Final Development Plan for Glyndon Watch (aka Dett/Chambers Property), Lot 1 thereof, in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit 1, be and is hereby-DENIED; and,

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petitioners shall have thirty (30) days from the date of this Order to file an appeal of this decision.

LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT

Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

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April 19, 2001 #7086

Arnold Jablon, Director
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Re:

Glyndon Watch Development

Chambers/Dett Property PDM File No. IV-514 Lots 2-12

Glyndon Watch Lane Reisterstown MD 21136

Dear Mr. Jablon:

Please be advised that I represented Michael and Joyce Hull and Walter and Sonya Welsh in opposing the Development Plan for the Glyndon Watch Subdivision.

In the approval of the Development Plan by Hearing Officer Larry Schmidt, Mr. Schmidt indicated in his decision in Case No. IV-514, page 2, "As indicated in my initial Order, I do not believe that this Plan represents the best development potential for this property. As noted in my prior Opinion, the site cannot practically handle the single-family dwellings scheme, which is proposed." Unfortunately, Hearing Officer Schmidt was required by law to approve the Plan based upon the fact that there were no unresolved agency comments or open issues. He expressed the fact that his personal tastes and preferences for the development could not take precedence over his applying Section 26-206 of the Baltimore County Code.

Since that time, there has been a Petition for Variance filed in Case No. 00-101-A, wherein the developer desired a variance to permit a side building set back of 10 feet in lieu of 15 feet. This relief was denied by Mr. Schmidt, the Zoning Commissioner in that case, in which he said,

"The Petition seeks variances even greater than originally anticipated. As stated in my original Order, I feared that only single-family dwellings without decks or additions would fit in the minimal building envelope shown on the Development Plan. It appears that my concerns were understated; in fact, the dwelling themselves cannot fit within in the approved building envelopes."

He then denied the Variance request.

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Thereafter, a property owner on Lot No. 7 (220 Glyndon Watch Lane), Amy L. Estes and Jennifer L. Reed, applied for a permit to construct a deck. It appears that in the course of that application, the distance between the building envelope and the property line was misstated by the applicant and, as a result, a permit was issued for the construction of the deck. After complaints by Mr. and Mrs. Hull and Mr. and Mrs. Welsh, a Stop Work Order was issued. It appears that the owners of Lot No. 7 must now come in and seek a variance to permit the deck. That case will be handled on its merits at a public hearing, I am sure, before the Zoning Commissioner or his Deputy. As a result of their request for continued enforcement of the rules and zoning regulations by Mr. and Mrs. Hull and Mr. and Mrs. Welsh, antagonism is being generated between the new neighbors in the Glyndon Watch community and my clients. It appears that it should be totally unnecessary for Mr. and Mrs. Hull and Mr. and Mrs. Welsh to be required to constantly police the activities that are taking place in this subdivision.

I would therefore request, that your office "red flag" any applications for decks or other appurtenances to the following residences within Glyndon Watch Subdivision so that Baltimore County can properly enforce the regulations as opposed to requiring the intervention of my clients and the resulting antagonism to them by their neighbors.

The homes in question are as follows:

- 210 Glyndon Watch Lane (Subdivision Lot No. 12)
- 212 Glyndon Watch Lane (Subdivision Lot No. 11)
- 214 Glyndon Watch Lane (Subdivision Lot No. 10)
- 216 Glyndon Watch Lane (Subdivision Lot No. 9)
- 218 Glyndon Watch Lane (Subdivision Lot No. 8)
- 220 Glyndon Watch Lane (Subdivision Lot No. 7)
- 222 Glyndon Watch Lane (Subdivision Lot No. 6)
- 224 Glyndon Watch Lane (Subdivision Lot No. 5)
- 226 Glyndon Watch Lane (Subdivision Lot No. 4)
- 228 Glyndon Watch Lane (Subdivision Lot No. 3)
- 230 Glyndon Watch Lane (Subdivision Lot No. 2)

It appears to me that if these addresses were "red flagged" so that members of your staff, who are reviewing this matter from a zoning standpoint as well as from permitting standpoint, could be alerted to the fact that all of these properties have the same potential problems for decks as that being suggested for 220 Glyndon Watch Lane.

Glyndon Watch Development Page 3

I would appreciate any efforts that you would be able to provide to rectify this situation brought on by the approval of the less than satisfactory development plan, which is creating many difficulties and hardships for my clients. Please feel free to give me a call if you have any questions or desire any additional information.

Very trufy yours,

J. Carroll Holzer

Cc: John Alexander

Larry Schmidt

County Executive Dutch Ruppersberger 3rd District Councilman Brian McIntyre

Mr. and Mrs. Hull Mr. and Mrs. Welsch

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PETITIONER(S) SIGN-IN SHEET

NAME	ADDRESS		
JENNIFER REED	220 GLYNOON WATCH LANE		
AMY ESTES	REISTERSTOWN, MD 21136		



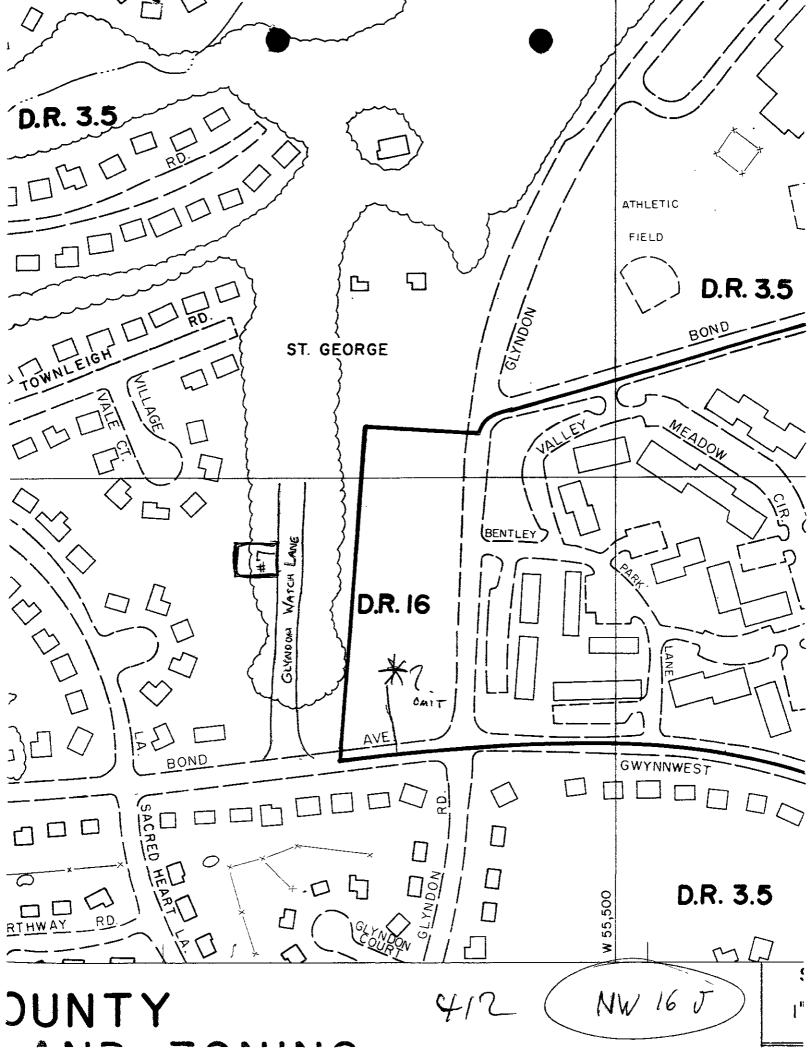
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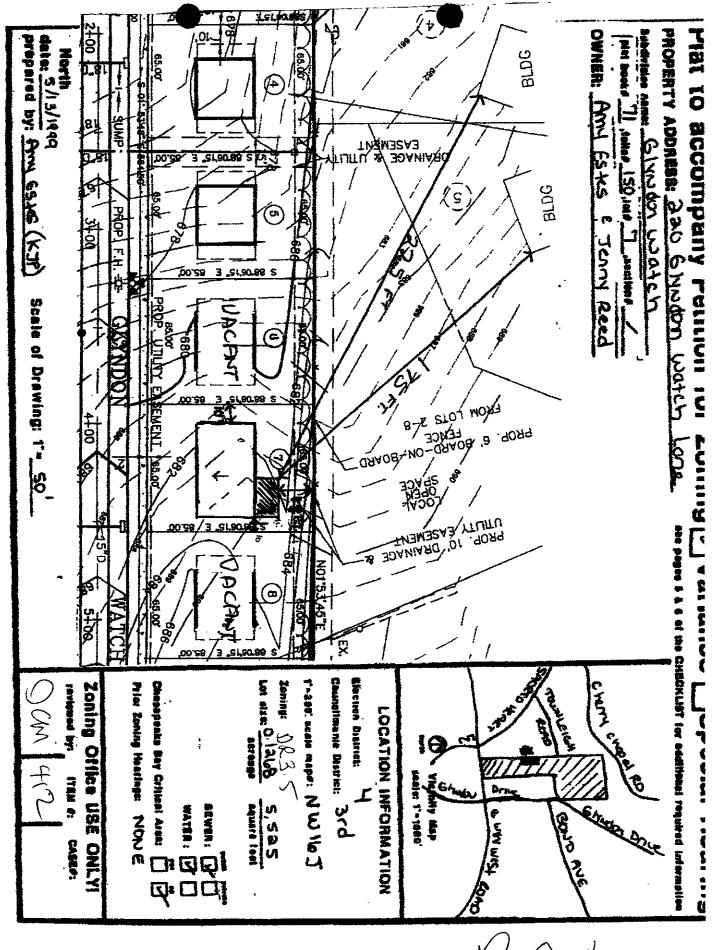
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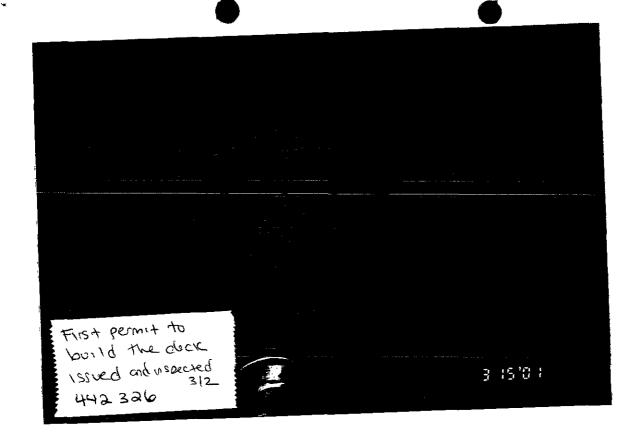
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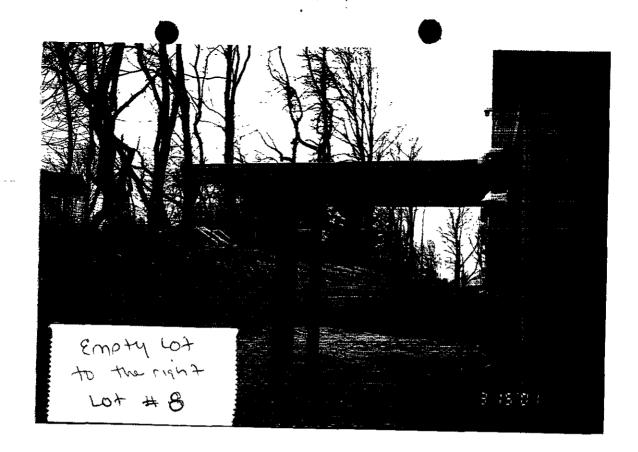


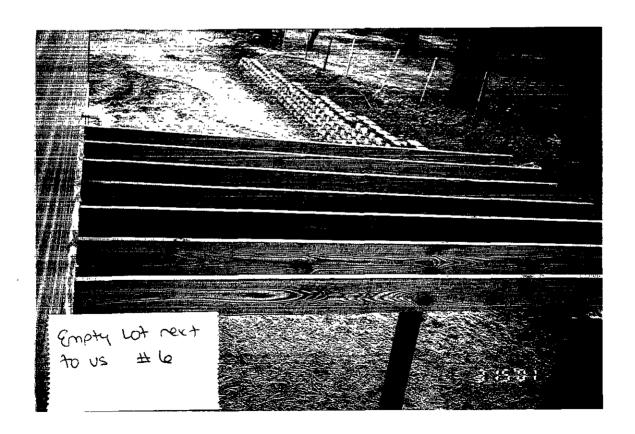


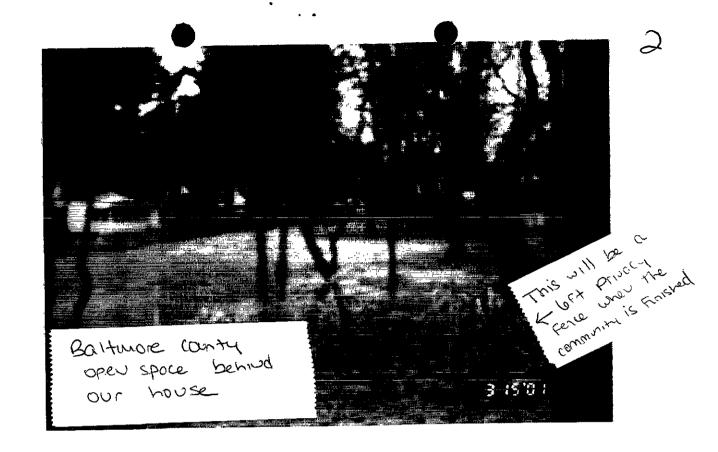
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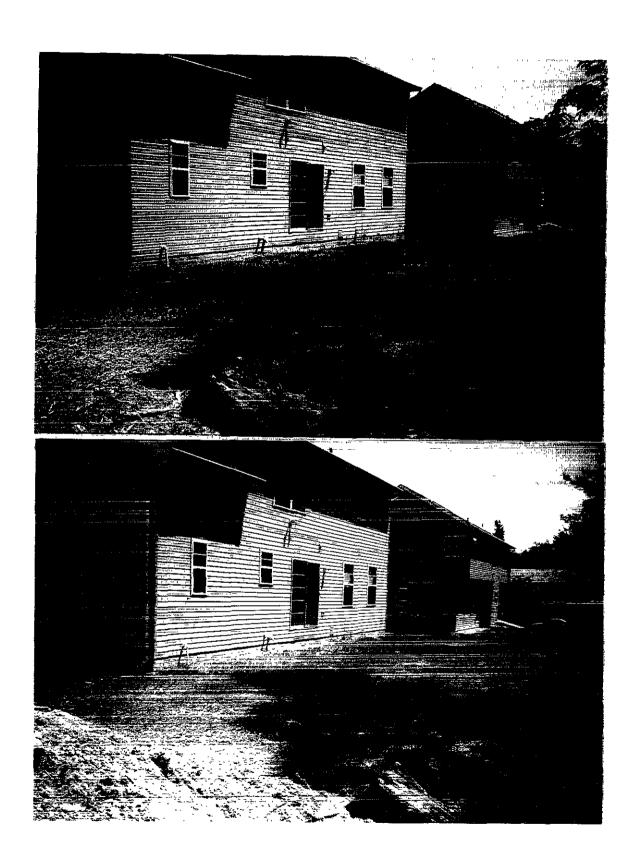




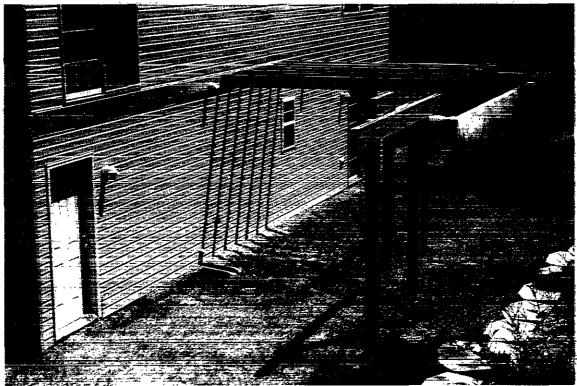
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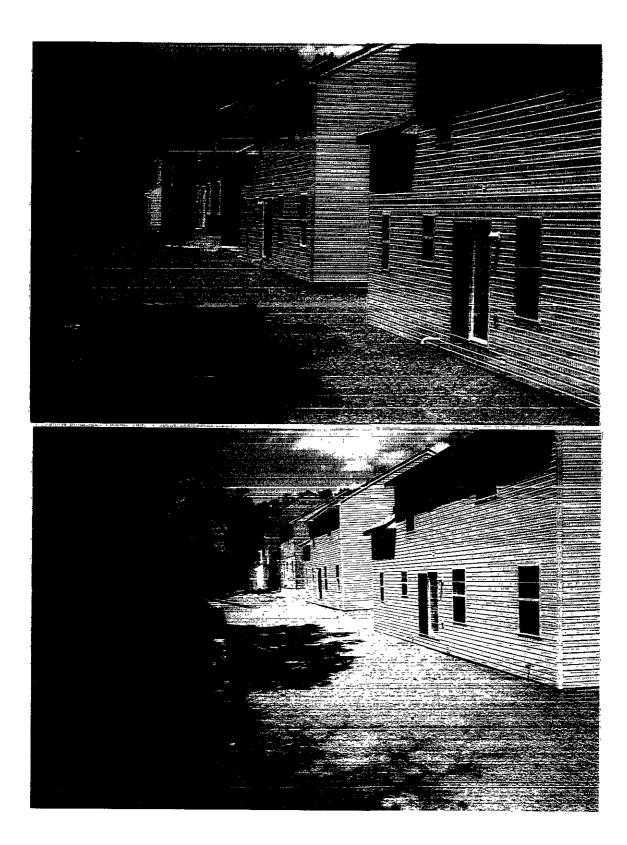


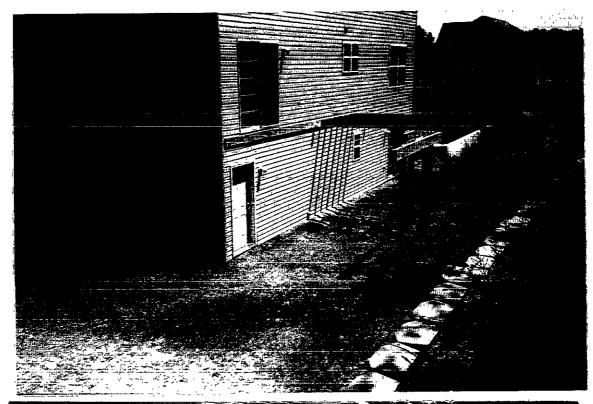




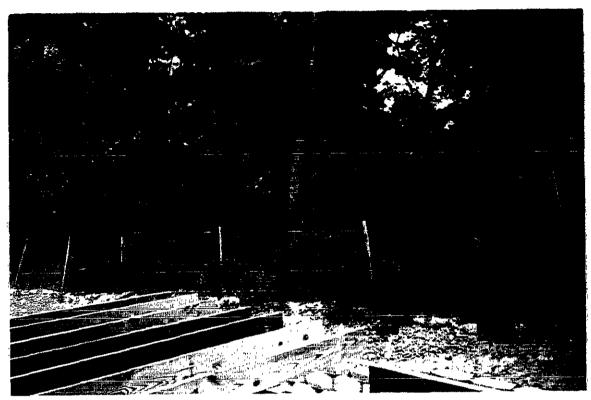




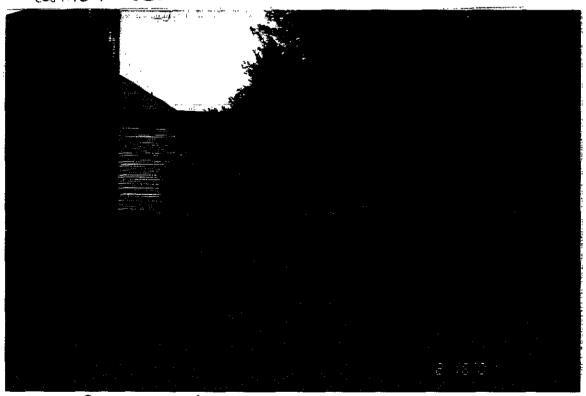








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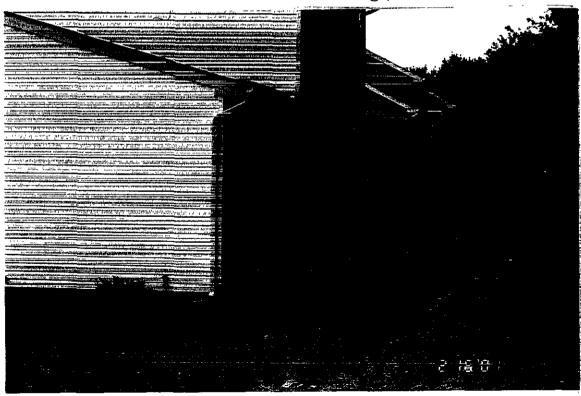
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LOT 5 - Picture of a 7 1/2 foot deck.
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