

JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

April 28, 2006

WILLIAM J. WISEMAN III

Zoning Commissioner

Nancy C. West, Esquire Assistant County Attorney Courthouse, 2nd Floor 400 Washington Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Petition for Special Hearing
Case No. 06-425-SPH
Property: 601 York Road and 10 Joppa Road

Dear Ms. West:

Enclosed please find the Revised Order rendered in the above-captioned case.

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,

John V. Murphy

Deputy Zoning Commissioner

JVM:dlw Enclosure

c: Timothy M. Kotroco, Director, PDM
Leonard Wasilewski, Code Enforcement Officer, PDM
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Shell Oil Company, Marketing Property Tax, P.O. Box 2099, Houston, TX 77252-2099
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IN RE: * BEFORE THE

PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING * DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER

Corner Southwest Side of York Road at * OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

Northeast Side of Joppa Road

9th Election District * CASE NO.: 06-425-SPH 5th Councilmanic District

Shell Oil Company, a/k/a/ Motiva Enterprises, LLC; Shell Oil Co. Marketing Property Tax,

Resident Agent: CSC Lawyers
Incorporating Service Company

(601 York Road and 10 Joppa Road)

Legal Owners

Baltimore County, Maryland, by Timothy M. Kotroco, Director, PDM

Petitioners

REVISED ORDER

ORDERED that Shell Oil Company, a/k/a/ Motiva Enterprises LLC, et al shall remove the abandoned service station, including all aboveground structures, including signs, buildings and paving, at the above referenced location on or before May 1, 2006; and it is further

ORDERED that if Shell Oil Company fails and refuses to comply with the aforesaid Order that Baltimore County, Maryland may take any and all necessary steps to effectuate such removal in accordance with said Order, and that all costs incurred by the County in connection

with the same shall be considered a lien on the subject property, and subject to enforcement, in accordance with the provisions of Section 35-2-203 of the Baltimore County Code.

John V. Murphy

Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

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BEFORE THE IN RE: DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING OF BALTIMORE COUNTY Corner Southwest Side of York Road at Northeast Side of Joppa Road CASE NO.: 06-425-SPH 9th Election District 5th Councilmanic District (601 York Road and 10 Joppa Road) Shell Oil Company, a/k/a/ Motiva Enterprises, LLC; Shell Oil Co. Marketing RECEIVED Property Tax, Resident Agent: CSC Lawyers Incorporating Service Company APR 1 0 2006 Legal Owners MICCO CONSIDNER Baltimore County, Maryland, by Timothy M. Kotroco, Director, PDM Petitioners

MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION

Timothy M. Kotroco, Director of Permits and Development Management, and Baltimore County, Maryland, by their undersigned attorneys, file this Motion for Reconsideration pursuant to Rule 4K of the Rules of Practice and Procedure before the Zoning Commissioner/Hearing Officer of Baltimore County, and in support thereof state as follows:

1. On April 5, 2000 the Deputy Zoning Commissioner entered an Order relative to the request for special hearing relief in the above captioned matter in favor of Timothy M. Kotroco, Director of the Department of Permits and Development Management, and Baltimore County, Maryland, and ordered that the owner of the above subject property "shall remove the station and all aboveground structures, including signs, buildings and paving within 90 days of the date" of his Order.

- 2. Deputy Commissioner Murphy found that the former Shell Station has been abandoned for more than 12 months based on the evidence presented and pursuant to 405.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations. ("BCZR"). Further, he found as a fact that the station has been abandoned for the past five years based upon the removal of the underground fuel tanks.
- 3. Despite repeated requests over a number of years, Shell Oil has failed and refused to repair, correct and otherwise take all necessary actions to remedy the deteriorating condition of the abandoned service station in accordance with the BCZR.
- 4. The continued deterioration of the property adversely affects the use, value, and enjoyment of the surrounding properties and continues to be a blighting influence that must be abated.
- 5. That Shell Oil has demonstrated its continued recalcitrance by its failure to appear for the scheduled hearing in the above-referenced matter, just as it has failed to respond to the County's repeated efforts seeking compliance, most recently when it completely ignored the November 10, 2005 letter from Timothy M. Kotroco, Director of Permits and Development Management. (See Exhibit 9).
- 6. That Shell Oil's continued, flagrant disregard of the zoning laws of Baltimore County should not be countenanced.

WHEREFORE, Timothy M. Kotroco, Director of the Department of Permits and Development Management, and Baltimore County, Maryland hereby respectfully pray that the Deputy Zoning Commissioner:

a. Issue a Revised Order requiring Shell Oil Company, a/k/a Motiva Enterprises, LLC, et al to remove the abandoned service station and all aboveground structures, including signs, buildings and paving, on or before May 1, 2006;

- That if Shell Oil Company fails to comply with any Revised Order of the Deputy b. Zoning Commissioner, the County may take all necessary steps to remove the abandoned service station and otherwise comply with said Order, and impose a lien against the subject property for all associated costs in accordance with the provisions of Section 35-2-203 of the Baltimore County Code; and
 - For such other and further relief as may be deemed just and appropriate. C.

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Attorneys for Petitioners

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

foregoing Motion for Reconsideration and proposed Order were mailed, first class mail, postage

prepaid, to:

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Shell Oil Company Marketing Property Tax P.O. Box 2099 Houston, TX 77252-2099

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Baltimore County, Maryland, by Timothy M. Kotroco, Director, PDM Petitioners BEFORE THE

DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER

OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

CASE NO. 06-425-SPH

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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This matter comes before this Deputy Zoning Commissioner on a Petition for Special Hearing for the property located at 601 York Road and 10 Joppa Road in the Towson area of Baltimore County. The Petition was filed by Baltimore County, Maryland, by Timothy M. Kotroco, Director, Department of Permits and Development Management. Special Hearing relief is requested pursuant under Sections 500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.), to determine whether or not the Zoning Commissioner/Deputy Zoning Commissioner should find that the fuel service station located on the property has been abandoned pursuant to Section 405.7 and further order the removal of the station and all aboveground structures, including paving.

The property was posted with Notice of Hearing on March 17, 2006, for 15 days prior to the hearing, in order to notify all interested citizens of the requested zoning relief. In addition, a Notice of Zoning hearing was published in "The Jeffersonian" newspaper on March 16, 2006, to

notify any interested persons of the scheduled hearing date. Finally notice of the public hearing on the Petition was sent by first class mail to the owner(s) on March 7, 2006.

Applicable Law

Section 500.7 of the B.C.Z.R. Special Hearings

The Zoning Commissioner shall have the power to conduct such other hearings and pass such orders thereon as shall in his discretion be necessary for the proper enforcement of all zoning regulations, subject to the right of appeal to the County Board of Appeals. The power given hereunder shall include the right of any interested persons to petition the Zoning Commissioner for a public hearing after advertisement and notice to determine the existence of any non conforming use on any premises or to determine any rights whatsoever of such person in any property in Baltimore County insofar as they may be affected by these regulations.

Zoning Advisory Committee Comments

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC) Comments are made part of the record of this case and contain the following highlights: A ZAC comment was received from the Office of Planning dated March 16, 2006 in support of the requested relief, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Interested Persons

Appearing at the hearing on behalf of the requested special hearing was Leonard Wasilewski, Code Enforcement Officer. Nancy C. West, Esq. Assistant County Attorney, appeared on behalf of the Petitioner. Richard Parsons attended the hearing as an interested citizen. People's Counsel, Peter Max Zimmerman, entered the appearance of his office in this case.

Testimony and Evidence

Mr. Wasilewski, who is a County Code Enforcement Officer, testified that the subject property is located at the intersection of York Road and the Towson roundabout circle with the address of 601 York Road. This is parcel 410 on State tax map 70 A. See Petitioner's Exhibit 3

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and tax map, Exhibit 4. In addition, there is a second parcel whose address is 10 Joppa Road which is parcel 151 of this same tax map. See Exhibit 2. He explained that these parcels are separated by a common driveway which serves both parcels from Joppa Road and parcel 319 behind the subject parcels which is not the subject of this Petition. A special exception was granted on the subject parcels for a fuel service station in Case 5504-X and later modified in Case No. 83-100-SPHXA. See site plan, Exhibit 1. In fact, a fuel service station was operated by the Shell Oil Company at these locations for many years thereafter. The office, repair bays, canopy and fuel pumps are all located on parcel 410. The operator used parcel 151 to store vehicles being repaired and for parking for employees.

Mr. Wasilewski indicated that Shell filed an application with the County to remove three underground fuel tanks in June 2000 as shown in Exhibits 7A and 7B. Presumably, these were the storage tanks from which the operator would have dispensed fuel. To his personal knowledge, the tanks were actually removed shortly thereafter, which started the period of abandonment. In addition, there is also a sign associated with the fuel service station on the premises.

He noted that the County sent notice to the owner that it must remedy the abandonment of the station within 90 days as shown by Exhibit 9, dated November 10, 2005 to which there has been no reply by Shell. Finally, he presented photographs of trash, and debris on the property, graffiti on the buildings and dangerous excavations in the paving and further testified that the owner has not remedied any of these conditions. See Exhibit 10. He indicated that this abandonment and lack of maintenance adversely affects the neighborhood. He noted that the property now has a "For Sale" sign.

Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law

Based on the evidence presented and pursuant to Section 405.7 of the BCZR, I find that the fuel service station on the subject properties has been abandoned for more than twelve months. In fact, it appears to have been abandoned for the past five years based upon the removal of the underground fuel tanks. I further find that the owner was notified of the abandonment and continued deterioration of the property as shown in the County's letter of November 10, 2005 and that the owner has not corrected the deficiencies and/or abandonment. I further find that the owner failed to properly maintain the abandoned station and by reason of its continued vacancy the structure and grounds lack reasonable or adequate maintenance thereby causing deterioration and blighting influence on nearby properties. Finally, I find that this abandonment and lack of maintenance is harmful to the health, safety and welfare of the neighborhood.

Consequently, I will order the removal by the owner of all structures including the sign, buildings and paving.

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 Petitioners, I find that the Petitioners' request for special hearing and variance should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County, this <u>5</u> day of April 2006, that the Petitioner's request for Special Hearing relief requested pursuant under Sections 500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.), the owner shall remove the station and all aboveground structures, including signs, buildings and paving within 90 days of the date of this Order.

Any appeal of this decision must be made within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order.

OHNW. MURPHY

DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER

FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

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James T. Smith Jr., County Executive Timothy M. Kotroco, Director.

BALTO CO EXHIBIT

November 10, 2005

VIA REGULAR MAIL and CERTIFIED MAIL

Shell Oil Company Marketing Property Tax P.O. Box 2099 Houston, TX 77252-2099

Shell Oil Company P.O. Box 2463 Houston, TX 77252

CSC Lawyers Incorporating Service Company 11. E. Chase Street Baltimore, MD 21202

90-Day Notice to Remedy Zoning Violations-Abandoned Shell Service Station located at 601 York Road in Towson, MD 21204

Dear Sir or Madam:

It has come to our attention that the Shell Service Station at the above referenced location has not been in actual and continuous operation as a station for a period of 12 consecutive months as required by Section 405.7 B of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR). Therefore, such use is presumed to be abandoned and the right to resume the use is thereby terminated. Notwithstanding your abandonment, the premises (including landscaping) of the station, shall be continuously maintained in the same manner as is required by Section 405.7 D of the BCZR for operating fuel service stations. You have failed to comply with that section.

Since your company has abandoned fuel service operations at this site, the property has continued to deteriorate. It is obvious to any reasonable person that the fuel service station no longer has the appearance of a properly maintained station. The structures are painted, albeit battleship gray. The windows and doors of the existing structure have been boarded up; the paving is inadequate; and the earth is exposed and denuded as a result of the underground storage tanks being removed.

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Shell Oil Company November 10, 2005 Page 2

The area has not been vegetated and screened in accordance with the landscaping requirements of the BCZR. The continued deterioration of this property adversely affects the use, value, and enjoyment of the surrounding properties. It is a blighting influence that must be abated.

This letter will serve as the requisite notice to you to repair, correct and otherwise take all necessary actions to remedy the situation. Section 405.7 D of the BCZR requires that the premises, including landscaping, of any fuel service station which is abandoned must be continuously maintained in the same manner as is required for operating fuel service stations under Section 405 of the BCZR. If these deficiencies have not been corrected within a period of ninety (90) days following the date of this notice, I will refer this matter to the Zoning Commissioner for a hearing, pursuant to Section 500.7 of the BCZR, to require removal of all structures, including paving. I have attached a copy of the relevant zoning regulations for your review.

I trust that as a good corporate citizen you will take the responsible and necessary steps to address this continuing blight and obviate the need for any future enforcement action by the County. I am available to discuss this matter and can be contacted at the number listed above.

Sincerely,

Timothy M. Kotroco

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Director

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Encl.

C: James T. Smith, County Executive
Anthony G. Marchione, Administrative Officer
Hon. Vincent J. Gardina
John E. Beverungen, Acting County Attorney
Nancy C. West, Assistant County Attorney
David A.C. Carroll, DEPRM

Section 405, Fuel Service Stations [Bill No. 172-1993 EN(1)]

- 405.1 Statement of legislative findings and policy.
- A. Bill No. 40-1967 enacted six commercial districts (C.N.S., C.C.C., C.T., C.S.A., C.S.-1 and C.S.-2) and one industrial district (I.M.). One of the main purposes of the new commercial districts was to control the location of service stations and the uses associated with them. In 1975, the C.R. District was added to govern service stations and other commercial uses in rural areas.
- B. While the C.T., C.C.C., C.R. and I.M. Districts have special use and bulk regulations which make each one unique, the remaining districts (C.N.S., C.S.A., C.S.-1 and C.S.-2) do not include provisions which make them distinct. As a consequence, the C.S.A., C.N.S., C.S.-1 and C.S.-2 Districts are consolidated into the automotive services (A.S.) District.
- C. The design and operation of service stations has changed significantly and the provisions set forth in Bill No. 40-1967 no longer reflect contemporary business practices. Due to the rise of self-service stations, the number of businesses that "service" motor-vehicles by providing repair facilities has been steadily declining, while the number of stations with convenience stores or car wash operations has been increasing. To better reflect the evolving role of this use, the name of "automotive service station" is being changed to "fuel service station," and regulations which govern the permitted ancillary uses are being amended to reflect contemporary business practices and to facilitate the upgrading of existing stations.
- D. It is the intent of this section to permit fuel service stations in accordance with the goals of the Master Plan and duly adopted community plans by requiring performance standards that will regulate their location and appearance as well as the additional uses which may be developed at such sites.
- 405.2 Locations in which fuel service stations are permitted.
- A. A fuel service station is permitted by right subject to Section 405.4, provided that no part of the lot is within 100 feet of a residentially zoned property and is integrated with and located:
 - 1. In a planned shopping center of which at least 20% has been constructed at the time the building permit for the fuel service station is issued, but not to exceed one station for each 60,000 square feet of gross floor area of the planned shopping center;
 - 2. In an approved planned industrial park of a minimum net area of 50 acres, but not to exceed one for each 50 acres of net area; or

- 3. In a planned drive-in cluster.
- B. Fuel service stations on individual sites which do not comply with the requirements of Section 405.2. A are permitted by special exception, as provided below and subject to Sections 405.3 and 405.4.
 - 1. Within the urban-rural demarcation line (URDL), in C.C.C., A.S. or I.M. Districts, provided no part of the lot is in an M.R. Zone.
 - 2. Outside the URDL with C.R. District designation only in B.L., B.M. or B.R. Zones, subject to Section 259.3.B.2.
- In addition to the findings required under Section 502.1, the Zoning Commissioner, prior to granting any special exception for a fuel service station, shall consider the presence of abandoned fuel service stations in the vicinity of the proposed site. A finding by the Zoning Commissioner of the presence of one abandoned fuel service station, as defined in Section 405.7, within a one-half-mile radius, or two such stations within a one-mile radius of the proposed fuel service station establishes that there is no need for the proposed use, unless rebutted to the Zoning Commissioner's satisfaction by market data.

405.4 Standards.

A. Site development.

1. Site dimensions. The area of any fuel service station site shall be no less than 15,000 square feet or 1,500 times the number of fuel service spaces (as defined in Section 101), whichever is greater. If any use permitted under Section 405.4.D or 405.4.E is added to the fuel service station, the area of the site shall be increased in accordance with the provisions of those sections.

2. Setbacks.

- a. No main structure of a service station shall be set back less than 35 feet from any street right-of-way; no fuel pump shall be set back less than 25 feet from any street right-of-way; no canopy shall be set back less than 15 feet from any street right-of-way.
- b. Except at the required access driveways, a landscape transition area shall be provided along the entire perimeter of fuel service stations. Such area shall have a minimum width of 10 feet if the fuel service station abuts a public right-of-way, and six feet in all side and rear yards abutting nonresidentially zoned land, except that service stations located within 50 feet of any residentially zoned property (other than a residential zone line in a public right-of-way) shall provide a buffer measuring no

less than 15 feet from that property line.

- c. The landscape transition area shall be vegetated and screened in accordance with the Landscape Manual requirements for automotive uses.
- d. Other setbacks shall be as required by these regulations.
- 3. Access, internal circulation and vehicle reservoir capacity.
 - a. The number and location of access driveways shall be determined by the hearing officer or Zoning Commissioner based upon the recommendations of the Director of Public Works and the Office of Planning.
 - b. All internal paved areas of a fuel service station site used for parking, driveway, aisles and stacking purposes shall comply with Section 409 and shall be laid out to preclude vehicles waiting on the street or blocking the right-of-way before gaining entrance.
 - c. In addition to the fuel service space, at least one stacking space shall be provided:
 - (1) For each pump island side, at pump islands that contain multiproduct dispensers (MPD) and where a bypass lane serves each (MPD);
 - (2) For each MDP in cases where there is no bypass lane or where a convenience store is located on the same lot; or
 - (3) For each pump, if the pump dispenses a single fuel type.
 - d. Parking spaces on the site of any fuel service station shall be provided as follows:
 - (1) One space per employee on the largest shift.
 - (2) Three spaces per 1,000 square feet of gross floor area for a convenience store up to 1,500 square feet. (Convenience stores larger than 1,500 square feet shall be subject to the parking requirements for retail uses in accordance with Section 409, including the first 1,500 square feet).
 - (3) Three spaces per service bay, not counting service spaces in the bays.
 - (4) One space per self-service air or vacuum cleaner unit.
 - (5) One space per automatic teller machine.
- B. All fuel service stations shall provide a rest room facility, water and compressed air for customers.

C. Appearance.

- 1. General design.
 - a. Any structure on the site that is converted to an ancillary use or to a use in combination with a fuel service station must be upgraded to create a unifying architectural theme with other structures on the site.
 - b. The rear and sides of buildings on lots abutting residentially zoned properties shall be finished with materials that in texture and color resemble the front of the building. The type of facade treatment shall be indicated on the site plan or an accompanying elevation drawing and is subject to review by the Director of Planning.
 - c. Except for the temporary outdoor sale of items permitted under Section 230.9, the outside display of merchandise is permitted only under the canopy, or if there is no canopy, on or between the pump island or in an area immediately adjacent to the cashier's kiosk. Such goods may not block access drives, stacking spaces or interfere with the site's circulation pattern.
 - d. If the fuel service station is located within 50 feet of a residentially zoned property, lighting standards on site may not exceed a height of 18 feet and shall be directed away from any residentially zoned properties.
 - e. To increase compatibility with surrounding buildings or to enhance the attractiveness of the site of fuel service stations for which a special exception is required, the Zoning Commissioner may specify additional requirements, including:
 - (1) Changes in building or site plan design;
 - (2) Restrictions on hours of operations; or
 - (3) Other requirements deemed necessary for compliance with this section.
- 2. Signs. Signs are permitted, subject to Section 450. [Bill No. 89-1997]
- 3. Maintenance. At all times, the premises shall be maintained in a clean and orderly condition. All landscaped areas shall be irrigated as needed and dead plants replaced. The responsibility for compliance with these provisions lies with all parties that individually or collectively have a lease or ownership interest in the fuel service station.
- D. Ancillary uses. The uses listed below, only, are permitted by right in conjunction with any fuel service station. The minimum area of the site as determined under Section 405.4.A.1 shall be increased each ancillary use by at least the number of square feet indicated below, which includes land for required parking and stacking spaces:

- 1. Minor vehicle repair or diagnostic services to vehicles, except those which are unlicensed or which have a State Motor Vehicle Administration transporter or a dealer license. Additional site area of 1,300 feet per service bay shall be provided.
 - a. Type of service and repairs include but are not limited to the sale and installation of mufflers, small auto parts and accessories and shall remain accessory to the fuel service station operation.
 - b. All service and repairs shall take place within completely enclosed buildings.
 - c. The combined area for sales, display and customer waiting room may not exceed 500 square feet.
 - d. Storage of tow trucks, damaged or disabled vehicles or parts is subject to Section 405A.
- 2. Convenience store with a sales area of up to 1,500 square feet inclusive of accessory storage. An additional site area of four times the square footage of the convenience store's sales area shall be provided.
- 3. Automatic teller machine, but no drive-through facilities. Additional site area of 1,000 square feet for each device shall be provided.
- 4. Self-service vacuum stations. All such stations shall be located at least 30 feet from a residentially zoned property. No additional site area is required.
- 5. Temporary outdoor sale of Christmas trees, firewood, cut flowers or live plants as limited by Section 230.9.
- 6. The sale of cigarettes, candy, drinks, snacks and similar items from vending machines or the cashier's kiosk. No additional site area is required if vending machines do not exceed a total of five machines, otherwise the area shall be considered a convenience store.
- 7. The retail sale of automotive service items such as motor oil, antifreeze or allied products. No additional site area is required.
- E. Uses in combination with fuel service stations. The minimum area of the site as determined by Section 405.4.A.1 shall be increased for each use in combination with a fuel service station by at least the number of square feet indicated below:

Integral Planned

Individual

Type of Use

Planned Development

Site

(SE = Special Exception and P = Permitted by Right)

Baltimore County Zoning Regulations PC/Codebook for Windows

1.	Convenience store with a sales area larger than 1.500 square feet inclusive of accessory storage. Additional site area of four times the square footage of the convenience store's sales area must be provided.	SE ,	SE
2:	Roll-over car wash. No specific additional site area required, provided that the stacking, parking and buffer requirements of Section 419 are met.	P	SE
3.	Full service car wash. No specific additional site area required, provided that the stacking, parking and buffer requirements of Section 419 are met.	SE	SE
4.	Service garages providing services other than those listed in Section 405.4.D, subject to the provisions of Section 405.4.C.1.a through 1.e.	SE	SE
5.	Automobile rental, with a maximum stock of 12 cars. Additional site area of 4,000 square feet must be provided.	SE	SE
6.	Trailer rental, for trailers not exceeding 3/4 ton chassis weight, with a maximum stock of 20 trailers. Additional site area of 5,000 square feet must be provided.	SE	SE
7.	Light-truck rental, including rental of trucks equipped with campers, for trucks not exceeding 11/2 tons' capacity, with a maximum stock of eight trucks. Additional site area of 4,000 square feet must be provided.	SE	SE
8.	Parking of not more than six school buses. Additional site area of 2,600 square feet must be provided.	SE	SE

9.	Self-service car washes. No additional site area required, provided that the stacking, parking and buffer requirements of Section 419 are met.	SE	Not Permitted
10.	Restaurant, including fast food, fast food drive-through only, and carry-out restaurants. Additional site area of six times the gross square footage of the restaurant must be provided.	SE	SE

405.5 Plan approvals.

- A. Conversion of any conforming fuel service station building to another use, permitted in the basic zone or district in which the site is located, shall require approval of the overall plan of the entire site by the Directors of Planning, Public Works and Permits and Development Management or, in the case of a special exception, the Zoning Commissioner.
- B. For all service station sites requiring a special exception, any amended plan shall constitute a new plan and be subject to the same requirements of these regulations.
- Fuel service stations existing prior to the effective date of Bill No. 172-1993.
- A. Expansion, reconstruction or addition of uses.
 - 1. Any fuel service station which legally existed by right or by special exception on the effective date of Bill No. 172-1993 may be expanded or reconstructed, and any ancillary use listed in Section 405.4.D may be added, provided that the project is confined to the limits of the site as it existed on the effective date of Bill No. 172-1993; and
 - a. Conforms with a plan for the entire site as reviewed by the Directors of Planning,
 Public Works, and Permits and Development Management; and
 - b. Is located in a B.L., B.R., B.M., M.L. or M.H. Zone or a PUD; and
 - c. Meets the requirements set forth in Section 405.4 or, in the judgment of the Director of Permits and Development Management, would be done in such a manner that the station would be improved to be more in keeping with the purposes of Section 405.4; and
 - d. In cases where a provision of Bill No. 172-1993 conflicts with the terms or conditions of a prior special exception, the project may be subject to special hearing at the discretion of the Director of Permits and Development Management.

- 2. After a public hearing, the Zoning Commissioner may authorize expansion of the station beyond the confines of the site, subject to the provisions of 405.6.A.1 above.
- 3. Any of the "uses in combination with" fuel service stations listed in Section 405.4.E may be added to any such station, provided that a special exception is granted and the provisions of Section 405.4 are met.
- 4. Any structure or expansion of the use that is shown on a plan approved prior to the effective date of Bill No. 172-1993 shall be considered as being in compliance with Section 405.4.A.2.a.
- B. Portable "A" or "sandwich board" signs shall be removed within three months of the adoption of this provision.
- 405.7 Abandoned fuel service stations.
- A. Finding. The County Council recognizes that at times the public need for fuel service stations at particular locations ceases, and those stations become abandoned. An abandoned fuel service station is one which, intentionally, is not in actual and continuous operation as defined in Section 405.7.B. The County Council further recognizes that an abandoned fuel service station which is left to deteriorate can become a threat to the health, safety and welfare of the community, can have a blighting influence on surrounding properties and can cause a deterioration of the use, value and enjoyment of property in the immediate neighborhood.
- B. Notice of presumption of abandonment. Whenever the owner or agent of any fuel service station has ceased or terminated the use of the premises as a fuel service station, the owner or agent shall notify the Director of Permits and Development Management within 30 days after the termination. Notwithstanding the failure of the owner to notify the Director, any fuel service station which has not been in actual and continuous operation as a station for a period of 12 consecutive months shall be presumed to be abandoned and right to resume the use is thereby terminated. For purposes of this section, "continuous operation" shall mean operation as a fuel service station at least eight hours per day, five days per week.
- C. Termination of special exception. Any special exception for the operation of a fuel service station shall become void upon notice of abandonment by the owner or upon proof of abandonment after notice and hearing pursuant to Section 500.7 of the zoning regulations. Any special exception for a fuel service station shall terminate at the time of the conversion to another use.
- D. The premises (including landscaping) of any fuel service station which is not in continuous operation or which is abandoned shall be continuously maintained in the same manner as is

required under these regulations for operating fuel service stations.

E. Proceedings to require removal.

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- 3. If, after notice and hearing pursuant to Section 500.7 of the zoning regulations, it is determined that a fuel service station has not been in continuous operation and not continuously maintained and corrected according to prior notice, and if it is further found that by reason of the continued vacancy, the structure and grounds lack reasonable or adequate maintenance, thereby causing deterioration and blighting influence on nearby properties and thereby depreciating the enjoyment, use or value of the property in the immediate vicinity to such an extent that it is harmful to the public health, welfare, safety, comfort or convenience of the neighborhood in which the station is situated, the Zoning Commissioner shall order the station's removal. For purposes of the subsection, "removal" shall mean the removal by the owner of all aboveground structures, including paving, and removal or abandonment in place of underground tanks in compliance with the provisions of COMAR 26.10.10.02 and Section 14-300(b) of the Baltimore County Code, 1988 Edition, as revised.
- Conversions of abandoned stations. One of the purposes of this subsection is to promote the conversion of vacated fuel service stations to other uses; therefore, if a fuel service station has been abandoned as such, but is converted to another use, no fuel service station structure, equipment or appurtenances necessary or appropriate to the new use need be removed.

Baltimore County Zoning Regulations PC/Codebook for Windows

Endnotes

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Editor's Note: This bill also repealed former Section 405, which was part of BCZR 1955, as amended by Resolution, November 21, 1956, and Bill Nos. 40-1967; 69-1968.

- a. Conforms with a plan for the entire site as reviewed by the Directors of Planning, Public Works, and Permits and Development Management; and
- b. Is located in a B.L., B.R., B.M., M.L. or M.H. Zone or a PUD; and
- c. Meets the requirements set forth in Section 405.4 or, in the judgment of the Director of Permits and Development Management, would be done in such a manner that the station would be improved to be more in keeping with the purposes of Section 405.4; and
- d. In cases where a provision of Bill No. 172-1993 conflicts with the terms or conditions of a prior special exception, the project may be subject to special hearing at the discretion of the Director of Permits and Development Management.
- After a public hearing, the Zoning Commissioner may authorize expansion
 of the station beyond the confines of the site, subject to the provisions of
 405.6.A.1 above.
- 3. Any of the "uses in combination with" fuel service stations listed in Section 405.4. E may be added to any such station, provided that a special exception is granted and the provisions of Section 405.4 are met.
- 4. Any structure or expansion of the use that is shown on a plan approved prior to the effective date of Bill No. 172-1993 shall be considered as being in compliance with Section 405.4.A.2.a.
- B. Portable "A" or "sandwich board" signs shall be removed within three months of the adoption of this provision.

405.7 Abandoned fuel service stations.

- A. Finding. The County Council recognizes that at times the public need for fuel service stations at particular locations ceases, and those stations become abandoned. An abandoned fuel service station is one which, intentionally, is not in actual and continuous operation as defined in Section 405.7.B. The County Council further recognizes that an abandoned fuel service station which is left to deteriorate can become a threat to the health, safety and welfare of the community, can have a blighting influence on surrounding properties and can cause a deterioration of the use, value and enjoyment of property in the immediate neighborhood.
- B. Notice of presumption of abandonment. Whenever the owner or agent of any fuel service station has ceased or terminated the use of the premises as a fuel service station, the owner or agent shall notify the Director of Permits and Development Management within 30 days after the termination. Notwithstanding the failure of the owner to notify the Director, any fuel service station which has not been in actual and continuous operation as a station for a period of 12

- consecutive months shall be presumed to be abandoned and right to resume the use is thereby terminated. For purposes of this section, "continuous operation" shall mean operation as a fuel service station at least eight hours per day, five days per week.
- C. Termination of special exception. Any special exception for the operation of a fuel service station shall become void upon notice of abandonment by the owner or upon proof of abandonment after notice and hearing pursuant to Section 500.7 of the zoning regulations. Any special exception for a fuel service station shall terminate at the time of the conversion to another use.
- D. The premises (including landscaping) of any fuel service station which is not in continuous operation or which is abandoned shall be continuously maintained in the same manner as is required under these regulations for operating fuel service stations.
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fuel service station structure, equipment or appurtenances necessary or appropriate to the new use need be removed.

Section 405A Storage of Damaged or Disabled Motor Vehicles on Service Garage Premises [Bill No. 43-1969]

Damaged or disabled motor vehicles may be stored on the premises of any conforming service garage or nonconforming use service garage, provided that any outdoor storage of such motor vehicles shall be subject to the following requirements:

- 405A.1 Screening. All such vehicles shall be screened from off-site view by walls (including building walls) or fences at least eight feet in height. However, a screening wall or fence less than eight feet high, but not less than six feet high, existing on the date of enactment of this provision may serve in lieu of such eight-foot wall or fence. All surfaces of such walls or fences facing residential zones or premises shall be finished or, in the discretion of the Zoning Commissioner, vine-covered or otherwise improved by the use of planting.
- 405A.2 Paving. The storage area shall be paved with permanent all-weather materials over suitably compounded and compacted base materials, and shall be properly drained.

Section 406 Golf Driving Range, Miniature Golf and Baseball Batting Range [BCZR 1955; Bill No. 26-1988]

406.1 All lighting installations shall be such and be so arranged as not to increase traffic hazards or to cause direct or glaring reflection into adjoining premises.

Section 406A Tennis Facilities [Bill Nos. 62-1978; 31-1984; 26-1988]

406A.1 A tennis facility may be established as a principal use in an R.C. or D.R. Zone only if it is owned by a homes or residents' association, as defined in the Comprehensive Manual of Development Policies adopted pursuant to Section 504 of these regulations, by a neighborhood improvement association, or by a neighborhood tennis club. For the purposes of this subsection, a "neighborhood improvement association" is an incorporated association, the purpose of which is to promote the common good and general welfare of its members, who reside within the association's boundaries as defined in its charter or bylaws; a "neighborhood tennis club" is a nonprofit incorporated association, the purpose of which is to own or maintain a tennis facility

¹ Editor's Note: This provision was enacted on April 15, 1969 (Bill No. 43-1969).



JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

WILLIAM J. WISEMAN III

Zoning Commissioner

April 5, 2006

Nancy C. West, Esquire Assistant County Attorney Courthouse, 2nd Floor 400 Washington Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Petition for Special Hearing
Case No. 06-425-SPH
Property: 601 York Road and 10 Joppa Road

Dear Ms. West:

Enclosed please find the decision rendered in the above-captioned case.

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,

John V. Murphy

Deputy Zoning Commissioner

JVM:dlw Enclosure

c: Timothy M. Kotroco, Director, PDM
Leonard Wasilewski, Code Enforcement Officer, PDM
Shell Oil Company, a/k/a Motiva Enterprises, LLC, P.O. Box 2463, Houston, TX 77252
Shell Oil Company, Marketing Property Tax, P.O. Box 2099, Houston, TX 77252-2099
CSC Lawyers Incorporating Service Company, 11 E. Chase Street, Baltimore, MD 21202
Loni Ingraham, Towson Times, 409 Washington Avenue, LL, Towson, MD 21204
Dick Parsons, 412 Woodbine Avenue, Towson, MD 21204
Don Gerding, 335 Old Trail Road, Baltimore, MD 21212
People's Counsel; Case File



Petition for Special Hearing to the Zoning Commissioner C

for the property located at	<u>601</u>	York Road and	l 10 Joppa Ro	ad
which is presently zone	ed	BM-CT		

This Petition shall be filed with the Department of Permits and Development Management.

Timothy M. Kotroco, Director of Permits and Development Management, and Baltimore County, Maryland hereby petition for a Special Hearing pursuant to Section 500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations for a determination by the Zoning Commissioner that the fuel service station located on the property, which is more particularly described in the zoning description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, has been abandoned pursuant to Section 405.7, and further prays that an Order be entered requiring the removal of the station and all aboveground structures, including paving.

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by the zoning regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Special Hearing, 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.

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Timothy M. Kotroco, Director of Permit
and Development Management
111 W. Chesapeake Avenue

Baltimore/County, Maryland

Towson, MD 21204 410.887.3353

Petitioners

Attorney For Petitioners:

Nancy C. West, Assistant County Attorney Baltimore County Office of Law

Courthouse, 2nd Floor 400 Washington Avenue

Towson, MD 21204

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Legal Owner(s):

Shell Oil Company a/k/a Motiva Enterprises LLC P.O. Box 2463 Houston, TX 77252

Shell Oil Company Marketing Property Tax P.O. Box 2099 Houston, TX 77252-2099

Resident Agent:

CSC Lawyers Incorporating Service Company 11 E. Chase Street Baltimore, MD 21202

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06-425-5PH

ZONING DESCRIPTION

Existing Service Station at York Road and Joppa Road Baltimore County, Maryland

BEGINNING FOR THE SAME at a point on the North side of Joppa Road at the intersection of Allegheny Avenue and York Road to the North of this three way intersection; thence running and binding with the Northernmost side of Joppa Road North 57°04'00" West 88.42 feet; thence by a curve to the left having a chord bearing of North 59°10'38" West 180.15 feet and a radius of 2446.00 feet with an arc length of 180.19 feet; thence leaving said curve and running North 37°41'45" East 57.96 feet; thence North 49°55'49" East 6.15 feet; thence South 52°08'11" East 58.05 feet; thence running along the same bearing South 52°08'11" East 18.10 feet; thence North 33°42' 49" East 27.72 feet; thence North 30°00'11" West 24.75 feet; thence North 59°01'49" East 28.05 feet; thence running along the Southernmost Right-of-way line of York Road South 31°29'11" East 216.50 feet; thence leaving said Right-of-Way line South 32°56'00" West 21.13 feet to the place of beginning.

And containing in all 17,364.45 mg. ft. or 0.399 Ac. +.

NOTICE OF ZONING HEARING

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Case: #06-425-SPH
601 York Road and 10 Joppa Road
Corner southwest side of York Road at northeast side of

¿ Joppa Road

9th Election District - 5th Councilmanic District Legal Owner(s): Shell Oil Company, a/k/a Motiva Enter-prises, LLC, Shell Oil Company Marketing Property Tax, Resident Agent CSC Lawyers Incorporating Service Company

Petitioner: Baltimore County, MD, by Timothy M. Kotroco, Director, Dept. Permits & Dev. Mgmt.

Special Hearing: to permit a determination by the Zoning Commissioner that a fuel service station has been abandoned pursuant to Section 405.7 of the B.C.Z.R.

Hearing: Monday, April 3, 2006 at 2:00 p.m., Room' 407, County Courts Building, 401 Bosley Avenue, Towson 21204.

WILLIAM J. WISEMAN, III

Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

NOTES: (1) Hearings are Handicapped Accessible; for special accommodations Please Contact the Zoning Commissioner's Office at (410) 887-3868.

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 Contact the Zoning Review Office at (410) 887-3391. 3/246 Mar. 16

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Baltimore County

James T. Smith, Jr., County Executive Timothy M. Kotroco, Director

March 7, 2006

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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.

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James T. Smith, Jr., County Executive Timothy M. Kotroco, Director

March 30, 2006

CSC Lawyers Incorporating Service Company 11 E. Chase Street Baltimore, MD 21202

Dear Sirs:

RE: Case Number: 06-425-SPH, 601 York Road and 10 Joppa Road

The above referenced petition was accepted for processing by the Bureau of Zoning Review, Department of Permits and Development Management (PDM) on March 2, 2006.

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.

Supervisor, Zoning Review

WCR:amf

Enclosures

c: People's Counsel Shell Oil Company a/k/a Motiva Enterprises LLC P.O. Box 2463 Houston, TX 77252 Shell Oil Company Marketing Property Tax P.O. Box 2099 Houston, TX 77252-2099



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

County Office Building, Room 111
Mail Stop #1105
111 West Chesapeake Avenue
Towson, Maryland 21204

March 7, 2006

ATTENTION: Zoning Review planners

Distribution Meeting of: March 6, 2006

Item No.: Item Numbers 409 through 417 and 425

Pursuant to your request, the referenced plan(s) have been reviewed by this Bureau and the comments below are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property.

6. The Fire Marshal's Office has no comments at this time.

LT. Roland P. Bosley Jr. Fire Marshal's Office PHONE 887-4881 MS-1102F

cc: File

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Timothy M. Kotroco, Director

DATE: March 10, 2006

Department of Permits & Development

Management

FROM:

Dennis A. Kennedy, Supervisor

Bureau of Development Plans Review

SUBJECT:

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

for March 13, 2006

Item Nos. 401, 408, 409, 410, 413,

416, 417, 418 and 425

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

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INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Timothy M. Kotroco, Director

Department of Permits and

Development Management

FROM:

Arnold F. 'Pat' Keller, III

Director, Office of Planning

SUBJECT:

601 York Road & 10 W. Joppa Road

INFORMATION:

Item Number:

6-425

Petitioner:

Baltimore County, Maryland

Zoning:

BM-CT

Requested Action:

Special Hearing

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Office of Planning has reviewed the subject petition and strongly supports the Director of Permits and Development Managements' request for the Zoning Commissioner to order the removal of all aboveground structures, including paving, by the property owner on the subject property.

For further information concerning the matters stated here in, please contact Kevin Gambrill at 410-887-3480.

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Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr., Governor Michael S. Steele, Lt. Governor

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Maryland Department of Transportation

Date: 3.7.06

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

RE:

Baltimore County

Item No.

425

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Dear Ms. Matthews:

We have reviewed the referenced item and have no objection to approval. Our review has determined that no construction is required within the State Highway Administration's right-of-way.

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,

Steven D. Foster, Chief

1. J. Ladle

Engineering Access Permits Division

RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING

601 York Road & 10 Joppa Road; Corner SW/S

York Road @ NE/S Joppa Road

9th Election & 5th Councilmanic Districts

Legal Owner(s): Shell Oil Co. a/k/a Movita

Enterprises, LLC

Baltimore County, MD - Petitioners

BEFORE THE

ZONING COMMISSIONER

FOR

BALTIMORE COUNTY

06-425-SPH

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ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

Please enter the appearance of People's Counsel in the above-captioned matter. Notice should be sent of any hearing dates or other proceedings in this matter and 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 9th day of March, 2006, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Nancy West, Assistant County Attorney, 400 Washington Avenue, Room 219, Towson, Maryland 21204, Attorney for Petitioner(s).

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PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN

People's Counsel for Baltimore County

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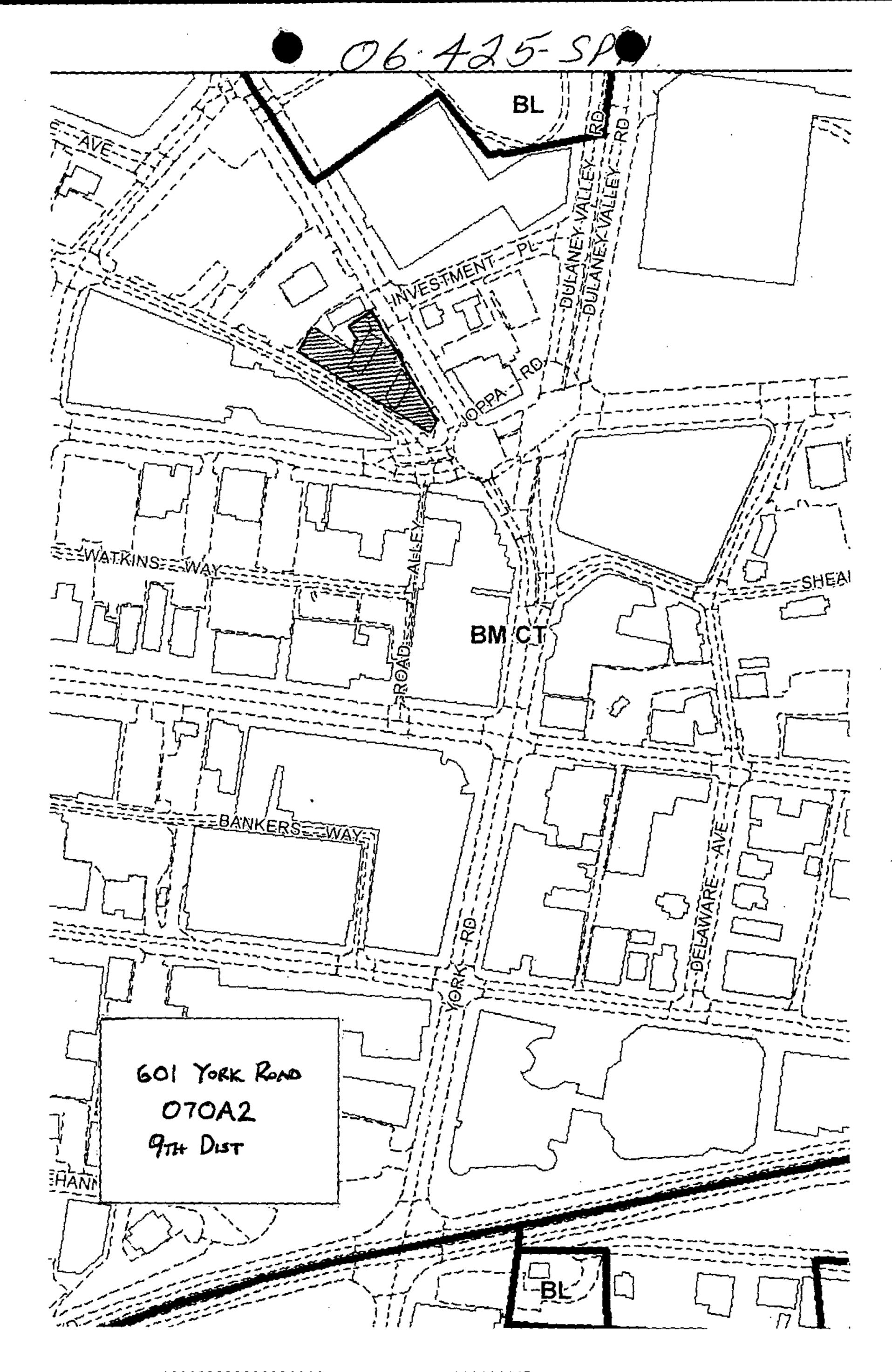
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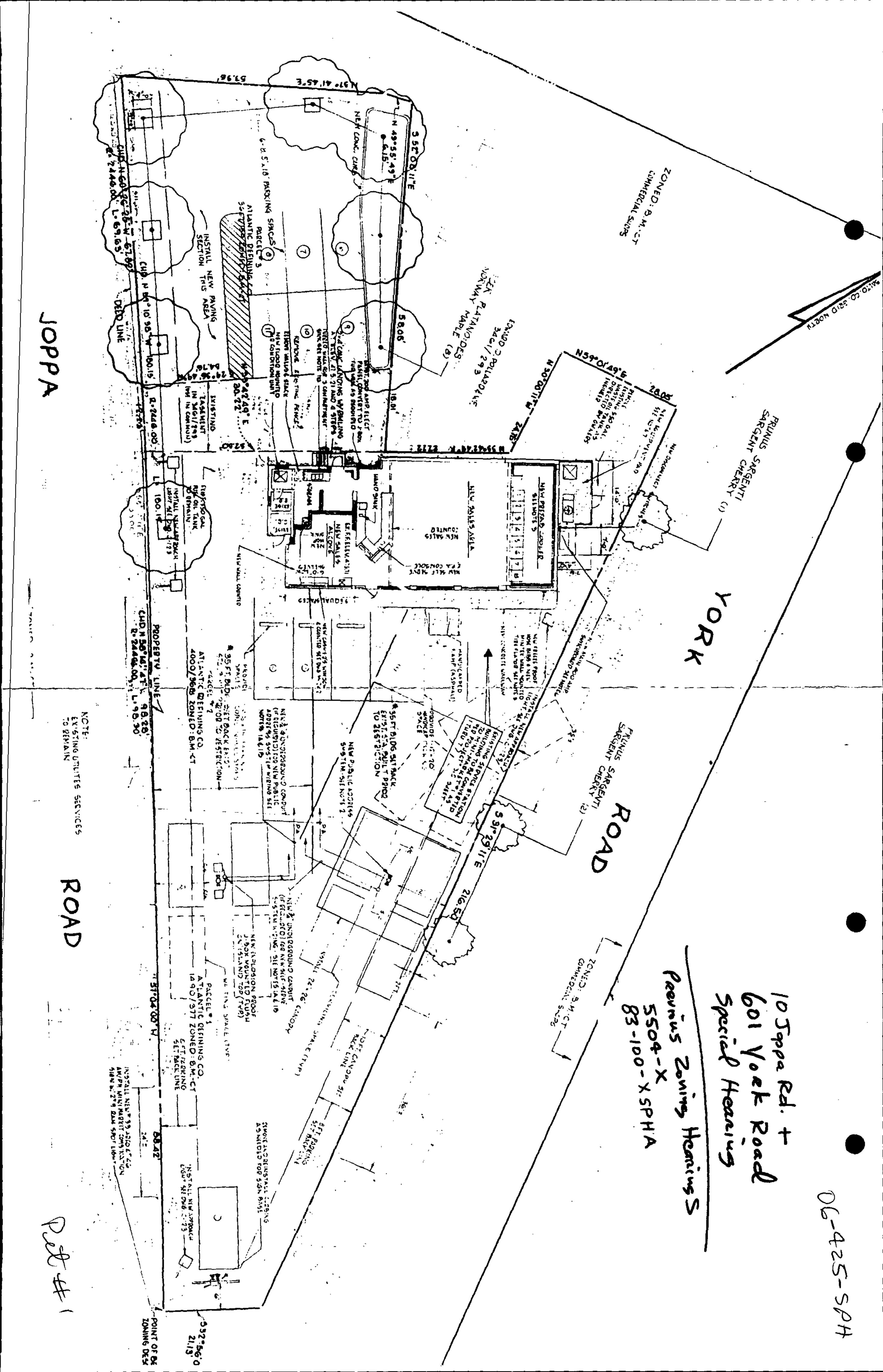
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Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation **BALTIMORE COUNTY** Real Property Data Search

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Account Identifier:

District - 09 Account Number - 0901890052

Owner Information

Owner Name:

SHELL OIL COMPANY

Use: Principal Residence: COMMERCIAL

Mailing Address:

MARKETING PROPERTY TAX

HOUSTON TX 77252-2099

Sub District

NO

P O BOX 2099

Deed Reference:

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Assessment Area

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address

10 JOPPA RD

Map

70A

Grid

Legal Description

NES JOPPA RD

353 E WASHINGTON AV

Plat No: Plat Ref:

Special Tax Areas

Town Ad Valorem

Tax Class

Enclosed Area

Subdivision

Property Land Area.

County Use

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Parcel

151

Primary Structure Built

3,694.00 SF

Lot

Stories

Basement

Type.

Block

Exterior

Value Information

Phase-in Assessments

As Of

07/01/2005

Section

As Of 07/01/2006

Land: Improvements: Total:

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110,800 110,800

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ATLANTIC REFININ G CO Seller: Type:

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Date: Deed1: Date: Deed1:

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12/04/1985 / 7054/ 284

Price: Deed2:

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Exemption Information

Deed2:

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Tax Exempt:

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Seller:

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County

Municipal

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NO

Special Tax Recapture:

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Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation **BALTIMORE COUNTY** Real Property Data Search

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Account Identifier:

District - 09 Account Number - 0901890055

Owner Information

Owner Name:

SHELL OIL COMPANY

Use: Principal Residence: COMMERCIAL

Sub District

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Mailing Address:

MARKETING PROPERTY TAX P G BOX 2099

Deed Reference:

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HOUSTON TX 77252-2099

Location & Structure Information

Section

Legal Description

Premises Address

601 YORK RD

Map

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65 NW JOPPA RD Plat No: **Assessment Area** Lot

70A

Special Tax Areas

Grid

Town Ad Valorem

Tax Class

Enclosed Area 1,728 SF

Subdivision

Property Land Area 11,914.00 SF

County Use 06

Plat Ref:

Stories

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Value Information

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Phase-in Assessments As Of

07/01/2005

As Of 07/01/2006

Land: Improvements:

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Primary Structure Built

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457,400 107,300 564,700

Base

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01/01/2005 476,500 115,300 591,800

As Of

573,733

582,766

Transfer Information

ATLANTIC REFININ G CO

NOT ARMS-LENGTH

Total:

Deed1:

Date:

12/04/1985 / 7054/ 284 Price: Deed2: **\$**0

Seller: Type:

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Exemption Information

Partial Exempt Assessments County State

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Tax Exempt: Exempt Class:

Municipal

Seller:

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Special Tax Recapture:

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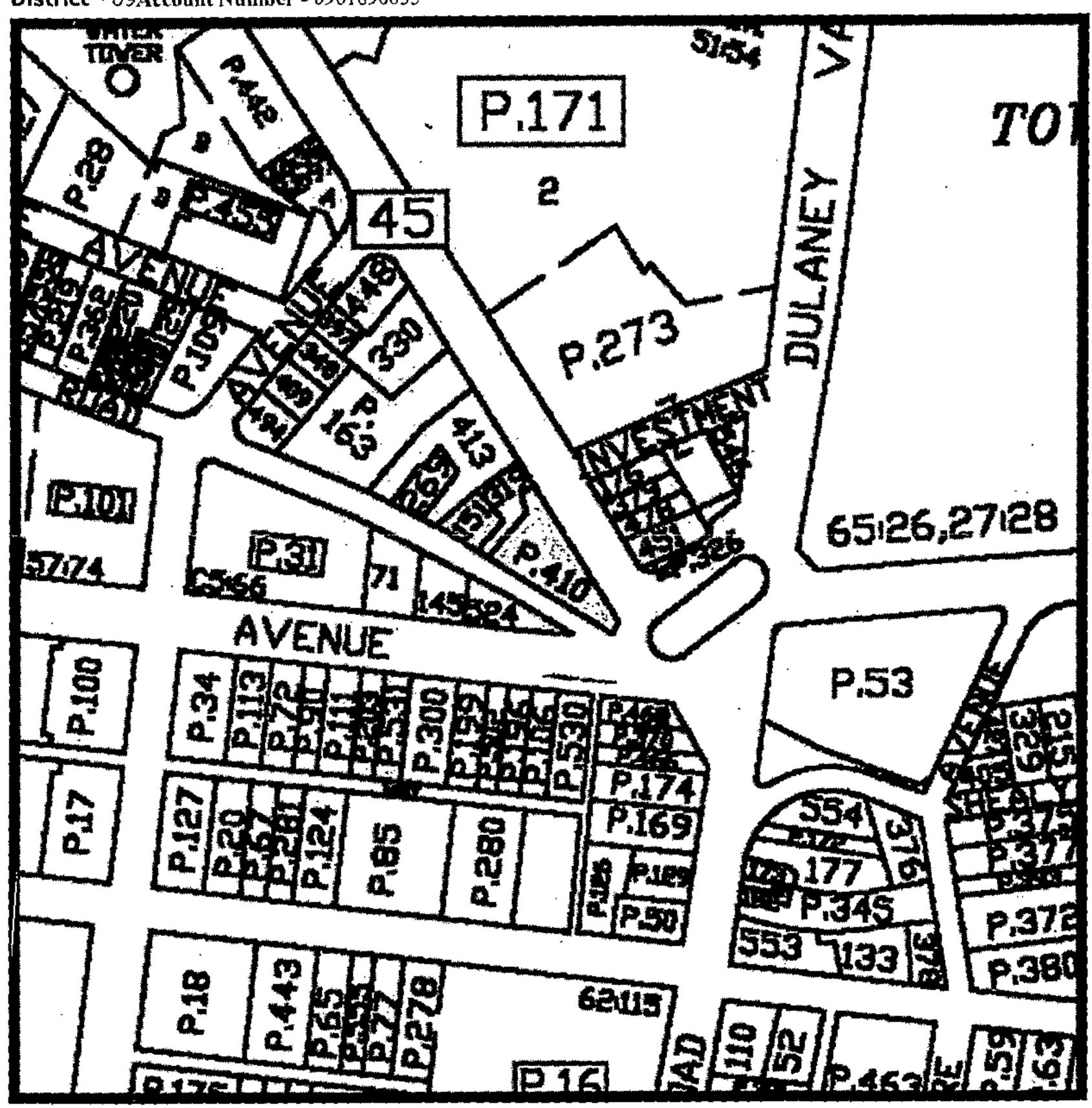


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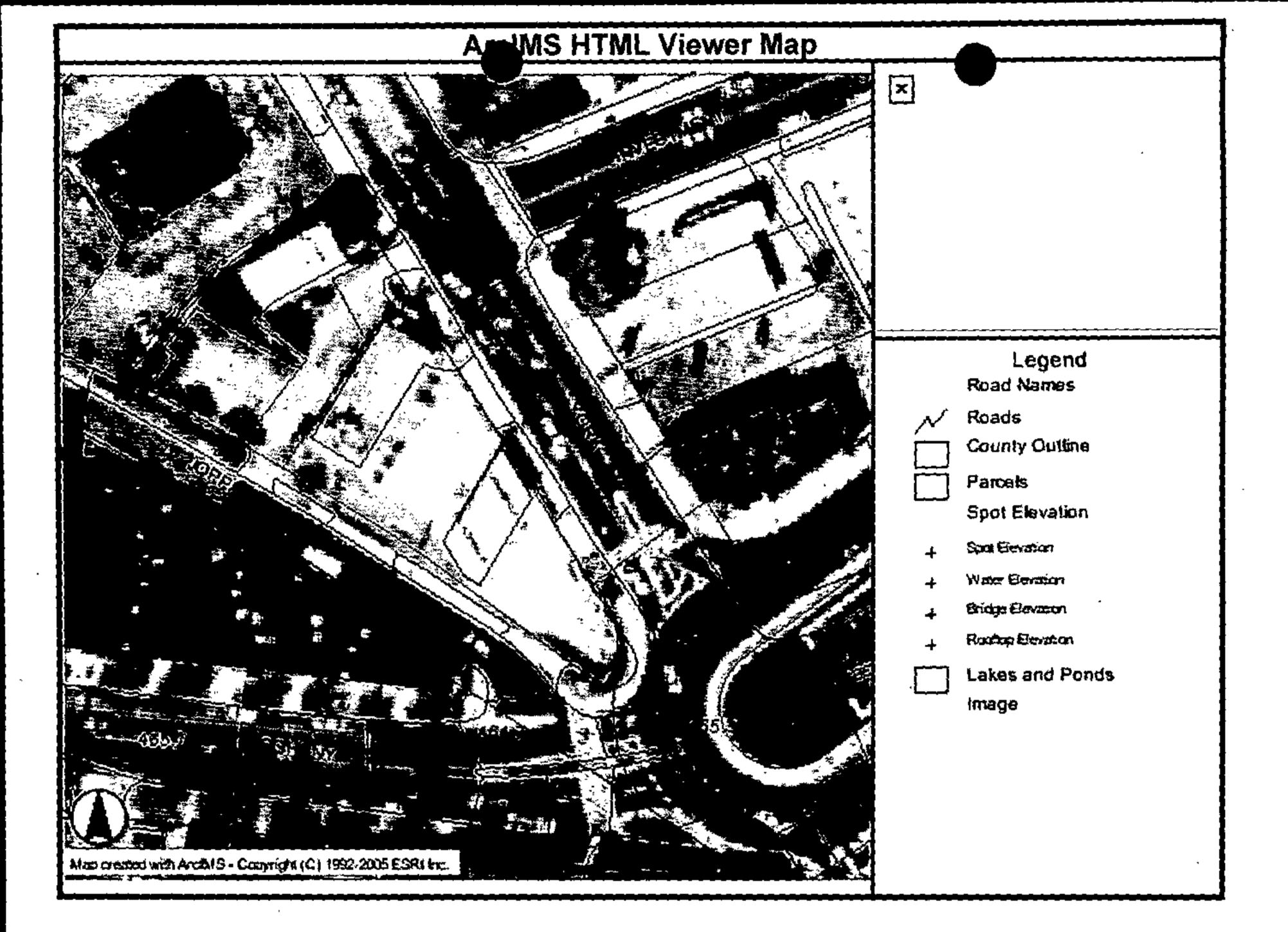


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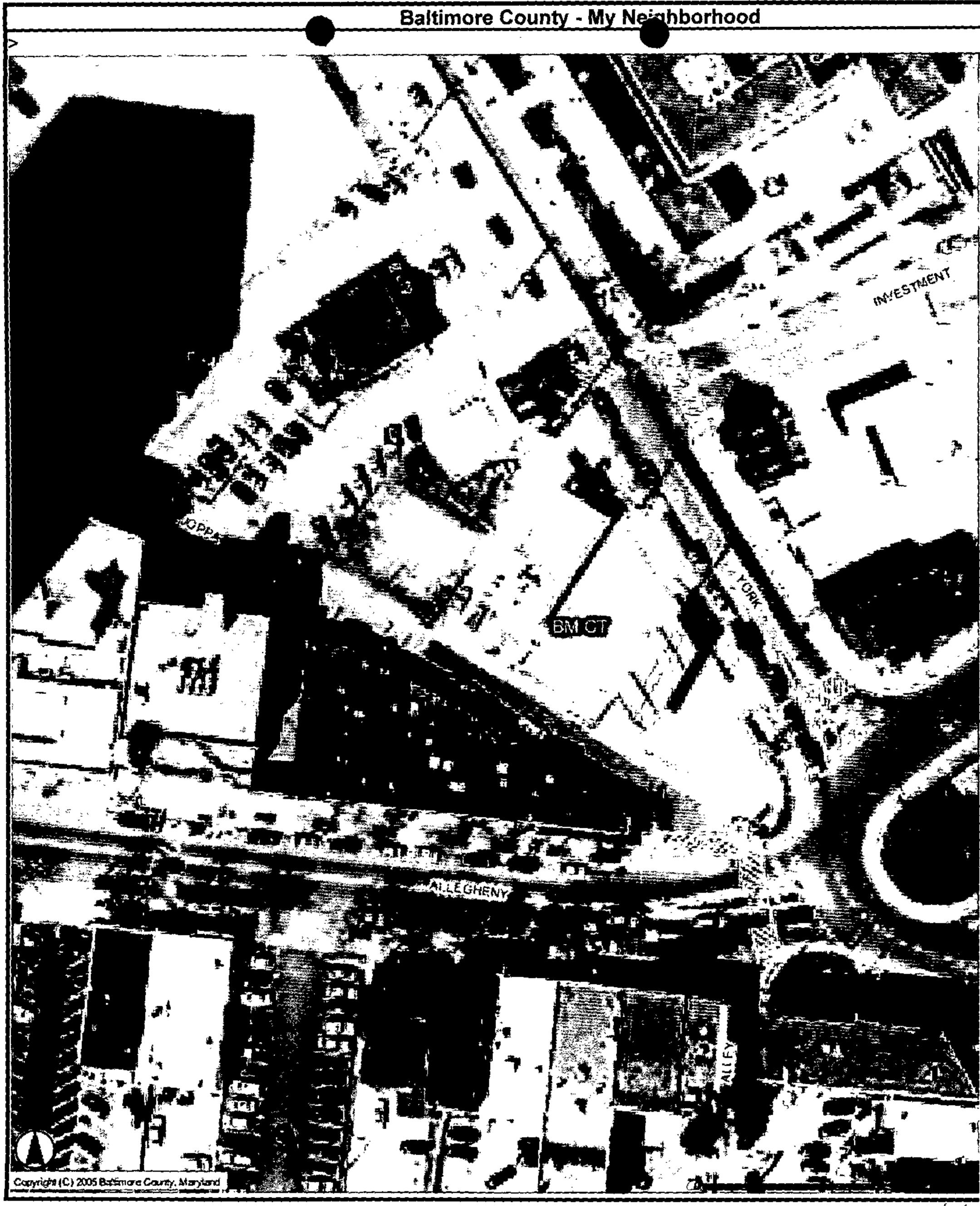
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Date 6-15-00 Permit # 17 4188 97

Baltimore County Department of Environmental Protection & Resource Management Waste Management Division 401 Bosley Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT - (410) 887-2762

This is to inform you that IEEEUSOU & McCANN The (name of company)

be removing (8 of tanks) (2 000 GALLON (tank size(s)))

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fanagement, a minimum of three (3) working days prior to removal

NOTE: The applicant is requested to submit a copy of the State of Maryland inspection report on the status of the tank removal project to this office within 7 days of

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Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation 2

Taxpayer Services Division

301 West Preston Street W Baltimore, Maryland 21201

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Taxpayer Services Division

Entity Name: SHELL OIL COMPANY Dept. ID #: F00033399

General Information	Amendments	Personal Property	Certificate of Status
Principal Office (Current):			
	P.O. BOX 2463 HOUSTON, TX	77252	-
Resident Agent (Current):	CSC LAWYERS I 11 E. CHASE ST BALTIMORE, MC	· · · · · · · · ·	CE COMPA
Status:	REVIVED		
Good Standing:	Yes		
Business Code:	Ordinary Busine	ss - Stock	
Date of Formation or Registration:	09/30/1949		
State of Formation:	DE		
Stock/Nonstock:	Stock		
Close/Not Close:	Unknown		

Link Definition

General Information

General information about this entity

Amendments

Original and subsequent documents filed

Personal Property

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Certificate of Status

Get a Certificate of Good Standing for this entity.

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Department of Permits and Development Management

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Towson, Maryland 21204
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Baltimore County

James T. Smith, Jr., County Executive
Timothy M. Kotroco, Director

November 10, 2005

VIA REGULAR MAIL and CERTIFIED MAIL

Shell Oil Company
Marketing Property Tax
P.O. Box 2099
Houston, TX 77252-2099

Shell Oil Company P.O. Box 2463 Houston, TX 77252

CSC Lawyers Incorporating Service Company 11. E. Chase Street Baltimore, MD 21202

Re:

90-Day Notice to Remedy Zoning Violations-Abandoned Shell Service Station located at 601 York Road in Towson, MD 21204

Dear Sir or Madam:

It has come to our attention that the Shell Service Station at the above referenced location has not been in actual and continuous operation as a station for a period of 12 consecutive months as required by Section 405.7 B of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR). Therefore, such use is presumed to be abandoned and the right to resume the use is thereby terminated. Notwithstanding your abandonment, the premises (including landscaping) of the station, shall be continuously maintained in the same manner as is required by Section 405.7 D of the BCZR for operating fuel service stations. You have failed to comply with that section.

Since your company has abandoned fuel service operations at this site, the property has continued to deteriorate. It is obvious to any reasonable person that the fuel service station no longer has the appearance of a properly maintained station. The structures are painted, albeit battleship gray. The windows and doors of the existing structure have been boarded up; the paving is inadequate; and the earth is exposed and denuded as a result of the underground storage tanks being removed.

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Shell Oil Company November 10, 2005 Page 2

The area has not been vegetated and screened in accordance with the landscaping requirements of the BCZR. The continued deterioration of this property adversely affects the use, value, and enjoyment of the surrounding properties. It is a blighting influence that must be abated.

This letter will serve as the requisite notice to you to repair, correct and otherwise take all necessary actions to remedy the situation. Section 405.7 D of the BCZR requires that the premises, including landscaping, of any fuel service station which is abandoned must be continuously maintained in the same manner as is required for operating fuel service stations under Section 405 of the BCZR. If these deficiencies have not been corrected within a period of ninety (90) days following the date of this notice, I will refer this matter to the Zoning Commissioner for a hearing, pursuant to Section 500.7 of the BCZR, to require removal of all structures, including paving. I have attached a copy of the relevant zoning regulations for your review.

I trust that as a good corporate citizen you will take the responsible and necessary steps to address this continuing blight and obviate the need for any future enforcement action by the County. I am available to discuss this matter and can be contacted at the number listed above.

Sincerely,

Timothy M. Kotroco

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C: James T. Smith, County Executive
Anthony G. Marchione, Administrative Officer
Hon. Vincent J. Gardina
John E. Beverungen, Acting County Attorney
Nancy C. West, Assistant County Attorney
David A.C. Carroll, DEPRM

Section 405, Fuel Service Stations [Bill No. 172-1993 EN(1)]

- 405.1 Statement of legislative findings and policy.
- A. Bill No. 40-1967 enacted six commercial districts (C.N.S., C.C.C., C.T., C.S.A., C.S.-1 and C.S.-2) and one industrial district (I.M.). One of the main purposes of the new commercial districts was to control the location of service stations and the uses associated with them. In 1975, the C.R. District was added to govern service stations and other commercial uses in rural areas.
- B. While the C.T., C.C.C., C.R. and I.M. Districts have special use and bulk regulations which make each one unique, the remaining districts (C.N.S., C.S.A., C.S.-1 and C.S.-2) do not include provisions which make them distinct. As a consequence, the C.S.A., C.N.S., C.S.-1 and C.S.-2 Districts are consolidated into the automotive services (A.S.) District.
- C. The design and operation of service stations has changed significantly and the provisions set forth in Bill No. 40-1967 no longer reflect contemporary business practices. Due to the rise of self-service stations, the number of businesses that "service" motor-vehicles by providing repair facilities has been steadily declining, while the number of stations with convenience stores or car wash operations has been increasing. To better reflect the evolving role of this use, the name of "automotive service station" is being changed to "fuel service station," and regulations which govern the permitted ancillary uses are being amended to reflect contemporary business practices and to facilitate the upgrading of existing stations.
- D. It is the intent of this section to permit fuel service stations in accordance with the goals of the Master Plan and duly adopted community plans by requiring performance standards that will regulate their location and appearance as well as the additional uses which may be developed at such sites.
- 405.2 Locations in which fuel service stations are permitted.
- A. A fuel service station is permitted by right subject to Section 405.4, provided that no part of the lot is within 100 feet of a residentially zoned property and is integrated with and located:
 - 1. In a planned shopping center of which at least 20% has been constructed at the time the building permit for the fuel service station is issued, but not to exceed one station for each 60,000 square feet of gross floor area of the planned shopping center;
 - 2. In an approved planned industrial park of a minimum net area of 50 acres, but not to exceed one for each 50 acres of net area; or

- 3. In a planned drive-in cluster.
- B. Fuel service stations on individual sites which do not comply with the requirements of Section 405.2.A are permitted by special exception, as provided below and subject to Sections 405.3 and 405.4.
 - 1. Within the urban-rural demarcation line (URDL), in C.C.C., A.S. or I.M. Districts, provided no part of the lot is in an M.R. Zone.
 - Outside the URDL with C.R. District designation only in B.L., B.M. or B.R. Zones, subject to Section 259.3.B.2.
- In addition to the findings required under Section 502.1, the Zoning Commissioner, prior to granting any special exception for a fuel service station, shall consider the presence of abandoned fuel service stations in the vicinity of the proposed site. A finding by the Zoning Commissioner of the presence of one abandoned fuel service station, as defined in Section 405.7, within a one-half-mile radius, or two such stations within a one-mile radius of the proposed fuel service station establishes that there is no need for the proposed use, unless rebutted to the Zoning Commissioner's satisfaction by market data.

405.4 Standards.

A. Site development.

1. Site dimensions. The area of any fuel service station site shall be no less than 15,000 square feet or 1,500 times the number of fuel service spaces (as defined in Section 101), whichever is greater. If any use permitted under Section 405.4.D or 405.4.E is added to the fuel service station, the area of the site shall be increased in accordance with the provisions of those sections.

2. Setbacks.

- a. No main structure of a service station shall be set back less than 35 feet from any street right-of-way; no fuel pump shall be set back less than 25 feet from any street right-of-way; no canopy shall be set back less than 15 feet from any street right-of-way.
- b. Except at the required access driveways, a landscape transition area shall be provided along the entire perimeter of fuel service stations. Such area shall have a minimum width of 10 feet if the fuel service station abuts a public right-of-way, and six feet in all side and rear yards abutting nonresidentially zoned land, except that service stations located within 50 feet of any residentially zoned property (other than a residential zone line in a public right-of-way) shall provide a buffer measuring no

less than 15 feet from that property line.

- c. The landscape transition area shall be vegetated and screened in accordance with the Landscape Manual requirements for automotive uses.
- d. Other setbacks shall be as required by these regulations.
- 3. Access, internal circulation and vehicle reservoir capacity.
 - a. The number and location of access driveways shall be determined by the hearing officer or Zoning Commissioner based upon the recommendations of the Director of Public Works and the Office of Planning.
 - b. All internal paved areas of a fuel service station site used for parking, driveway, aisles and stacking purposes shall comply with Section 409 and shall be laid out to preclude vehicles waiting on the street or blocking the right-of-way before gaining entrance.
 - c. In addition to the fuel service space, at least one stacking space shall be provided:
 - (1) For each pump island side, at pump islands that contain multiproduct dispensers (MPD) and where a bypass lane serves each (MPD);
 - (2) For each MDP in cases where there is no bypass lane or where a convenience store is located on the same lot; or
 - (3) For each pump, if the pump dispenses a single fuel type.
 - d. Parking spaces on the site of any fuel service station shall be provided as follows:
 - (1) One space per employee on the largest shift.
 - (2) Three spaces per 1,000 square feet of gross floor area for a convenience store up to 1,500 square feet. (Convenience stores larger than 1,500 square feet shall be subject to the parking requirements for retail uses in accordance with Section 409, including the first 1,500 square feet).
 - (3) Three spaces per service bay, not counting service spaces in the bays.
 - (4) One space per self-service air or vacuum cleaner unit.
 - (5) One space per automatic teller machine.
- B. All fuel service stations shall provide a rest room facility, water and compressed air for customers.

C. Appearance.

1. General design.

- a. Any structure on the site that is converted to an ancillary use or to a use in combination with a fuel service station must be upgraded to create a unifying architectural theme with other structures on the site.
- b. The rear and sides of buildings on lots abutting residentially zoned properties shall be finished with materials that in texture and color resemble the front of the building. The type of facade treatment shall be indicated on the site plan or an accompanying elevation drawing and is subject to review by the Director of Planning.
- c. Except for the temporary outdoor sale of items permitted under Section 230.9, the outside display of merchandise is permitted only under the canopy, or if there is no canopy, on or between the pump island or in an area immediately adjacent to the cashier's kiosk. Such goods may not block access drives, stacking spaces or interfere with the site's circulation pattern.
- d. If the fuel service station is located within 50 feet of a residentially zoned property, lighting standards on site may not exceed a height of 18 feet and shall be directed away from any residentially zoned properties.
- e. To increase compatibility with surrounding buildings or to enhance the attractiveness of the site of fuel service stations for which a special exception is required, the Zoning Commissioner may specify additional requirements, including:
 - (1) Changes in building or site plan design;
 - (2) Restrictions on hours of operations; or
 - (3) Other requirements deemed necessary for compliance with this section.
- 2. Signs. Signs are permitted, subject to Section 450. [Bill No. 89-1997]
- 3. Maintenance. At all times, the premises shall be maintained in a clean and orderly condition. All landscaped areas shall be irrigated as needed and dead plants replaced. The responsibility for compliance with these provisions lies with all parties that individually or collectively have a lease or ownership interest in the fuel service station.
- D. Ancillary uses. The uses listed below, only, are permitted by right in conjunction with any fuel service station. The minimum area of the site as determined under Section 405.4.A.1 shall be increased each ancillary use by at least the number of square feet indicated below, which includes land for required parking and stacking spaces:

- 1. Minor vehicle repair or diagnostic services to vehicles, except those which are unlicensed or which have a State Motor Vehicle Administration transporter or a dealer license. Additional site area of 1,300 feet per service bay shall be provided.
 - a. Type of service and repairs include but are not limited to the sale and installation of mufflers, small auto parts and accessories and shall remain accessory to the fuel service station operation.
 - b. All service and repairs shall take place within completely enclosed buildings.
 - c. The combined area for sales, display and customer waiting room may not exceed 500 square feet.
 - d. Storage of tow trucks, damaged or disabled vehicles or parts is subject to Section 405A.
- 2. Convenience store with a sales area of up to 1,500 square feet inclusive of accessory storage. An additional site area of four times the square footage of the convenience store's sales area shall be provided.
- 3. Automatic teller machine, but no drive-through facilities. Additional site area of 1,000 square feet for each device shall be provided.
- Self-service vacuum stations. All such stations shall be located at least 30 feet from a residentially zoned property. No additional site area is required.
- 5. Temporary outdoor sale of Christmas trees, firewood, cut flowers or live plants as limited by Section 230.9.
- 6. The sale of cigarettes, candy, drinks, snacks and similar items from vending machines or the cashier's kiosk. No additional site area is required if vending machines do not exceed a total of five machines, otherwise the area shall be considered a convenience store.
- 7. The retail sale of automotive service items such as motor oil, antifreeze or allied products. No additional site area is required.
- E. Uses in combination with fuel service stations. The minimum area of the site as determined by Section 405.4.A.1 shall be increased for each use in combination with a fuel service station by at least the number of square feet indicated below:

Integral Planned

Individual

Type of Use

Development

Site

(SE = Special Exception and P = Permitted by Right)

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1.	Convenience store with a sales area larger than 1,500 square feet inclusive of accessory storage. Additional site area of four times the square footage of the convenience store's sales area must be provided.	SE	SE
2.	Roll-over car wash. No specific additional site area required, provided that the stacking, parking and buffer requirements of Section 419 are met.	· P	SE
3.	Full service car wash. No specific additional site area required, provided that the stacking, parking and buffer requirements of Section 419 are met.	SE .	SE
4.	Service garages providing services other than those listed in Section 405.4.D, subject to the provisions of Section 405.4.C.1.a through 1.e.	SE	SE
5.	Automobile rental, with a maximum stock of 12 cars. Additional site area of 4,000 square feet must be provided.	SE	SE
6.	Trailer rental, for trailers not exceeding 3/4 ton chassis weight, with a maximum stock of 20 trailers. Additional site area of 5,000 square feet must be provided.	SE	SE
7 .	Light-truck rental, including rental of trucks equipped with campers, for trucks not exceeding 11/2 tons' capacity, with a maximum stock of eight trucks. Additional site area of 4,000 square feet must be provided.	SE	SE
8.	Parking of not more than six school buses. Additional site area of 2,600 square feet must be provided.	SE	SE

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Permitted

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9.	Self-service car washes. No additional site area required, provided that the stacking, parking and buffer requirements of Section 419 are met.	SE	
10.	Restaurant, including fast food, fast	SE	

10. Restaurant, including fast food, fast food drive-through only, and carry-out restaurants. Additional site area of six times the gross square footage of the restaurant must be provided.

405.5 Plan approvals.

- A. Conversion of any conforming fuel service station building to another use, permitted in the basic zone or district in which the site is located, shall require approval of the overall plan of the entire site by the Directors of Planning, Public Works and Permits and Development Management or, in the case of a special exception, the Zoning Commissioner.
- B. For all service station sites requiring a special exception, any amended plan shall constitute a new plan and be subject to the same requirements of these regulations.
- Fuel service stations existing prior to the effective date of Bill No. 172-1993.
- A. Expansion, reconstruction or addition of uses.
 - 1. Any fuel service station which legally existed by right or by special exception on the effective date of Bill No. 172-1993 may be expanded or reconstructed, and any ancillary use listed in Section 405.4.D may be added, provided that the project is confined to the limits of the site as it existed on the effective date of Bill No. 172-1993; and
 - a. Conforms with a plan for the entire site as reviewed by the Directors of Planning, Public Works, and Permits and Development Management; and
 - b. Is located in a B.L., B.R., B.M., M.L. or M.H. Zone or a PUD; and
 - c. Meets the requirements set forth in Section 405.4 or, in the judgment of the Director of Permits and Development Management, would be done in such a manner that the station would be improved to be more in keeping with the purposes of Section 405.4; and
 - d. In cases where a provision of Bill No. 172-1993 conflicts with the terms or conditions of a prior special exception, the project may be subject to special hearing at the discretion of the Director of Permits and Development Management.

- 2. After a public hearing, the Zoning Commissioner may authorize expansion of the station beyond the confines of the site, subject to the provisions of 405.6.A.1 above.
- 3. Any of the "uses in combination with" fuel service stations listed in Section 405.4.E may be added to any such station, provided that a special exception is granted and the provisions of Section 405.4 are met.
- 4. Any structure or expansion of the use that is shown on a plan approved prior to the effective date of Bill No. 172-1993 shall be considered as being in compliance with Section 405.4.A.2.a.
- B. Portable "A" or "sandwich board" signs shall be removed within three months of the adoption of this provision.
- 405.7 Abandoned fuel service stations.
- A. Finding. The County Council recognizes that at times the public need for fuel service stations at particular locations ceases, and those stations become abandoned. An abandoned fuel service station is one which, intentionally, is not in actual and continuous operation as defined in Section 405.7.B. The County Council further recognizes that an abandoned fuel service station which is left to deteriorate can become a threat to the health, safety and welfare of the community, can have a blighting influence on surrounding properties and can cause a deterioration of the use, value and enjoyment of property in the immediate neighborhood.
- B. Notice of presumption of abandonment. Whenever the owner or agent of any fuel service station has ceased or terminated the use of the premises as a fuel service station, the owner or agent shall notify the Director of Permits and Development Management within 30 days after the termination. Notwithstanding the failure of the owner to notify the Director, any fuel service station which has not been in actual and continuous operation as a station for a period of 12 consecutive months shall be presumed to be abandoned and right to resume the use is thereby terminated. For purposes of this section, "continuous operation" shall mean operation as a fuel service station at least eight hours per day, five days per week.
- C. Termination of special exception. Any special exception for the operation of a fuel service station shall become void upon notice of abandonment by the owner or upon proof of abandonment after notice and hearing pursuant to Section 500.7 of the zoning regulations. Any special exception for a fuel service station shall terminate at the time of the conversion to another use.
- D. The premises (including landscaping) of any fuel service station which is not in continuous operation or which is abandoned shall be continuously maintained in the same manner as is

required under these regulations for operating fuel service stations.

E. Proceedings to require removal.

- 1. Whenever it shall be determined by the Director of Permits and Development Management that a fuel service station has not been in continuous operation and that the premises have not been continuously maintained, the Director shall issue a notice to the owner or agent to repair, correct or take other appropriate action to remedy the specific deficiencies enumerated in the notice.
- 2. If the deficiencies have not been corrected within a period of 90 days following the date of the notice, the Director of Permits and Development Management shall refer the matter to the Zoning Commissioner for a hearing, pursuant to Section 500.7, to require removal.
- 3. If, after notice and hearing pursuant to Section 500.7 of the zoning regulations, it is determined that a fuel service station has not been in continuous operation and not continuously maintained and corrected according to prior notice, and if it is further found that by reason of the continued vacancy, the structure and grounds lack reasonable or adequate maintenance, thereby causing deterioration and blighting influence on nearby properties and thereby depreciating the enjoyment, use or value of the property in the immediate vicinity to such an extent that it is harmful to the public health, welfare, safety, comfort or convenience of the neighborhood in which the station is situated, the Zoning Commissioner shall order the station's removal. For purposes of the subsection, "removal" shall mean the removal by the owner of all aboveground structures, including paving, and removal or abandonment in place of underground tanks in compliance with the provisions of COMAR 26.10.10.02 and Section 14-300(b) of the Baltimore County Code, 1988 Edition, as revised.
- Conversions of abandoned stations. One of the purposes of this subsection is to promote the conversion of vacated fuel service stations to other uses; therefore, if a fuel service station has been abandoned as such, but is converted to another use, no fuel service station structure, equipment or appurtenances necessary or appropriate to the new use need be removed.

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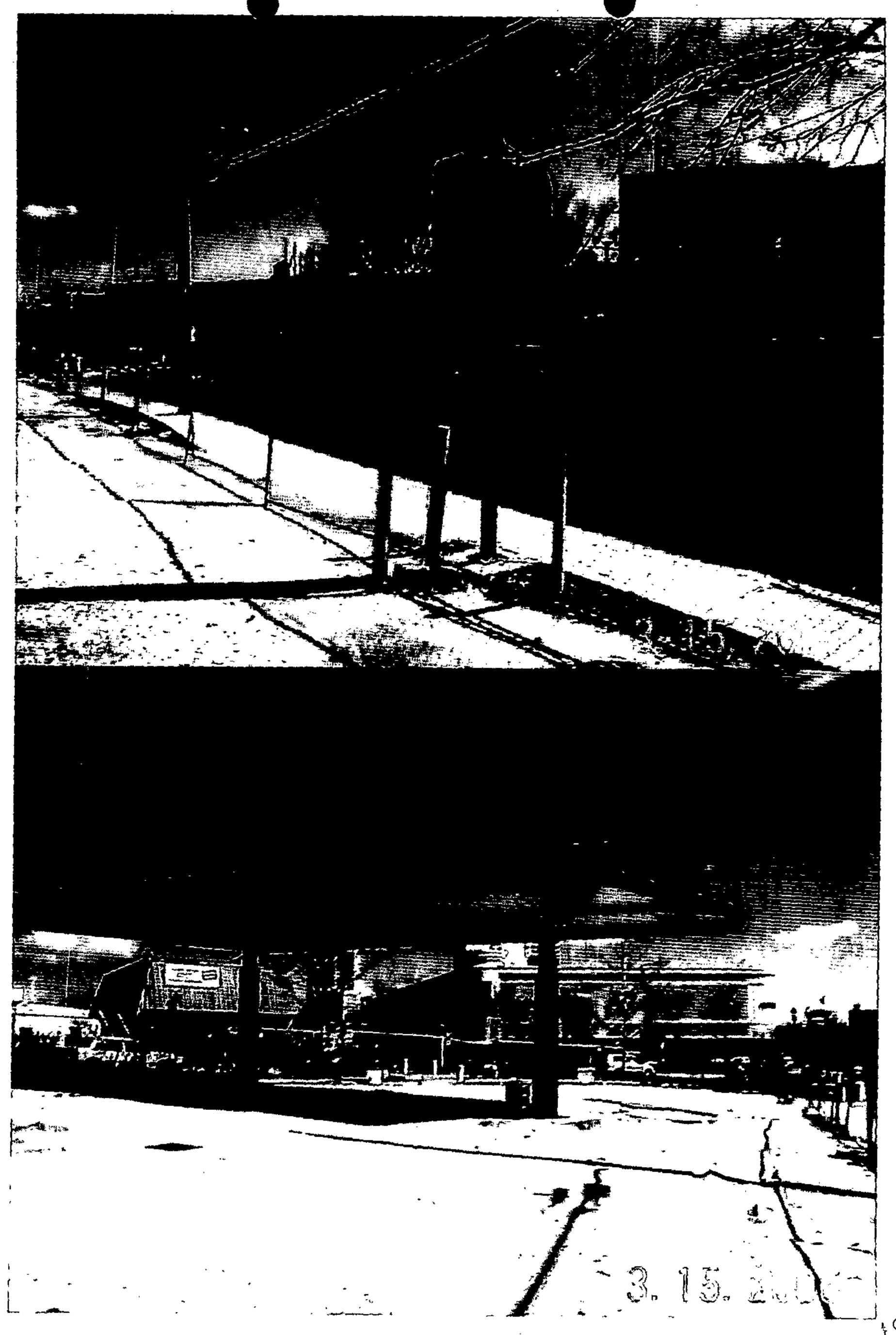
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