IN RE: PETITION FOR ADMIN. VARIANCE E/S Nacirema Lane, 2500 feet north centerline Greenspring Valley Road 3<sup>rd</sup> Election District 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilmanic District (10949 Nacirema Lane)

Susan B. Obrecht *Petitioner* 

BEFORE THE

DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER

OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

CASE NO. 07-137-A

## FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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This matter comes before this Deputy Zoning Commissioner as a Petition for Administrative Variance filed by the legal owner of the subject property, Susan B. Obrecht. The variance request is for property located at 10949 Nacirema Lane. The variance request is from Sections 400.1 and 400.3 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit an accessory structure (garage) be located in the one-third portion of the rear yard closest to the road with a height of 27 feet in lieu of the required one-third portion of the rear yard farthest from the road and the required 15 foot height. The subject property and requested relief are more particularly described on Petitioners' Exhibit No. 1. The Petitioner states that the additional garage height will be used for storage. The change in garage location is because of easy access from the existing driveway. There is also a physical barrier of a stone lined water course that makes a new driveway impossible.

## **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 letter was received from the Office of Planning dated October 19, 2006 which contains restrictions. ZAC comments were received from the Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management dated November

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2, 2006 which contains restrictions. Copies of which are incorporated herein and made a part hereof the file.

### Applicable Law

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Section 307 of the B.C.Z.R. - Variances.

"The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County and the County Board of Appeals, upon appeal, shall have and they are hereby given the power to grant variances from height and area regulations, from off-street parking regulations, and from sign regulations only in cases where special circumstances or conditions exist that are peculiar to the land or structure which is the subject of the variance request and where strict compliance with the Zoning Regulations for Baltimore County would result in practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship. No increase in residential density beyond that otherwise allowable by the Zoning Regulations shall be permitted as a result of any such grant of a variance from height or area regulations. Furthermore, any such variance shall be granted only if in strict harmony with the spirit and intent of said height, area, off-street parking or sign regulations, and only in such manner as to grant relief without injury to the public health, safety and general welfare. They shall have no power to grant any other variances. Before granting any variance, the Zoning Commissioner shall require public notice to be given and shall hold a public hearing upon any application for a variance in the same manner as in the case of a petition for reclassification. Any order by the Zoning Commissioner or the County Board of Appeals granting a variance shall contain a finding of fact setting forth and specifying the reason or reasons for making such variance."

The Petitioner having filed a Petition for Administrative Variance and the subject property having been posted on October 5, 2006 and there being no request for a public hearing, a decision shall be rendered based upon the documentation presented.

The Petitioners have filed the supporting affidavits and photographs as required by Section 32-3-303 of the Baltimore County Code. Based upon the information available, there is no evidence in the file to indicate that the requested variance would adversely affect the health, safety or general welfare of the public and should therefore be granted. In the opinion of the Deputy Zoning Commissioner, the information, photographs, and affidavits submitted provide sufficient facts that comply with the requirements of Section 307.1 of the B.C.Z.R. Furthermore, strict compliance with the B.C.Z.R. would result in practical difficulty and/or unreasonable hardship upon the Petitioner.

Pursuant to the posting of the property and the provisions of both the Baltimore County Code and the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations, and for the reasons given above, the requested variance should be GRANTED.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2006, that a variance from Sections 400.1 and 400.3 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit an accessory structure (garage) be located in the one-third portion of the rear yard closest to the road with a height of 27 feet in lieu of the required one-third portion of the rear yard farthest from the road and the required 15 foot height be and is hereby GRANTED, subject to the following:

- 1. The Petitioners may apply for their building permit and be granted same upon receipt of this Order; however, Petitioners are hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at their own risk until such time as the 30 day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed, the Petitioners would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said property to its original condition.
- 2. The Petitioner or subsequent owners shall not convert the subject accessory structure into a dwelling unit or apartment. The structure shall not contain any sleeping quarters, living area, kitchen or bathroom facilities.
- 3. The accessory structure shall not be used for commercial purposes
- 4. Development of this property may require compliance with the Regulations for the Protection of Water Quality, Streams, Wetlands and Floodplains (Article 33, Title 3). Contact the Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management for information.
- 5. The proposed garage must be at least 20 feet from the septic area and 30 feet from the well.

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

JOHN'V. MURPHY

DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER

FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY



JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

WILLIAM J. WISEMAN III

Zoning Commissioner

November 29, 2006

SUSAN B. OBRECHT 10949 NACIREMA LANE LUTHERVILLE MD 21093

Re: Petition for Administrative Variance

Case No. 07-137-A

Property: 10949 Nacirema Lane

Dear Ms. Obrecht:

Enclosed please find the decision rendered in the above-captioned case. The petition for administrative variance has been granted in accordance with the enclosed Order.

In the event the decision rendered is unfavorable to any party, please be advised that any party may file an appeal within thirty (30) days from the date of the Order to the Department of Permits and Development Management. If you require additional information concerning filing an appeal, please feel free to contact our appeals clerk at 410-887-3391.

Very truly yours,

John V. Murphy

Deputy Zoning Commissioner

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Enclosure



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# Petition for Administrative Variance

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

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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)

See attached

of the zoning regulations of Baltimore County, to the zoning law of Baltimore County, for the reasons indicated on the back of this petition form.

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by the zoning regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance, advertising, posting, etc. and further agree to and are to be bounded by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the zoning law for Baltimore County.

I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition. Legal Owner(s): Contract Purchaser/Lessee: Name - Type or Print Name - Type or Print Signature Signature Name - Type or Print Telephone No. Address Signature Zip Code State City Attorney For Petitioner: Telephone No. Address Zip Code Name - Type or Print Representative to be Contacted: Signature Name Company Telephone No Telephone No. Address Address Zip Cc State City Zip Code State City A Public Hearing having been formally demanded and/or found to be required, it is ordered by the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore C/ that the subject matter of this petition be set for a public hearing, advertised, as required by the day of this regulations of Baltimore County and that the property be reposted. Zoning Commissioner of Baltimbre County **Reviewed By** CASE N **Estimated Posting Date** 

# Affidavit in Support of Administrative Variance

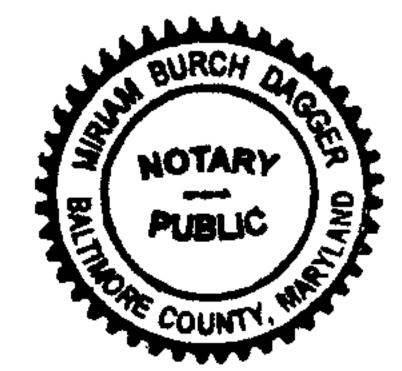
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AS WITNESS my hand and Notarial Seal



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# Petition for Administrative Variance

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

for the property located at 10949 Nacivema Lane which is presently zoned RC-1

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Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by the zoning regulations.

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# ZONING DESCRIPTION

Zoning Description For 10949 Nacirema Lane

#### EXHIBIT "A"

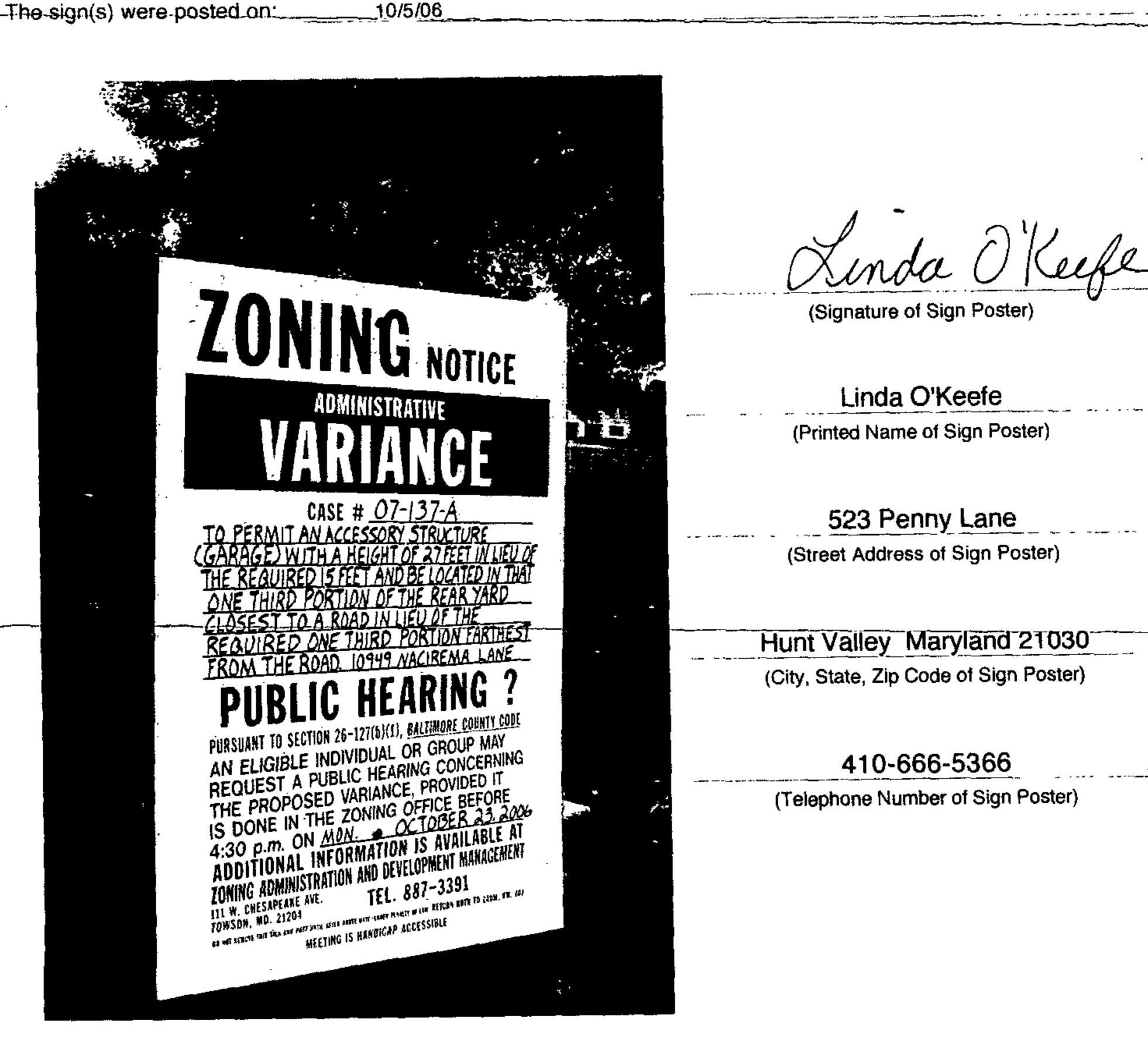
inning for the same at a point being designated No. 6 and having Baltimore County Netropolitan District coordinate valves of North 47258.84 and West 25091.84 as shown of a plat entitled "Section One Greenspring", dated September 25, 1975 and recorded among the Plat Records of Baltimore County, Maryland in Plat Book E.R.X. Jr. 39 folio 6, said point also being at the beginning of the 4th or South 82° 59' Bast 237.88 foot line of that parcel of land described in a deed dated Movember 1, 1954 from Raymond 5. Clark et ux to Nicholas L. Ballich et ux and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County, Maryland in Liber G.L.B. 2587 folio 65, xuming thence binding reversely on part of the outline as shown on said plat, also binding on said 4th line and binding on the center line of a 30 foot right-of-way with the use in common with others entitled thereto, as shown on said plat, as now surveyed (1) North 89° 28' 55" East 237.83 feet, running thence leaving said right-of-way and binding on the 5th and 6th lines of the above mentioned conveyance, the two following courses, as now surveyed, vizi (2) South 37° 21 21" West 297.67 Feet and (3) North 47" 41' 39" West 200.12 feet to intersect the South 42° 18, 21" West 346.71 foot line as shown on said plat, running thence binding reversely on part of said line and binding on the center line of a 30 foot right-of-way with the use in common with others entitled thereto, as now surveyed, (4) North 42° 18' 21" East 134.89 [set to the place of beginning.

Containing 0.9513 acres of land more or less.
The improvements thereon being known as 10949 Nacirema Lane.

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# CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

DATE: 10/5/06 ATTENTION: KRISTEN MATHHEWS Case Number: 07-137-A Petitioner/Developer: SUSAN OBRECHT This is to certify under the penalties of perjury that the necessary sign(s) required by law were posted THE ENTRANCE TO THE PRIVATE DRIVEWAY @ NACERIMA LANE conspicuously on the property located at: 10949 NACERIMA LANE



(Signature of Sign Poster)

Linda O'Keefe (Printed Name of Sign Poster)

523 Penny Lane (Street Address of Sign Poster)

Hunt Valley Maryland 21030 (City, State, Zip Code of Sign Poster)

410-666-5366 (Telephone Number of Sign Poster)

# ADMINISTRATIVE VARIANCE INFORMATION SHEET AND DATES

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# DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT ZONING REVIEW

# ADVERTISING REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR ZONING HEARINGS

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

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

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

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JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO, Director

Department of Permits and

Development Management

October 23, 2006

Susan B. Obrecht 10949 Nacirema Lane Lutherville, MD 21093

Dear Ms. Obrecht:

RE: Case Number: 07-137-A, 10949 Nacirema Lane

The above referenced petition was accepted for processing by the Bureau of Zoning Review, Department of Permits and Development Management (PDM) on September 25, 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



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

County Office Building, Room 111 4,20064, 2006, 2006 Mail Stop #1105 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 October 4, 2006

ATTENTION: Zoning Review Planners

Distribution Meeting Of: October 9, 2006

Item Number(s): 131 and 135 through 144

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.

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

Lieutenant Roland P Bosley Jr. Fire Marshal's Office 410-887-4881 (C)443-829-2946 MS-1102F

cc: File



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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Date: OCTOBER 10, 2006

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

RE:

Baltimore County
Item No. 7-137-A
10949 NACIREMALANE
OBRECHTPROPERTY
VARIANCE-TO PEZZIT
ACCESSORY STRUCTURE
(CARRAGE)

Dear Ms. Matthews:

Thank you for the opportunity to review your referral request on the subject of the above captioned. We have determined that the subject property does not access a State roadway and is not affected by any State Highway Administration projects. Therefore, based upon available information this office has no objection to Baltimore County Zoning Advisory Committee approval of Item No. 7-157-

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Michael Bailey at 410-545-2803 or 1-800-876-4742 extension 5593. Also, you may E-mail him at (mbailey@sha.state.md.us).

Very truly yours,

Steven D. Foster, Chief

Engineering Access Permits

Division

SDF/MB

# BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

# INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Timothy M. Kotroco, Director

DATE: October 4, 2006

Department of Permits & Development

Management

FROM:

Dennis A. Kennedy, Supervisor

Bureau of Development Plans Review

**SUBJECT:** 

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

For October 9, 2006

Item Nos. 07-131, 135, 136, (137,) 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, and 144

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

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#### BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

#### **Inter-Office Correspondence**



TO:

Timothy M. Kotroco

FROM:

Dave Lykens, DEPRM - Development Coordination INL

DATE:

November 2, 2006

SUBJECT:

Zoning Item # 07-137-A

Address

10949 Nacirema Lane

(Obrecht Property)

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of October 2, 2006

The Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management has no comments on the above-referenced zoning item.

The Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management offers the following comments on the above-referenced zoning item:

- 1. Development of this property may require compliance with the Regulations for the Protection of Water Quality, Streams, Wetlands and Floodplains (Article 33, Title 3). Please contact this office for further information. — Tom Panzarella; Environmental Impact review (EIR)
- 2. The proposed garage must be at least 20 feet from the septic area and 30 feet from the well. - S. Farinetti; Ground Water Management (GWM)

# BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

## INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Timothy M. Kotroco, Director

**DATE:** October 19, 2006

Department of Permits and

Development Management

FROM:

Arnold F. 'Pat' Keller, III

Director, Office of Planning

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The Office of Planning does not oppose the petitioner's request to permit an accessory structure (garage) with a height of 27 feet in lieu of the maximum permitted 15 feet and to be located in the one-third portion of the rear yard closest to the street provided the following conditions are met:

- 1. The petitioner or subsequent owners shall not convert the subject accessory structure into a dwelling unit or apartment. The structure shall not contain any sleeping quarters, living area, kitchen or bathroom facilities.
- 2. The accessory structure shall not be used for commercial purposes.

For further information concerning the matters stated herein, please contact Diana Itter or Nkechi Hislop at 410-887-3480.

**Section Chief:** 

AFK/LL: CM



JAMES T. SMITH, JR.
County Executive

October 25, 2006

WILLIAM J. WISEMAN III

Zoning Commissioner

SUSAN OBRECHT 10949 NACIREMA LANE LUTHERVILLE MD 21093

Re:

Petition for Administrative Variance

Case No. 07-137-A

Property: 10949 Nacirema Lane

Dear Ms. Obrecht:

Your request for Administrative Variance has been given to me for review. Upon my review of your file, it came to my attention that the Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC) comment prepared by the Office of Planning contains restrictions. I am enclosing a copy of this ZAC comment for your review. Ordinarily these restrictions would be incorporated into the Order for an accessory structure greater than 15 feet. You will note that the accessory building is not to be used as a residence.

I was not sure what use you plan for the garage beyond parking vehicles and storage. Attached to your Petition is an illustration which depicts a garage-style home. This drawing clearly shows living space including one bedroom and one bath in addition to the garage.

Please respond to me in writing at your earliest convenience if you have any objections to the Planning Office requirements and you can clarify your request. Otherwise, I will schedule a public hearing on this matter.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation in this matter.

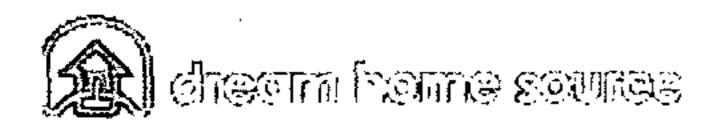
Very truly yours,

John V. Murphy

Deputy Zoning Commissioner

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## HOME PLAN 35725

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Home Plan 35725

Plan #: 35725 Style: Garage

Living square feet: 1240

main: 952 sq. ft.
Additional square feet:
garage: 630 sq. ft.

Bedrooms: 1

Baths: 1

Garage bays: 2

Garage style: attached

Width: 34'0"

Depth: 32'0"

Roof height: 27'0"

Roof pitch: 9/12

Exterior wall framing: 2x4
Foundations: Slab (more info)

See complete room specs -

# Front Perspective See larger image

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- Ask us a construction question.
- To ask us a question by phone, please call 800-447-0027.

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Re: Case # 07-137-A

Property: 10949 Nacirema Lane

Dear Mr. Murphy:

In response to your letter concerning my Petition for Administrative Variance, I would like to assure you that I have no plans to convert my new garage into a residence, sleeping quarters or a commercial facility. It is to be used as a garage downstairs and open storage upstairs. The only reason I sent the plans showing a finished upper level is so that you could see what we want the outside to look like. Our home is a very charming Federal style brick dwelling, and we felt that this style, or something close to it, would be a perfect compliment to our existing house.

Therefore, I have no objections to the requirements of the Planning Office.

Thank you very much for your concern.

Anon B. Ohuch-

Sincerely,

Susan Burch Obrecht