IN RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE

E side of Whitestone Road, 185 feet SW of the c/l of Dogwood Road 1st Election District 4th Councilmanic District (6730 Whitestone Road)

CPR Investment Properties

Petitioner

- BEFORE THE
- * DEPUTY ZONING
- COMMISSIONER
- * FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

* Case No.: 2009-0192-A

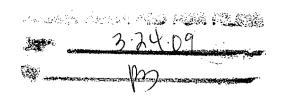
FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This matter comes before this Deputy Zoning Commissioner for consideration of a Petition for Variance filed by the legal owner of the subject property, CPR Investment Properties, LLC. Variance relief is requested as follows:

- From Sections 255.2 and 243.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) for a 43 foot setback in lieu of the required 75 foot setback for a front yard; and
- From Sections 255.2, 243.2 and 243.3 of the B.C.Z.R. for 5 foot and 25 foot setbacks in lieu of the required 50 foot setback for side and rear yards respectively; and
- From Section 253.4 of the B.C.Z.R. to allow commercial storage within 100 feet of a residential zone boundary; and
- For such other and futher relief as may be deemed necessary by the Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County.

The subject property and requested relief are more fully described on the site plan which was marked and accepted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

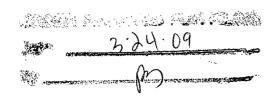
Appearing at the requisite public hearing in support of the Variance requests were Michael K. O'Malley, Vice President, CPR Investment Properties, LLC, and Lawrence E. Schmidt, of Gildea & Schmidt, LLC, attorney for Petitioner. Also present was David S. Thaler, P.E., L.S., of D.S. Thaler & Associates, Inc., the engineering firm that prepared the site plan and Brian



Greenbaum, CFO of CPR Investment Properties. Rick Colbert from Baltimore County's Office of Economic Development also appeared in support of the proposal. There were no Protestants or other interested persons in attendance at the hearing.

Testimony and evidence offered revealed that the subject property is a trapezoidal-shaped property, approximately 2 acres in area, split zoned B.L., M.L.-I.M. and D.R.5.5. The predominant zoning of the property is M.L.-I.M. (1.86 acres). The property is located immediately adjacent to Whitestone Road in the Woodlawn community of Baltimore County. The property is just south of the intersection of Dogwood Road and Whitestone Road. This area is predominantly commercial/industrial in character, however there is a residential community known as Woodlawn Estates located immediately to the east of the subject property. To the west and across Whitestone Road, there are commercial/industrial buildings. Moreover, the Meadows Industrial Park immediately abuts the southern property line and a gasoline station and commercial building lot are to the north. The front of those buildings face Dogwood Road and the rear abut the subject property.

The site is presently owned by CPR Investment Properties, LLC, the investment company for Concrete Protection and Restoration, Inc. ("CPR"). CPR is an industrial company which provides concrete protection and restoration services. The business of the company is to repair existing concrete structures (infrastructure) such as is in bridges, roads, parking garages, etc. In fact, the business is presently preforming restoration services on Baltimore County Revenue Authority garages in Towson. The restoration and repair services are rendered at off site properties. The main office headquarters of the company is located less than one block away on Dogwood Road. As Mr. Colbert confirmed, the Company is a valued business in this area of the

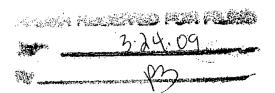


County. The company employs in excess of 300 employees and had a volume of over \$30,000,000 in 2008.

The subject property is used as a staging/warehousing area for the business. Previously, the property was occupied and utilized by a moving and storage company but was acquired by the current owner in 2004. In July 2008, the property was improved with three structures. The largest was a 95 foot by 180 foot warehouse building. Within this building, machinery and equipment were stored. Two smaller buildings were also located on the property, a small storage building abuting the eastern property line and a three sided structure in the southeast corner. In addition to these structures the property also has a large macadem "yard"; where equipment and vehicles are parked/stored. In July 2008, a fire occurred on the property and as a result of this major fire, the entire warehouse building was destroyed, as was the smaller building on the east side of the property. Only the three sided building remains.

Petitioner proposes to rebuild on its site. In this regard, Petitioner has obtained a building permit (Permit No. B704330) from Baltimore County allowing it to reconstruct the warehouse building in its previous footprint. A copy of this permit was marked and accepted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibit 2. There are no plans to reconstruct the smaller building as it abuts the D.R.5.5 property line to the rear and would require additional zoning variance relief. The three sided building will also be razed after construction is completed. It is being retained now so that there is one covered storage area on the property while the warehouse building is re-built.

Petitioner's plans for rebuilding are complicated by the fact that the southern side of the property abuts the Dead Run Stream. This stream generates a flood plain and application of the environmental Forest Buffer regulations contained in Title 33 of the Baltimore County Code ("BCC"). To address these regulations, Petitioner has obtained a Forest Buffer Variance from the

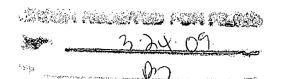


Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management ("DEPRM"). A copy of the February 9, 2009 letter from Director Jonas A. Jacobson to Stacey McArthur of D.S. Thaler & Associates, Inc. granting the variance was marked and accepted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibit 3. This variance reduces the required buffer in order to provide a reasonable use/building area on the site, while providing protection for the stream. The property was developed before the Forest Buffer regulations were adopted and previously there was no formal forest buffer established.

In view of the site constraints associated with the stream, Petitioner proposes reconstructing the warehouse building on the same footprint as it was located prior to the fire. Additionally, two additions will be phased into that building, in lieu of rebuilding/retaining the other buildings. As a result, when all the construction is completed there will be one building on the site. The details of this are shown on the site plan accepted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

Variance relief is requested from front, side and rear yard setbacks of the rebuilt building as noted above. In support of the variance, testimony and evidence was offered that the site is unique due to its unusual shape and the significant environmental constraints associated with the Dead Run Stream. Strict adherence to the Zoning Regulations would cause practical difficulty in that if all setback and buffer regulations were strictly complied with, there would be no building envelope available. The final variance relates to outside storage. In this regard, Section 253.4 prohibits commercial storage within 100 feet of a residential zone boundary. Compliance with this regulation would eliminate any use of the significant portion of the yard area of the site.

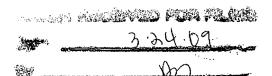
The Zoning Advisory Committee ("ZAC") comments were received and are made part of the record of this case. Comments were received from the Office Planning dated March 6, 2009,



which states that after reviewing Petitioner's variance package, visiting the site and subsequent discussions with Petitioner's attorney and community representatives, the site is being used as a contractor's equipment storage yard and warehouse. The requested variances will allow the existing business to expand and will not impact (be any closer) to any adjacent residentially zoned properties. The Planning Office recommends approval of the variances provided the Petitioner accomplishes the following: installs an 8 foot board-on-board fence wherever the site abuts residentially zoned property, and installs compact dense evergreen screening along the outside of the proposed fence.

Petitioner indicated that following the fire its representatives have met with residential neighbors to discuss redevelopment of the site. Agreement was reached with the nearby community groups pursuant to letters exchanged between those groups and Petitioner's counsel. Reference is made to a letter dated November 19, 2008 from Mrs. Van Ross, President of the Woodlawn Community Education and Development Association, Inc. to Mr. Schmidt, a letter agreement dated February 12, 2009 from Mr. Schmidt to Dallas Griffin on behalf of the Woodlawn Estates Community Association, and an additional letter dated March 3, 2009 from Mr. Schmidt to Mrs. Van Ross. Copies of these letters were marked and accepted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibits 4A, 4B, and 4C, respectively, and outline the agreement introduced into the record at the hearing. The agreement provides that the common property line will be landscaped with a 10 foot evergreen strip and also a board-on-board fence will be constructed. Moreover, there will be limitation in the type of storage in the yard area immediately adjacent to the residential property line such that no flammable materials will be permitted.

Considering all the testimony and evidence presented, I am persuaded to grant the variance relief. I find special circumstances or conditions exist that are peculiar to the land or structure



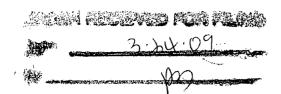
which is the subject of the variance requests. In particular, the fact that the main building previously existed at the site and that Petitioner is merely attempting to rebuild is compelling. The unfortunate fire that destroyed the previous buildings has created a situation where the imposition of the current Zoning Regulations on this property disproportionably impacts the subject property as compared to others in the zoning district. In addition, the aforementioned environmental constraints on the property limit Petitioner's options with regard to redeveloping the site.

I also find that strict compliance with the Zoning Regulations for Baltimore County would result in practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship. Without the requested zoning relief, Petitioner would not be permitted to construct a building of suitable size — even as big as the building that existed previously. Finally, I find that these variance requests can be granted in strict harmony with the spirit and intent of said regulations, and in such a manner as to grant relief without injury to the public health, safety and general welfare.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this petition held, and after considering the testimony and evidence offered, I find that Petitioner's variance requests should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED this Aday of March, 2009 by this Deputy Zoning Commissioner, that Petitioner's Variance requests as follows:

- From Sections 255.2 and 243.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) for a 43 foot setback in lieu of the required 75 foot setback for a front yard; and
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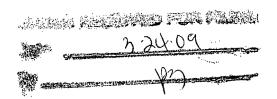
be and are hereby GRANTED, subject to the following restrictions which are conditions precedent to the relief granted herein:

- 1. Petitioner is advised that it may apply for any required building permits and be granted same upon receipt of this Order; however, Petitioner is hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at its own risk until such time as the 30-day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed, Petitioner would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said property to its original condition.
- 2. Petitioner shall install an 8 foot high board-on-board fence along the eastern (rear) property line where the subject site abuts the residentially zoned property.
- 3. Petitioner shall install landscape screening along the outside of the proposed fence. The designation of the landscape material shall be at the discretion of the County's Landscape Architect.

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

THOMAS H. BOSTWICK
Deputy Zoning Commissioner
for Baltimore County

THB:pz





JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

THOMAS H. BOSTWICK Deputy Zoning Commissioner

March 24, 2009

LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT, ESQUIRE GILDEA & SCHMIDT, LLC 600 WASHINGTON AVENUE, SUITE 200 TOWSON, MD 21204

> Re: Petition for Variance Case No. 2009-0192-A

> > Property: 6730 Whitestone Road

Dear Mr. Schmidt:

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,

THOMAS H. BOSTWICK

Deputy Zoning Commissioner

for Baltimore County

THB:pz

Enclosure

c: Michael K. O'Malley and Brian Greenbaum CPR Investment Properties, 6737 Dogwood Road, Baltimore MD 21207
 David S. Thaler, D. S. Thaler & Associates, Inc., P. O. Box 47428, Baltimore, MD 21244
 Rick Colbert, Baltimore County Office of Economic Development



Petition for Variance

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

for the property located at: 6730 Whitestone Road

which is presently zoned: BL, ML-IM and D.R. 5.5

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):

- 1. From BCZR Sections 255.2 and 243.1 for a 43 foot setback in lieu of the required 75 foot setback for a front yard;
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- 4. For such other and futher relief as may be deemed necessary by the Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County.

of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County to the (indicate hardship or practical difficulty)

to the zoning law of Baltimore County, for the following reasons:

TO BE PRESENTED AT HEARING

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

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

Legal Owner(s):

I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition.

Contract Purchaser/Lessee:

CPR Investment Properties Name - Type or Print Name - Type or Print Signature Signature Michael K. O'Malley, Vice President Address Telephone No. Name - Type or Print State Zip Code Sanature 6737 Dogwood Road Attorney For Petitioner: Address Telephone No. Sebastian A. Cross **Baltimore** MD 21207 Name - Type or Prip Zip Code Representative to be Contacted: Signature Gildea & Schmidt, LLC Sebastian A. Cross, Gildea & Schmidt, LLC Company 600 Washington Avenue, Suite 200 600 Washington Avenue, Suite 200 (410) 821-0070 (410) 821-0070 Address Telephone No. Address Telephone No. Towson MD 21204 21204 Towson MD City State Zip Code City State Zip Code OFFICE USE ONLY ESTIMATED LENGTH OF HEARING Z009 - 019Z-A Case No. Reviewed By REV 9/15/98

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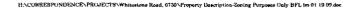
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

6730 Whitestone Road (Zoning Purposes Only)

Beginning at a point located on the easterly side of Whitestone Road approximately 185' +/- southwesterly from the intersection of Dogwood Road and Whitestone Road; thence running the following courses and distances:

- 1. South 49°03°29' East 341.33 feet to a point, thence
- 2. South 28°59'36" West 273.45 feet to a point, thence
- 3. South 11°27'35" East 46.39 feet to a point, thence
- 4. North 41°46'09" West 6.76 feet to a point; thence,
- 5. Northwesterly 150.45 feet by a curve to the right, having a radius of 685.00 feet and a chord bearing North 35°28'39" West 150.15 feet to a point, thence,
- 6. North 29°11'08" West 299.90 feet to a point, thence
- 7. North 40°56'31" East 157.77 feet to the point of beginning.Containing 1.924 acres of land, more or less.

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NOTICE OF ZONING HEARING

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

Case: #2009-0192-A

6730 Whitestone Road

E/side of Whitestone Road, 185 feet s/west of centerline of Dogwood Road

1st Election District — 4th Councilmanic District

Legal Owner(s): CPR Investment Properties, Michael O'Malley,

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Hearing: Monday, March 9, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. in Room 104, Jefferson Building, 105 West Chesapeake Avenue; Towson

41204.

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) 887-4386.

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JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

February 4, 2009
TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO, Director
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Timothy Kotroco Director

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C: Sebastian Cross, 600 Washington Avenue, Ste. 200, Towson 21204
Michael O'Malley, CPR Investment Prop., 6737 Dogwood Road, Baltimore 21207

NOTES: (1) THE PETITIONER MUST HAVE THE ZONING NOTICE SIGN POSTED BY AN APPROVED POSTER ON THE PROPERTY BY SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2009

- (2) HEARINGS ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE; FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CALL THE ZONING COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE AT 410-887-4386.
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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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Petitioner: CPR Investment Properties	•
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TOWSON MD 21204	
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JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO, Director

Department of Permits and

Development Management

March 6, 2009

Sebastian A. Cross Gildea & Schmidt, LLC 600 Washington Ave. Ste. 200 Towson, MD 21204

Dear: Sebastian A. Cross

RE: Case Number 2009-0192-A, 6730 Whitestone Rd.

The above referenced petition was accepted for processing **ONLY** by the Bureau of Zoning Review, Department of Permits and Development Management (PDM) on January 20, 2009. This letter is not an approval, but only a **NOTIFICATION**.

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:lnw

Enclosures

People's Counsel
CPR Investment Properties: Michael O'Malley, 6737 Dogwood Rd.; Baltimore, MD 21204



JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

JOHN J. HOHMAN, Chief Fire Department

County Office Building, Room 111 Mail Stop #1105 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 February 2,2009

ATTENTION: Zoning Review Planners

Distribution Meeting Of: February 2, 2009

Item Numbers 0166,0190,0191,0192,0193,0194,0195,0196

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

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Timothy M. Kotroco, Director

DATE: February 4, 2009

Department of Permits &

Development Management

FROM:

Dennis A. Kennedy, Supervisor

Bureau of Development Plans

Review

SUBJECT:

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

For February 9, 2009

Item Nos. 2009-0166, 0191, 0192 0193, and 0194

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

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ZAC-02092009 -NO COMMENTS





Martin O'Mailey, Governor Anthony G. Brown, Lt. Governor

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John D. Porcari, Secretary Neil J. Pederson, Administrator

Maryland Department of Transportation

Date: FEB. 6,2009

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

Baltimore County RE:

> Item No 2009-0192-A 6730 WHITE STONE RD CPR INVESTMENT PROPERTY

VARIANCE

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. 2009- ()192-A.

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,

FOR Steven D. Foster, Chief

Engineering Access Permits

Division

SDF/MB

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Timothy M. Kotroco, Director

Department of Permits and Development Management

DATE: March 6, 2009

FROM:

Arnold F. 'Pat' Keller, III

Director, Office of Planning

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SUBJECT:

6730 Whitestone Road

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INFORMATION:

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ZONING COMMISSIONER

Item Number:

9-192

Petitioner:

CPR Investment Properties

Zoning:

ML-IM

Requested Action:

Variance

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

After reviewing the petitioner's variance package, visiting the subject site and subsequent discussions with the petitioner's attorney and community representatives; the site is being used as contractor's equipment storage yard and warehouse. The requested variances will allow existing business to expand and will not impact (be any closer) to any adjacent residentially zoned properties.

The Office of Planning recommends approval of the requested variances provided the petitioner accomplishes the following:

- Install an 8-foot board on board fence wherever the site abuts residentially zoned property.
- Install compact dense evergreen screening along the outside of the proposed fence.

For further information concerning the matters stated here in, please contact Dave Green at 410-887-

3480.

Prepared by:

Division Chief:

AFK/LL: CM

RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE
6730 Whitestone Road; E/S Whitestone
Road, 185' SW of c/line Dogwood Road
7th Election & 6th Councilmanic Districts
Legal Owner(s): CPR Investment
Petitioner(s)

- BEFORE THE
- ZONING COMMISSIONER
- * FOR
- BALTIMORE COUNTY
- * 09-192-A

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 and all documentation filed in the case.

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Peter Max Zimmerman

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People's Counsel for Baltimore County

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CAROLE S. DEMILIO Deputy People's Counsel Jefferson Building, Room 204 105 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204 (410) 887-2188

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 4th day of February, 2009, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Sebastian A. Cross, Esquire, Gildea & Schmidt LLC, 600 Washington Avenue, Suite 200, Towson, MD 21204, Attorney for Petitioner(s).

Peter Max Zummerman

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN
People's Counsel for Baltimore County

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CASE NUMBER 09- 192.4

DATE 3/8/09

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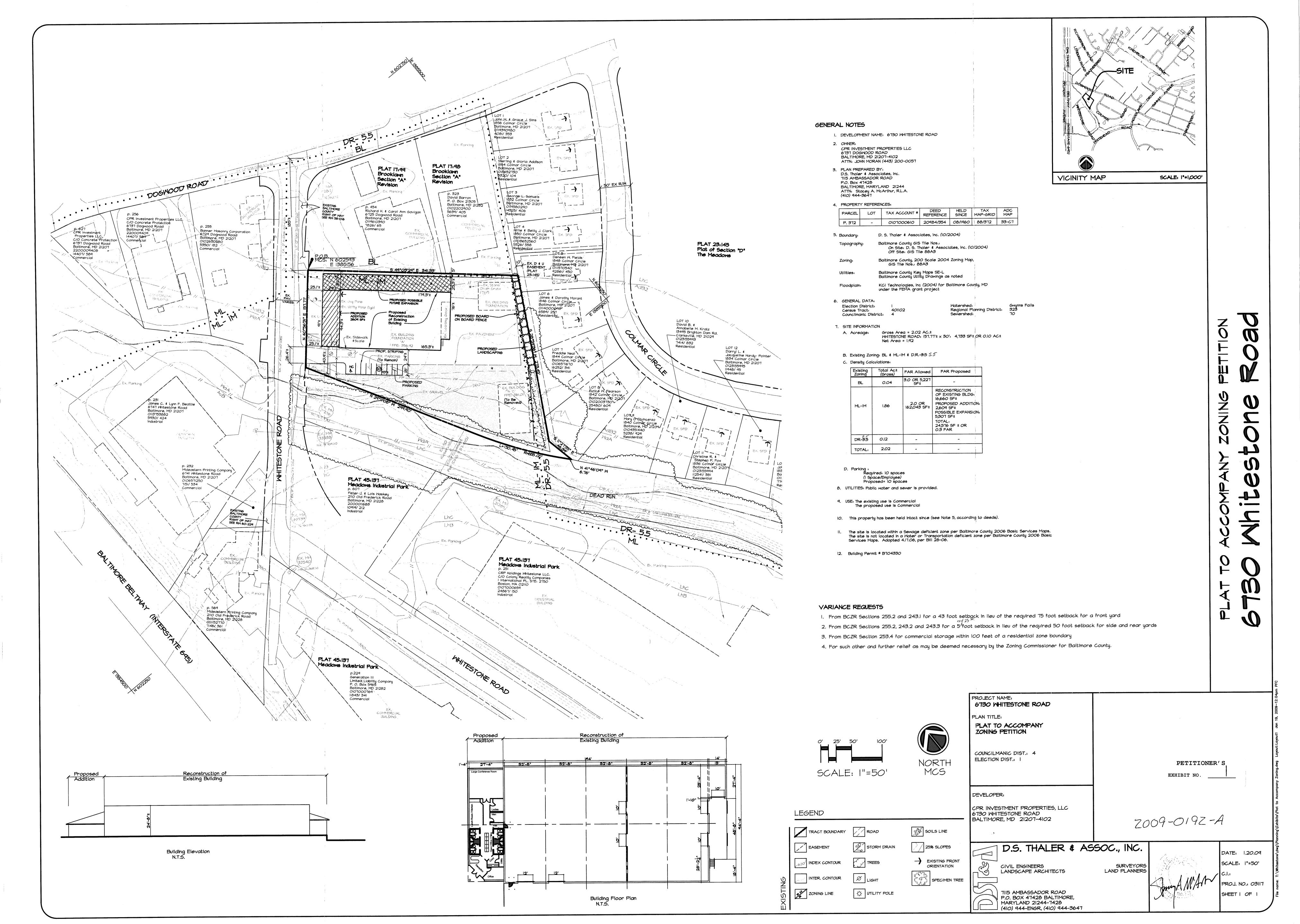
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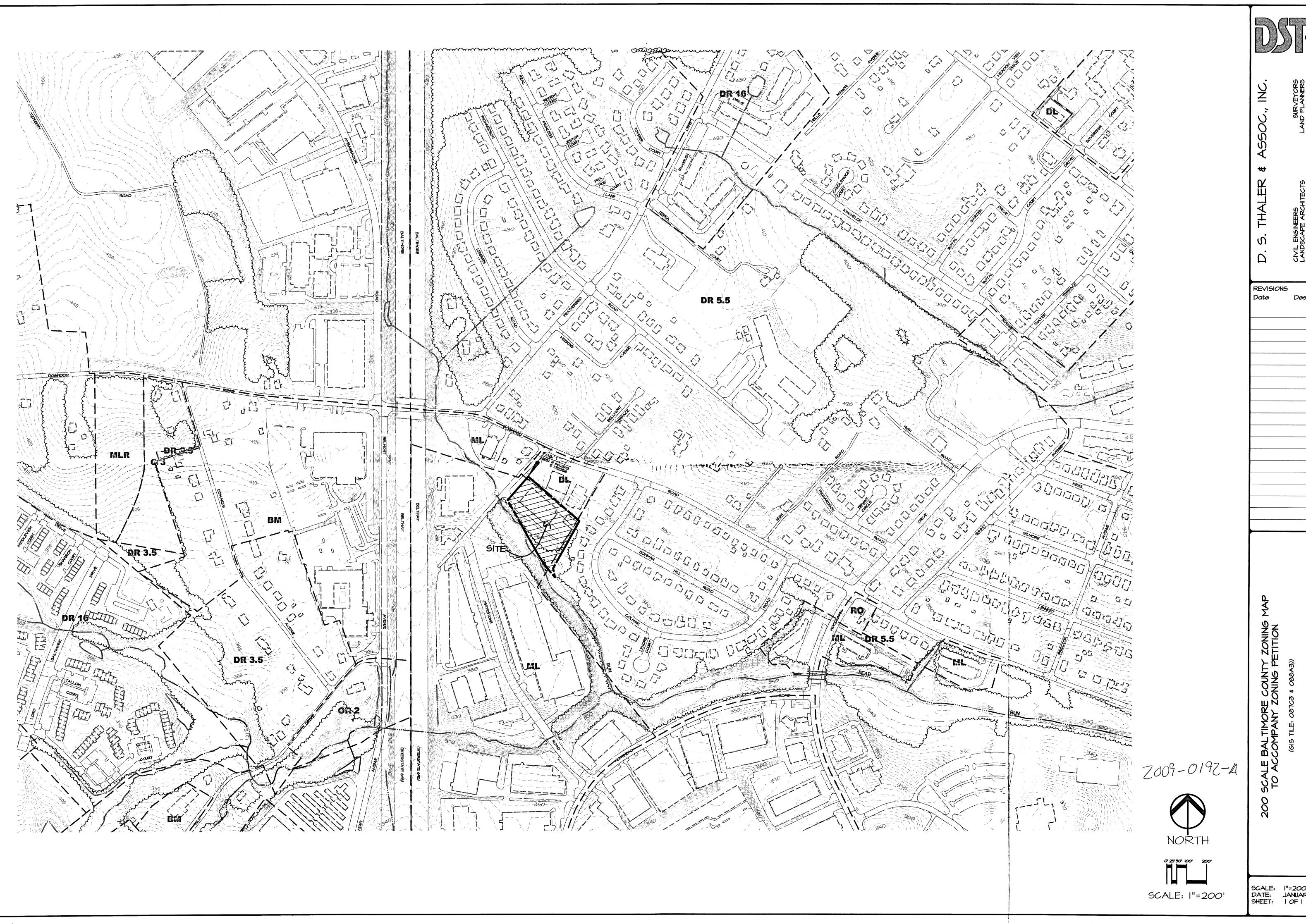
Exhibit Sheet

Petitioner/Developer

Protestant

No. 1	Site Plan	
No. 2	Building Permit Application	
No. 3	J-9-09 Letter Fran DEPM granting Forest Buffer Variance	
No. 4	11-19-08 Letter From Woodlawn Community Education + Newlo	put Anin (WCEDA)
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JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

JONAS A. JACOBSON, Director Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management

February 9, 2009

Ms. Stacey McArthur
D. S. Thaler & Associates, Inc.
715 Ambassador Road
P.O. Box 4728
Baltimore, Md. 21244

Re:

6730 Whitestone Road Forest Buffer Variance Tracking # 04-08-803

Dear Ms. McArthur:

A request for a variance from the Baltimore County Code Article 33 Environmental Protection and Resource Management, Title 3 Protection of Water Quality, Streams, Wetlands and Floodplains was received by this Department on December 3, 2008. This request proposes to reduce the required forest buffer by a total of 30,050 square feet (sf.) based on a minimum 100 foot forest buffer from Dead Run (Use IV) or 25 feet from the 100-year floodplain, whichever is greater. The reduction will allow the continued use of an existing gravel lot, paved parking lot and a portion of an existing building (2,200 sf.) in the forest buffer. Also included in these impacts is a proposed 700 sf. building addition on existing grass and 775 sf. of new paved parking over existing gravel. As mitigation, the applicant will plant 5,850 sf. of forest buffer onsite as well as provide an additional 3,000 sf. of natural vegetated area between the existing fence and property line by removing gravel then seeding. The total forest buffer area provided onsite is 8,850 sf. As mitigation for the remaining 21,200 sf. of impacts that cannot be provided onsite, the applicant proposes to clean up 470 linear feet of Dead Run on the adjacent County owned property.

This Department has reviewed your request and has determined that a practical difficulty exists due to the extent and orientation of the buffer on the property. We further acknowledge that the potential for impacts to water quality impacts can be minimized in these areas by performing mitigative measures.

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Therefore, we will grant the requested variance in accordance with Article 33-3-106 of the Baltimore County Code with the following conditions:

- 1. The following note must appear on all plans submitted for this project: "A variance was granted by the Baltimore County Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management from Regulations for the Protection of Water Quality, Streams, Wetlands and Floodplains. The variance allows the required forest buffer to be reduced by approximately 30,050 square feet for the continued use of an existing parking lot, gravel area, and building as well as new impacts for a 700 sf building addition and 775 sf. of new paved parking lot. Conditions were placed on this variance to reduce water quality impacts including onsite impervious removal and forest buffer plantings as well as stream clean up."
- 2. As shown on the Attachments A and B, 5,850 sf. of onsite forest buffer will be planted with native trees and shrubs, established in grass and posted with permanent "Forest Buffer Do-Not Disturb" signs (sign information on Attachments C & D). In an effort to facilitate the established business, the grass within the forest buffer planting area can be mowed as lawn; however, each tree and shrub is to be maintained permanently with mulch to prevent mechanical injury from mowers. Furthermore, it is important to note that tree and shrub survivability and the permanent protection of their roots is important in preventing future erosion of the stream banks onsite.
- 3. There shall be no parking of vehicles or storage of any materials in the vegetated forest buffer area.
- 4. Prior to issuance of any permits a Forest Buffer Protection Plan (FBP) must be submitted and approved by this office. The FBP shall address removal of the existing gravel within forest buffer and replacement with top soil, the seeding of all disturbed area with a native seed mix, planting specifications, installation of permanent "Forest Buffer Do-Not Disturb" signs, three-year maintenance agreement, and the offsite stream cleanup of Dead Run.
- 5. Add the following note to the sediment control plan and FBP, "All disturbed areas within the forest buffer shall planted with a seed mix containing a predominance of perennial rye, panic grasses, broom sedge, weeping lovegrass, or an acceptable pasture/meadow mix. Kentucky 31 fescue or other tall fescues are not acceptable for this purpose."
- 6. Prior to issuance of any permit, a \$3,000.00 performance security for the seeding and forest buffer planting shall be by posted with this office via an Environmental Agreement.

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- 7. Prior to FBP approval, the applicant shall provide to this office a right of entry agreement from the adjacent property owner to allow the offsite stream cleanup.
- 8. All onsite planting, sign installation and offsite stream cleanup shall be completed by April 10, 2010. After the offsite stream cleanup is complete theapplicant shall notify DEPRM in writing to schedule an inspection.

It is the intent of this Department to approve this variance subject to the above conditions. Any changes to site layout may require submittal of revised plans and an amended variance request.

Please have the property owner sign the statement below and return a signed copy of this letter to this Department within 21 calendar days. Failure to return a signed copy may render this approval null and void, or may result in delays in the processing of this project.

If you have any questions, please call John Russo of my staff at (410) 887-3980.

Sincerely yours,

Jonas A. Jacobson

Director

JAJ/jgr

Attachments A, B, C, D

c: CPR Investment Properties, LLC.

I/we agree to the above conditions to bring my/our property into compliance with the Regulations for the Protection of Water Quality, Streams, Wetlands and Floodplains.

Property Owner

Date

e 2/17/09 Michael K. OMalley
Printed Name

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Woodlawn Community Education and Development Association, Inc. P.O. Box 47702 Baltimore, MD 21244

Mrs. Van Ross, Founder & President
Mr. Dallas Griffin, Vice-President
Mrs. Evelyn Jackson, Treasurer
Mr. Jim Hill, Executive Board Member
Email: greaterwoodlawncommunity@gmail.com

November 19, 2008

Attorney Lawrence E. Schmidt 600 Washington Avenue•Suite 200 Towson, MD 21204

Re: CPR Investments Properties, LLC, 6730 Whitestone Road

Dear Attorney Schmidt:

This letter is in response to your letter dated October 21, 2008. After having met with residents from Colmar Road, we would like to consider your offer to go into a written agreement outlining the specifics mentioned.

- The building will be constructed in accordance with the applicable building and fire codes of Baltimore County.
- A 10-footwide landscape buffer area at the property line between the rear of the houses on Colmar Road and CPR's property.
- Construct a "board on board" fence to visually shield the property.
- Easement Stream is to be clean and drainage ditch reopened for use.
- CPR will agree not to store any fuels or other materials in the yard that are flammable. However, in addition, the residents of Colmar Road strongly requests the immediate repositioning of barrels.

We await your response to this letter.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Van Ross, President

Mr. Dallas Griffin, Vice-President

Cc: Mr. Michael O'Malley WCEDA Executive Board

Mr. Adrian & Mrs. Deneen Sherrod

Ms. Eunice Pearson

Mr. & Mrs. James Morant

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MISSION STATEMENT

We seek to develop and maintain a strong alliance between schools, businesses, police department and our community. In addition, to strive to assure an active participative relationship with our elected officials through a focus productive agenda.

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February 12, 2009

Woodlawn Estates Community Association C/O Dallas Griffin 1907 Woodlawn Drive Baltimore, MD 21207

Re: Concrete Protection & Restoration, Inc./6730 Whitestone Road

Dear Mr. Griffin:

This letter serves to memorialize negotiations and agreements reached between our client, Concrete Protection & Restoration ("CPR") and the residents of Colmar Road as guided by the Woodlawn Community Education and Development Association, Inc. ("WCEDA") regarding CPR's reconstruction of a building and use of their property at 6730 Whitestone Road. In correspondence sent from this office on October 21, 2008 and responded to by the WCEDA on November 19, 2008, the following actions were discussed as being agreed to by all parties:

- The new building will be constructed in accordance with the applicable building and fire codes of Baltimore County;
- 2. A 10 foot wide landscape buffer area will be provided adjacent to the property line between the rear of the houses on Colmar Road and CPR's property line;
- 3. A "board on board" fence will also be erected adjacent to the buffer and facing Colmar Road to visually shield the neighbors' view of CPR's property;
- 4. As directed by, and subject to the approval of, Baltimore County's Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management, the stream system will be evaluated and the existing drainage ditch will be cleared to prevent pooling of water in the neighbors' property; and

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5. CPR will not store any fuels or other materials in the yard area between the building and the landscape area that are flammable. CPR will also reposition existing barrels to shield them from view to the extent possible.

It is our understanding these are the points of concern discussed and agreed to by all parties upon meeting with your association. Upon receipt and review of this correspondence by the WCEDA, please execute this letter where indicated, thereby signifying your agreement with these points. We desire to submit this letter into the Zoning Commissioner file at our hearing currently scheduled for Monday, March 9, 2009.

With kind regards, I am

Very truly yours,

Lawrence E. Schmidt

LES:kmb Enclosure

CC: David Green, Baltimore County Office of Planning
Don Caple, Concrete Protection & Restoration, Inc.
Michael O'Malley, Concrete Protection and Restoration, Inc.
Brian Greenbaum, Concrete Protection & Restoration, Inc.
Stacey McArthur, D. S. Thaler & Associates, Inc.
Sebastian A. Cross, Esquire

ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO:

Mrs. Van Ross, President WCEDA						
Mr. Dallas Griffin, Vice-President, WCEDA	Date:					

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March 3, 2009

Via Facsimile, Email and Regular Mail

Mrs. Van Ross Woodlawn Estates Community Association P.O. Box 47702 Baltimore, MD 21244

Re: Concrete Protection & Restoration, Inc./6730 Whitestone Road

Dear Mrs. Ross:

This letter comes in response to your correspondence faxed to this office on February 23, 2009 referring to our earlier agreement letter sent to your Association on February 12, 2009. Your letter proposed two questions as to what will encompass the 10 foot wide landscape buffer area proposed by my client. Specifically, your association has inquired what type of landscape will be provided and if stones could be used instead of shrubbery and trees.

I hope your community will find it acceptable that my client is willing to landscape this area in accordance of Baltimore County Landscape Manual as verified by Avery Harden, County Landscape Architect for Baltimore County. Mr. Harden typically reviews landscape buffers for all projects in Baltimore County and, as such, is the proper person to determine what type of screening should be placed there. I will state, however, as this property is in and/or in close proximity to a floodplain and as a result, Baltimore County would not likely want this landscape buffer to contain impervious surfaces. Typically, it is the aim of these landscape areas not to produce additional runoff. As such, it is likely that a landscape buffer with vegetation would be required by Baltimore County.

If you desire us to inquire further with Mr. Harden as to which type of landscaping he would desire for this 10 foot strip, we can make that contact.

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Additionally, if there is any more information you may require regarding our proposal and this agreement, please feel free to contact me. With kind regards, I am

Very truly yours,

Lawrence E. Schmidt

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CC: David Green, Baltimore County Office of Planning

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ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO:

Mrs. Van Ross, President WCEDA

Date: