IN RE: PETITION FOR ADMIN. VARIANCE

N side of Bucher Avenue; 153 feet E of the c/l of Gross Avenue 15th Election District 7th Councilmanic District (7214 Bucher Avenue)

Otto Duke Hart Jr. and Robin Ann Hart Petitioners * BEFORE THE

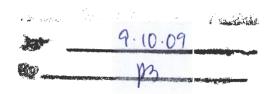
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- * DEPUTY ZONING
- * COMMISSIONER
- FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY
- * Case No. 2010-0021-A

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This matter comes before this Deputy Zoning Commissioner as a Petition for Administrative Variance filed by the legal owners of the subject property, Otto Duke Hart Jr. and Robin Ann Hart for property located at 7214 Bucher Avenue. The variance request is from Section 1B02.3.C.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit a two story addition with a rear setback of 13.5 feet in lieu of the required 30 feet. The subject property and requested relief are more particularly described on Petitioners' Exhibit No. 1. Current zoning regulations of the rear and side yard setbacks do not allow for typical garage shape and usage. A variance will allow for a more versatile use of the garage space. The existing living space above the attached garage could be enlarged, providing ample accommodations for elderly parents and providing an alternative to assisted living. The additional garage space would allow for the parents to retain a vehicle and for that vehicle to be kept out of the elements. The property is a scalene triangle shape and contains 0.222 acre zoned DR 5.5.

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC) comments were received and are made part of the record of this case. Comments were received from the Bureau of Development Plans Review dated August 7, 2009. The comments indicate that the first floor or basement must be at least one foot above the flood plain elevation in all construction, the building should be designed and

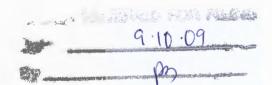


adequately anchored to prevent flotation or collapse and constructed of materials resistant to flood damage. Flood-resistant construction should be in accordance with the Baltimore County Building Code which adopts the International Building Code. Comments were received from the Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management dated September 10, 2009 which indicates that the property must comply with the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Regulations. The property is in a Limited Development Area (LDA) of the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area. Lot coverage is limited to 25% or 2,418 square feet. Lot coverage can be increased up to 31.25% or 3,022 square feet with mitigation provided for the increase over 25%. In addition, the 15% afforestation requirement must be met which equates to 3 trees.

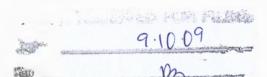
The Petitioners having filed a Petition for Administrative Variance and the subject property having been posted on July 26, 2009 and there being no request for a public hearing, a decision shall be rendered based upon the documentation presented.

The Petitioners have filed the supporting affidavits 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 Petitioners.

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.



- 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 base flood elevation for this site is 9.4 feet Baltimore County Datum.
- 3. The flood protection elevation for this site is 10.4 feet.
- 4. In conformance with Federal Flood Insurance Requirements, the first floor or basement floor must be at least 1 foot above the flood plain elevation in all construction.
- 5. The property to be developed is located adjacent to tidewater. The developer is advised that the proper sections of the Baltimore County Building Code must be followed whereby elevation limitations are placed on the lowest floor (including basements) of residential (commercial) development.
- 6. The building engineer shall require a permit for this project.
- 7. The building shall be designed and adequately anchored to prevent flotation, collapse, or lateral movement of structure with materials resistant to flood damage.
- 8. Flood-resistant construction shall be in accordance with the Baltimore County Building Code which adopts, with exceptions, the International Building Code.
- Development of this property must comply with the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Regulations (Sections 33-2-101 through 33-2-1004 and other Sections of the Baltimore County Code).
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- 11. The 15% afforestation requirement must be met which equates to 3 trees.



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

Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

THB:pz



JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

THOMAS H. BOSTWICK Deputy Zoning Commissioner

September 10, 2009

OTTO DUKE HART JR. AND ROBIN ANN HART 7214 BUCHER AVENUE SPARROWS POINT MD 21219

Re: Petition for Administrative Variance

Case No. 2010-0021-A

Property: 7214 Bucher Avenue

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Hart:

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. BOSZWICK

Deputy Zoning Commissioner

for Baltimore County

THB:pz

Enclosure

Petition for Administrative Variance



to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County for the property located at 7214 Bucher Ave

which is presently zoned DR 5.5

Deed Reference: 8763 / 687 Tax Account # 2100000102

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)

1802.3.C.1

I/Me do solemnly declare and affirm under the penalties of

To permit a proposed two story addition with a rear setback of 13.5-feet in lieu of the required 30-feet.

of the zoning regulations of Baltimore County, to the zoning law of Baltimore County.

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

I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Administrative 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.

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Affidavit in Support of Administrative Variance

The undersigned hereby affirms under the penalties of perjury to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, as follows: That the information herein given is within the personal knowledge of the Affiant(s) and that Affiant(s) is/are competent to testify thereto in the event that a public hearing is scheduled in the future with regard thereto. That the Affiant(s) does/do presently own and reside at 7214 **Bucher Ave** Road or Street name and that this address is the subject of this variance request as required by law. That based upon personal knowledge, the following are the facts upon which I/we base the request for an Administrative Variance at the above address (indicate the hardship or practical difficulty; attach an additional sheet if needed) Current zoning regulations of the rear and side yard setbacks do not allow for typical garage shape and usage. A variance to these zoning regulations would allow for a more versatile use of the garage space. If granted a variance, the existing living space above the garage could then be enlarged, providing ample accommodations for my wife's elderly parents, giving them a viable alternative to assisted living. The additional garage space would also allow for my wife's parents to retain a vehicle, and for that vehicle to be kept out of the elements. The additional garage space would help to minimize the number of vehicles exposed to the natural elements as well as the man made pollutants which, due to the close proximity of the Pig Iron and Steel Plants, cause considerable damage to the finish of vehicles left outside. That the Affiant(s) acknowledge(s) that if a formal demand is filed, and the Affiant(s) desire to proceed with their variance request, they will be responsible for reposting the property and for payment of the advertising fees. They also understand that they may be required to provide additional information. Robin Ann Hart Otto Duke Hart ir Name- print or type Name- print or type A Notary Public must complete the following section prior to the filing appointment. STATE OF MARYLAND, BALTIMORE COUNTY, to wit: I HEREBY CERTIFY, this /2/h day of ______, 2009, before me, a Notary Public of the State of Maryland, in and for the County aforesaid, personally appeared: (Name Affiant(s) here): Otto DUKE Hart of Robin Ann Hart
the Affiant(s) herein, personally known or satisfactorily identified to me as such Affiant(s).

PLACE SEAL HERE:

AS WITNESS my hand and Notarial Seal

ZONING DESCRIPTION

Beginning at a point on the *NORTH* side of *Bucher Ave* which is

50 feet wide at the distance of 153 feet East of the centerline of the
nearest improved intersecting street Gross Ave which is 50 feet wide.

Being lot # 3 in the subdivision of Bucher Landing as recorded in
Baltimore County Plat Book # 57, Folio # 001, containing 9,670 s/ft.

Also known as 7214 Bucher Ave and located in the 15th Election District.

7th Councilmanic District.

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

	RE: 2010-0021-A
	Petitioner/Developer:
	Otto Duke Hart Jr. and Robin Ann Hart
	Date of Hearing/closing August 10, 2009
Baltimore County Department of Permits and Development Management County Office Building, Room 111 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204	Dute of Realing closing rangust 10, 2007
Attn; Kristin Matthews,	
Ladies and Gentlemen:	
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	(Signature of Sign Poster) SSG Robert Black
	(Print Name)
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	(City, State, Zip Code)
	(410) 282-7940
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BALTIMORE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT ZONING REVIEW

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JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO, Director

Department of Permits and

Development Management

August 11, 2009

Otto & Robin Hart Jr. 7214 Bucher Ave. Sparrows Point, MD 21219

Dear: Otto & Robin Hart Jr.

RE: Case Number 2010-0021-A, 7214 Bucher Ave.

The above referenced petition was accepted for processing **ONLY** by the Bureau of Zoning Review, Department of Permits and Development Management (PDM) on July 16, 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,

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W. Carl Richards, Jr. Supervisor, Zoning Review

WCR:lnw

Enclosures

c: People's Counsel

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

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: Zoning Advisory Petition(s): Case(s) 10-021- Administrative Variance

The Office of Planning has reviewed the above referenced case(s) and does not oppose the petitioner's request.

For further questions or additional information concerning the matters stated herein, please contact John Alexander in the Office of Planning at 410-887-3480.

Prepared By:

CM/LL

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DATE: August 4, 2009

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ZONING COMMISSIONER

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

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TO:

Timothy M. Kotroco

ZONING COMMISSIONER

FROM:

Dave Lykens, DEPRM - Development Coordination

DATE:

September 10, 2009

SUBJECT:

Zoning Item # 10-021-A

Address

7214 Bucher Avenue

(Hart Property)

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of July 27, 2009

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

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Reviewer:

Adriene Metzbower

Date: 8/20/2009

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

DATE: August 7, 2009

TO:

Timothy M. Kotroco, Director

Department of Permits & Development

Management

FROM:

Dennis A. Kennedy, Supervisor

Bureau of Development Plans Review

SUBJECT:

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

For August 3, 2009 Item No. 2010-021

The Bureau of Development Plans Review has reviewed the subject zoning item and we have the following comment(s).

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Date: 8/20/2009

Patricia Zook - Case No. 2010-0021-A - administrative variance

From:

Patricia Zook

To:

Livingston, Jeffrey

Date:

8/25/2009 12:58 PM

Subject: Case No. 2010-0021-A - administrative variance

Hello Jeff -

We need comments from DEPRM for the following case:

CASE NUMBER: 2010-0021-A

7214 Bucher Avenue

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15th Election District, 7th Councilmanic District

Legal Owner: Otto Duke Hart Jr. and Robin Ann Hart

Closing Date: 8/10/2009

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Thanks for your help.

Patti Zook **Baltimore County** Office of the Zoning Commissioner 105 West Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 103 Towson MD 21204 410-887-3868 pzook@baltimorecountymd.gov

Patricia Zook - Case 2010-0021-A - comments needed

From:

Patricia Zook

To:

Kennedy, Dennis; Livingston, Jeffrey

Date:

8/17/2009 10:46 AM

Subject: Case 2010-0021-A - comments needed

Gentlemen -

The below-described administrative variance case file is marked 'CBCA' and 'flood'. The file is mising comments from your offices. If you have no comment, you can just let me know via this e-mail and I'll place it in the case file.

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Patricia Zook - Re: Case 2010-0021-A - comments needed

From:

Dennis Kennedy

To:

Zook, Patricia

Date:

8/17/2009 4:03 PM

Subject: Re:

Re: Case 2010-0021-A - comments needed

CC:

Richards, Carl

Patti:

Our comment were sent to the zoning office on August 11. I don't know why they weren't in the file. I will bring you a copy tomorrow.

Dennis

>>> Patricia Zook 8/17/2009 10:46 AM >>>

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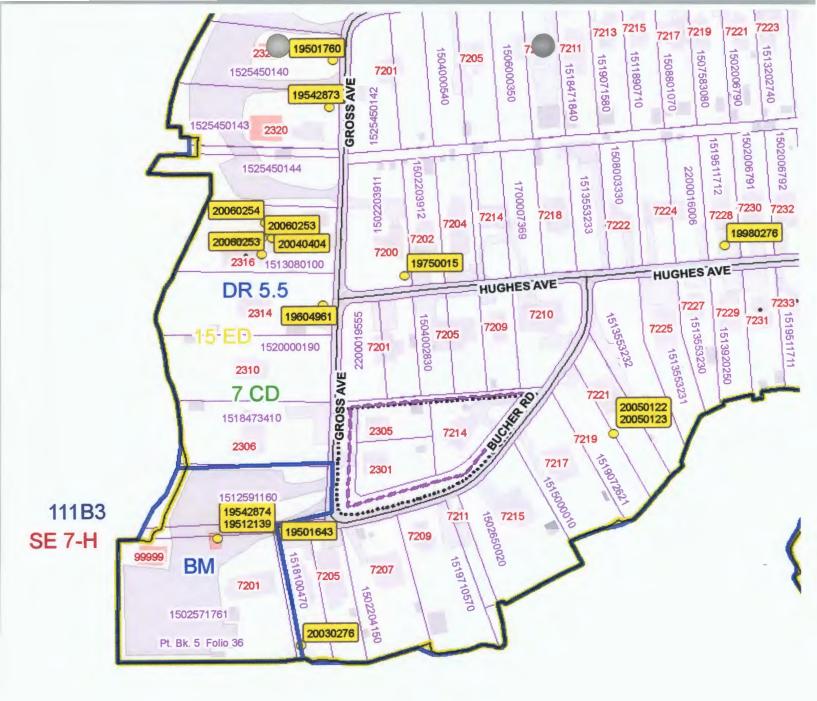
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7214 Bucher Ave Side Yard View



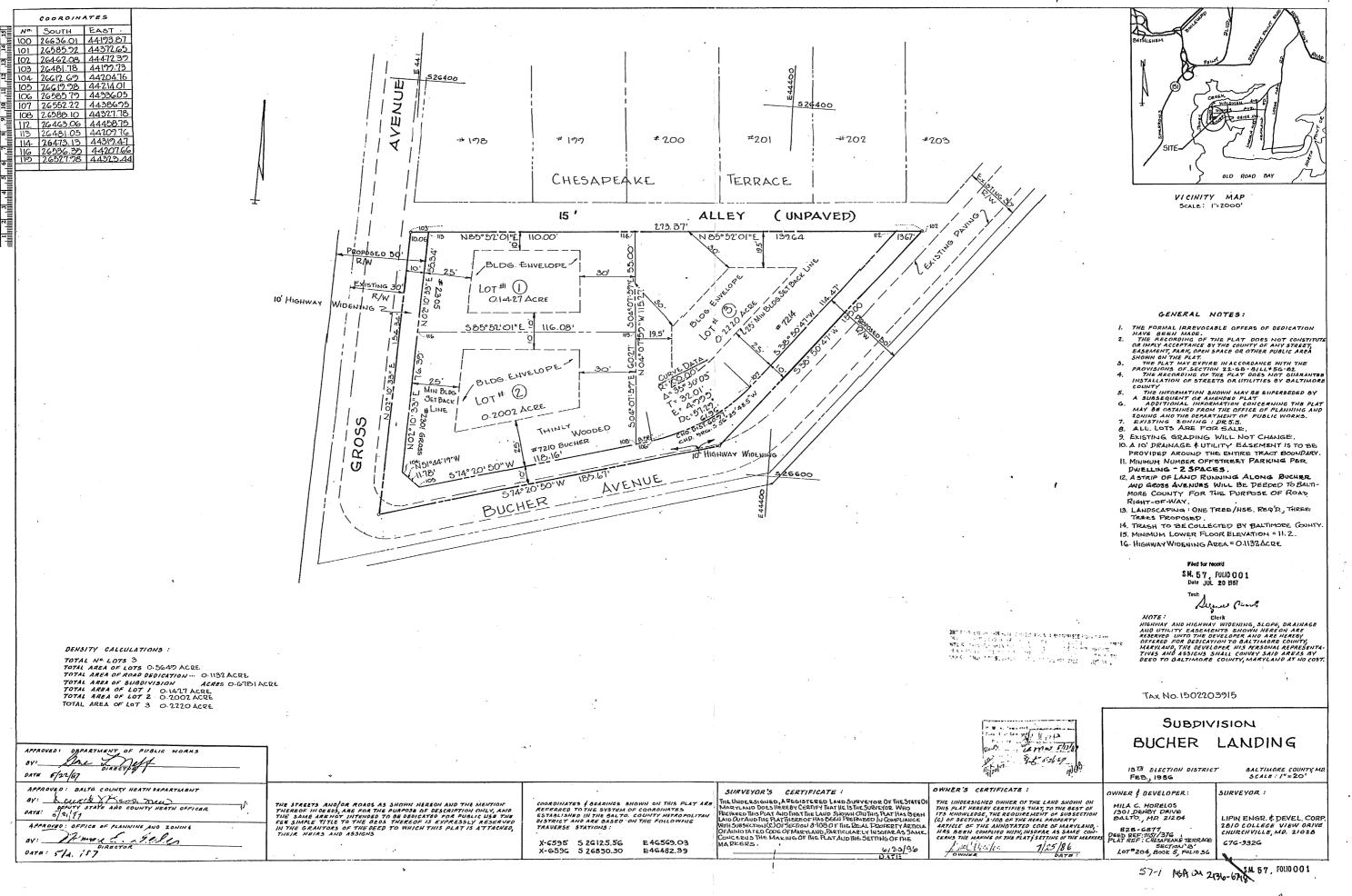
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