IN RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING *

NE side of North Point Blvd.; 173 feet S of the c/l of St. Monica Drive 15th Election District 7th Councilmanic District (4014 North Point Blvd.)

Charles H. Ahmer, Sr.

Petitioner

BEFORE THE

DEPUTY ZONING

* COMMISSIONER

FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

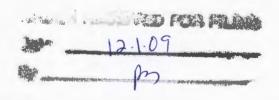
* CASE NO. 2010-0083-SPH

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This matter comes before this Deputy Zoning Commissioner for consideration of a Petition for Special Hearing filed by the legal property owner, Charles H. Ahmer, Sr. Special Hearing relief is requested pursuant to Section 500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to approve an amended site plan and order in Case No. 65-112-RXA for an addition to the used car sales building for services on Parcel 1. 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 requested special hearing was Petitioner Charles H. Ahmer, Sr. and John B. Gontrum, Esquire, attorney for Petitioner. Also appearing in support of the requested relief was Rick Richardson with Richardson Engineering, LLC, the professional engineer who prepared the site plan. There were no Protestants or other interested persons in attendance at the public hearing.

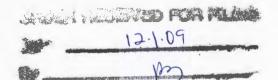
Testimony and evidence offered revealed that the subject property is irregular-shaped and contains approximately 5.96 acres of land split zoned B.R.-A.S., M.L.-A.S., and M.L.-I.M. The property is located on the east side of North Point Boulevard near the intersection of St. Monica Drive in the Dundalk area of Baltimore County. The property has been used to maintain a car



sales business since the 1940's. Petitioner submitted an aerial photograph of the subject property that was marked and accepted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibit 2. The photograph reveals that a rectangular piece of the property adjacent to North Point Boulevard, which is the portion of the property for which a special hearing is requested, contains approximately .55 acres of land zoned B.R.-A.S. A larger surrounding area to the east is zoned M.L.-A.S., and the eastern half of the property is zoned M.L.-I.M. The area to be considered for the special hearing lies solely within the area of the property zoned B.R.-A.S. The community surrounding the subject property is a mix of commercial and industrial uses. The area was essentially the gateway to Sparrows Point and there are several other car sales businesses and industrial buildings in the area surrounding the property. A significant portion of the northern half of the subject property is used as a parking area and the southeast section of the property is wooded and unimproved.

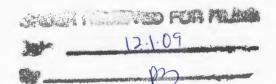
Further evidence and testimony revealed that the property is currently improved with an approximately 2,460 square foot office building located in the B.R.-A.S. area of the subject property. Petitioner is requesting relief in order to construct a one-story, approximately 780 square foot addition to the office building, which will house a two-bay car preparation and repair area. The business currently does not have a work area or garage with a lift, so Petitioner wishes to essentially update the equipment to repair cars that are for sale on the property.

As previously indicated, the property has been used to operate a car sales business since the 1940's. Petitioner's family has owned the property and used it for this purpose since 1970. Petitioner testified that it is currently difficult to repair cars with the existing infrastructure, and that an updated garage and repair area would greatly improve the family business. Three prior orders from the Zoning Commissioner, Board of Appeals, and Circuit Court were respectively marked and accepted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibits 3A through 3C. The Orders reveal



that the use of the property for a used car business was approved in 1965, but Petitioners had also requested at that time to use the eastern half of the property ("Parcel 2") as a junkyard. While the used car sales business was approved, the request to maintain a junkyard on the larger portion of the property was denied in 1965. The instant Petition seeks solely to construct an addition on the existing office building in the B.R.-A.S. zoned section of the property ("Parcel 1") and does not include any attempt to maintain a junkyard as was denied in 1965.

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC) comments were received and are made part of the record of this case. Comments were received from the Office of Planning dated October 1, 2009, which indicates that the business has operated at the subject property for many years as a used car lot on Parcel 1. During that time, there have been no improvements on the site. Cars are parked in the right-of-way in the front of the site (though vehicles parked in the right-of-way are prohibited). The properties across the boulevard and along the road have been upgraded and have provided landscaping along the road frontage over the years. It appears that since the request for reclassification of the zoning and expansion of the business was denied, Parcel 2 is to be used for vehicle storage. The Planning Office also notes that the B.R. Zone permits a service garage with a front setback of 50 feet on a dual highway and storage and display of materials, vehicles and equipment not more than 15 feet in front of the required front building line. If Petitioner is granted relief and the business expands, the Planning Office requests that the site be landscaped along the road and the parking and display should be moved to allow a minimum 10 foot wide landscape buffer along the public road. Petitioner shall also move all cars out of the public right-of-way of North Point Boulevard. Comments were received from the Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management (DEPRM) dated September 29, 2009



which indicates that development of this property mist comply with the Forest Conservation Regulations (Sections 33-6-101 through 33-6-122 of the Baltimore County Code).

Based on the testimony and evidence presented at the hearing, I am persuaded to grant the requested relief. The property has been used for many years as a used car sales business, and the uncontroverted testimony presented at the public hearing demonstrated that the request meets the requirements of Section 500.7 of the B.C.Z.R. and will have no negative effect on the surrounding locale. The proposed addition is in the unique position to improve both the aesthetic appearance of the property and to subtract from the impervious surface levels so as to address environmental concerns simultaneously. The request will result in pulling cars out of the right-of-way pursuant to the Office of Planning comment, and will not tend to overcrowd the large five-acre property. While the request will help to improve the existing business, it will not result in an increased flow of cars on the property and will have no negative effect on water, sewer or other public resources. In sum, the request will assist a long lasting business by updating its infrastructure while having no foreseeable negative impact on the surrounding locale. Accordingly, the requested relief will be granted.

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

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County, this ______ day of December, 2009 that Petitioner's request for Special Hearing relief filed pursuant to Section 500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to approve an amended site plan and order in Case No. 65-112-RXA for an addition to the used car sales building for services on Parcel 1, be and is hereby **GRANTED**, subject to the following:



- Petitioner may apply for permits and be granted same upon receipt of this Order; however, Petitioner is hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at his 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. In the event the business expands, the site shall be landscaped along the road and the parking and display shall be moved to allow a minimum 10 foot wide landscape buffer along the public road.
- 3. Petitioner shall move all cars out of the public right-of-way of North Point Boulevard.
- 4. Development of this property must comply with the Forest Conservation Regulations (Sections 33-6-101 through 33-6-122 of the Baltimore County Code).

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

PHOMAS H. BOSTWICK

Deputy Zoning Commissioner

for Baltimore County

THB:pz



JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

THOMAS H. BOSTWICK Deputy Zoning Commissioner

December 1, 2009

JOHN B. GONTRUM, ESQUIRE WHITEFORD TAYLOR & PRESTON LLP ONE WEST PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE SUITE 300 TOWSON MD 21204

> Re: Petition for Special Hearing Case No. 2010-0083-SPH Property: 4014 North Point Blvd.

Dear Mr. Gontrum:

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: Charles H. Ahmer, Sr., 4014 North Point Blvd., Baltimore MD 21222 Rick Richardson, Richardson Engineering LLC, 30 East Padonia Road, Suite 500, Timonium MD 21093



Petition for Special Hearing

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

MARYLAND	for the property located at 4014 North Point Boulevard
	which is presently zoned B.R A.S., MLA.S., M.LI.M.
(This petition	must be filed in person, in the zoning office, in triplicate, with original signatures.

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 Special Hearing under Section 500.7 of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to determine whether or not the Zoning Commissioner should approve (This box to be completed by planner)

An amended site plan and Order in Case No. 65-112 - RXA to approve an addition to the used car sales building for service work and motor vehicles on parcel 1.

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.

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

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SPECIAL HEARING
ZONING DESCRIPTION
4014 NORTH POINT BOULEVARD
15TH ELECTION DISTRICT
7TH COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT
BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

BEGINNING FOR THE SAME at a point on the northeast side of North Point Boulevard (150 feet in width) at a distance of 173 feet south of the centerline intersection of North Point Boulevard and St. Monica Drive (80 feet in width), thence binding on North Point Boulevard; (1) North 29 degrees 27 minutes 36 seconds West 215.00 feet, thence leaving North Point Boulevard for the following 3 courses; (2) North 60 degrees 32 minutes 24 seconds East 110.00 feet, (3) South 29 degrees 27 minutes 36 seconds East 215.00 feet, (4) South 60 degrees 32 minutes 24 seconds West 110.00 feet to the point of beginning;

Containing a net area of 23,650 square feet, or 0.543 acres of land, more or less.



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.

For Newspaper Advertising:
Item Number or Case Number: 0083 Petitioner: CHAPLES AHMER SR. Address or Location: 4014 N. PT. BLUD
Address of Education.
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NOTICE OF ZONING HEARING

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Case: # 2010-0083-SPH
4014 North Point Boulevard

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15th Election District — 7th Councilmanic District
Legal Owner(s): Charles H. Ahmer, Sr.
Special Hearing: for an amended site plan and order in
case no. 65-112-RXA to approve an addition to the used car
sales building for services on parcel 1.
Hearing: Thursday, November 12, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. In
Room 106, County Office Building, 111 West Chesapeake 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) 887-4386.

(2) For information concerning the File and/or Hearing, Contact the Zoning Review Office at (410) 887-3391.

10/870 October 27

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

10/29 , 2009
THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the annexed advertisement was published
in the following weekly newspaper published in Baltimore County, Md.,
once in each ofsuccessive weeks, the first publication appearing
on 10 27 ,2009.
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☐ Arbutus Times
☐ Catonsville Times
☐ Towson Times
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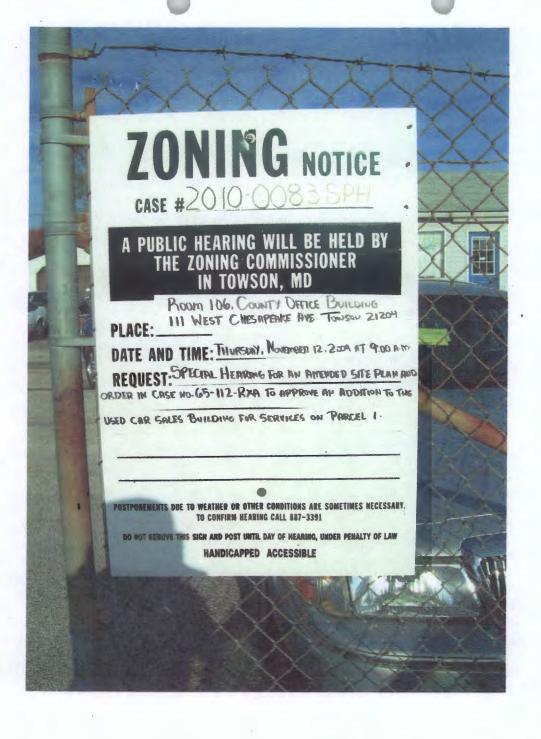
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Baltimore County Department of Permits and Development Management

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JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO, Director
Department of Permits and
Development Management
October 13, 2009

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Timothy Kotroco

Director

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C: John Gontrum, One West Pennsylvania Avenue, Ste. 300, Towson 21204 Charles Ahmer, 4014 North Point Blvd., Baltimore 21222

NOTES: (1) THE PETITIONER MUST HAVE THE ZONING NOTICE SIGN POSTED BY AN APPROVED POSTER ON THE PROPERTY BY WED., OCTOBER 28, 2009.

(2) HEARINGS ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE; FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CALL THE ZONING COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE AT 410-887-4386.

(3) FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING THE FILE AND/OR HEARING, CONTACT THE ZONING REVIEW OFFICE AT 410-887-3391.

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Tuesday, October 27, 2009 Issue - Jeffersonian

Please forward billing to:

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JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO, Director
Department of Permits and
Development Management

November 3, 2009

John B. Gontrum Whiteford, Taylor & Preston, L.L.P. One West Pennsylvania Ave. Ste. 300 Towson, MD 21204-5025

Dear: John B. Gontrum

RE: Case Number 2010-0083-SPH, 4014 North Point

The above referenced petition was accepted for processing **ONLY** by the Bureau of Zoning Review, Department of Permits and Development Management (PDM) on September 09, 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

c: People's Counsel Charles H. Ahmer, Sr.; 4014 North Point Blvd.; Baltimore, MD 21222

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Timothy M. Kotroco, Director

DATE: October 1, 2009

Department of Permits and Development Management

FROM:

Arnold F. 'Pat' Keller, III

Director, Office of Planning

SUBJECT:

4014 North Point Boulevard

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INFORMATION:

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Item Number:

10-083

ZONING COMMISSIONER

Petitioner:

Charles H. Ahmer, Sr.

Zoning:

BR-AS, ML-AS, ML-IM

Requested Action:

Special Hearing

To request approval of an amended site plan and Order in case # 65-112-RXA to approve an addition to the used car sales building for service work and motor vehicles on parcel 1.

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The business has operated at this address for many years as a used car lot on parcel 1. During that time, there have been no improvements on the site. Cars are parked in the right of way in the front of the site; vehicles parked in the right-of-way are prohibited. The properties across the boulevard and along the road have been upgraded and have provided landscaping along the road frontage over the years.

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

3480.

Prepared by:

Division Chief:

AFK/LL: CM

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

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ZONING COMMISSIONER

TO:

Timothy M. Kotroco

FROM:

Dave Lykens, DEPRM - Development Coordination

DATE:

September 29, 2009

SUBJECT:

Zoning Item # 10-083-SPH

Address

4014 North Point Boulevard

(Ahmer Property)

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of September 14, 2009

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

X Development of this property must comply with the Forest Conservation Regulations (Sections 33-6-101 through 33-6-122 of the Baltimore County Code).

Additional Comments:

Reviewer:

Adriene Metzbower

Date: 9/18/2009

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Timothy M. Kotroco, Director

Department of Permits & Development Management

DATE: September 21, 2009

Dennis A. Kennedy, Supervisor

Bureau of Development Plans

Review

SUBJECT:

FROM:

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

For September 21, 2009

Item Nos. 10-068, 069, 072, 073, 074, 075, 076, 081, 082, 083, 084, 085 and 086

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



Martin O'Malley, Governor Anthony G. Brown, Lt. Governor Beverley K. Swaim-Staley, Secretary Neil J. Pedersen, Administrator

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Date: SEPT. 22, 2009

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

RE: Baltimore County

Item No. 2010-0083-5PH

MD 151

4014 NORTH POUTBLAD

AHMER PROPERTY

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Dear Ms. Matthews:

We have reviewed the site plan to accompany petition for variance on the subject of the above captioned, which was received on <u>9/21/09</u>. A field inspection and internal review reveals that an entrance onto <u>MD 151</u> consistent with current State Highway Administration guidelines is not required. Therefore, SHA has no objection to approval for <u>4014 Nexth Point Burp</u> Case Number 2010 -0083-SPH.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter feel free to contact Michael Bailey at 410-545-5593 or 1-800-876-4742 extension 5593. Also, you may email him at (mbailey@sha.state.md.us). Thank you for your attention.

Very truly yours,

Steven D. Foster, Chief

Engineering Access Permits

Division

SDF/MB

Cc: Mr. David Malkowski, District Engineer, SHA

Mr. Michael Pasquariello, Utility Engineer, SHA



County Office Building, Room 111 Mail Stop #1105 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 September 18,2009

ATTENTION: Zoning Review Planners

Distribution Meeting Of: September 14. 2009

Item Numbers 067,068,070,071,072,073,074,075,076,077,079,080,081,082,083,084 and 0085

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

PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING RE: 4014 North Point Boulevard; NE/S North

Point Boulevard, 173' S c/line St. Monica Drive*

15th Election & 7th Councilmanic Districts

Legal Owner(s): Charles Ahmer, Sr.

Petitioner(s)

BEFORE THE

ZONING COMMISSIONER

FOR

BALTIMORE COUNTY

10-083-SPH

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

Pursuant to Baltimore County Charter § 524.1, please enter the appearance of People's Counsel for Baltimore County as an interested party 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.

Peter Max Zimmerman

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Carole S Vemlio

People's Counsel for Baltimore County

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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 23rd day of September, 2009, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to John B. Gontrum, Esquire, Whiteford, Taylor & Preston, LLP, One W Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 300, Towson, MD 21204, Attorney for Petitioner(s).

Peter Max Zummerman

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN People's Counsel for Baltimore County

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PETITIONER'S SIGN-IN SHEET

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CHARLES AHMER JR.	4014 N.PT. BUD,	BALTO, MD. 21222		
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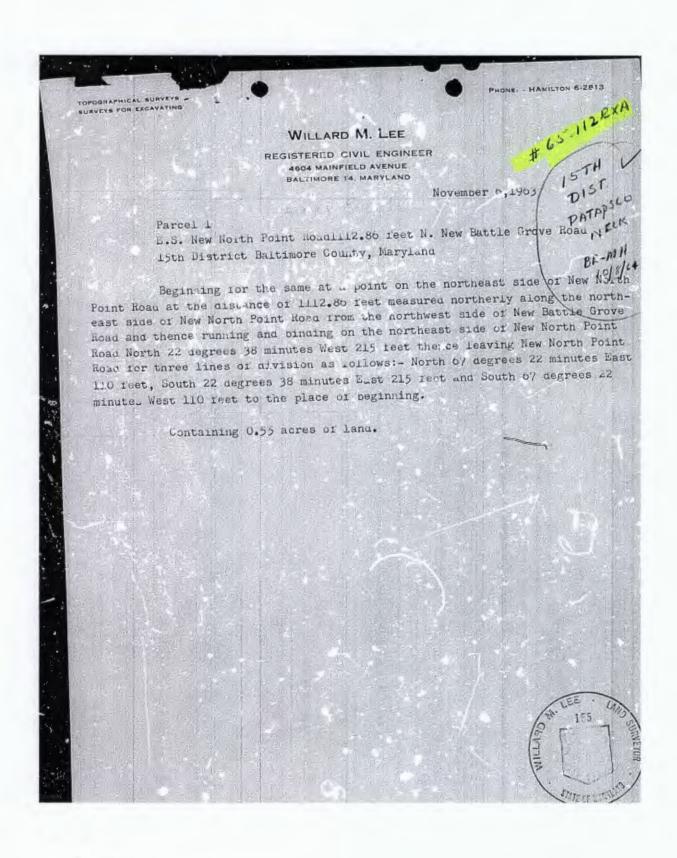
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Exhibit Sheet

Petitioner/Developer

Protestant

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PETITIONER'S

EXHIBIT NO.

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PETITION FOR ZONING RE-CLASSIFICATION 5-112 AND OR SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO THE ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY: I, MXXX, Dundalk Sales Company legal owner of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, PATAPSCO hereby petition (1) that the zoning status of the herein described property be re-classified years affice New to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County, from anML BR-NH zone to an BR & M.H. ___zone, for the following reasons: That there has been a charge in the area so that the highest and 1018/4 best use of the property would be BR zoning. AS TO PARCEL 2, from an ML zone to an MH zone: for the following reasons: that there has been assure in the area so that MH zoning is now the highest and best use of the land. VARIANCES AS TO PARCEL 2: section 408.2- to permit a set back for area to be used for junk yard of 45 feet instead of the required and (2) for a Special Exception, under the said Zoning Law and Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to use the herein described property, for ... Parcel 1 to be used as a used car lot and for Parcel 2 to be used as a junk yard. Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above re-classification and/or Special Exception advertising. posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore Sec Attached Description Dundark Sales Company Contract purchaser Address Addres 4014 North Point Blvd. Dundalk 22, Maryland Petitioner's Attorney Address _ 203 W. Chesapeake Ave. #4 ORDERED By The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, this____2nd___ required by the Zoning Law of Baltimore County, in two newspapers of general circulation throughout Baltimore County, that property be posted, and that the public hearing be had before the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County in Room 106, County Office Building in Towson, Baltimore County, on the____ ___day of October__ _, 196_4_ at __10:00 clock

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Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County.

RE: PETITION FOR RECLASSIFICATION,
SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE
E/S of New North Point Road
lll2' N. of New Battle Grove Rd.
15th District
Dundalk Sales Co-Petitioner

BEFORE THE

DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONE

OF

BALTIMORA COUNTY No. 65-112-RXA

The petitioner's property consists of several parcels of land hereinafter referred to as Parcel 1 and Parcel 2. Parcel 1 is a subject of petition to rezone this land from an M.L. Zone to a B.R. Zone and a Special Exception for a Used Car Lot. The petitioner requests that Parcel 2 be rezoned from an M.L. Zone to an M.H. Zone and also seeks Variance to Section 108.2 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations and a Special Exception to use Parcel 2 as a Junk Yard.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of property, and public hearing on the above petition and it appearing that by reason of error, the reclassification of Parcel 1 from an M.L. Zone to a B.R.Zone with the Special Exception to use the property for a Used Car Lot should be granted.

With respect to Parcel 2, the evidence did not support a showing of error in the original map or a change in the character of the neighborhood nor have the requirements of Section 502.1 been met, nor has the petitioner shown practical difficulty or unreasonable nardship justifying the granting of a Variance. For these reasons, the above reclassification of Parcel 2 from an M.L. Zone to an M.H. Zone, the Special Exception and Variance requested, should not be had.

IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County this 30 day of October, 1961, that Parcel 1 should be and the same is hereby reclassified from an M.L. Zone to a B.R. Zone and a Special Exception for a Used ar Lot should be and the same is granted from and after the date of this Order and subject to approval of the site plan by the Bureau of Public Services and the Office of Planning and Zoning.

It is further Ordered by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner that the Reclassification, Special Exception and Variance requested for Parcel 2 be and the same are hereby DENIED, and that Parcel 2 be and the same is hereby continued as and to remain an M.L. Zone.

It is also Ordered that any and all junk, debris, or waste products on Parcel 2 are to be removed within six (6) months from the date of this Order.

Deputy Zoning Commissioner

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RE: PETITION FOR RECLASSIFICATION:
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zones, SPECIAL EXCEPTION for
Parcel 1 to be used for a Used Car
Lot, and Parcel 2 to be used for a
Junk Yard, and VARIANCE from
Section 408.2 of the Zoning
Regulations
E/S New North Point Road 1112'
North of New Battle Grove Road,
15th District
Dundalk Sales Company,
Petitioner

BEFORE

COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS

OF

BALTIMORE COUNTY

No. 65-112-RXA

OPINION

Petitioner seeks reclassification, special exceptions for use of the subject property as a used car lot and junk yard, with a variance from setback requirements for the junk yard. The property is situate in the Fifteenth Election District on the east side of North Point Road 1112 feet north of New Battle Grove Road. The subject property is a five acre tract shown on a plat, Petitioner's Exhibit #1, and the used car lot and junk yard are marked - Parcels #1 and #2.

As to Parcel #1, petitioner seeks reclassification from M-L to B-R with special exception for a used car lot. The used car lot fronts on the road for some 215 feet with a depth of 110 fc... Testimony is to the effect that the used car business has been going on since 1950. It does not appear that there is any serious opposition to the sale of used cars, and the uses of neighboring property are B-L across North Point Road and M-L on the east side of the road.

Since there appears to be no reason for reversal of the Deputy Zoning Commissioner with respect to Parcel #1, the Board has no difficulty in concluding that the reclassification and special exception for a used car lot ought to be granted.

The problem in this appeal seems to be with the remaining portion of the subject five acre tract. The property owner seems to have gradually gone into the junk yard business in the rear of the sales lot and eventually on the sides as well. The junk yard business brings about objection, and the testimony and exhibits show a yard full of junked automobiles some of which are piled on top of one another or stacked two and three high. An officer of Leary Manufacturing Co., who is the manager of the plant on the

PETITIONER'S

EXHIBIT NO. 3B

BUNDALK SALE COMPANY #65-112-RXA E/S of New North Point Rd. 11121 N. of New Battle Grove Rd. 15th

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-3-Dundalk Sales - No. 65-112-RXA ORDER For the reasons set forth in the aforegoing Opinion, it is this 29th day of October, 1965 by the County Board of Appeals, ORDERED that the reclassification, special exceptions, and variance petitioned for, be and the same are hereby granted, subject to the aforementioned restrictions. Any appeal from this decision must be in accordance with Chapter 1100, subtitle B of Maryland Rules of Procedure, 1961 edition. COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS OF BALTIMORE COUNTY Paul T. McHenry, Jr. John A. Slowik Note: Mr. Baldwin abstained

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MEMORANDAL OPINION AND ORDER

Dundalk Salas Company, a Corporation, filed a petition with the Zoning Commissionar of Bultimore County relating to two parcels of land, designated on a plat filed in these proceedings as Parcel No. 1 and February No. 2. As set forth in the application, Farcel No. 1, consists of 0.55 scree of land and Farcel No. 2 approximately 5.00 wore) of mad mony or less. The property is situate in the fifteenth election district of Baltimore County on the east side of North Point Road approximately 1112 feet north of New Baylle Grove Road.

As to Parcel No. 1, the Fetitioner seeke realessification from M-L zonic, to 8-R funing with a Special Exception for a used car lot.

As to Parcel No. 2, the Petitioner requests a change in the classification from M-L to M-R zone and a Special Exception to use this parcel as a funk Yard, and also seeks a variance to Seedon 100, 2 of the Baitimore County Zoning Regulations. The Deputy Zoning Commissioner granted the patition as to Parcel No. 2 by his Opinion and Order dated Ontober 30, 1964.

The Petitioner thereupon entered an Appeal to the Scard of Appeals which granted the position as to both Parcels No. 1 and No. 2, thereby reversing the Order of the Deputy Zoning Commissioner as to Parcel No. 2. The Opinion of the Board is dated October 29, 1985.

Thereupon, Edward G. Leary, one of the protestants, filled an

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Appeal to this Court. The petition for appeal makes it clear that the appeal is Leing taken from the action of the Board only as to Parcel No. 2 and not as to Parcel No. 1. In addition, at the hearing before the Court on the Appeal, counsel for the Appealant stated for the record that the Appeal did not apply to the Order of the Board granting reclassification and a Special Exception for a used car lot as to Parcel No. 1. Thursfore the Order of the Board as to Parcel No. 1 is final and not subject to review by this Court.

As to whether the Appellant qualifies as an aggrized party tofile an Appeal to this Court, the betition for appeal states that he was
present at the hearing before the Board of Appeals; that he is the owner of
property 4010 North Point Road, known as Leary Manufacturing Company,
(the property immediately adjacent and contiguous to Perceis I and 2 of
the application); any that Richard Thompson, as his agent, testified on
his behalf at the hearing before the Board. The Applicant, Dundalk Sales
Company, in its answer to the Petition for Appeal, admits that these facts
are true. Richard Thompson, in his testimony before the Board, protesting
the reclassification of Percel No. 2, and a special exception for its use as
a funk Yerd, offered mate, fall and substantial testimony to the effoct that
the operation of Farcel No. 2 as a Junk Yard seriously affects the exforment
and value of the property of Leary Manufacturing Company, owned by the
Appellant, Edward C. Leary. (R.139-146)

Under the provisions of the zoning regulations of Baltimore
County, a Junk Yard can be operated in an M-H roning classification, with
a Special Exception; and as Parcel No. Z. at the till cof the filling of the
petition, was goned M-I, a real assistuation to M-H zoning was required
before the request for a Special Exception could be considered and granted.
Les Board in granting the reclassification, the Spoulal Exception and the

variance, stated as its reasons therefor: "However, from a coning standpoint, used car sales and junk yard operations seem appropriate uses for
the lots and the Board is relictant to deny the land owner and his tenant
such uses. Kowever, there are conditions which must be imposed."
This reasoning is not sufficient under the well established law to grant
reclassification of soning.

The comprehensive zoning map for the diffeenth district was adopted by the legislative authority in Baltimore County (the County Council) in 1962. The repeated decisions of the Court of Appeals has clearly established that for the Board of Appeals to reclassify soning of property in deviation from comprehensive coning established by the adoption of the comprehensive soning map, such action must be supported by compatent, material and substantial evidence of either error in original coming or a substantial change in the character of the neighborhood. The evidence in this case discloses that the subject coperty of this case is coned M. L. The abutting property on the north is the Lear Manufacturing Company Edilding, also somed M-I. The abutting property to the south is North Star. Inn. Directly across North Point Youd from the subject property is the North Point Phopping Center, and directly behind the Scopping Center is North Point Village a housing development. Directly across the proposed June Yerd (apparently part of the Shopping Center) are two restaurants, Harley's and Gine's. Mr. High Gelston, a competent real estate appraiser, testifying for the Petitioner, stated that properties to the south, north and east of the subject roperty are soned M-L. Across North Point Road it is soned B-L or B-R. In the general neighborhood, within a mile radius, there are different types of businesses, manufacturing, ascond hand car lots, parages, taverns and setting places, a number of them being non-conforming suses.

iff. Gelstor also testified that the highest and best use of the subject property is for a functions.

However, an examination of the whole record discloses no testimony whatsoever of error in original zoning (adoption of the comprehensive map by the County Council in 1962) or any substantial change, and in fact, no change at all in the character of the neighborhood since the adoption of the map. Judge Hammond, in his dissenting opinion in the Halle case, apply stated the prevailing law on this question as follows:

But the Board of Appeals was not created to rezone piecemeal as if it were soning original or rezoning comprehensively. suitability of a site for a particular use and a general needfor that use are all important in basic comprehensive zoning but they are not controlling or indeed properly persuasive in determining under the purposefully restricted standards of original error or subsequent substanticl change whether a reclassification of that site legally can be granted. To the Board of Appeals has been confided the delicate function of datermining whether there has been presented to it strong evidence of original error or substantial change. Its expertise is to be devoted only to deciding these two questions, not to the exercise of land planning and comprehensive zoning. The Board of Appeals cannot lawfully rezone to accomplish what it thinks would have been more dealrable original planning and zoning or what it thinks good comprehensive re-planning and re-zening would achieve or to penuit the highest or best or most profitable use of the land. Finney v. Halle, 241 Md 224.

The Patitioner maintains, however, that prior to 1955 (the present Zening Requisitions were adopted on Murch 30, 1955) he conducted an automobile dismantling or storage of motor vehicles not in running order" business which was permitted under the zoning regulations then effective, and that he has a non-conforming use under the present regulations. However, Mr. Sawyer speaking for the Patitioner, in his testimony before the Board, referred to his operation, on a number of occasions, as a "junk yard". The question as to whether the Patitioner has a non-conforming use was not presented to the Board for decision either by the patition filled with the Zoning Commissioner or the testimony and proceedings before the Board.

nor cld the Board pass on this question. The Circuit Court does not have original jurisdiction in soning matters but is an appellate body to raview the proceedings before the Board as to whether there was substantial evidence to support its decision. The Court, therefore, has no jurisdiction in this case to dooble whether or not the Paultoner has a non-conforming use.

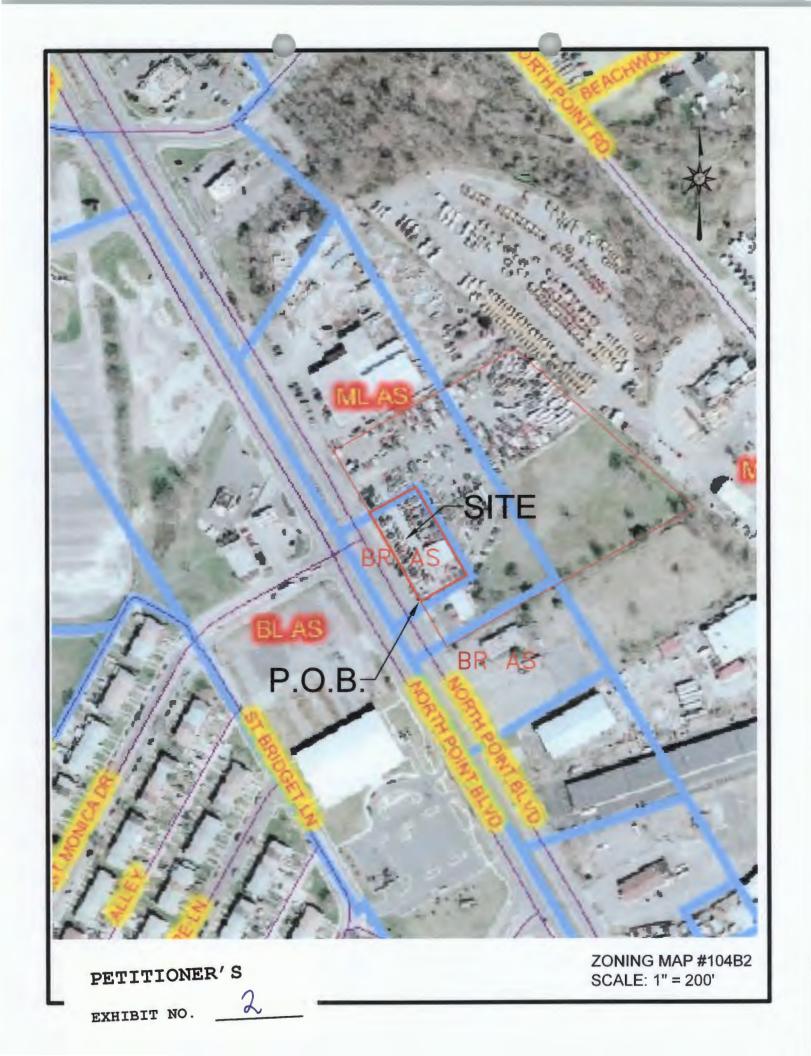
And assuming, but certainly not deciding, that the Patitioner has a non-conforming use, the law is well settled that this in itself is no valid reason for a reclassification of zoning of the property in question.

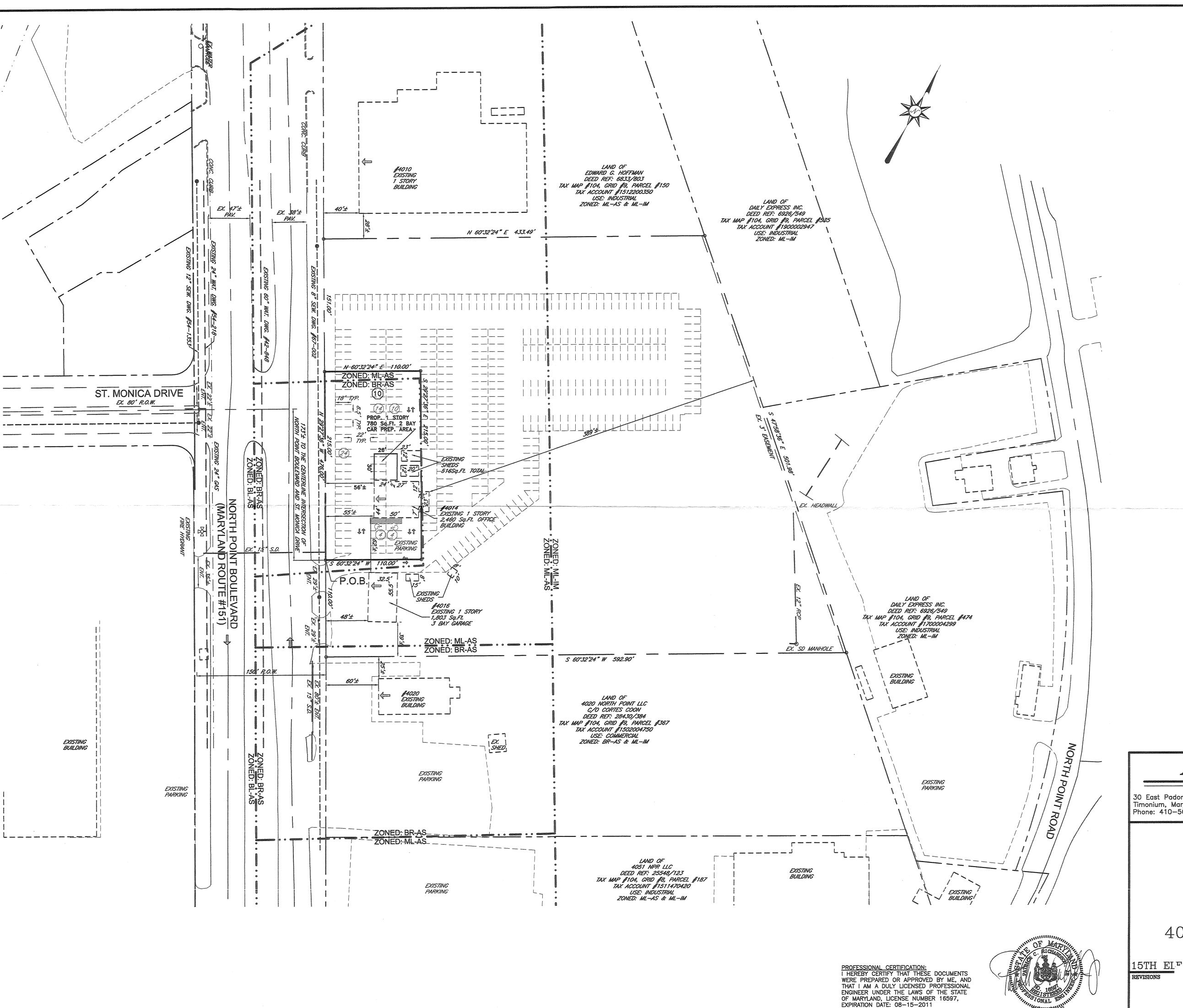
The order of the Board of Appeals dated October 29. 1265, as related to Parcel No. 2 is therefore reversed, and the order of the Deputy Zoning Commissioner dated October 30, 1964, as related to Parcel No. 2, which denied a change in soning classification from M.L to M.H zoning, and a special exception to use Parcel No. 2 as a Junk Yard, and the passed variance, is re-instated.

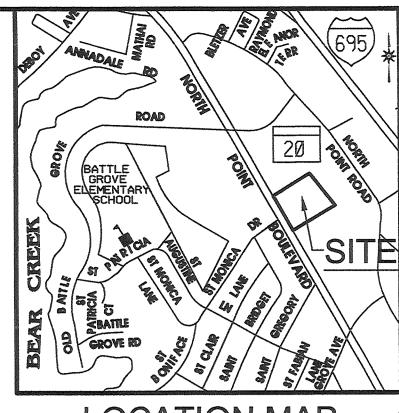
March 21, 1966

LESTER L. BARRETT

Lester L. Betrett, Judge







SCALE: 1" = 1000'

GENERAL NOTES:

OWNER:

CHARLES HOWARD AHMER, SR. 1951 SNYDER LANE

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21222-1713 2. SITE AREA: (SPECIAL EXCEPTION ONLY)

GROSS: 30,100 Sq.Ft. or 0.691 Ac.± NET: 23,650 Sq.Ft. or 0.543 Ac.± 3. BUILDING AREA:

EXISTING: 2,976 Sq.Ft. PROPOSED: 780 Sq.Ft.

TOTAL: 3,756 Sq.Ft. 4. UTILITIES

PUBLIC WATER. PUBLIC SEPTIC.

5. THE SITE DOES NOT LIE WITHIN THE FLOODPLAIN AS SHOWN ON F.I.R.M. #2400100430F, PANEL # 440 OF 580 DATED

SEPTEMBER 26, 2008. 6. PARKING CALCULATIONS REQUIRED: 3,756 Sq.Ft. @ 3.3 PER 1,000 = 13 SPACES

PROVIDED: 56 SPACES SPACES (2 HANDICAPPED, 54 REGULAR)

7. SETBACKS: PROVIDED **FRONT** 55°±

SIDE 39'± REAR 389'±

8. HEIGHT OF STRUCTURE: MAX. PERMITTED: 40'

PROVIDED: EXISTING: 16' PROPOSED: 20' 9. DEED REF: 24982/225

10. TAX ACCOUNT: #1504750870

11. COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT: 7th 12. REGIONAL PLANNING DISTRICT: 330

13. CENSUS TRACT: 4524 14. WATERSHED: BALTIMORE HARBOR

15. ZONING: BR-AS, ML-AS & ML-IM

(PER 1"=200' ZONING MAP 104B2)

16. TAX MAP #104, PARCEL #372 17. ZONING CASE HISTORY:

65-112-RXA: PETITION FOR ZONING RE-CLASSIFICATION AND/OR SPECIAL EXCEPTION FOR PARCEL 1 GRANTED A ZONING CHANGE FROM ML TO A BR ZONE AND A SPECIAL EXCEPTION FOR A USED CAR LOT. PARCEL 2 WAS DENIED A ZONING RE-CLASSIFICATION, SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE ON OCTOBER 30TH 1964.

65-112-RXA: BOARD OF APPEALS FOR ZONING RE-CLASSIFICATION, SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE GRANTED ON OCTOBER 29 1965.

65-112-RXA: CIRCUIT COURT AFFIRMED (GRANTED) PARCEL 1 AND REVERSED (DENIED) PARCEL 2 ON

MARCH 21 1966. 18. NO PREVIOUS PERMITS ON FILE. 19. FLOOR AREA FOR BR:

MAXIMUM PERMITTED: 2.0 EXISTING: $2,976 \div 30,100 = 0.099$ PROPOSED: $3,756 \div 30,100 = 0.125$

20. EXISTING FREE STANDING SIGN TO REMAIN 21. THE SITE DOES NOT LIE WITHIN THE CHESAPEAKE BAY

CRITICAL AREA. 22. THERE ARE NO HISTORIC FEATURES ON SITE NOR

IS THE SITE ITSELF HISTORIC.

23. EXISTING AND PROPOSED USED CAR LOT IS WITHIN THE AREA OF THE EXISTING SPECIAL EXCEPTION GRANTED IN CASE 65-112-RXA.

Richardson Engineering LLC

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> PLAN TO ACCOMPANY ZONING PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING

CHICK AHMER'S USED CARS 4014 NORTH POINT BOULEVARD

15TH ELECTION DISTRICT PETITIONER'S

EXHIBIT NO.

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND SCALE: DRAWN BY: DESIGNED BY:

CND PCR 1" = 50'DATE: SHEET NO.: JOB NO.: 09-08-09 09071 1 OF 1