

KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive

April 12, 2012

ARNOLD JABLON
Deputy Administrative Officer
Director, Department of Permits,
Approvals & Inspections

Tesseract Sites Inc. 401 Washington Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 Attention: John Trueschler

Subject:

Spirit and Intent Letter for

10240 Liberty Road

2nd Election District

Reference: Case #2011-0032-A

Dear Mr. Trueschler,

Your spirit and intent letter sent to Arnold Jablon, Director of Permits, Approvals and Inspections has been referred to me for reply. Based upon meetings with the Zoning Supervisor, Carl Richards, the former Hearing Officer, Thomas H. Bostwick, the information provided therein, and our research of the zoning records, the following applies:

- It has been determined that the proposed changes outlined in your letter and shown on your accompanied site plan <u>do not</u> meet the Spirit and Intent of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations and the order in zoning Case 2011-0032-A.
- 2. A Special Hearing is required to amend the site plan approved in the above referenced case file for these changes.
- 3. You will not be required to re-variance the 20 feet side yard set back approved in the above referenced case unless the setback becomes more deficient.

THE FOREGOING IS MERELY AN INFORMAL OPINION. IT IS NOT AN EXPERT OR LEGAL OPINION. IT IS NOT INTENDED TO BE RELIED ON AS EXPERT OR LEGAL ADVICE, AND IS NOT LEGALLY OR FACTUALLY BINDING ON BALTIMORE COUNTY OR ANY OF ITS OFFICIALS, AGENTS, OR EMPLOYEES. BALTIMORE COUNTY EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMS ANY AND ALL LIABILITY ARISING OUT OF, OR IN ANY WAY CONNECTED WITH THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THIS DOCUMENT, OR ANY INTERPRETATION THEREOF.

I trust that the information set forth in this letter is sufficiently detailed and responsive to the request. If you need further information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-887-3391.

Very truly yours,

Leónard Wasilewski Planner II, Zoning Review

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DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS APPROVALS AND INSPECTIONS

March 26, 2012

12-184

M. Arnold Jablon, Esq. Director Baltimore County Department of Permits, Approvals, and Inspections 111 West Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 105 Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Baltimore Christian Faith Center 10240 Liberty Road PAI # II-761, Zoning Case 2011-0032-A

Dear Mr. Jablon:

On behalf of Baltimore Christian Faith Center, we are requesting confirmation that our adjustment of the building and parking lot, as shown on the attached plan, complies with the spirit and intent of the variance granted in the above referenced case which allows a side yard setback of 20°.

Having recently taken over design of the project from Site Rite, we recognized the possibility of simplifying the storm water management design, reducing costs, and using the native soils on the more level area of the site for infiltration of storm water. This opportunity required flipping the building and parking lot. To explore this idea, we first met with Lynn Lanham in Planning to get her opinion and any impacts to site function and aesthetics; she had no objections but indicated that she may want to see some brick veneer or other architectural elements on the side of the building facing Liberty Road (already required by the Order). We also met with Tom Vidmar, Al With, and Bob Wood to talk about our storm water management ideas, and they were supportive. Lastly, our geotechnical engineer's tests in the preferred parking lot area confirm excellent infiltration rates.

Locating the parking behind the building is a better design not only because it puts more storm water back into the ground, but it allows the parking lot to be hidden when viewed from Liberty Road while complying with the spirit and intent of the variance. We respectfully request your concurrence that the revised building location meets the requirements of the variance.

If you have any questions, please let us know.

John Trueschler

Sincerel

IN RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE

N side of Liberty Road, 540 feet SE of the c/l of Herrera Court

1st Election District

4th Councilmanic District

(10240 Liberty Road)

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

Baltimore Christian Faith Center, Inc.

Petitioner * CASE NO. 2011-0032-A

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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, the Baltimore Christian Faith Center, Inc. Petitioner is requesting Variance relief from Section 1A04.3.B.2.b of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R.") to permit a proposed church with side yard setbacks as close as 20 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet. The subject property and requested relief are more fully described on the redlined 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 request were Paul Santos, Pastor and President, on behalf of Petitioner Baltimore Christian Faith Center, Inc., and Deborah C. Dopkin, Esquire, attorney for Petitioner. Also appearing in support of the requested relief was Bernadette Moskunas with Site Rite Surveying, Inc., the professional land surveying firm that prepared the site plan. There were no Protestants or other interested persons in attendance.

Testimony and evidence offered revealed that the subject property is a diagonal-rectangular shaped property consisting of 1.669 acres, more or less, zoned R.C.5. The property is located on the north side of Liberty Road, west of Deer Park Road and east of the intersection

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of Liberty Road and Lyons Mill Road, in the Randallstown area of Baltimore County. The property is currently improved with an existing dwelling that, according to SDAT Property Tax records, was constructed in 1821 and is planned for removal. Pastor Santos described the church as a born again, non-denominational, predominantly healing church that began approximately 38 years ago. The church has been at its present location at 10308 Liberty Road -- on property that is adjacent on the west side to the subject property -- for the last 38 years. The church leases that property from the owner, Mount Paran Presbyterian Church. The Mount Paran church is located at the end of the private driveway that runs along he western side of the subject property, past the rear of the site. Pastor Santos indicated they have maintained a great relationship with that church over the years.

Petitioner purchased the subject property about one year ago and intends to relocate the church to the site. As shown on the site plan, the existing dwelling would be removed and a proposed church facility would be constructed in the rear area of the property, with a parking area located in front of the building, as well as an underground storm water management device and a septic reserve area. An aerial photograph that was marked and accepted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibit 2 also depicts the property, as do photographs that were marked and accepted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibits 3A through 3K. In order to construct the church building, Petitioner is in need of variance relief from the property line setback requirement of 50 feet in the R.C.5 Zone.

In support of the variance request, Petitioner's attorney, Ms. Dopkin, proffered the testimony and explained that the variance is driven in large measure by the narrowness of the property. The property is only approximately 150 feet wide, versus being over 500 feet deep. Petitioner desires to construct an adequate church building for its present needs and for the

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future, measuring 100 feet wide by 60 feet deep. As delineated on the site plan, due to the diagonal configuration of the property vis-à-vis the placement of the building parallel to the side yard property lines, this results in a proposed setback on the west side of 23.5 feet and on the east side of 21.4 feet, though in order to err on the side of caution, Petitioner has requested setbacks as close as 20 feet.

The property also has topographical constraints that limit the available area for permitted improvements. The site plan has a topographical overlay that shows the front half of the property slopes downward towards the public road by approximately 15 feet, whereas the rear half -- where most of the improvements are planned -- is much flatter and has more subtle elevation changes. In order to better illustrate these constraints, Ms. Moskunas showed on the site plan a redlined overlay of the proposed building turned around 90 degrees so that it would appear to be 60 feet wide by 100 feet deep. Although the side yard property line setbacks would be increased to about 40-45 feet on each side, this layout would push the parking area further forward and would also move the storm water management and septic reserve areas forward, closer to the road and in the areas of more significant slopes. Ms. Dopkin also submitted a proposed Landscape Plan that was marked and accepted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibit 5. This plan shows various trees and shrubs that exist and will remain as well as additional plantings. In particular, the evergreen screening along the front of the property will remain, as will the white pine screening at the northwest end of the property along the private road. In addition, a letter was presented dated August 27, 2009 from Permits and Development Management Director Timothy Kotroco indicating that the Development Review Committee ("DRC") had determined that the church project meets the requirements of a limited exemption. This letter was marked and accepted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibit 6. As to continued

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access to the property via the private road, Ms. Dopkin presented a Driveway Easement Agreement dated September 30, 2009 between the church and the Mount Paran church (owners of the private road). This agreement, which was marked and accepted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibit 7B, makes the private road available for use by the church and its congregation.

As to the church itself, Pastor Santos described the congregation as very diverse, with anywhere between 50 to 100 persons attending services, depending on the day and time. Most services focus on miracle healing and prayer, as well as instruction. Services are traditionally on Wednesday evenings and Sundays. There are no full time employees and the premises would not be rented out for other uses.

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 August 20, 2010 which indicates they do not oppose the request and recommend approval. The subject property was also the subject of a limited exemption (#10031). Certain comments were recommended in response to the plan submitted for the limited exemption and should be made conditions of any relief granted as part of the subject variance. These conditions will be expounded on further in this Order. Comments were received from the Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management dated September 8, 2010, which indicates that this property has already been perc tested and granted approval to install a septic system for the proposed use. Building permit approval will be contingent on drilling a new well that meets adequate yield and the abandonment of the existing well and septic system.

Based upon the testimony and evidence presented, I am persuaded to grant the request for variance relief. I find special circumstances or conditions exist that are peculiar to the land or

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structure which is the subject of the variance request. The property has an unusual diagonal shape and the narrowness of the property is one of the major factors that influence the need for variance relief. The topography also helps to limit the usable space for improvements by pushing things toward the rear of the property, as depicted on the site plan. I also find that strict compliance with the Zoning Regulations would result in practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship upon Petitioner. Not granting the variance in this instance would deny Petitioner a use of the property in this R.C.5 Zone that is specifically permitted in Section 1A04.2.A.1 of the Regulations.

Finally, I find that the variance can be granted in harmony with the spirit and intent of the B.C.Z.R., and in such manner as to grant relief without injury to the public health, safety, and general welfare. The church has been operating on the adjacent property for the past 38 years with virtually no impact to the surrounding area. The church also has a good relationship with the property owner to the rear, which also happens to be a church. In my judgment, the church's historical use of the nearby property without incident leads me to believe that the church operating in a new building on the subject property will also be a positive influence on the area.

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 request should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED this <u>J5 W</u> day of October, 2010 by this Deputy Zoning Commissioner that Petitioner's Variance request from Section 1A04.3.B.2.b of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R.") to permit a proposed church with side yard setbacks as close as 20 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet be and are hereby **GRANTED**, subject to the following which are conditions precedent to the granting of the relief:

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- Petitioner may apply for its building permit 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 provide architectural building plans elevations for all four sides of all of the proposed buildings including building materials and color schemes to the Office of Planning for review and approval. Show all entrances into the buildings.
- 3. Petitioner shall submit a lighting plan that is in accordance with IESNA standards in conjunction with the final landscape plan to Avery Harden, Baltimore County Landscape Architect, and the Office of Planning for review and approval. Proposed lighting shall not be higher than 20 feet if within 50 feet of a residential zone or use (Section 229 B.C.Z.R.)
- 4. Petitioner shall provide details of any proposed signage and any entrance treatments and show their proposed locations on the site plan. Specifically, provide the proposed dimensions and display them in the form of an elevation drawing and provide to the Office of Planning for review and approval.
- Petitioner shall show the location and provide a detail drawing of any dumpster enclosure on the property and include on the plan. The dumpster surrounds should be constructed out of masonry not wood.
- 6. Petitioner shall abide by and comply with the ZAC comment dated August 18, 2010 from the State Highway Administration ("SHA") contained in the case file, specifically concerning the driveway width and required access permit.

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

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JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

THOMAS H. BOSTWICK Deputy Zoning Commissioner

October 25, 2010

DEBORAH C. DOPKIN, ESQUIRE 409 WASHINGTON AVENUE TOWSON MS 21204

> Re: Petition for Variance Case No. 2011-0032-A Property: 10240 Liberty Road

Dear Ms. Dopkin:

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

Enclosure

c: Paul Santos, Pastor and President, Baltimore Christian Faith Center, Inc., 10240 Liberty Road, Randallstown MD 21133 Bernadette Moskunas, Site Rite Surveying, Inc., 200 East Joppa Road, Room 101, Towson MD 21286

Petition for Variance

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County for the property

located at #10240 Liberty Road

which is presently zoned RC5

Deed Reference: 28837 / 15 Tax Account # 0206100544

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)

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a proposed church with side yard setbacks as close as 20 feet in lieu of the required 50

of the zoning regulations of Baltimore County, to the zoning law of Baltimore County, for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or practical difficulty.)

70 BE PRESENTED AT HEXRING

see attached

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.

IAMe do solemnly declare and affirm under the populties of

	perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition.
Contract Purchaser/Lessee:	Legal Owner(s):
	Baltimore Christian Faith Center, Inc.
Name - Type or Print	Name - Type or Print
Signature	Signature Paul Santos, Pastor and President
Address Telephone No.	Name - Type or Print
City State Zip Code	Signature
Attorney For Petitioner:	10308 Liberty Road Pastor Santos 443-743-5622 Address Telephone No.
Deborah O. Dookin	Randallstown, MD 21133-1209
Name - Type or Print	City State Zip Code
Westorah Owaphen	Representative to be Contacted:
Deborah C. Dopkin, PA.	Site Rite Surveying, Inc.
Company	Name 200 E. Joppa Road, Room 101 410-828-9060
Address MD 21204	Address Telephone No. Towson, MD 21286
City State Zip Code	City State Zip Code
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Zoning Description for #10240 Liberty Road Baltimore Christian Faith Center

Beginning at a point on the north side of Liberty Road, Maryland State Road (Route No. 26) which is 80 feet wide at the distance of 540 feet, more or less, east of the centerline of Herrera Court which is 50 feet wide. Thence the following courses and distances:

North 14 degrees 00 minutes 09 seconds East, 495.00 feet; thence South 61 degrees 30 minutes 51 seconds East, 148.91 feet; thence South 14 degrees 30 minutes 09 seconds West, 519.75 feet and thence 154 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning as recorded in Deed Liber 28837, folio 15, containing 1.79 acres, more or less.

Also known as #10240 Liberty Road and located in the 2nd Election District, 4th Councilmanic District.



Michael V. Moskunas Professional Land Surveyor Reg. No. 21175 Site Rite Surveying, Inc. 200 E. Joppa Road Shell Building, Room 101 Towson, MD 21286 (410)828-9060

Item #0032

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 Adv	vertising:
Petitioner: Bak	timore Christian Faith Center, Inc.
Address or Location:	10240 Liberty Road
PLEASE FORWARD	Baltimore Christian Faith Center, Inc.
Address:	10308 Whenty Road
	Pandallstown, MD 21133-1209
Telephone Number:	443-743-5622 Paul Santos, Pastor

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CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

RE: Case No 2011-032-A

Petitioner/Developer SITE 21TE
SURVEYING INC.

Date Of Hearing/Closing: 9/28/13

Baltimore County Department of Permits and Development Management County Office Building, Room 111 111 West Chesapeake Avenue

Attention:

Ladies and Gentlemen

This letter is to certify under penalties of perjury that the necessary sign(s) required by law were posted conspicuously on the property at 10240 LIBERTY ROAD

This sign(s) were posted on ___

September 12, 25/0

Month,Day,Year

Sincerely.

Signature of Sign Poster and Date Martin Ogle

60 Chelmsford Court Baltimore,Md,21220 443-629-3411

ZONING NOTICE

CASE # 2011-0032-A

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BY THE ZONING COMMISSIONER IN TOWSON, MD

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JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO, Director

Department of Permits and
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August 24, 2010

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 nerein as follows:

CASE NUMBER: 2011-0032-A

10240 Liberty Road

N/side of Liberty Road, 540 feet +/- s/east of the centerline of Herrera Court

1st Election District – 4th Councilmanic District

Legal Owners: Baltimore Christian Faith Center, Inc.

Variance to permit a proposed church with side yard setbacks as close as 20 feet in lieu of the required 50.

Hearing: Tuesday, September 28, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 104, Jefferson Building,

105 West Chesapeake Avenue, Towson 21204

Timothy Kotroco

Director

TK:kl

C: Deborah Dopkin, 409 Washington Ave., Towson 21204
Paul Santos, BCFC, Inc., 10308 Liberty Road, Randallstown 21133

NOTES: (1) THE PETITIONER MUST HAVE THE ZONING NOTICE SIGN POSTED BY AN APPROVED POSTER ON THE PROPERTY BY MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2010

(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.

TO: PATUXENT PUBLISHING COMPANY

Tuesday, September 14, 2010 Issue - Jeffersonian

Please forward billing to:

Paul Santos, Pastor Baltimore Christian Faith Center, Inc. 10308 Liberty Road Randallstown, MD 21133 443-743-5622

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WILLIAM J. WISEMANVII

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JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

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

September 22, 2010

Deborah Dopkins Deborah Dopkin, PA 409 Washington Ave. Towson, MD 21204

Dear: Deborah Dopkins

RE: Case Number 2011-0032-A, 10240 Liberty Rd.

The above referenced petition was accepted for processing **ONLY** by the Bureau of Zoning Review, Department of Permits and Development Management (PDM) on July 23, 2010. 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
Baltimore Christian Faith Center, Inc.; 10308 Liberty Road; Randallstown, MD 21133
Site Rite Surveying, Inc.; 200 E. Joppa Rd. Rm. 101; Towson, MD 21286

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Timothy M. Kotroco, Director

DATE: August 20, 2010

Department of Permits and Development Management

FROM:

Arnold F. 'Pat' Keller, III

Director, Office of Planning

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SUBJECT:

10240 Liberty Road

INFORMATION:

ZONING COMMISSIONER

Item Number:

11-032

Petitioner:

Baltimore Christian Faith Center, Inc.

Zoning:

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Requested Action:

Variance

The petitioner requests a variance from section 1A04.3.B.2.b to permit a proposed church with side yard set back as close as 20 feet in lieu of the required 50.

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Office of Planning has reviewed the petitioner's request and accompanying site plan. The Office of Planning does not oppose the petitioner's request and recommends approval subject to the following:

The subject property was also the subject of a limited exemption (#10031). The following comments were recommended in response to the plan submitted for the limited exemption and should be made conditions of any relief granted as part of the subject variance:

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

Prepared by:

Division Chief: AFK/LL: CM



JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

JOHN J. HOHMAN, Chief Fire Department

August 12, 2010

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

ATTENTION: Zoning Review

Distribution Meeting of: August 9, 2010

Item No.: Variance: 2011-0028SPHA, 2011-0032A, 2011-0047A - 0049A, 2011-0026SPHXA

Administrative Variance: 2011-0050A, 2011-0052 - 0053A, 2011-0055A - 0056A.

Special Hearing: 2011-0028SPHA, 2011-0051SPH, 2011-0057SPH, 2011-026SPHXA

Special Exception: 2011-0026SPHXA

Pursuant to your request, the referenced plans have been reviewed by the **Baltimore County Fire Marshal's Office** and the comment below is applicable for the above listed properties.

Comments:

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

Don W. Muddiman, Acting Lieutenant Baltimore County Fire Marshal's Office 700 E. Joppa Road, 3RD Floor Towson, Maryland 21286 410-887-4880 Mail Stop: 1102

cc: File

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

DATE: August 10, 2010

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 23, 2010

Item Nos. 2011- 026, 028, 032, 047, 048, 049, 050, 051, 052, 053, 054,

055, 056 and 057

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

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

Inter-Office Correspondence





ZONING COMMISSIONER

TO:

Timothy M. Kotroco

FROM:

Dave Lykens, DEPRM - Development Coordination

DATE:

September 8, 2010

SUBJECT:

Zoning Item # 11-032-A

Address

10240 Liberty Road

(Baltimore Christian Faith Center, Inc.)

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of August 9, 2010

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

This property has already been perc tested and granted approval to install a septic system for the proposed use. Building permit approval will be contingent on drilling a new well that meets adequate yield and the abandonment of the existing well and septic system.

Reviewer:

Kevin Koepenick

Date: 8/19/10



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

Maryland Department of Transportation

August 18, 2010

Ms. Kristen Matthews
Reviewer
Department of Permits
And Development Management
Baltimore County
111 West Chesapeake Avenue, Rm. 119
Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Baltimore County
MD 26 (Liberty Road)
east of Herrera Court
Baltimore Christian Faith Center, Inc.
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Item No. 2011-0032-A

Variance – To permit a proposed church with side yard set backs

Dear Ms. Matthews:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the Development Plan for Baltimore Christian Faith Center, Inc.'s project located at 10240 Liberty, which was received on August 13, 2010. We understand that this submittal illustrates a proposal to construct a 6, 000 s/f 1- story building for religious assembly with a paved surface parking lot for 41 vehicles on 1.79 Acres. We have completed our review of the plan. The following comments are offered for your consideration:

- The plan shows an existing 19' wide driveway connection onto MD 26 (Liberty Road), which is owned and maintained by the State Highway Administration (SHA). It appears that this driveway is shared by the applicant and Mount Paran Presbyterian Church. However, we determined that the driveway access point at MD 26 is inconsistent with SHA requirements. A thirty- feet 30' wide full depth pavement entrance is necessary to accommodate safe vehicle ingress and egress.
- A State Highway Access Permit is required to construct improvements within the state right-of-way. And at minimum the items listed below are required:
 - o 30' wide entrances with curbed 30' radii returns.
 - Sidewalk and handicap ramps consistent with current Americans with Disabilities (ADA) guidelines maybe necessary.
 - o All entrances landing grade shall be 50' in length at a 3% maximum.
 - A hydraulic analysis.
 - o Provide a typical section showing the improvements to MD 26 (Liberty Road).
 - o Historical and archeological review will be conducted by our Office of Planning.
 - We request that the County require the owner to dedicate, to the State of Maryland, the area for future road improvements.

Ms. Linda Blackmon Baltimore Christian Faith Center PDM # 02-761 Page two

In summation: Based on our assessment, the site access is inconsistent with current Maryland State Highway Access Manual guidelines. Therefore, the SHA request that the County require the above as a condition of approval for Baltimore Christian Faith Center, Inc. Variance Case Number 2011-0032-A. Kindly, include our comments in your staff report to the Zoning Advisory Committee.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Michael Bailey at 1-410-545-5593 or call our toll free number in Maryland only 1-800-876-4742 extension 5593. Also, you email mbailey@sha.state.md.us. Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely

Steven D. Foster, Chief

Engineering Access Permit

Division

SDF/mb

Cc: Baltimore Christian Faith Center, Inc.

Mr. Dennis Kennedy, Bur. Development Plans Review, Baltimore County

Ms. Colleen M. Kelly, Permits & Development Managenent, Baltimore County

Mr. Michael V. Moskunas, Engineer, Siterite Surveying, Inc.

Mr. Dave Malkowski, District Engineer, SHA

Mr. Michael Pasquariello, Utility Engineer, SHA

Mr. Eric Tombs, Traffic Mgr., SHA

RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE

10240 Liberty Road; N/S Liberty Road, 540'

SE c/line of Herrea Court

1st Election & 4th Councilmanic Districts

Legal Owner(s): Baltimore Christian Faith

Center, Inc

Petitioner(s)

BEFORE THE

ZONING COMMISSIONER

FOR

BALTIMORE COUNTY

2011-032-A

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.

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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 August, 2010, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Site Rite Surveying, Inc, 200 E Joppa Road, Suite 101, Towson, MD 21286 and Deborah C. Dopkin, Esquire, 409 Washington Avenue, St 1000, Towson, MD, 21204, Attorney for Petitioner(s).

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People's Counsel for Baltimore County

Patricia Zook - your Tuesuay cases

From:

Patricia Zook

To:

Bostwick, Thomas

Date:

9/27/2010 11:47 AM

Subject: your Tuesday cases

I sent an e-mail to Kristen and LaShenda on Friday, 9/24/2010 at 12:26:14 PM asking if they have the certifications for the following cases. Having heard nothing, I contacted Kristen this morning.

I just called her again and she has all the certifications.

Case 2011-0032-A on Tuesday, Sept. 20 - no advertising certification

Case 2011-0028-SPHA on Tuesday, Sept. 20 - no posting certification; no advertising certification

I requested that she fax the certifications to us.

Patti Zook **Baltimore County** Office of the Zoning Commissioner 105 West Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 103 Towson MD 21204

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Patricia Zook - Need advertising certification and posting certification for 2 cases scheduled for hearings next week

From:

Patricia Zook

To:

Lewis, Kristen; Williams, LaShenda

Date:

9/24/2010 12:26 PM

Subject: Need advertising certification and posting certification for 2 cases scheduled for hearings next week

CC:

Bostwick, Thomas

Ladies -

The following cases are scheduled for hearings next week and are missing certifications:

Case 2011-0032-A on Tuesday, Sept. 20 - no advertising certification

Case 2011-0028-SPHA on Tuesday, Sept. 20 - no posting certification; no advertising certification

Please let me know if you receive these documents.

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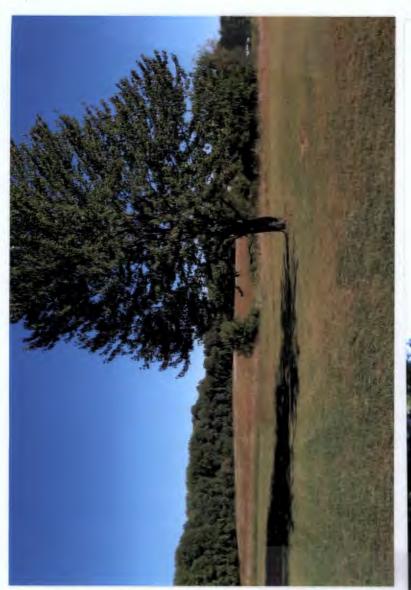
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9-8-10	DEPRM (if not received, date e-mail sent)	comment
8-12-10	FIRE DEPARTMENT	nc
8-20-10	PLANNING (if not received, date e-mail sent)	Conditions
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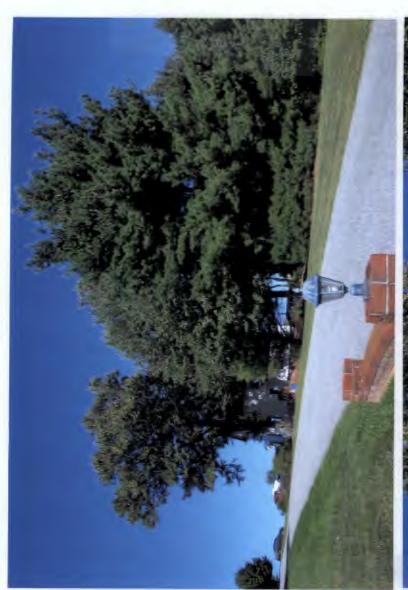
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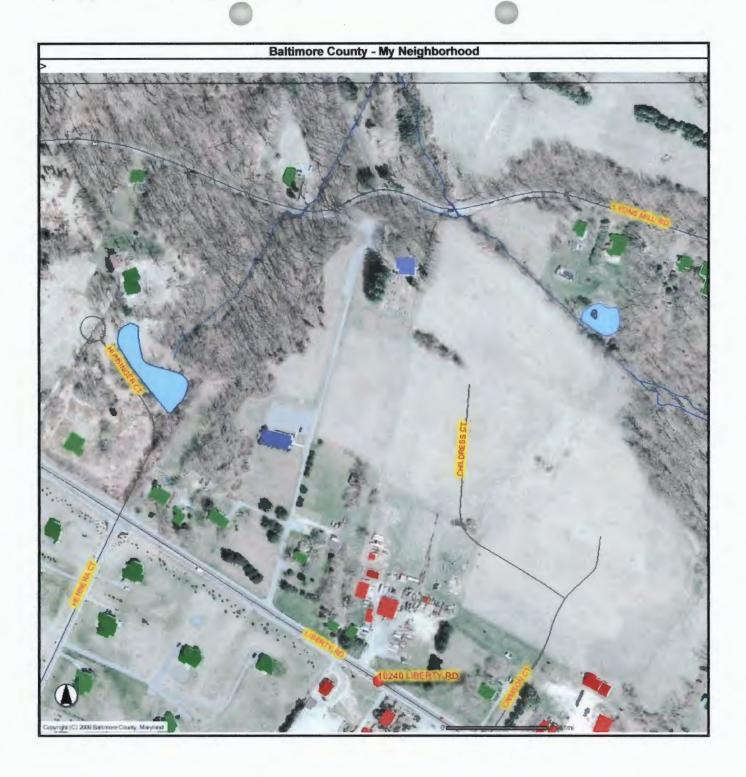












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EXHIBIT NO.

Baltimore County Government Department of Permits and Development Management



111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

410-887-3335

August 27, 2009

Site Rite Surveying, Inc. 200 East Joppa Road Towson, MD 21286

> RE: Liberty Road 10240 Liberty Road

DRC Number: 081709B; Dist. 2C4

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to Article 25A, Section 5 (U) of the Annotated Code of Maryland, and as provided in Section 602 (d) of the Baltimore County Charter, and Sections 32-1-101, 32-3-401, and 32-3-517 of the Baltimore County Code, this letter constitutes an administrative order and decision on the request for issuance, renewal, or modification of a license, permit, approval, exemption, waiver, or other form of permission you filed with this department.

Your request has been submitted for careful review and consideration to the Development Review Committee (DRC), which is composed of representatives from each of those departments involved in land-use decisions. These representatives are designees of the directors of these departments. The purpose of the DRC is to ensure compliance with Section 32-4-106 and Section 32-4-262 of the Baltimore County Code and to make recommendations to the Director, Department of Permits and Development Management (PDM).

The DRC has, in fact, met in an open meeting on August 17, 2009, and made the following recommendations:

The DRC has determined that your project meets the requirements of a limited exemption under Section 32-4-106(b)(8).

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upreme Title Company le No. ST-27642 /ax ID # 0206100544



This Deed, made this 30th day of September, 2009, by and between DENNIS H. NICELY, SR. and MILISA A. NICELY, parties of the first part, Grantors; and BALTIMORE CHRISTIAN FAITH CENTER INCORPORATED, party of the second part, Grantee.

- Witnesseth -

That for and in consideration of the sum of three hundred forty thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$340,000.00), which includes the amount of any outstanding Mortgage or Deed of Trust, if any, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the said Grantors do grant and convey to the said BALTIMORE CHRISTIAN FAITH CENTER INCORPORATED, its successors and/or assigns, in fee simple, all that lot of ground situate in County of Baltimore, State of Maryland and described as follows, that is to say:

Beginning for the same on the north side of Liberty Road and the beginning place in the Deed from Cockey to Breckenridge and running thence with the first line of said Deed North 17 ¼ degrees East 31 ½ perches, thence North 60 degrees West 14 2/10 perches, thence South 16 ¾ degrees West 30 perches to the aforesaid Liberty Road and thence to the place of beginning. Containing 2 acres 3 rods and 7 square perches, more or less. The improvements thereon being known as No. 10240 Liberty Road, Randallstown, Maryland 21133.

SAVING AND EXCEPTING, however, from the above described property all that portion thereon containing 1 acres, more or less, and being more particularly described in a Deed from Georgia Miller to Samuel France, dated December 5, 1900, and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber NBM No. 250, folio 520.

BEING the same lot of ground which by Deed dated April 28, 2000 and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber No. 14444 folio 198 was granted and conveyed by Anthony V. DiPasquale and Kathy DiPasquale unto Dennis H. Nicely, Sr. and Milisa A. Nicely, the Grantors herein.

Together with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, made or being; and all and every, the rights, alleys, ways, waters, privileges, appurtenances and advantages thereto belonging, or in anywise appertaining.

To Have and To Hold the said tract of ground and premises above described and mentioned, and hereby intended to be conveyed, together with the rights, privileges, appurtenances and advantages thereto belonging or appertaining unto and to the proper use and benefit of the said BALTIMORE CHRISTIAN FAITH CENTER INCORPORATED, its successors and/or assigns, in fee simple.

And the said parties of the first part hereby covenant that they have not done or suffered to be done any act, matter or thing whatsoever, to encumber the property hereby conveyed; that they will warrant specially the property hereby granted; and that they will execute such further assurances of the same as may be requisite.

BA CIRCUIT COURT (Land Records) [MSA CE 62-28692] SM 28837, p. 0015. Printed 09/23/2010. Online 11/09

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DRIVEWAY EASEMENT AGREEMENT

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THIS AGREEMENT, is made this 30th day of September, 2009, by and between THE TRUSTEES OF MOUNT PARAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, party of the first part, and BALTIMORE CHRISTIAN FAITH CENTER INCORPORATED, party of the second part.

WHEREAS, the party of the first part is the owner of certain real property located in Baltimore County, MD, which property is more particularly described in a Deed dated June 26, 1952, and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County, Maryland in Liber No. 2136, Folio 117, and a Deed dated July 30, 1956, and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County, Maryland, in Liber No. 2993, Folio 218 (Tax Account Number 02-20-660152, hereinafter referred to as the "Mount Paran Property"); and

WHEREAS, the party of the second part is the owner of certain real property, known as 10240 Liberty Road, Baltimore County, MD, which property is more particularly described in a Deed dated September 30, 2009, and recorded, or intended to be recorded, among the Land Records of Baltimore County, Maryland, immediately prior hereto (Tax Account Number 02-06-100544; hereinafter referred to as the "10240 Liberty Road Property"); and

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WHEREAS, the owner of the 10240 Liberty Road Property and the Mount Paran Property share a portion of an existing common macadam driveway (the "Common Driveway") which is located on the Mount Paran Property, as more particularly shown on a "Plat To Accompany Description of Driveway Easement Area — 10240 Liberty Road, Balto. Co, MD", prepared by Mank & Kunst, dated September 17, 2009 (and revised on September 25, 2009), a copy of which is attached hereto as "Exhibit A", and made a part hereof (hereinafter referred to as the "Plat of Driveway Easement"); and

WHEREAS, the parties wish create a driveway easement agreement memorializing the rights and obligations of each with respect to the use and maintenance obligations thereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to each in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the parties covenant and agree for themselves, their heirs, personal representatives, successors and/or assigns as follows:

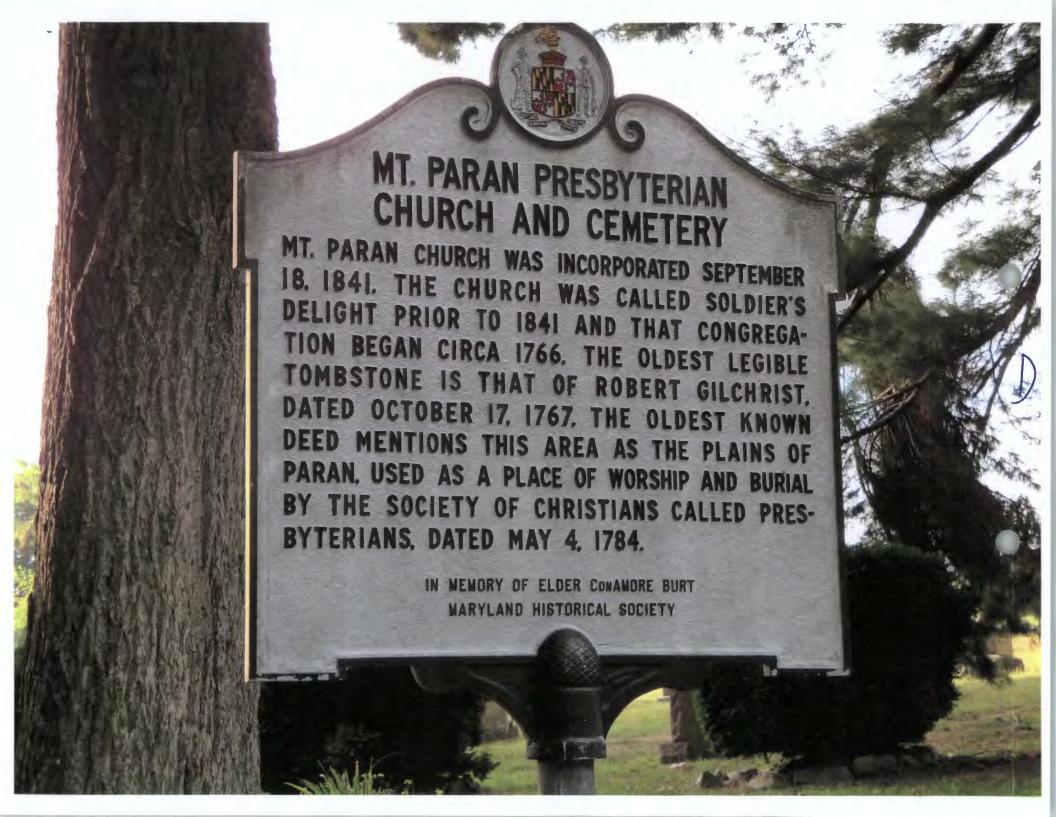
- The party of the first part hereby conveys unto the party of the second part an easement over that part of the Mount Paran Property, more particularly shown as the driveway easement area on the Plat of Driveway Easement, and as more particularly described on the "Description of Driveway Easement between 10240 Liberty Road and Mount Paran Presbyterian Church Property", a copy of which is attached hereto as "Exhibit B", and made a part hereof (said driveway easement area is hereinafter referred to as the "Driveway Easement Area"); and
- 2. The Driveway Easement Area shall be kept open for the purpose of providing a common

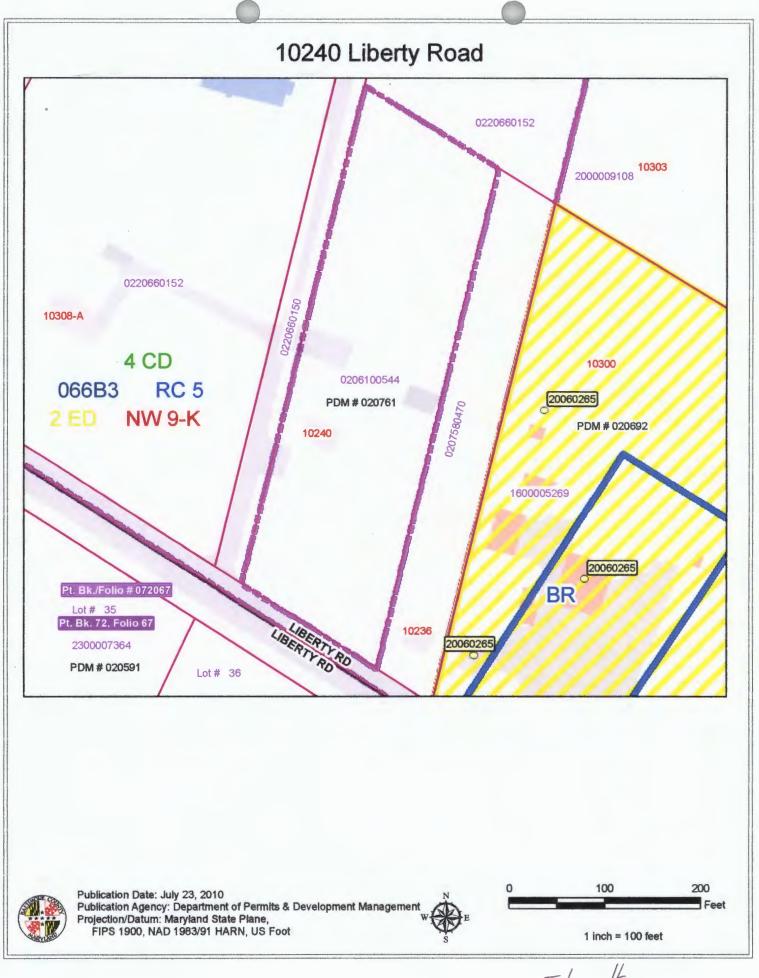
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