

BEFORE THE IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF MATTHEW AND DULANY DENT - LEGAL OWNERS/PETITIONERS FOR SPECIAL HEARING AND VARIANCE ON THE OF PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE SE/CORNER OF BETTY BUSH LN AND BELLONA AVENUE \* (6 BETTY BUSH LANE

9<sup>TH</sup> ELECTION DISTRICT 3<sup>RD</sup> COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT

**BOARD OF APPEALS** 

**BALTIMORE COUNTY** 

CASE NO. 11-148-SPHA

## ORDER OF DISMISSAL

This matter comes to the Board of Appeals by way of an appeal filed by Lawrence E. Schmidt, Esquire as counsel for the Petitioners, Matthew and Dulany Dent, from a final decision of the Zoning Commissioner dated December 20, 2010, in which the requested zoning relief was denied.

WHEREAS, the Board is in receipt of a letter of voluntary withdrawal of the appeal dated April 14, 2011, by Matthew and Dulany Dent, Petitioners/Appellants, (a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof); and

WHEREAS, said Petitioners/Appellants requests that the appeal taken in this matter be withdrawn and dismissed as of April 14, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Board verbally confirmed with Lawrence E. Schmidt, Esquire that he no longer represents the Petitioners/Appellants; and

IT IS ORDERED this 19th day of Horil Appeals of Baltimore County that the appeal taken in Case No. 11-148-SPHA be and the same is hereby DISMISSED.

> **BOARD OF APPEALS** OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

> Lawrence S. Wescott, Chairman

Maureen E. Murbby



## County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County

JEFFERSON BUILDING SECOND FLOOR, SUITE 203 105 WEST CHESAPEAKE AVENUE TOWSON, MARYLAND, 21204 410-887-3180 FAX: 410-887-3182

April 19, 2011

Matthew & Dulany Dent 6 Betty Bush Lane Baltimore, MD 21212

RE: In the Matter of: Matthew and Dulany Dent –Legal Owner/Petitioner Case No.: 11-148-A

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Dent:

Enclosed please find a copy of the Order of Dismissal issued this date by the Board of Appeals of Baltimore County in the above subject matter.

Any petition for judicial review from this decision must be made in accordance with Rule 7-201 through Rule 7-210 of the *Maryland Rules*, with a photocopy provided to this office concurrent with filing in Circuit Court. Please note that all Petitions for Judicial Review filed from this decision should be noted under the same civil action number. If no such petition is filed within 30 days from the date of the enclosed Order, the subject file will be closed.

Very truly yours,

Theresa Shelton/KC

Theresa R. Shelton Administrator

TRS/klc Enclosure

c: Lawrence E. Schmidt, Esquire
Bruce Doak/Gerhold, Cross & Etzel, Ltd.
Delbert Adams
Laura Thomas/Melville Thomas Architects
Peggy Squitieri/Ruxton Riderwood Improvement Assoc.
Office of People's Counsel
Lawrence M. Stahl, Managing Administrative Law Judge
Arnold Jablon, Director/PAI
Jeff Mayhew, Acting Director/Planning
Nancy C. West, Assistant County Attorney
Michael Field, County Attorney

## Mr. and Mrs. Matthew F. Dent 6 Betty Bush Lane Baltimore, Maryland 21212

April 14, 2011

County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County Jefferson Building Second Floor, Suite 203 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing with regards to case # 11-148-SPHA and our assigned hearing date of May 18, 2011. We have recently decided to withdraw our appeal. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Dulany R. Dent

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IN RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING AND VARIANCE

> SE corner of Betty Bush Lane and Bellona Avenue (6 Betty Bush Lane)

9<sup>th</sup> Election District 3rd Councilmanic District

Mathew F. and Dulany R. Dent Appellants/Legal Owners

- BEFORE THE
- ZONING COMMISSIONER
- OF
- BALTIMORE COUNTY

Case No.: 2011-0148-SPHA

### NOTICE OF APPEAL

Appellants/Legal Owners, Mathew F. and Dulany R. Dent, by and through their attorneys, Lawrence E. Schmidt and Smith, Gildea & Schmidt, LLC, feeling aggrieved, in part, by the decision of the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County in the Memorandum Opinion dated December 20, 2010, attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit #1, hereby appeals the Zoning Commissioner's denial of the Petition for Special Hearing and the denial of that part of the Petition for Variance seeking alternative relief for a garage in the front yard to the County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County. The Petition for Variance which granted variance relief is not appealed.

Filed concurrently with this Notice of Appeal is Appellants' check made payable to Baltimore County in full payment of the costs of the appeal. Appellants were a party below and fully participated in the proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT

Smith, Gildea & Schmidt, LLC 600 Washington Avenue, Suite 200

Towson, MD 21204 (410) 821-0070

Attorney for Appellants

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2011, a copy of the foregoing Notice of Appeal was mailed first class, postage pre-paid to:

Lawrence M. Stahl, Esquire Administrative Law Judge 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 103 Towson, MD 21204

Theresa R. Shelton County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 203 Towson, MD 21204

Peggy Squitieri, Executive Director Ruxton Riderwood Lake Roland Area Improvement Association, Inc. P.O. Box 204 8013 Bellona Avenue Riderwood, MD 21139

LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT

# SMITH, GILDEA & SCHMIDT

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January 19, 2011

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Sent via Hand Delivery

Arnold Jablon, Director
Department of Permits, Approvals and Inspections
111 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Room 105
Towson, MD 21204

Re:

Dent/6 Betty Bush Lane Case No.: 2011-0148-SPHA

Dear Mr. Jablon:

Please find enclosed a Notice of Appeal for filing in the above referenced matter. Additionally, I am enclosing our check for Two Hundred Sixty-Five (\$265.00) for the filing of the Notice of Appeal.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this most important matter.

Very truly yours,

Lawrence E. Schmidt

LES: jkl

Enclosures

CC: Lawrence M. Stahl, Esquire, Administrative Law Judge

Theresa R. Shelton, County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County

Peggy Squitieri, Executive Director, RRLRAI Mathew and Dulany Dent, 6 Betty Bush Lane 12/20/10

### IN RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING AND VARIANCE

SE corner of Betty Bush Lane and Bellona Avenue

(6 Betty Bush Lane)

9<sup>th</sup> Election District 3<sup>rd</sup> Councilmanic District

Mathew F. and Dulany R. Dent Legal Owners **BEFORE THE** 

\* ZONING

\* COMMISSIONER

\* OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

CASE NO. 2011-0148-SPHA

### MEMORANDUM OPINION

This matter comes before this Zoning Commissioner for consideration of Petitions for Special Hearing and Variance filed by the legal owners of the subject property, Mathew F. and Dulany R. Dent. The Dents are owners of the property located at 6 Betty Bush Lane, which is located near the intersection of Charles Street and Bellona Avenue. Petitioners request a special hearing to construct a functional open breezeway 47 feet in length which would connect a proposed two story garage to their dwelling, as shown on the site plan. In addition, the Petitioners seek variance relief for the following:

From Sections 1B02.3.C.1, 301.1, 400.1, and 400.3 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R.") as follows:

- To allow a front yard setback of 17 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet for an existing dwelling; and
- To allow a front yard setback of 11 feet in lieu of the required 37.5 feet for a proposed open patio; and
- To allow a garage in the front yard in lieu of the required rear yard (if necessary); and

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• To allow a garage with a height of 25 feet more or less in lieu of the required maximum height of 15 feet (if necessary).

Appearing at the requisite public hearing in support of the requests were the owners, Mathew F. and Dulany R. Dent, and their property line surveyor, Bruce E. Doak of Gerhold, Cross & Etzel, Ltd. Also present at the hearing was Laura Thomas with Melville Thomas Architects, Inc., who prepared architectural drawings for the project and Delbert Adams, the Petitioners' contractor. Finally, Peggy Squitieri appeared on behalf of the Ruxton Riderwood Lake Roland Area Improvement Association, Inc. (RRLRAI). Several letters were received from neighboring homeowners, they are included in the zoning file. I have reviewed all these letters, and I think it is fair to say that they are evenly divided between those that are supportive of the project, and those offering opposition. The gist of the letters opposing the project essentially take issue with the size and scale of the proposed garage addition, which itself would be larger than the home of the neighbor closest to the Dents' property, Thomas Schweizer, who submitted a letter in opposition to the project.

The subject property is irregularly shaped, and Mr. Doak indicated it was shaped like a "pork chop". The subject property is approximately 1.3 acres and is zoned D.R. 1. The two story brick home at the subject property was constructed prior to 1955, and the current setback from the property line is 17 feet, while the current Zoning Regulations require a 50 foot setback for new construction. In addition, the Dents have proposed to construct an open patio on the west side of the existing two story dwelling, which would be located 11 feet from the property line, again instead of the 37.5 feet required under the B.C.Z.R. Section 301.1. The Petitioners seek variances for each of the aforementioned front yard setbacks.

the above, I am not persuaded that the Petitioners are entitled to the relief sought in the Petition for Special Hearing, especially since the breezeway is not required for the use and enjoyment of the subject property, but would merely serve to legitimize the placement of the proposed garage in the front yard.

In light of this ruling, the next topic for consideration is whether the Petitioners are entitled to variance relief to allow a garage with a height of 25 feet more or less in the front yard of their home. Again, I am not persuaded that the Petitioners have met their burden to entitle them to variance relief. Primarily, and even recognizing that the subject site is somewhat unique in configuration, I do not believe that the front yard location for the proposed two story garage is the only functionally appropriate placement for the structure. Based on the site plan, the Petitioners could certainly construct a garage in the rear of the dwelling which would not require a variance or Having made a site visit to the subject property, and taking into special hearing relief. consideration the location of the nearest adjoining homeowners (all of whom are opposed to the project), I believe that the construction of the proposed garage would be of such a size and scale as to alter the open and pastoral setting on this private cul-de-sac. Simply put, though, the Petitioners may certainly desire to construct the garage in their front yard, this is not the only available location for the structure, and doing so would have a negative impact on the closest adjoining neighbors. In addition, the Petitioners have not introduced evidence sufficient to satisfy the rigorous test for variance relief set out in Cromwell v. Ward, and the Petitions must therefore be denied.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County, this day of December, 2010 that Petitioners' request for Variance seeking relief from the

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front yard setbacks for an existing dwelling and proposed open patio, in accordance with Petitioners' Exhibit 1, be and is hereby GRANTED; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition for Special Hearing to construct an open breezeway be and is hereby DENIED; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition for Variance seeking alternative relief to construct a garage in the front yard of the home, and at a height of 25 feet, be and is hereby DENIED.

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

WILLIAM J WISEMAN Zoning Commissioner

for Baltimore County

WJW:pz



JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

WILLIAM J. WISEMAN III

Zoning Commissioner

December 20, 2010

Mathew F. and Dulany R. Dent 6 Betty Bush Lane Baltimore MD 21212

RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING AND VARIANCE

(6 Betty Bush Lane)
Mathew F. and Dulany R. Dent – Petitioners
Case No. 2011-0148-SPHA

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Dent:

Enclosed please find a copy of the decision rendered in the above-captioned matter.

In the event any party finds the decision rendered is unfavorable, any party may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on filing an appeal, please contact the Department of Permits and Development Management office at 887-3391.

Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

WJW:pz

Enclosure

Peggy Squitieri, Ruxton Riderwood Lake Roland Area Improvement Association, Inc., PO Box 204,
 Riderwood MD 21139
 Bruce E. Doak, Gerhold Cross & Etzel, Ltd., 320 East Towsontown Blvd., Suite 100, Towson MD 21286
 Laura Thomas, Melville Thomas Architects, Inc., 600 Wyndhurst Avenue, Suite 245, Baltimore MD 21210
 Delbert Adams, 6410 Pratt Avenue, Baltimore MD 21212

People's Counsel; DEPRM; Office of Planning; File



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# **Petition for Special Hearing**

(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

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for the property located at #6 Betty Bush Lane

which is presently zoned D.R. 1

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to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

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Attorney For Petitioner:	6 Betty Bush Lane Address Telephone No.
	Baltimore, Maryland 21212
Name - Type or Print	City State Zip Code
Name - Type or Print Signature	Representative to be Contacted:
Signature	Bruce E. Doak (Gerhold, Cross & Etzel, Ltd)
Company Telephone No.	Name 320 E. Towsontown Blvd. Suite 100 (410)-823-4470
Address Telephone No.	Address Telephone No.
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I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of



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# **Petition for Variance**

# to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County for the property located at #6 Betty Bush Lane

which is presently zoned D.R. 1

Deed Reference: 29893 / 174 Tax Account # 0912004950

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)

1B02.3.C.1 & 301.1 & 400.1 & 400.3

To allow a front yard setback of 17 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet for an existing dwelling.

To allow a front yard setback of 11 feet in lieu of the required 37.5 feet for a proposed open patio.

To allow a Garage in the front yard in lieu of the required rear yard. (if necessary)

To allow a Garage with a height of 25 feet more or less in lieu of the required maximum height of 15 feet. (if necessary)

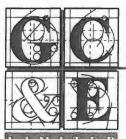
of the zoning regulations of Baltimore County, to the zoning law of Baltimore County, for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or practical difficulty.)

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.

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Reviewed by



## Gerhold, Cross & Etzel, Ltd.

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October 5, 2010

ZONING DESCRIPTION
Dent Property
Tax ID: 09-12-004950
#6 Betty Bush Lane
Baltimore County, Maryland

All that piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Ninth Election District, Third Councilmanic District of Baltimore County, Maryland and described as follows to wit:

Commencing at a point in the center of Bellona Avenue, 15 feet Southeast from its intersection with the center of Betty Bush Lane, thence leaving said road and running thence,

- 1) South 02 degrees 42 minutes 52 seconds East 513.27 feet,
- 2) South 89 degrees 17 minutes 08 seconds West 217.04 feet,
- 3) North 02 degrees 42 minutes 52 seconds West 132.64 feet to the center of Betty Bush Lane, thence running along or near the center of Betty Bush Lane
- 4) North 54 degrees 33 minutes 16 seconds East 44.45 feet,
- 5) North 39 degrees 31 minutes 16 seconds East 80.14 feet,
- 6) North 35 degrees 39 minutes 58 seconds East 93.51 feet,
- 7) North 29 degrees 48 minutes 36 seconds East 46.30 feet,
- 8) North 17 degrees 46 minutes 56 seconds East 57.55 feet,
- 9) North 01 degrees 01 minutes 46 seconds East 128.70 feet to the center of Bellona Avenue, thence running along the center of Bellona Avenue
- 10) South 73 degrees 17 minutes 28 seconds East 15.00 feet to the place of beginning.

Containing 1.302 Acres of land, more or less.

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Note: This description only satisfies the requirements of the Office of Zoning and is not to be used for the purposes of conveyance.

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#### NOTICE OF ZONING HEARING

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

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Case: # 2011-0148-SPHA
6 Betty Bush
5/east corner ofBetty Bush Lane and Bellona Avenue
9th Election District - 3rd Councilmanic District
Legal Owner(s): Matthew & Dulary Dent
Special Hearing: for a functional breezeway of 47 feet in
length more or less attached by common walls as shown on
the accompanying plan. Variance: to allow a front yard setback of 17 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet for an existing
dwelling; to allow a front yard setback of 11 ft. in lieu of the
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necessary).
Hearing: Monday, December 13, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. in

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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.

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## CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

11/25 ,2010
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 11 23, 2010.
The Jeffersonian
☐ Arbutus Times
☐ Catonsville Times
☐ Towson Times
Owings Mills Times
☐ NE Booster/Reporter
☐ North County News

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### CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

RE: Case #2011-0148-SPHA

PETITIONER: Matthew & Dulany Dent

**DATE OF HEARING: December 13,** 

2010

BALTIMORE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING, ROOM 111 111 WEST CHESAPEAKE AVE. TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204

**ATTENTION: KRISTEN MATTHEWS** 

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

THIS LETTER IS TO CERTIFY UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PERJURY THAT THE NECESSARY SIGN(S) REQUIRED BY LAW WERE POSTED CONSPICUOUSLY ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT

LOCATION: 6 Betty Bush Lane

(see page 2 for full size photo)

SIGNATURE OF SIGN POSTER

Bruce E. Doak

GERHOLD, CROSS & ETZEL, LTD SUITE 100 320EAST TOWSONTOWN BLVD TOWSON, MARYLAND 21286 410-823-4470 PHONE 410-823-4473 FAX

POSTED ON: 11/23/10



CASE #:2011-0148-SPHA

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

PLACE: Room 104 Jefferson Building

TIME & 105 West Chesapeake Avenue, Towson, MD

DATE: 9:00 am Monday December 13, 2010

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CALL 410-887-3391 THE DAY BEFORE THE SCHEDULED HEARING DATE

DO NOT REMOVE THIS SIGN AND POST UNTIL THE HEARING UNDER PENALTY OF LAW





# County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County

JEFFERSON BUILDING SECOND FLOOR, SUITE 203 105 WEST CHESAPEAKE AVENUE TOWSON, MARYLAND, 21204 410-887-3180 FAX: 410-887-3182

Jefferson Building - Second Floor Hearing Room #2 - Suite 206 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue

April 11, 2011

## **NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT**

CASE #: 11-148-SPHA

IN THE MATTER OF: MATTHEW AND DULANY DENT
6 BETTY BUSH LANE
9<sup>TH</sup> E; 3<sup>RD</sup> C

Re: Petition for Special Hearing to approve a functional open breezeway of 47 Ft in length which would connect a proposed two story garage to their dwelling as shown in the site plan and Petition for Variance to allow:

a front yard setback of 17 ft ilo req'd 50 ft for an existing dwelling;

a front yard setback of 11 ft ilo req'd 37.5 ft for a proposed open patio;

a garage in the front yard ilo the req'd rear yard (if necessary);

a garage with a height of 25 ft ilo req'd max height of 15 ft (if necessary).

12/20/10 Memorandum Opinion issued by the Zoning Commissioner GRANTING the requested Variance relief to allow the front yard setbacks in accordance with Petitioners Exhibit 1; DENYING the requested Petition for Special Hearing to construct an open breezeway; and DENYING the requested Variance relief to construct a garage in the front yard of the home with a height of 25 ft.

## ASSIGNED FOR: WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2011 AT 10:00 A.M.

**NOTICE**: This appeal is an evidentiary hearing; therefore, parties should consider the advisability of retaining an attorney.

Please refer to the Board's Rules of Practice & Procedure, Appendix B, Baltimore County Code.

**IMPORTANT**: No postponements will be granted without sufficient reasons; said requests must be in writing and in compliance with Rule 2(b) of the Board's Rules. No postponements will be granted within 15 days of scheduled hearing date unless in full compliance with Rule 2(c).

If you have a disability requiring special accommodations, please contact this office at least one week prior to hearing date.

Theresa R. Shelton, Administrator

c: Counsel for Petitioner/Legal Owner

: Lawrence Schmidt, Esquire

Petitioner/Legal Owner

: Matthew and Dulany Dent

Peggy Squitieri (RRIA)

Bruce Doak

Laura Thomas

Delbert Adams

Office of People's Counsel Lawrence M. Stahl, Administrative Law Judge Arnold Jablon, Director/PAI Jeff Mayhew, Acting Director/Office of Planning Nancy C. West, Assistant County Attorney Michael Field, County Attorney TO: PATUXENT PUBLISHING COMPANY

Tuesday, November 23, 2010 Issue - Jeffersonian

Please forward billing to:

Matthew & Dulany Dent 6 Betty Bush Lane Baltimore, MD 21212 410-828-0575

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CASE NUMBER: 2011-0148-SPHA

6 Betty Bush

S/east corner of Betty Bush Lane and Bellona Avenue

9<sup>th</sup> Election District – 3<sup>rd</sup> Councilmanic District

Legal Owners: Matthew & Dulany Dent

<u>Special Hearing</u> for a functional breezewayof 47 feet in length more or less attached by common walls as shown on the accompanying plan. <u>Variance</u> to allow a front yard setback of 17 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet for an existing dwelling; to allow a front yard setback of 11 ft. in lieu of the required 37.5 feet for a proposed open patio; to allow a garage in the front yard in lieu of the required rear yard (if necessary). To allow a garage with a height of 25 feet more or less in lieu of the required maximum height of 15 feet (if necessary).

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WILLIAM J. WISEMAN III

ZONING COMMISSIONER FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

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



JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO, Director
Department of Permits and
Development Management
November 9, 2010

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Legal Owners: Matthew & Dulany Dent

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Hearing: Monday, December 13, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 104, Jefferson Building, 105 West Chesapeake Avenue, Towson 21204

Timothy Kotroco

Director

TK:kl

C: Mr. & Mrs. Dent, 6 Betty Bush, Baltimore 21212

Bruce Doak, GC& E, 320 E. Towsontown Blvd., Ste. 100, Towson 21286

NOTES: (1) THE PETITIONER MUST HAVE THE ZONING NOTICE SIGN POSTED BY AN APPROVED POSTER ON THE PROPERTY BY SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 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.

# 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.

	per or Case Number: 2011 - 0148 - SPHA	
Petitioner:	Matthew F. Dent & Dulany R. Dent	
Address o	Location: 6 Betty Bush Lane	
	ORWARD ADVERTISING BILL TO: Matthew F. Dent & Dulany R. Dent	
Address:	G Betty Bush Lane	



JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

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

December 8, 2010

Matthew F. & Dulany R, Dent 6 Betty Bush Lane Baltimore, Maryland 21212

Dear Matthew & Dulany:

RE: 2011-0148-SPHA, 6 Betty Bush Lane

The above referenced petition was accepted for processing **ONLY** by the Bureau of Zoning Review, Department of Permits and Development Management (PDM) on October 21, 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,
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W. Carl Richards, Jr. Supervisor, Zoning Review

WCR:rjc

**Enclosures** 

c: People's Counsel Bruce E. Doak Gerhold Cross & Etzel, LTD. 320 E. Towsontown Blvd Ste. 100 Towson Md 21286 SKAA State Highway Administration

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

#### MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Date: Nov. 3, 2010

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

RE: Baltimore County

Item No. 2011-01485PHA

6 BETTY BUSH LN.

DENT PROPERTY SPECIAL HEARING-

VARIANCE -

Dear Ms. Matthews:

Thank you for the opportunity to review your referral request on the subject of the above captioned. We have determined that the subject property does not access a State roadway and is not affected by any State Highway Administration projects. Therefore, based upon available information this office has no objection to Baltimore County Zoning Advisory Committee approval of Item No. 2011.

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

Very truly yours,

Steven D. Foster, Chie

Engineering Access Permits

Division

SDF/mb



Office of the Fire Marshal 700 East Joppa Road Towson, Maryland 21286-5500 410-887-4880

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

November 9, 2010

ATTENTION:

Kristen Mathews

ZAC 11-15-2010

Case Number(s): 2011-0148-SPHA

2011-0150-A 2011-0151-A

2011-0152-SPHA

2011-0153-A

The fire marshal's office has no comments at this time.

Lt. Jimmie D. Mezick Fire Marshal's Office 410-887-4880 MS-1102F

cc: File

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### **Inter-Office Correspondence**



TO:

Timothy Kotroco

FROM:

Dave Lykens, DEPRM

DATE:

December 21, 2010

SUBJECT:

Address

Zoning Item # 11-0148-SPHA

6 Betty Bush Lane

(Dent Property)

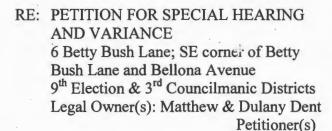
Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of November 1, 2010.

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

Reviewer:

**JWL** 

Date: December 21, 2010



- BEFORE THE
- \* ZONING COMMISSIONER
- \* FOR
- \* BALTIMORE COUNTY
- \* 2011-148-SPHA

### **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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People's Counsel for Baltimore County

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

### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 5th day of November, 2010, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Bruce Doak, Gerhold, Cross & Etzel, 320 E Towsontowne Boulevard, Suite 100, Towson, Maryland 21286, Attorney for Petitioner(s).

Peter Max Zummerman

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN
People's Counsel for Baltimore County



KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive ARNOLD JABLON
Deputy Administrative Officer
Director, Department of Permits,
Approvals & Inspections

March 30, 2011

Matthew & Dulany Dent 6 Betty Bush Lane Baltimore, MD 21212

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Dent:

RE: Case: 2011-0148-SPHA, 6 Betty Bush Lane

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BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS

Please be advised that an appeal of the above-referenced case was filed in this office on your behalf by Lawrence Schmidt on January 19, 2011. All materials relative to the case have been forwarded to the Baltimore County Board of Appeals (Board).

If you are the person or party taking the appeal, you should notify other similarly interested parties or persons known to you of the appeal. If you are an attorney of record, it is your responsibility to notify your client.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to call the Board at 410-887-3180.

Sincerely,

Arnoid Jablon

AJ:kl

c: Administrative Hearings Office
People's Counsel
Lawrence Schmidt, Smith, Gildea & Schmidt, 600 Washington Ave., Ste. 200, Towson 21204
Peggy Squitieri, Ruxton Riderwood Improvement Assoc.,P.O. Box 204, Riderwood 21139
Bruce Doak, Gerhold, Cross & Etzel, 320 E. Towsontown Blvd., Ste. 100, Towson 21286
Laura Thomas, Melville Thomas Architechts, 600 Wyndhurst Ave., Ste. 245, Baltimore 21210
Delbert Adams, 6410 Pratt Avenue, Baltimore 21212

#### APPEAL

Petition for Special Hearing & Variance
6 Betty Bush Lane
SE corner of Betty Bush Lane and Bellona Avenue
9<sup>th</sup> Election District — 3<sup>rd</sup> Councilmanic District
Legal Owners: Matthew & Dulany Dent

Case No.: 2011-0148-SPHA

Case 140 201	1-0140-31117
√Petition for Special Hearing & Variance (October	21, 2010)
✓Zoning Description of Property	
✓ Notice of Zoning Hearing (November 9, 2010)	
Certification of Publication (The Jeffersonian – No	ovember 23, 2010)
✓ Certificate of Posting (November 23, 2010) by Br	uce Doak
√Entry of Appearance by People's Counsel (Nover	mber 5, 2010)
✓ Petitioner(s) Sign-In Sheet – One Sheet	
Protestant(s) Sign-In Sheet None	RECEIV

✓Citizen(s) Sign-In Sheet – One Sheet

Zoning Advisory Committee Comments



BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS

### Petitioners' Exhibit

1. Site Plan

/2. (A thru I) Photos

✓ 2B. Plan to accompany proposed elevations✓ 3. Plan featuring proposed elevations

Drawings of improvements

Correspondence for 6 Betty Bush Lane

#### Protestants' Exhibits:

✓ 1. Letter dated December 7, 2010 from Scott Bass and Elyse Jacob

✓ 1b. Letter dated November 8, 2010 from Frances Schweizer

1c. Letter dated December 8, 2010 from David & Sonya Hannan

#### Miscellaneous (Not Marked as Exhibit)

Letters in support of Petition request (3)

Zoning Commissioner's Order (Special Hearing – Partially Granted / Variance – DENIED – December 20, 2010)

Notice of Appeal received on January 19, 2010 from Lawrence Schmidt

#### Address list

#### Petitioners:

Matthew & Dulany Dent 6 Betty Bush Lane Baltimore, MD 21212

Lawrence E. Schmidt, Esquire Smith, Gildea & Schmidt, LLC 600 Washington Ave, Ste 200 Towson, MD 21204 Delbert Adams 6410 Pratt Avenue Baltimore, MD 21212

Laura Thomas Melville Thomas Architects 600 Wyndhurst Ave, Ste 245 Baltimore, MD 21210

Interested Persons:

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**ZONING COMMISSIONER** 

William B. Chambers Kathryn R. Chambers 12 Betty Bush Lane Baltimore, MD 21212

December 2, 2010

Mr. William J. Wiseman Zoning Commissioner Baltimore County Courts Building 401 Bosley Avenue M. S. 3401 Towson, MD 21204

Re: Zoning Appeal - 6 Betty Bush Lane Baltimore, MD 21212

Dear Mr. Wiseman,

We are adjacent neighbors to the above referenced property and have seen the proposed construction plans for the improvement to 6 Betty Bush Lane. We support (or do not oppose) the zoning relief requested.

Sincerely,

William B. Chambers

cc: Dulany and Mathew Dent

Bruce Doak, Gerhold Cross & Etzel



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December 7th, 2010

**ZONING COMMISSIONER** 

Mr. William J. Wiseman Zoning Commisioner Baltimore County Courts Building 401 Bosley Avenue M.S. 3401 Towson, MD 21204

Dear William,

I have seen the proposed location and plans for the construction and support (or do not oppose) the zoning relief requested. Have a great holiday.

Sincerely,

Russell Croft

cc: Dulany and Matthew Dent, Bruce Doak

### December 10th, 2010

Mr. William J. Wiseman Zoning Commisioner Baltimore County Courts Building 401 Bosley Avenue M.S. 3401 Towson, MD 21204

Dear Mr. Wiseman,

I have seen the proposed location and plans for the Dent construction. Without question we support the zoning relief requested. The design is consistent with the architectural feel of the area.

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Sincerely,

Steven O. Ludwig, MD and Cynthia C. Amitin, MD

7206 Bellona Avenue Baltimore, MD 21212

cc: Dulany and Matthew Dent, Bruce Doak

## PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

CASE NAME DENT PROPERTY

CASE NUMBER 2011-0148- SPUA

DATE 12/13/10

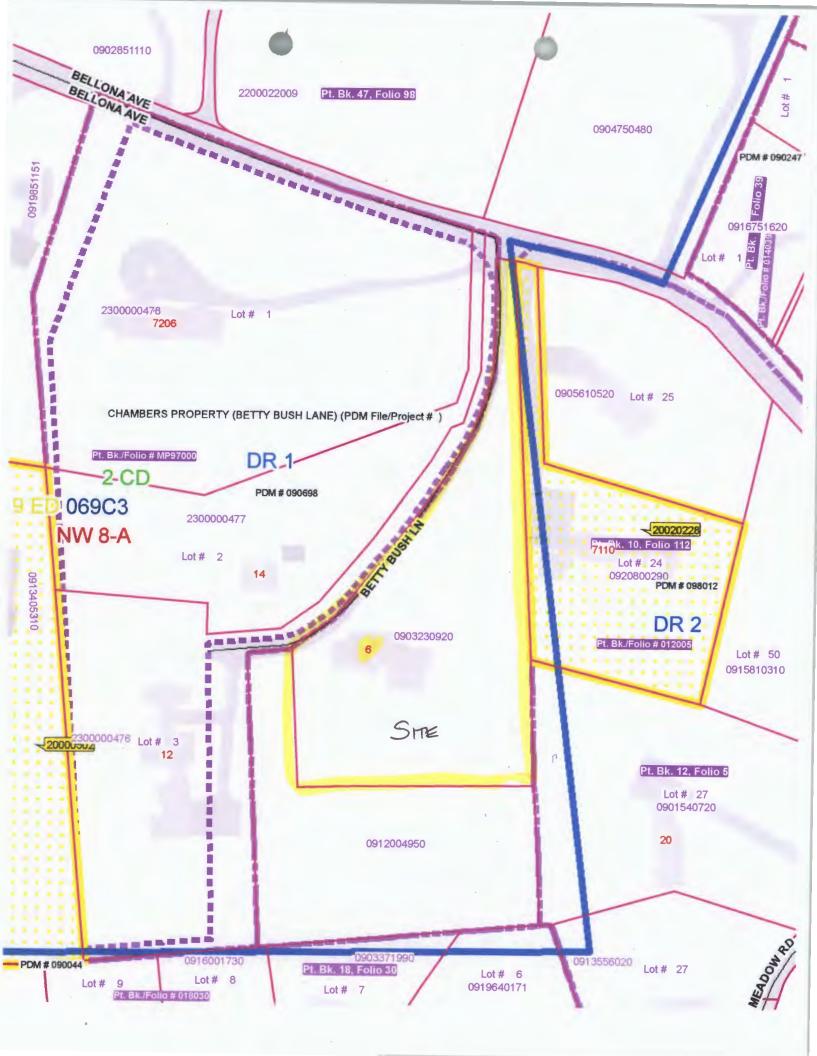
## PETITIONER'S SIGN-IN SHEET

NAME	ADDRESS	CITY, STATE, ZIP	E- MAIL
BRUCE E. DOAK	320 E. TOWSONTOWN BLUD	Tourson Mo 21286	
GERNOLD CROSS & ETZGE, LTD			
Dulany + Matt Dent	6 Bethy Bush Lane	Balt MD 21212	dulandente yahoo.com
Dulany + Mart Dent	600 WINDHAST AVE #315	BAJIMOPE MD 21210	LTHOMSO MTARX. CO
DREW ADAMS	6410 PRATT Ave	BOUT MD 21212	dadams edacglic.com
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CASE NAME Dent Property:	
CASE NUMBER 2011-0148-SPA	-
DATE 12/13/10	t

## CITIZEN'S SIGN-IN SHEET

NAME	ADDRESS	CITY, STATE, ZIP	E- MAIL
NAME RRLRAIA (Peggy Saus FIER	P.O Box 204	Riderwood MD 21139	RRIPARI @ Comcist
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#### § 32-4-203. BALTIMORE COUNTY DESIGN REVIEW PANEL.

- (a) In general.
- (1) A Development Plan is subject to review under this section if the proposed development is located in a design review area identified on the map adopted under § 32-4-204 of this subtitle.
- (2) For purposes of this section, a proposed development includes a minor subdivision, but does not include a Planned Unit Development.
- (3) For purposes of this section, a proposed development means a development consisting of new construction or a substantial addition or change to an existing Development Plan, as determined by the Office of Planning.
- (4) (i) In the case of a residential single lot of record, any new dwelling unit shall be reviewed by the Panel.
- This does not apply to any addition to a dwelling unit unless the addition is more than 50% of the gross square footage of the existing dwelling.
  - (b) Panel established.
    - There is a Baltimore County Design Review Panel. (1)
- In order to encourage design excellence, the Panel shall act in a consulting and advisory capacity to the agencies involved in the interagency process for reviewing Development Plans under § 32-4-226 of this subtitle.
  - (c) Objective for assessment.
- The Panel shall apply the policies in the Comprehensive Manual of Development Policies and in the Master Plan in assessing whether a proposed plan:
- (i) Demonstrates a satisfactory spatial, visual, and functional relationship to the topographic characteristics, the natural features, and the built features of the site as well as the surrounding features of the site:
- Gives primary design consideration to the visual and functional integration of streetscapes, pedestrian pathways, playgrounds, recreational amenities, and parks;
- (iii) Demonstrates that streets and sidewalks are laid out as safe and convenient linkages and that parking becomes a positive design element that contributes to the overall image of the site;
- Demonstrates that buildings, parking garages, and other accessory structures are spatially and visually integrated and suitable to their surroundings in proportion, massing and type, materials and colors, signage, and other elements of urban design; and
- Demonstrates that plant materials are selected and sited to define the site, provide a theme or image appropriate to the development, frame views, enhance architecture and street characteristics, develop continuity of adjacent open spaces, improve the micro-climate, provide

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### Exhibit #1

IN RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING

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SE comer of Betty Bush Lane and

Bellona Avenue

(6 Betty Bush Lane)

\* BEFORE THE

ZONING

COMMISSIONER

9th Election District

3rd Councilmanic District

\* OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

Mathew F. and Dulany R. Dent Legal Owners

CASE NO. 2011-0148-SPHA

#### MEMORANDUM OPINION

This matter comes before this Zoning Commissioner for consideration of Petitions for Special Hearing and Variance filed by the legal owners of the subject property, Mathew F. and Dulany R. Dent. The Dents are owners of the property located at 6 Betty Bush Lane, which is located near the intersection of Charles Street and Bellona Avenue. Petitioners request a special hearing to construct a functional open breezeway 47 feet in length which would connect a proposed two story garage to their dwelling, as shown on the site plan. In addition, the Petitioners seek variance relief for the following:

From Sections 1B02.3.C.1, 301.1, 400.1, and 400.3 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R.") as follows:

- To allow a front yard setback of 17 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet for an existing dwelling; and
- To allow a front yard setback of 11 feet in lieu of the required 37.5 feet for a proposed open patio; and
- · To allow a garage in the front yard in lieu of the required rear yard (if necessary); and







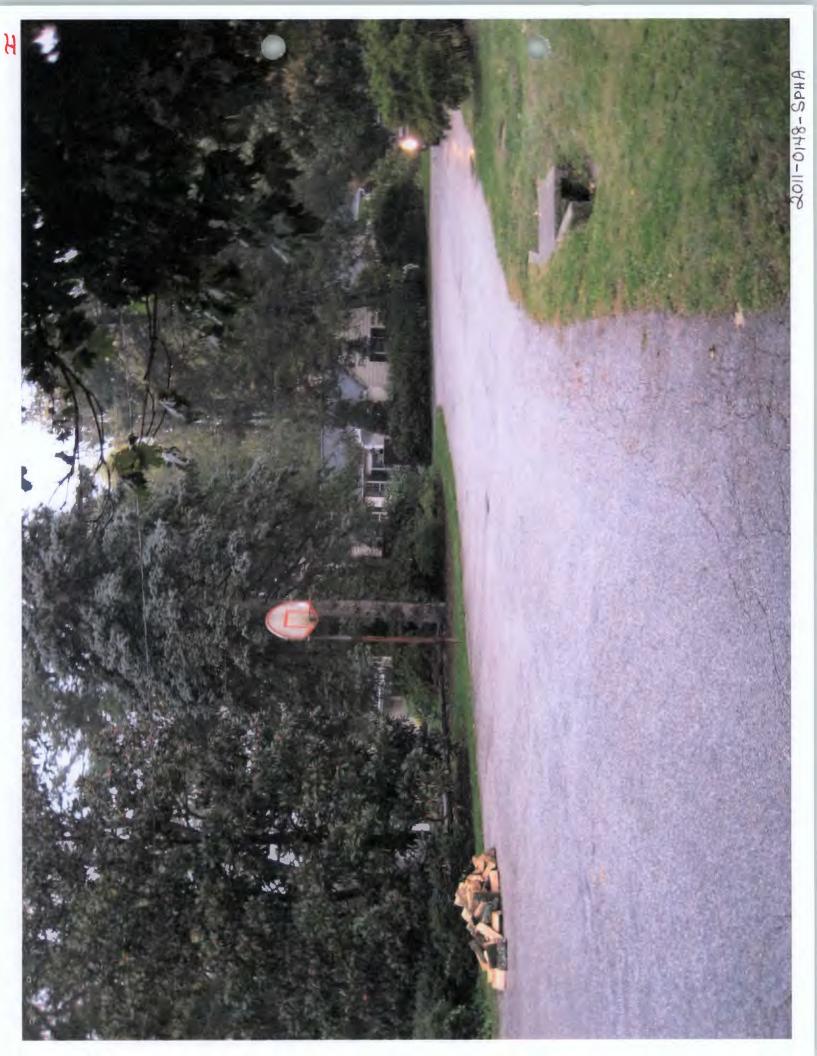


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#### Fw: 6 Betty Bush Lane Zoning Case No. 2011

Matthew Dent

---- Original Message ----

From: Kathy Frederick Palencar <towsonre@gmail.com>

To: Matthew Dent

Sent: Sun Dec 12 15:58:13 2010

Subject: Re: 6 Betty Bush Lane Zoning Case No. 2011

Hi, Matt,

After much discussion, and our board President, Kathy Mountcastle's meeting with the Hannons today, our official position will be that RRLRAIA will not oppose the variance, but will recommend that the deed be restricted so that the garage can't ever be used as a dwelling, and that the project voluntarily submit to the Design Review Panel.

Peggy Squiteri will attend the hearing as an interested party. There's no need to meet prior to the hearing.

Best regards, Kathy

Kathleen Frederick Palencar Commercial Real Estate Appraisal & Consulting 443-845-7860

On Sun, Dec 12, 2010 at 1:33 PM, Matthew Dent <mdent@dfdent.com> wrote:

Kathy,

Thanks for your email. I'm not sure exactly what the Design Review Panel process entails, but I will ask our architect and builder about it. These conditions seem reasonable to me (assuming that there are not a lot of costs involved with the Design Review Panel process) and we'd be happy to meet with your executive director before the hearing on Monday morning.

Please let me know if you'd like for that to happen. We can have the architect (Laura Thomas) and our lawyer (Bruce Doak) there at 8:30am if that works. If necessary we could also get the builder Delbert Adams there.

Thanks for your attention and ability to meet with us on such short notice during this very busy time.

-Matt

---- Original Message -----

From: Kathy Frederick Palencar <towsonre@gmail.com>

To: Matthew Dent

Sent: Sat Dec 11 15:50:26 2010

Subject: Fwd: 6 Betty Bush Lane Zoning Case No. 2011

PETITIONER'S

EXHIBIT NO. A5

8 November 2010

Hear Mr Weisman,

I am writing in reference to case

# 2011-0148-SPHA regarding zoxing wariancer and permits for the proposed construction of a three car, two story garage in the
front yard of 6 Betty Bush Lane, Baltinione,

Myd. 21212.

I would like to express my concern, register my opposition to such construction as currently planned and ask for a denial of said variance requests.

I ful that the derived size and ispurially the location of such a structure will irreparably comprovise the integrity, stability and the intrinsic value of the existing area which, is now, very open and park-like.

Building a garage which, as planned, is larger than my house - directly across Protestant Fether IA

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**Zoning Commissioner** 

105 W. Chesapeake Avenue

Baltimore, MD 21204

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**ZONING COMMISSIONER** 

From: Scott Base and Elyse Jacob (Abutters to 6 Betty Bush Lane)

7110 Bellona Ave, Baltimore, MD 21212

Re: Opposition to Requested Zoning Variance for 6 Betty Bush Lane

Case Number: 2011-0148-SPHA

Date: December 7, 2010

This is to express our opposition to the construction of a two story building proposed to be built on the east section of the front yard of 6 Betty Bush Lane. The opposition from us, the northeast side abutter located at 7110 Bellona Avenue is based on the following:

- The building, proposed as a 3 car garage with a full second story, is designed as a free standing new building with a breezeway connection to the main residence whose future unofficial use can be that of an independent residence or rental property.
- A 15-20 foot breezeway leading to a new separate two story building is an artificial attachment to the main residence and is opposed in lieu of a true contiguous and connected addition to the existing residence utilizing existing walls of the primary residence.
- The building would be placed in the front yard of the primary residence blocking existing viewpoints for the east side residents. Substantial acreage exists for alternative siting in the rear or side yard of the property.
- The new building height would significantly alter the landscape and visual presentation of the neighborhood.
- The building, which is proposed to be 15-20 feet from the main house, would be larger than the residence across the street at 14 Betty Bush Lane, raising questions of proportionality and, because of distance and size from the main house, creates a distinct future option as an unapproved rental property for a future owner.

Therefore, we ask that the variances for setbacks, location, and height be denied as this has the potential to do irreparable long-term harm to a unique and stable neighborhood. Further, in this instance, there are other design and location options available to the Dent's (Homeowner's of 6 Betty Bush Lane) to accomplish the primary goal of a 3 car garage which would be acceptable. We have met with the Dent's and informed them of our opposition to this construction as planned. They told us that they will think over our concerns and discuss with their architect. We are hopeful that they will come up with a new plan where the garage is attached on the side or back of the house, until then we remain opposed to the current request for variances.

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#### 7108 Bellona Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21212

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ZONING COMMISSIONER

December 8, 2010

Mr. William Wiseman Zoning Commissioner 105 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Dear Mr. Wiseman:

The purpose of this letter is to memorialize our concern regarding the granting of zoning variances to allow the construction of a two-story garage structure in the front yard of 6 Betty Bush Lane, in its currently planned format. Our home sits diagonally to 6 Betty Bush Lane, and has direct sightlines to the front yard of the property.

Re: Proposed Zoning Variance for 6 Betty Bush Lane (Case Number 2011-0148-SPHA)

The homeowners, Mr. and Mrs. Dent, have reviewed and discussed the proposed construction plans with us. If the variances are granted, we no longer will see the front of their house, but a very large garage. We are concerned that the proposed structure in the front yard of the property will adversely affect existing sightlines and will have a significant negative impact on the flow of the neighborhood; therefore, we must object to the structure as proposed.

We and other neighbors have had constructive dialogue with the Dents on the structure. We are hopeful that a solution can be reached that is acceptable to everyone involved. However, until that solution has been reached, we must note our concerns to your office.

We have no objection to any of the other matters relating to the subject property.

Very truly yours

David & Sonya Hannan



## D.R. I BUILDING SETBACKS

MINIMUM NET LOT AREA PER DMELLINS UNIT (sq. 1t.)

MINIMUM LOT WIDTH (Post)

MINIMUM FRONT YARD DEPTH (Foot) MINIMUM MIDTH OF INDIVIDUAL SIDE YARD (Poet) MINIMUM SUM OF SIDE YARD MIDTHS (Poet) MINIMUM REAR YARD DEPTH (Poet)

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SONYA K HANNAN
S.M. No. 24335 Folio 90
7108 BELLONA AVENUE

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SCOTT A BASS
ELYSE E JACOB
SM. No. 11781 Folio 350
7110 BELLONA AVENUE

LOT 27
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(BREEZENAY)

THOMAS SCHMEIZER FRANCES B'SCHMEIZER 5.M. No. 16326 Folio 536 14 BETTY BUSH LANE

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MINIMUM BUILDING SETBACK LINE

PLANTED AREA



VICINITY MAP l" = 300'

### GENERAL NOTES

- I. THE BOUNDARY SHOWN HEREON IS FROM A SURVEY BY GERHOLD, CROSS & ETZEL, LTD. 2. THE TOPOGRAPHY SHOWN HEREON WAS TAKEN FROM BALTIMORE COUNTY GIS TILE 069C3.
- 3. THERE ARE NO KNOWN PRIOR ZONING CASES ON THE SUBJECT PROPERTY. 4. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS NEITHER HISTORIC NOR WITHIN A HISTORIC DISTRICT. 5. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS NOT LOCATED IN THE CHESAPEAKE BAY CRITICAL AREA.
- 6. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS NOT WITHIN A 100 YEAR FLOOD PLAIN.
- 7. ALL LOTS SHOWN HEREON ARE TO BE SERVED BY PUBLIC WATER AND SEPTIC SYSTEMS.

### VARIANCES REQUESTED

BALTIMORE COUNTY ZONING REGULATIONS:

SECTION IBO2.3.C.I

TO ALLOW A FRONT YARD SETBACK OF 17'
IN LIEU OF THE REQUIRED 50' FOR AN EXISTING
DWELLING.

SECTION 301.1

TO ALLOW A FRONT YARD SETBACK OF II' IN LIEU OF THE REQUIRED 37.5' FOR A PROPOSED OPEN PATIO.

SECTION 401.1

TO ALLOW A GARAGE IN THE FRONT YARD IN LIEU OF THE REQUIRED REAR YARD. (IF NECESSARY)

SECTION 401.3

TO ALLOW A GARAGE WITH A HEIGHT OF 25'± IN LIEU OF THE REQUIRED MAXIMUM HEIGHT OF 15'. (IF NECESSARY)

SPECIAL HEARING REQUESTED TO APPROVE A FUNCTIONAL BREEZEWAY OF 47 FEET MORE OR LESS ATTACHED BY COMMON WALLS AS SHOWN HEREON.

PLAN TO ACCOMPANY A PETITION FOR A YARIANCE & SPECIAL HEARING FOR THE DENT PROPERTY



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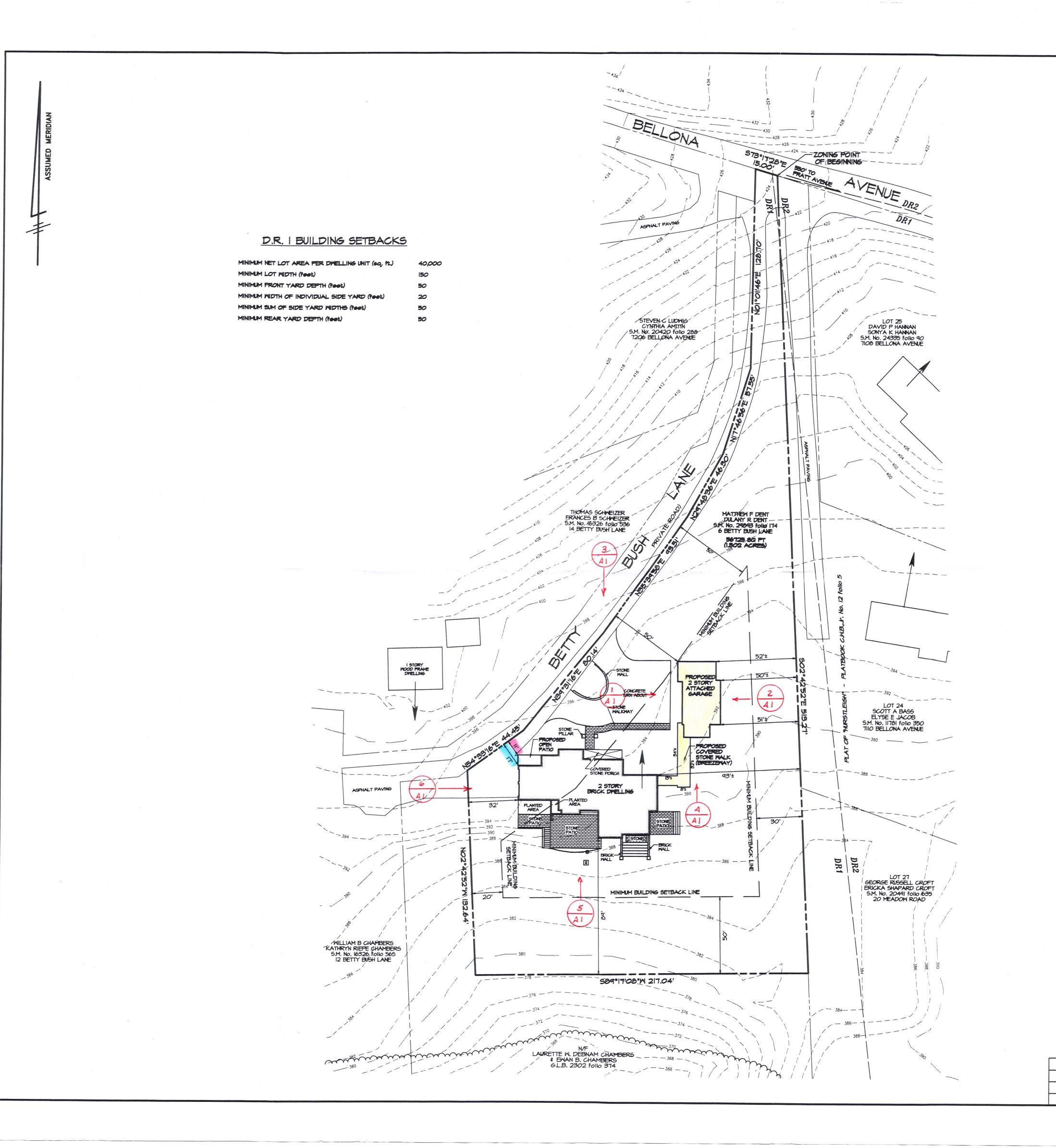
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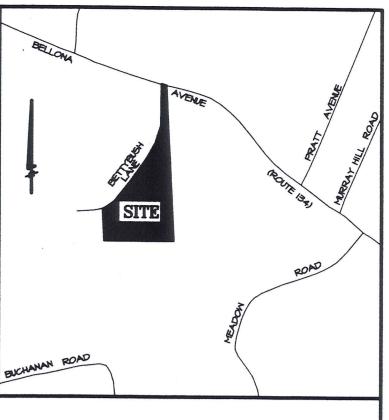
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### GENERAL NOTES

- 1. THE BOUNDARY SHOWN HEREON IS FROM A SURVEY BY GERHOLD, CROSS & ETZEL, LTD.
  2. THE TOPOGRAPHY SHOWN HEREON WAS TAKEN FROM BALTIMORE COUNTY GIS TILE 069C3.
- 3. THERE ARE NO KNOWN PRIOR ZONING CASES ON THE SUBJECT PROPERTY.

  4. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS NEITHER HISTORIC NOR WITHIN A HISTORIC DISTRICT.
- 5. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS NOT LOCATED IN THE CHESAPEAKE BAY CRITICAL AREA.
  6. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS NOT WITHIN A 100 YEAR FLOOD PLAIN.
- 7. ALL LOTS SHOWN HEREON ARE TO BE SERVED BY PUBLIC WATER AND SEPTIC SYSTEMS.

## VARIANCES REQUESTED

BALTIMORE COUNTY ZONING REGULATIONS: SECTION IB02.3.C.I

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SECTION 301.1

#### TO ALLOW A FRONT YARD SETBACK OF II' IN LIEU OF THE REQUIRED 37.5' FOR A PROPOSED OPEN PATIO.

SECTION 401.1

TO ALLOW A GARAGE IN THE FRONT YARD IN LIEU OF THE REQUIRED REAR YARD. (IF NECESSARY)

SECTION 401.3

TO ALLOW A GARAGE WITH A HEIGHT OF 25'± IN LIEU OF THE REQUIRED MAXIMUM HEIGHT OF 15'. (IF NECESSARY)

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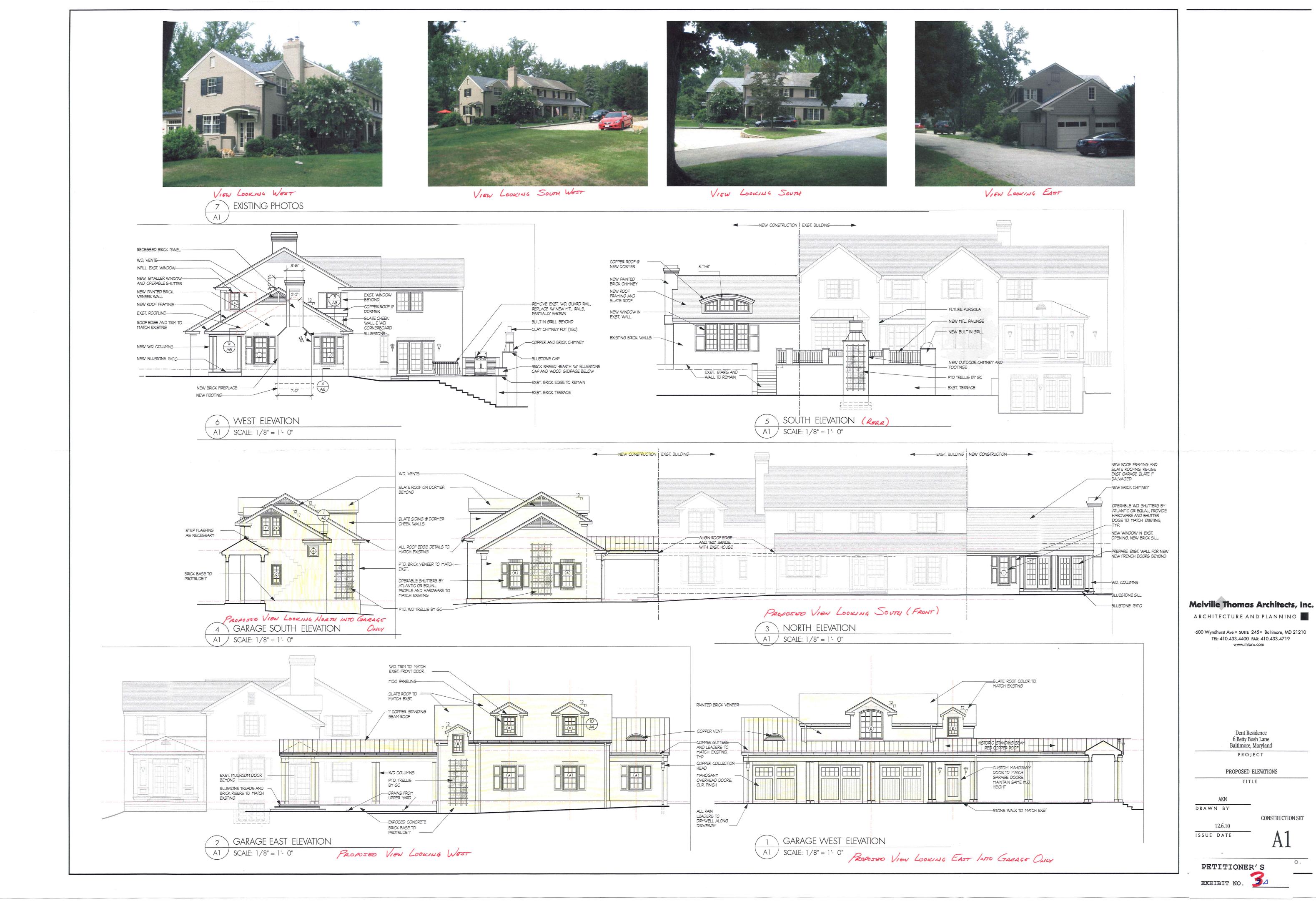
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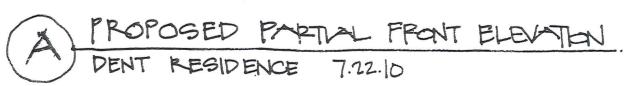


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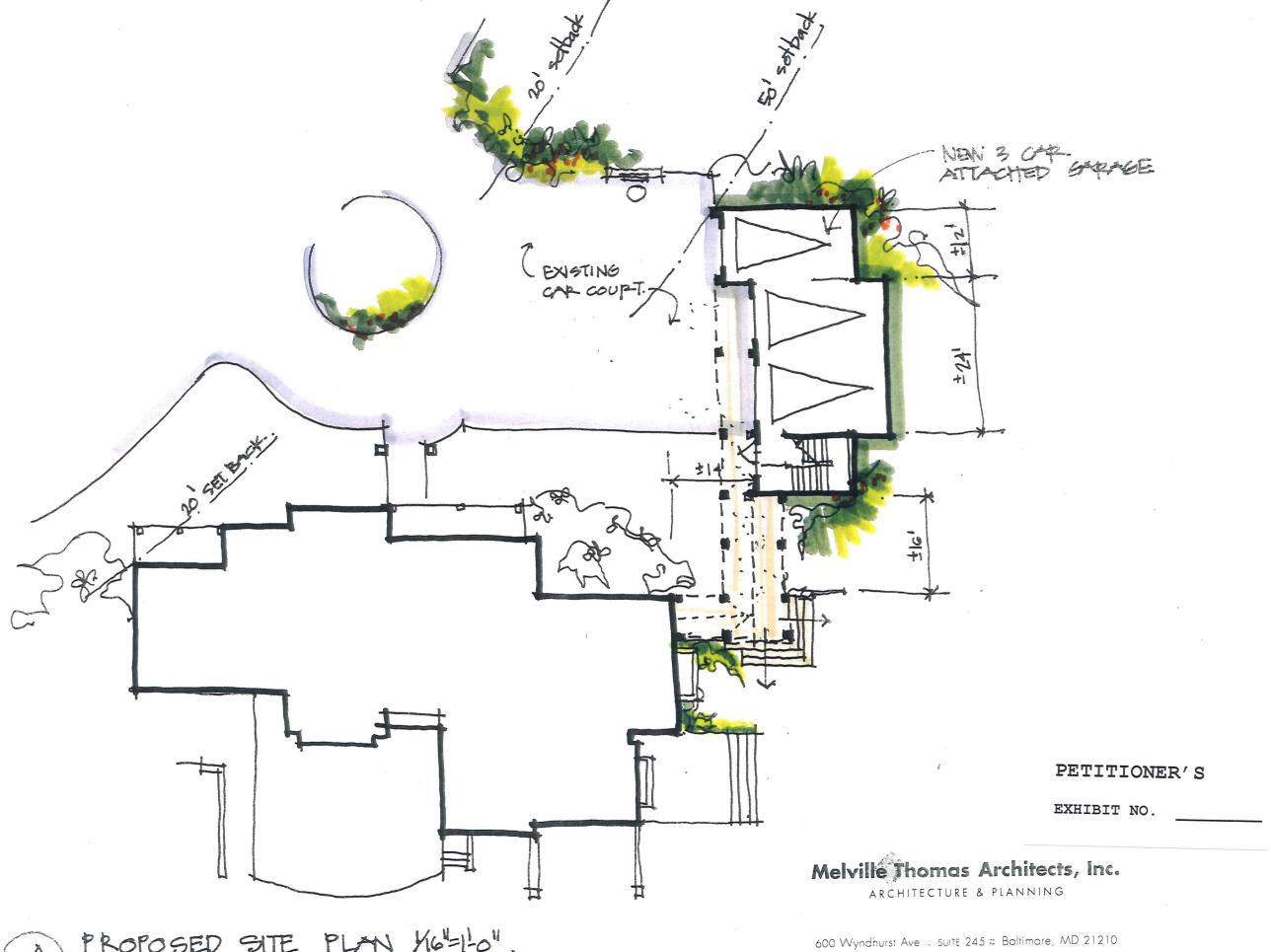
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PROPOSED SITE PLAN 164=1-0".

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PROPOSED FRONT ELEVATION
DENT RESIDENCE. 7.22.10

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