IN RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE

E/Side of f Pulaski Highway, 50 feet S of Mohrs Lane 15th Election District 6th Councilmanic District (9991 Pulaski Highway)

DDRTC CP LLC, Legal Owner
Dollar Tree Stores, Inc., Contract Purchaser
Petitioners

- * BEFORE THE
- * OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE
- * HEARINGS FOR
- BALTIMORE COUNTY

CASE NO. 2011-0189-A

OPINION AND ORDER

This matter comes before the Office of Administrative Hearings for Baltimore County for consideration of a Petition for Variance filed by Mark M. Viani, Esquire and Scott E. Adams, Esquire with McGuire Woods, LLP, on behalf of the legal owner, DDRTC CP LLC, and Dollar Tree Stores, Inc., the contract purchaser. Petitioners are requesting Variance relief from Section 450.4.5(d) of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R.") to permit 2 wall mounted enterprise signs on a multi-tenant retail building for a separate entity on wall that does not contain an exterior customer entrance - 1 on the side wall and 1 on the rear wall, and to permit 3 wall mounted enterprise signs on a multi-tenant retail building for a separate entity with 1 exterior customer entrance in lieu of the 1 sign permitted. The subject property and requested relief is more fully depicted on the site plan that was marked and accepted into evidence as Petitioners' Exhibit 1.

Appearing at the requisite public hearing in support of the variance request were Mark M. Viani, Esquire and Scott E. Adams, Esquire of McGuire Woods, LLP attorneys for the Petitioners, and Bernt C. Petersen, R.L.A. with George William Stephens, Jr. and Associates, Inc., the registered landscape architect who prepared the site plan. Also attending as an interested citizen was Michael Pierce of 7448 Bradshaw Road, Kingsville MD.

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Mr. Petersen was called as a witness and, after offering his curriculum vitae was accepted as an expert in site development, land planning and zoning in Baltimore County.

He proceeded to describe the site in question, one of three lots comprising a 5.8± acre subdivision created in 1995 and known at that time as Price Club Plus. The site in question is Lot 2, and all three lots are zoned B.R.-A.S. and B.R.-I.M. Presenting the Plat to Accompany, the witness located Lot 2 and noted that Lot 3 is to the east on Pulaski Highway and that Lot 1 to the south on Pulaski Highway. He noted that the façade and front entrance of Lot 2 was located inward, facing the interior parking lot. He also pointed out, due to the constraints of the site, the only visibility was provided on Pulaski Highway or to the Mohrs Lane on the site's north side. He noted that the lot had been built under the pre-1977 sign regulations, in which signs were allowed "on any wall". He then described Section 450 of the existing Baltimore County Zoning Regulations, and explained the limitations that now existed as a result of that change in the law.

Photographs were provided showing the previous signage on the site. It included three signs, one on the front, one on the side facing Pulaski Highway, and one on the rear facing Mohrs Lane. It was pointed out that the signage for this particular site has always been at the same three locations; and is exactly the same as is now being requested under the variance. The witness proceeded to describe the actual signs, which include two signs of 171.73 square feet configured horizontally, one on the west side of the building facing Pulaski Highway and one to the south, facing the neighboring use, but likewise visible on Pulaski Highway. A third sign, considerably smaller at 57.04 square feet and configured vertically would be located on the north side facing Mohrs Lane. He reiterated that these were the same locations and approximate sizes as had existed at the site since prior to the 1977 change in the regulations. Testimony was then elicited from the witness as to the uniqueness of the site's situation and the practical difficulty resulting

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there from. Referring to the photographs provided, he pointed that the front entry was not visible from any public thoroughfare. Mr. Petersen pointed out that the side wall is obscured by the neighboring Burger King property, and most important of all, that there was a 15 foot height difference in the north and west portions of the site, which was additionally obscured by a growth of mature existing trees. He therefore opined that the rear and side portions of the site, being the only visually accessible directions, were, by virtue of their position the only way that the Petitioners' business could be identified by the public. The screening of the trees and the position of the neighboring businesses, only signs such as those requested were allow for any identification from the right-of-way on Pulaski Highway or Mohrs Lane.

Mr. Petersen further opined that the viability of the use of the subject site by the Petitioners for a permitted purpose under the Zoning Regulations and these singularly and adversely effected by the topography, existing tree screening, and the already existing adjacent properties' sight line interruptions, and that such conditions would be particularly burdensome to the Petitioners and not to any other users of the adjacent sites. He concluded that the only way to resolve Petitioners' difficulties would be by the granting of the requested variance, and by doing so, allowed to exist those signs which had always been necessary by previous users to deal with the unique restrictions imposed upon the location.

Mr. Petersen concluded that it was his opinion that, for all of his given reasons, the requested variance was in strict compliance with the spirit and intent of the B.C.Z.R.

Mr. Michael Pierce, a citizen living in Kingsville, also appeared at the hearing and testified. He noted that this stretch of Pulaski Highway is well developed and is concerned with temporary signs and parked trucks on the north side of the site facing Mohrs Lane. He had no specific problem with the sign as it is proposed at that location. As a result of his testimony and

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concerns, the Petitioners agreed that no temporary or additional signs other than those permanent signs requested would be placed on the site and that trucks would be removed once loading and unloading activities were completed. It was agreed that these restrictions would be made a part of any final Order.

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC) comments were received and are made part of the record of this case. The comments indicate no opposition or other recommendations concerning the requested relief.

Without a variance, the requested signs and the proposed configuration of enterprise signage would not be permitted by B.C.Z.R. Section 450.4.5(d), which governs commercial signage in multi-tenant centers. The proposed signs are "enterprise" signs which are defined as those which display the identity of a business or advertise products or services associated with a business. See B.C.Z.R Section 450.4.5. Section 450.4.5(d) permits only one wall-mounted sign for each tenant having an exterior customer entrance with a maximum square footage for such signs of two times the length of the wall containing the exterior customer entrance. The original construction of the site in question for its commercial use occurred prior to these regulations and at that time allowed the very same signage that has always existed at that site and is presented for approval in the instant case.

I find that the configuration of the subject site in relation to the other structures thereupon and the resultant interrupted sight lines as well as the topographical difference in elevation between the northwest corner and the rest of the site are unique to this property. Moreover, that northwest corner is screened from sight by an already existing stand of trees. In addition, the front entrance faces inward to the parking lot of the site and is not viewable at all from the major traffic source of Pulaski Highway.

As a result the viability of use of the Petitioners' property for its permitted purpose is singularly adversely effected by the aforesaid topography and screening, as well as the already existing adjacent property sight line interruptions.

Petitioners did not nothing to create these conditions and I find that the existing regulations at this time are overly and particularly burdensome to the Petitioners' use unless a variance is granted. The effect of a variance would simply to allow that which has already and historically be utilized to ameliorate the unique restrictions of the commercial use of Petitioners' property. I further find that strict compliance with the regulations as they exist today would result in practical difficulty and unreasonable hardship upon the Petitioners. Finally, Petitioners' requested variances may be granted without injury to the public health, safety, and general welfare. Thus, the variances requested meet the requirements of Section 307 of the B.C.Z.R, as established in *Cromwell v. Ward*, 102 Md. App. 691 (1995).

Accordingly, after considering all of the testimony and evidence presented at the hearing, I am persuaded that, pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this petition held, and after considering the testimony and evidence offered by Petitioners, I find that Petitioners' variance request should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED this _______ day of February, 2011 by this Administrative Law Judge that Petitioners' Variance request from Section 450.4.5(d) of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R.") to permit 2 wall mounted enterprise signs on a multi-tenant retail building for a separate entity on wall that does not contain an exterior customer entrance - 1 on the side wall and 1 on the rear wall, and to permit 3 wall mounted enterprise signs on a multi-tenant retail building for a separate entity with 1 exterior customer entrance in lieu of the 1 sign permitted be and are hereby GRANTED.

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The relief granted herein shall be subject to the following:

- 1. Petitioners may apply for their building permit and be granted same upon receipt of this Order; however, Petitioners are hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at their own risk until such time as the 30-day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed, Petitioners would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said property to its original condition.
- Petitioners have agreed that they will not utilize any temporary signs of any size or description on the property, and that any trucks utilizing the north side of the property do so only for the loading and unloading of merchandize and would not use the space for truck parking.

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

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Managing Administrative Law Judge

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Administrative Law Judges

February 14, 2011

MARK M. VIANI, ESQUIRE SCOTT E. ADAMS, ESQUIRE MCGUIRE WOODS, LLP 1750 TYSONS BLVD., SUITE 1800 MCLEAN, VA 22102

> Re: Petition for and Variance Case No. 2011-0189-A Property: 9991 Pulaski Highway

Dear Messrs. Viani and Adams:

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 with the Department of Permits, Applications and Inspections an appeal within thirty (30) days from the date of this Order. If you require additional information concerning filing an appeal, please feel free to contact our appeals clerk at 410-887-3391.

Sincerely,

AWRENCE M. STAHI

Managing Administrative Law Judge

for Baltimore County

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Enclosure

c: Bernt C. Petersen, George William Stephens, Jr. and Associates, Inc., 235 Schilling Circle, Suite 103, Hunt Valley MD 21031 Michael Pierce, 7448 Bradshaw Road, Kingsville MD 21087



Petition for Variance

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County for the property

located at 9991 Pulaski Highway

which is presently zoned BR-A5 & BR-IM

Deed Reference: 25313 / 546 Tax Account # 2200005182

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

Practical Difficulty (see attached narrative statement)

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.

I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of

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Variance Petition Dollar Tree Stores, Inc. 9991 Pulaski Highway

Narrative Statement

Uniqueness of Site

The requested variances are the result of special circumstances or conditions that are peculiar to the property and structure that is the subject of this request. The property is fully developed with a number of buildings. The location of the applicant's store has historically contained signs on the North and West facades, which are the same locations as the signs requested through this variance petition. Further, the requested signs are of the same size and character as those that historically existed on the property. The Baltimore County Zoning Regulations were amended in 2009, which effectively limited the permitted signs on the property. These changes created special circumstances related to this property that are not self-created by the Applicant or owner of the property.

Practical Difficulty

The requested variances meet the legal standard of practical difficulty for the following reasons. First, compliance with the strict requirements of the sign regulations will unreasonably prevent the Applicant from using the property for a permitted purpose, as it will not be able to fully take advantage of its land. The property is located in a commercial area with signs of a similar size and nature on all surrounding properties. Without the proposed signs, the property is not effectively usable as a commercial site. Second, the grant of the variances will do substantial justice to the applicant. The requested variances will permit signage of the same general size and character and in the same locations as has historically existed on the property. It would be an injustice to the applicant to prevent signs in locations where they have historically existed. Third, the relief requested meets the spirit of the ordinance and in no way affects public safety or welfare. Signs of a similar size and character have historically existed in the requested locations with no impact to public safety or welfare. Additionally, the property is located in a commercial area and the proposed signs are consistent with the existing development. Therefore, is no impact on the public safety or welfare.

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FROM THE OFFICE OF

GEORGE WILLIAM STEPHENS, JR. AND ASSOCIATES, INC.

CONSULTING ENGINEERS • LAND PLANNERS • LAND SURVEYORS 235 SCHILLING CIRCLE, SUITE 103 • HUNT VALLEY, MARYLAND 21031

December 8, 2010

Description to Accompany Petition for Variance for 9991 Pulaski Highway, White Marsh, MD

Beginning at a point on the easterly right-of-way of Pulaski Highway which is 150 feet in width, said point being South 22 degrees 17 minutes 10 seconds East 81.28 feet more or less, from a point formed by the intersection of the centerlines of Pulaski Highway and Mohrs Lane, thence leaving said point of beginning, along the following 5 courses:

- 1. Running thence along said westerly right-of-way of Pulaski Highway North 76 degrees 45 minutes 22 seconds East 16.17 feet to a point on the southerly right-of-way of Mohrs Lane which is 60 feet in width, thence
- 2. running along the said southerly right-of-way of said Mohrs Lane South 67 degrees 10 minutes 27 seconds East 364.81 feet, thence
- leaving said southerly right-of-way of Mohrs Lane South 22 degrees 12 minutes 46 seconds West 543,26 feet, thence
- 4. North 67 degrees 47 minutes 17 seconds West 557.63 feet to a point on the easterly right-of-way of Pulaski Highway, thence
- 5. running along said easterly right-of-way of Pulaski Highway North 40 degrees 41 minutes 12 seconds East 567.02 feet to the point of beginning.

Being Lot #2 in the subdivision of First Amended Plat Price Club Plaza as recorded in Baltimore County Plat Book # S.M. 62, Folio #129, containing 5.8388 Acres of land more or less. Also known as 9991, 9997 & 9999 Pulaski Highway and located in Election District #15.

Note: The above description is for zoning purposes only and is not to be used for contracts, conveyances or agreements.

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NOTICE OF ZONING HEARING

Zoning Description

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sign permitted.

Hearing: Tuesday, February 1, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 205, Jefferson Building, 105 West Chesapeake Avenue, Towson 21204.

ARNOLD JABLON, Director of Permits, Approvals and Inspections for Baltimore County

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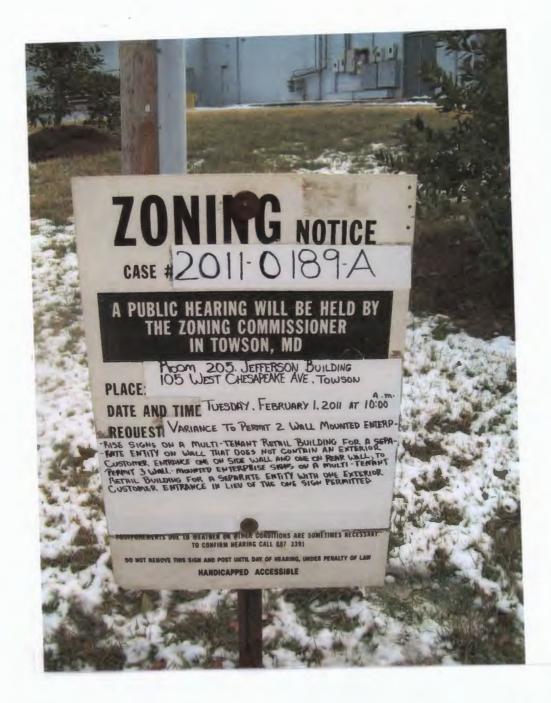
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2011-0189-A RE: Case No.: Petitioner/Developer: **Dollar Tree Stores, Inc** Feb 1, 2011 Date of Hearing/Closing: __ **Baltimore County Department of Permits and Development Management** County Office Building, Room 111 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 Attn: 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:__ 9991 Pulaski Highway January 15, 2011 The sign(s) were posted on _ (Month, Day, Year) Sincerely, January 17, 2011 (Date) (Signature of Sign Poster) SSG Robert Black (Print Name) 1508 Leslie Road (Address) Dundalk, Maryland 21222 (City, State, Zip Code) (410) 282-7940 (Telephone Number)



RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE

9991 Pulaski Highway; East side of Pulaski Hwy. 50 ft S of Mohrs Lane

15th Election & 6th Councilmanic Districts

Legal Owner: DDRTC CP LLC,

John Marquart

Contract Purchaser: Dollar Tree Stores

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Petitioner

* BEFORE THE

* ZONING COMMISSIONER

* FOR

BALTIMORE COUNTY

* 2011-189-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.

Peter Max Zimmerman

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People's Counsel for Baltimore County

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CAROLE S. DEMILIO Deputy People's Counsel Jefferson Building, Room 204 105 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

(410) 887-2188

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 21st day of December, 2010, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Mark M. Viani, Esquire and Scott E. Adams, Esquire, McGuire Woods LLP, 1750 Tysons Blvd., Suite 1800, McLean, Virginia 22102, Attorneys for Petitioner(s).

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People's Counsel for Baltimore County



JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO, Director

Department of Permits and

Development Management

January 7, 2011

CORRECTED NOTICE OF ZONING HEARING

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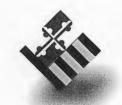
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C: Mark Viani, Scott Adams, 1750 Tysons Blvd., Ste. 1800, McLean VA 22102
Deborah Miller, Dollar Tree Stores, Inc., 500 Volvo Parkway, Chesapeake VA 23320
John Marquart, DDRTC CP LLC, 3300 Enterprise Parkway, Beachwood OH 44122

NOTES: (1) THE PETITIONER MUST HAVE THE ZONING NOTICE SIGN POSTED BY AN APPROVED POSTER ON THE PROPERTY BY SATURDAY, JANUARY 15, 2011.

(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.



BALTIMORE COUNTY

JAMES T. SMITH, JR. County Executive

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Please forward billing to:

Scott Adams
McGuire Woods, LLP
1750 Tysons Blvd., Ste. 1800

McLean, VA 22102

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DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT ZONING REVIEW

ADVERTISING REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR ZONING HEARINGS

The <u>Baltimore County Zoning Regulations</u> (BCZR) require that notice be given to the general public/neighboring property owners relative to property that is the subject of an upcoming zoning hearing. For those petitions that require a public hearing, this notice is accomplished by posting a sign on the property (responsibility of the petitioner) and placement of a notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the County, both at least fifteen (15) days before the hearing.

Zoning Review will ensure that the legal requirements for advertising are satisfied. However, the petitioner is responsible for the costs associated with these requirements. The newspaper will bill the person listed below for the advertising. This advertising is due upon receipt and should be remitted directly to the newspaper.

OPINIONS MAY NOT BE ISSUED UNTIL ALL ADVERTISING COSTS ARE PAID.

For Newspaper Advertising:					
Item Number or Case Number: 2011-0189-A					
Petitioner: DOLLAR TREE STORES, INC.					
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Address: McGUIREWOODS, LLP					
1750 TYGONS BLVD, GUITE 1800					
MCLEAN, VA 22102					
Telephone: (703) 712-5000					



KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive

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

January 26, 2011

John Marquart Tenant Coodinator DDRTC-CP LLC 3300 Enterprise Parkway Beachwood, Ohio 44122

Dear Mr. Marquart:

RE: Case Number 2011-0189-A Address 9991 Pulaski Highway

The above referenced petition was accepted for processing **ONLY** by the Bureau of Zoning Review, Department of Permits and Development Management (PDM) on December 8, 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.

W. Carl Richards, Jr. Supervisor, Zoning Review

WCR:rjc Enclosures

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Maryland Department of Transportation

Date: DEC . 17, 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. MC-2011-0189-A

US 40 9991 PHLASKI HWY. DOWAR TREE STORE

VARIANCE -

Dear Ms. Matthews:

We have reviewed the site plan to accompany petition for variance on the subject of the above captioned, which was received on 12-17-2010. A field inspection and internal review reveals that an entrance onto 40 consistent with current State Highway Administration guidelines is not required. Therefore, SHA has no objection to approval for bound like Store, Case Number MC-2011-0189-A.

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

Very truly yours,

Steven D. Foster, Chi

Access Management Division

SDF/mb

Cc: Mr. David Malkowski, District Engineer, SHA

Mr. Michael Pasquariello, Utility Engineer, SHA

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

DATE: December 15, 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 January 3, 2011

Item Nos. 2011- 189, 190 and 191

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

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KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive

JOHN J. HOHMAN, Chief Fire Department

December 15,2010

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

ATTENTION: Zoning Review

Distribution Meeting of: December 20,2010

Item No.:

Variance: MC-2011-0189-A (R732461) and 2011-0190-A (R732479)

Administrative Variance: 2011-0191-A (R732487)

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

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

George Klunk, Interim Director

Department of Permits and Development Management

FROM:

Michael J. Mayhew

(Acting) Director, Office of Planning

SUBJECT:

Zoning Advisory Petition(s): Case(s) 11-189- Variance

The Office of Planning has reviewed the above referenced case(s) and has no comments to offer.

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

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CITIZEN'S SIGN-IN SHEET

NAME	ADDRESS	CITY, STATE, ZIP	E- MAIL		
Michael Pierce	7448 Bradshaw Rd	Kingsville MD 21087	mpierce 1 eaol.com		
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Case No.: 2011-0189-A

Exhibit Sheet

Petitioner/Developer

Protestant

No. 1	PCAT TO ACCOMPANY	*
No. 2	PCAT TO ACCOMPANY POTITION Sign evalibit	
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FROM THE OFFICE OF

GEORGE WILLIAM STEPHENS, JR. AND ASSOCIATES, INC.

CONSULTING ENGINEERS • LAND PLANNERS • LAND SURVEYORS 235 SCHILLING CIRCLE, SUITE 103 • HUNT VALLEY, MARYLAND 21031

CURRICULA VITAE

Bernt C. Petersen, R.L.A.

Director of Land Planning / Landscape Architecture George William Stephens, Jr. & Associates

Professional Registration: Registered Landscape Architect - Maryland - No. 1095

Education:

State University of New York, College of Environmental Science and Forestry at Syracuse – Bachelor of Landscape Architecture -1977,
Bachelor of Science, Environmental Studies -1976

Professional Affiliations: American Society of Landscape Architects, Maryland Chapter, No. 1108847

Professional practice includes 30 years of land planning, landscape architecture, comprehensive zoning, PUD master planning, site planning, and testimony regarding land use and zoning issues. Mr. Petersen has been practicing in the Greater Baltimore Metropolitan region since 1988 and has expertise in land planning, site planning, and zoning cases in Anne Arundel County, Baltimore County and Howard County, Maryland.

Principal duties for G. W. Stephens, Jr. & Assoc. include supervision of site development and land planning, zoning interpretation, community input meetings, development plans and Hearing Officer's Hearings, special exception petitions, variance request petitions and landscape plan preparation. Prior to his relocation to Maryland, Mr. Petersen practiced site design and land planning in New York and Massachusetts.

Significant local projects include: Powell Property, Forge Landing, The New England Motor Freight Trucking Facility, Cedar Lane Farms P.U.D., 1400 Taylor Avenue P.U.D., Westwicke, The Sanctuary, Kimbrook, Kopp Property, Green Spring Station, Home Depot of Owings Mills, Bel Air and Timonium, Ashland Market Place, Baker Property, Greenfields at White Marsh and The Clusters. A significant project of regional impact is Luther's Forest, a comprehensive mixed use development in Saratoga County, NY.

Mr. Petersen has prepared comprehensive-zoning petitions in Baltimore County during the 1996, 2000, 2004 & 2008 CZMP processes and has an understanding of the principles of Euclidean zoning and their application throughout the Baltimore Metro region. He has thorough experience dealing with the Baltimore Regional Area County's development regulations.

PETITIONER'S

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Street View of Property Looking East



Birdseye View of Property Looking South



Street View of Property Looking East



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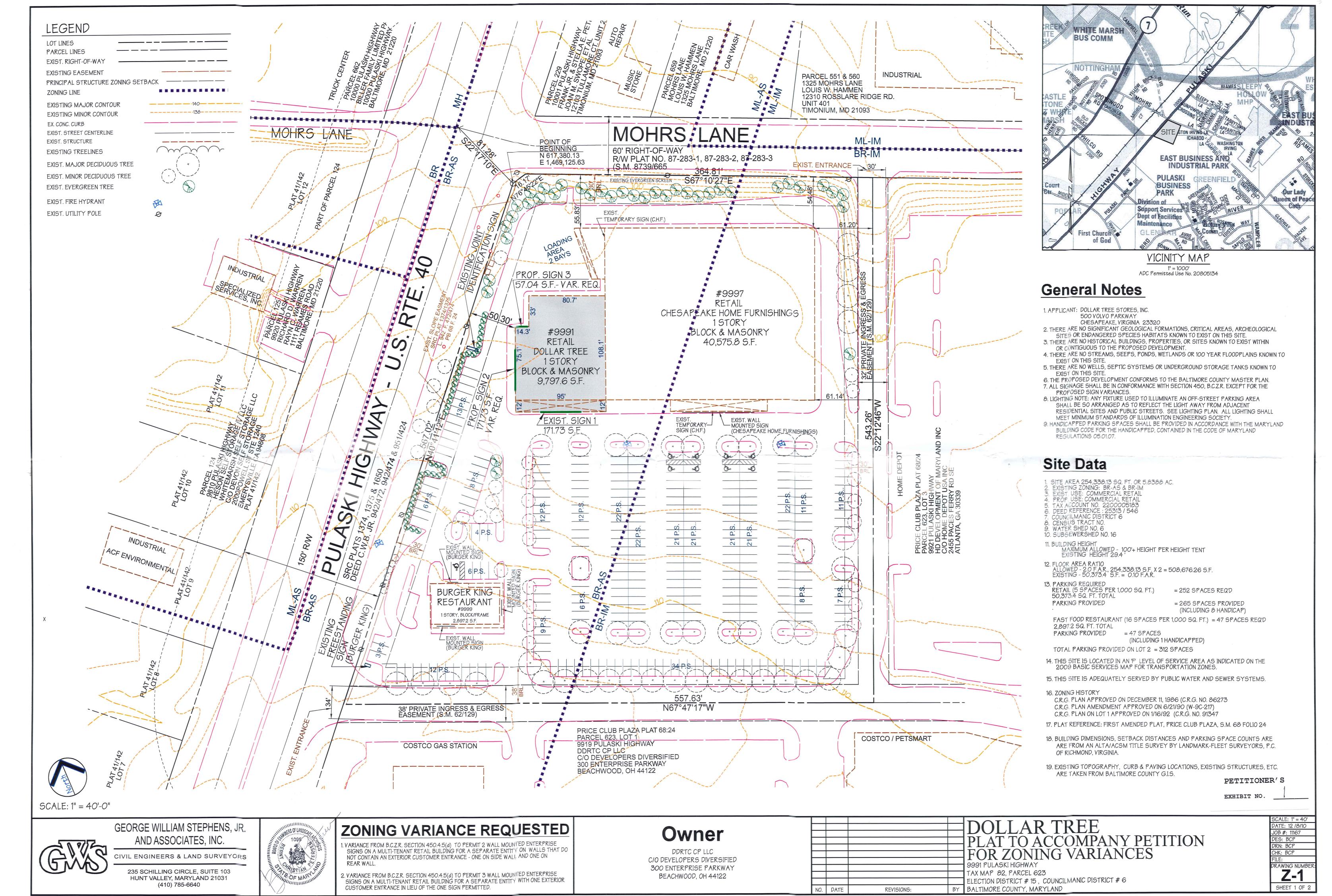
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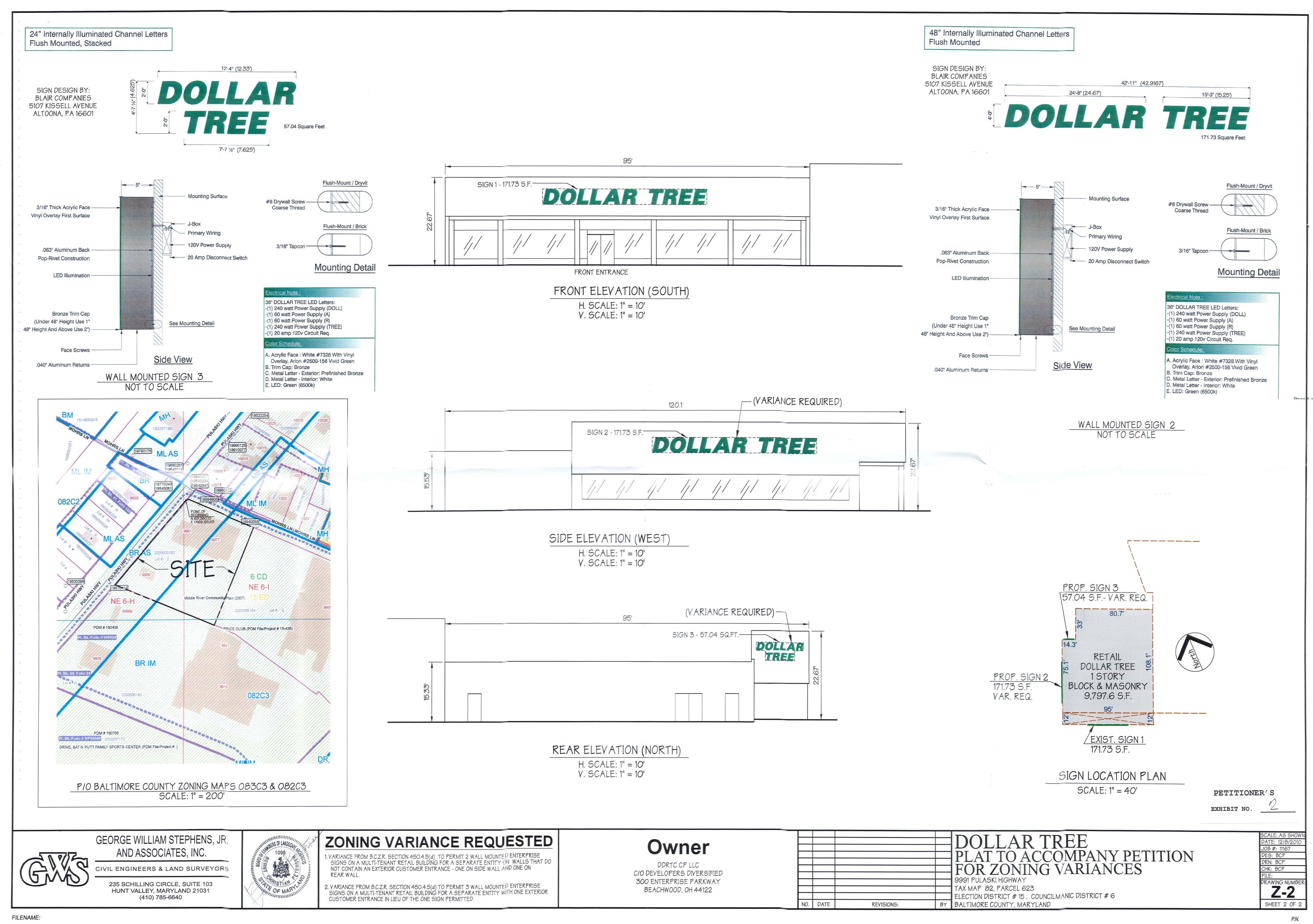
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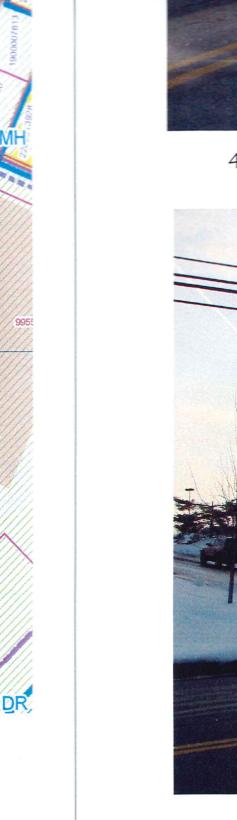
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PRICE CLUB (PDM File/Project # 15-435)

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C/O DEVELOPERS DIVERSIFIED
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DOLLAR TREE
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9991 PULASKI HIGHWAY

TAX MAP 82, PARCEL 623

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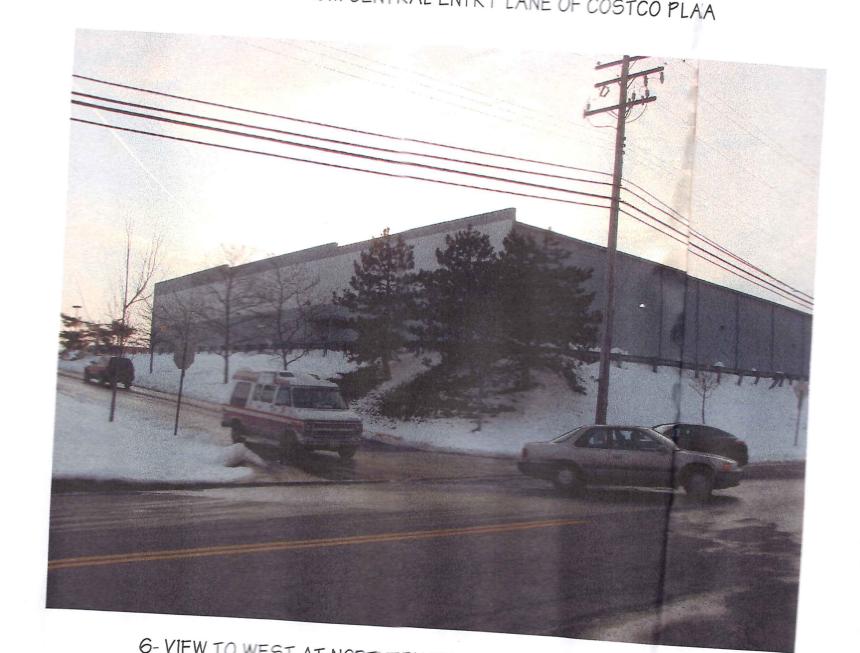
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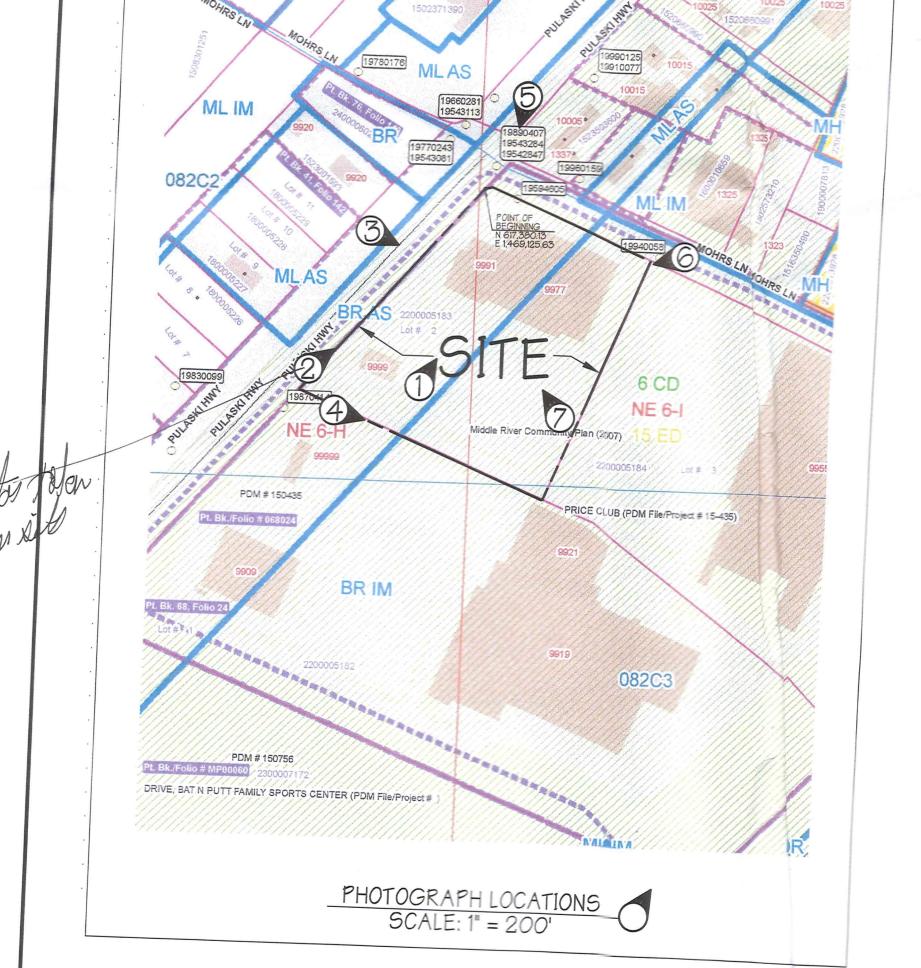
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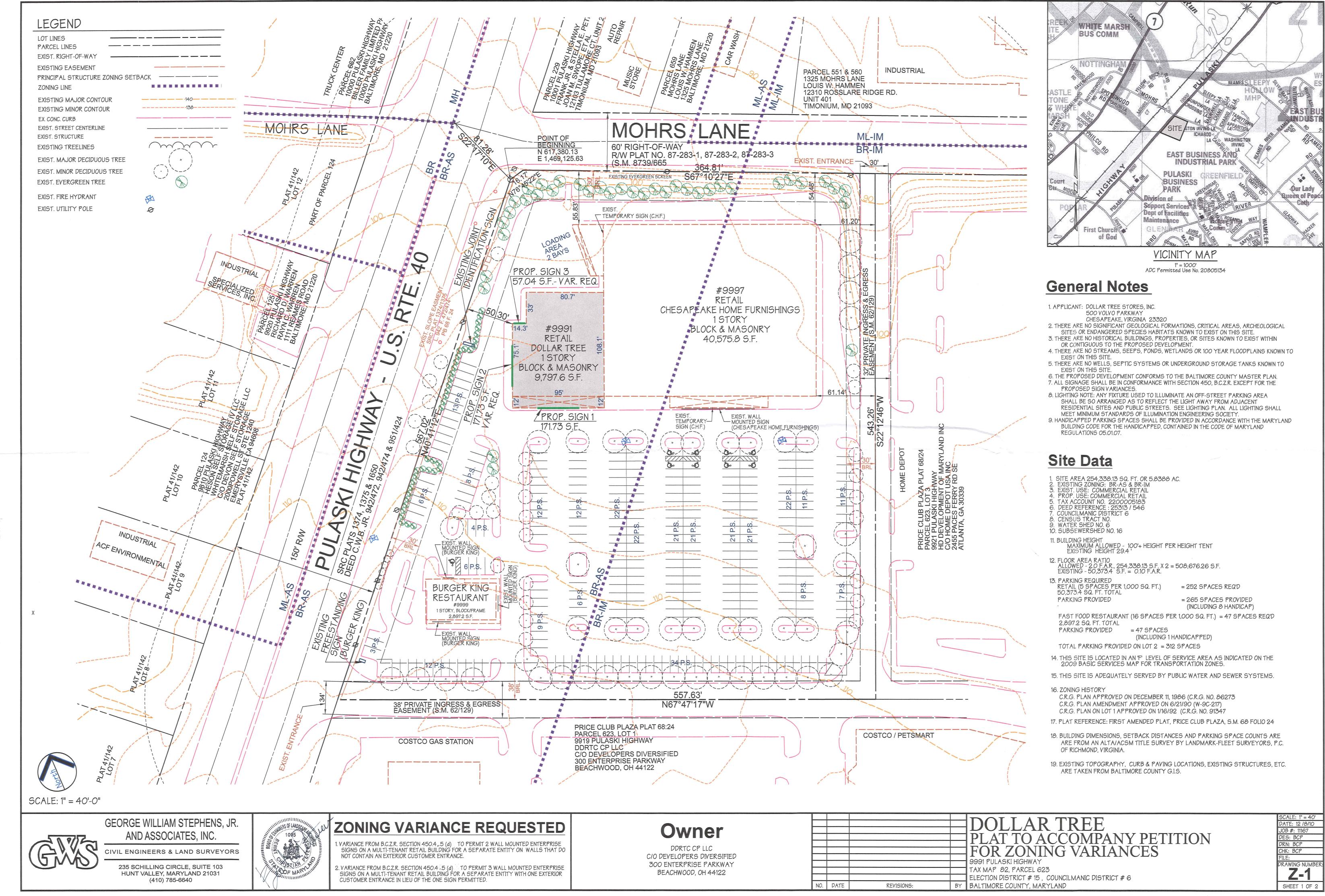
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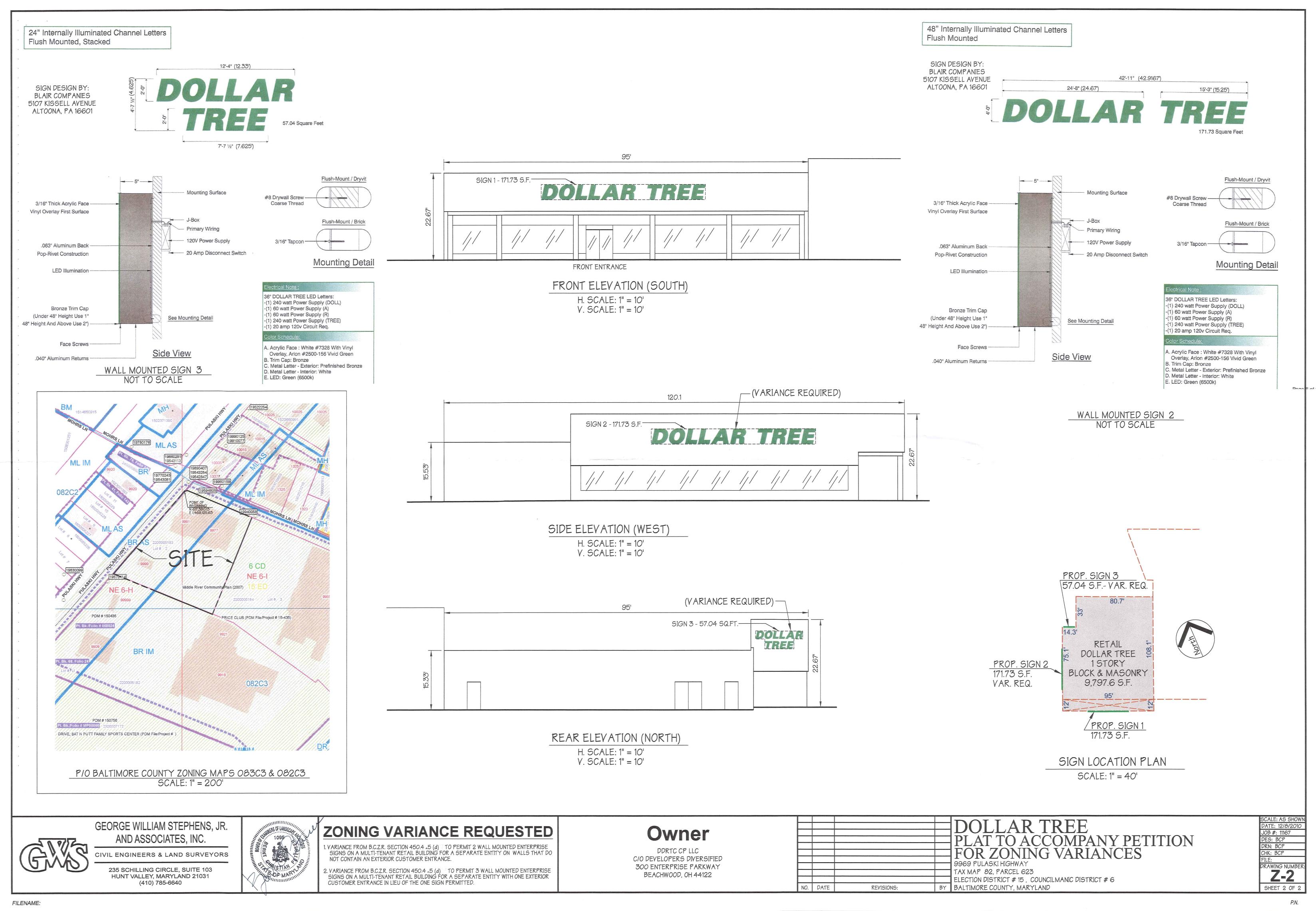
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