IN RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING \*

AND VARIANCE

S side of Paladia Way, 1250 feet S of the c/l of Old Court Road 3<sup>rd</sup> Election District

2<sup>nd</sup> Councilmanic District

(12 Paladia Way)

Albert and Ilisa Nigrin Legal Owners **BEFORE THE** 

OFFICE OF

**ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS** 

FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

CASE NO. 2011-0248-SPHA

### **OPINION AND ORDER**

This matter comes before the Office of Administrative Hearings for consideration of Petitions for Special Hearing and Variance filed by the legal property owners, Albert and Ilisa Nigrin. The Special Hearing was filed pursuant to Section 500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R.") to allow a proposed accessory structure (tennis court) on a lot (Lot 5) that is not improved with a principal building, and to amend the Final Development Plan for Lot 5 of the Shapiro Property. In the alternative, Petitioners are requesting Variance relief from Section 400.1 of the B.C.Z.R. to permit an accessory structure (a proposed tennis court) in the side and front yards in lieu of the required rear yard location, and to amend the Final Development Plan for Lots 5 and 6 of the Shapiro Property. The subject property and requested relief are more fully described on the site plan that was marked and accepted into evdience as Petitioners' Exhibit 1.

Appearing at the requisite public hearing in support of the Special Hearing and Variance requests was Albert Nigrin, property owner, and Herbert Burgunder, III, Esquire, attorney for Petitioner. There were no Protestants or other interested persons at the hearing.

Testimony and evidence offered at the hearing demonstrated that the property which is the subject of this Special Hearing and Variance request is an unimproved lot of ground known as Lot 5 located within the subdivision known as the Shapiro Property. The owners of the property,

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Albert and Ilisa Nigrin, own this lot as well as the adjacent lot containing a single family residence wherein they reside. The Applicants purchased this unimproved lot along with their residence to allow them the flexibility to construct a home on the lot sometime in the future. However, at this time they wish to utilize this land for the purpose of constructing a 60 x 120 feet tennis court. The location of the tennis court is shown on Petitioners' Exhibit 1, the site plan submitted into evidence.

A quick review of the site plan submitted demonstrates that the lot whereupon the Nigrins' residence is located is burdened by a forest conservation easement providing to the Nigrins little area for accessory amenities to their residence. Due to this restriction on the lot where their house is located, that the only alternative the Nigrins have for the location of this tennis court is to place it on the unimproved lot which they also own.

The Applicants filed for this approval in alternative form. That is, they filed a Special Hearing to allow this accessory structure (tennis court) to be located on an unimproved lot with no principal dwelling. In the alternative, the Petitioners requested Variance relief to allow the tennis court to be located in the front and side yards in lieu of the required rear yard. The alternative relief was filed in the event that this Office would consider the Nigrins' properties to be one lot. However, I find the better manner in which to proceed would be to approve the Special Hearing request and dismiss the Variance request as being unnecessary.

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC) comments were received and are made part of the record of this case. There were no adverse comments received from any of the County reviewing agencies.

Based upon the testimony and evidenced presented at the hearing and the lack of opposition thereto, I find that the Special Hearing relief shall be granted and the request for Variance dismissed as being unnecessary.

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Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on these Petitions held, and after considering the testimony and evidence offered by the parties, I find that Petitioners' request for Special Hearing should be granted and the Variance should be dismissed.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 2011, by the Administrative Law Judge, that Petitioners' request for Special Hearing relief filed pursuant to Section 500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R.") to allow a proposed accessory structure (tennis court) on a lot (Lot 5) that is not improved with a principal building, and to amend the Final Development Plan for Lot 5 of the Shapiro Property, be and is hereby GRANTED; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Variance request relief from Section 400.1 of the B.C.Z.R. to permit an accessory structure (a proposed tennis court) in the side and front yards in lieu of the required rear yard location, and to amend the Final Development Plan for Lots 5 and 6 of the Shapiro Property, be and is hereby DISMISSED AS BEING UNNECESSARY.

The relief granted is subject to the following condition:

1. Petitioners may apply for their building permits 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 the 30-day appeal period from the date of this Order has expired. If an appeal is filed and this Order is reversed, the relief granted herein shall be rescinded.

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

TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County

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KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive LAWRENCE M. STAHL
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Administrative Law Judges

April 6, 2011

HERBERT BURGUNDER, III, ESQUIRE 1501 SULGRAVE AVENUE, SUITE 207 BALTIMORE MD 21209

> Re: Petition for Special Hearing and Variance Case No. 2011-0248-SPHA Property: 12 Paladia Way

Dear Mr. Burgunder:

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,

TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County

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Enclosure



# **Petition for Special Hearing**

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

for the property located at 12 Paladia Way, Baltimore, MD 21208
which is presently zoned DR1
must be filed in person, in the zoning office, in triplicate, with original signatures.

(This petition <u>must</u> be filed in person, in the zoning office, in triplicate, with original signatures.)

This Petition shall be filed with the Department of Permits and Development Management. The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Special Hearing under Section 500.7 of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to determine whether or not the Zoning Commissioner should approve (This box to be completed by planner)

SPECIAL HEARING to allow a proposed accessory structure (tennis court) on a lot (lot #5) that is not improved with a principal building, and to amend the Final Development Plan for lot #5 of the Shapiro Property, or, alternatively, a VARIANCE as stated in the accompanying petition

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by the zoning regulations.
I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Special Hearing, advertising, posting, etc. and further agree to and are to be bounded by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the zoning law for Baltimore County.

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

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Contract Purchaser/Lessee:		Legal Owner(s):		
		Albert Nigrin		
Name - Type or Print		Name - Type or Print		
Signature		Signature Ilisa Nigrin	٠,	
Address	Telephone No.	Name / Type or Print		~
City State	Zip Code	Signature		
Attorney For Petitioner:		13 Paladia Way		
		Address		Telephone No.
Herbert Burgunder III		Baltimore	MD	21208
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# **Petition for Variance**

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County for the property

located at 12 Paladia Way, Baltimore, MD 21208

which is presently zoned DR-1

Deed Reference: 25403 \_\_ / 666 \_ Tax Account # 2400004260 \_

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)

VARIANCE from Section 400.1 – to permit an accessory structure (a proposed tennis court) in the side and front yards in lieu of the required rear yard location, and to amend the Final Development Plan for lots #5 and #6 of the Shapiro Property, or, alternatively, a SPECIAL HEARING as stated in the accompanying petition

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

to be discussed at hearing

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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Contract Purchaser/Lessee:	Legal Owner(s): Albert Nigrin			
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Attorney For Petitioner:		13 Paladia Way		
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m/		Representative to be	Contacted:	
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### **Zoning Description**

#### **ZONING DESCRIPTION FOR 12 PALADIA WAY**

Lot 5 in the Subdivision known as Greenspring Woods, on that certain Plat entitles "Subdivision of Section One, Shapiro Property, Old Court Road," recorded in the Land Records of Baltimore County, Maryland on October 16, 2003, in Plat Book 76, page 43. Together with the improvements thereupon and the rights, alleys, ways, waters. privileges, appurtenances, easements, advantages thereto belonging or in anyway appertaining, being known as 12 Paladia Way. Containing 1.3232 acres, more or less. Tax ID#03-2400004250. As more particularly described in a Deed dated March 21, 2007, and recorded in the Land Records of Baltimore County at Liber 25403, folio 666.

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#### NOTICE OF ZONING HEARING

The Administrative Law Judges 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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12 Paladia Way

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S/side Paladia Way, 1250' ft. +/- South of centerline of Old Court Road

3rd Election District —2nd Councilmanic District Legal Owner(s): Albert & Ilisa Nigrin

Special Hearing: to allow a proposed accessory structure (tennis court) on a lot (lot 5) that is not improved with a principal building, and to amend the Final Development Plan for Lot 5, of the Shapiro Property; or alternatively, a Variance as stated in the accompanying petition. Variance to permit an accessory structure (a proposed tennis court) in the side and front yards in lieu of the required rear yard location and to amend the Final Development Plan for Lots 5 and 6 of the Shapiro Property, or alternatively a Special Hearing as stated in the accompanying petitions.

Hearing: Thursday, March 24, 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

NOTES: (1) Hearings are Handicapped Accessible; for special accommodations Please Contact the Administrative Hearings Office at (410) 887-3868.
(2) For information concerning the File and/or Hearing, Contact the Zoning Review Office at (410) 887-3391.

JT 03/660 March 8

### **CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION**

3/10/,2011
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 on3/8/, 20//
The Jeffersonian
☐ Arbutus Times
☐ Catonsville Times
☐ Towson Times
Owings Mills Times
☐ NE Booster/Reporter
☐ North County News

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## **CERTIFICATE OF POSTING**

**ATTENTION: KRISTEN MATHHEWS** 

DATE: 03/09/2011

Case Number: 2011-0248-SPHA

Petitioner / Developer: HERBERT BURGUNDER III, ESQ~

MR. & MRS. NIGRIN

Date of Hearing (Closing): MARCH 24, 2011

This is to certify under the penalties of perjury that the necessary sign(s) required by law were posted conspicuously on the property located at: 12 PALADIA WAY

The sign(s) were posted on: MARCH 8, 2011



Lindu O Kufe (Signature of Sign Poster)

Linda O'Keefe

(Printed Name of Sign Poster)

523 Penny Lane

(Street Address of Sign Poster)

Hunt Valley, Maryland 21030 (City, State, Zip of Sign Poster)

410 - 666 - 5366

(Telephone Number of Sign Poster)

