#### IN RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE

SE side of Mandel Court, 190' NE of c/line of Sugarcone Road 3<sup>rd</sup> Election District 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilmanic District (5 Mandel Way)

Ronald M. and Stephanie Attman *Petitioners* 

- \* BEFORE THE
- \* OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE
- \* HEARINGS FOR
- \* BALTIMORE COUNTY
- \* CASE NO. 2011-0373-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 Ronald M. and Stephanie Attman, legal owners of the subject property. Petitioners request Variance relief from Sections 1B02.3.B and 1B02.3.C(1) of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R.") to permit the following:

- A minimum sum of side yard widths of 17 feet in lieu of the minimum sum of side yard widths of 40 feet; and
- A minimum width of individual side yard of 2 feet in lieu of the minimum width of individual side yard of 15 feet; and
- For such other relief as may be deemed necessary by the Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County.

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 was Richard E. Matz, of Colbert Matz Rosenfelt, Inc., the consulting firm who prepared the site plan. Jason Vettori, Esquire of Smith, Gildea & Schmidt, LLC appeared as counsel for the Petitioners. There were no Protestants or other interested parties in attendance.

Testimony and evidence offered revealed that the property is zoned D.R.2 and is located in the Green Gate Community in Baltimore County. The property contains 0.3547 acres more or less

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and is improved with a single family dwelling with a street address of 5 Mandel Court. The Petitioner are proposing to construct an addition onto the west side of their dwelling, along with a garage.

Originally the owners proposed the improvements to be located on the side of their dwelling just 2 feet from their common property line shared with their neighbors to the west, the Silverman's. The neighbors met to discuss the proposal, and the Silvermans asked if they could move their proposed garage and screened porch further to the rear of their property. The Attmans agreed and the site plan submitted now shows the proposed improvements to be located further to the rear of their property and as a result, less imposing upon their neighbor's property.

Accordingly, as a result of moving the improvements, the variance request changed to allow a side yard setback of 8 feet in lieu of the required 15 feet, a sum of the side yards of 23 feet in lieu of the required 40 feet, and a rear yard setback of 9 feet in lieu of the required 40 feet.

The Petitioner submitted into evidence as Petitioners' Exhibit 2 a letter of support from their neighbors Steven and Freddie Silverman who have no objections to the new request.

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC) comments were received and are made part of the record of this case. Comments were received from the Office of Planning, received July 26, 2011 which recommends as follows:

"The Office of Planning recommends approval provided the following changes occur to the architectural elevation drawings and landscape plan:

- 1. Include window treatment and decorative hardware on the front elevation of the garage door to break up the mass of the 2-car garage.
- 2. Provide three trellises covered with clematis and equally spaced instead of two on the left side elevation as shown on the landscape plan."

Comments were also received from the Bureau of Development Plans Review, dated July 18, 2011, which indicate as follows:

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"Permanent structures are not permitted in the drainage and utility easement. Proposed structure shall be set back to be at least 6 feet away from the property line."

Considering all of the testimony and evidence presented, I am persuaded to grant the requested variance relief. I find special circumstances or conditions exist that are peculiar to the land or structure which is the subject of the variance request. Additionally, I find that strict enforcement of the B.C.Z.R. would cause the Petitioners to suffer practical difficulty and undue hardship.

I further find that the variance can be granted in strict harmony with the spirit and intent of said regulations, and in such a manner as to grant relief without injury to the public health, safety, and general welfare. Thus, I find that the variance can be granted in such a manner as to meet the requirements of Section 307 of the B.C.Z.R, as established in *Cromwell v. Ward*, 102 Md. App. 691 (1995).

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 October, 2011 by this Administrative Law Judge that Petitioners' amended Variance request from Sections 1B02.3.B and 1B02.3.C(1) of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R.") to permit the following:

- A minimum sum of side yard widths of 23 feet in lieu of the required side yard widths of 40 feet; and
- A minimum width of individual side yard of 8 feet in lieu of the minimum width of individual side yard of 15 feet; and
- · A rear yard setback of 9 feet in lieu of the minimum required 40 feet,

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be and are hereby GRANTED, 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.
- 2. Compliance with the ZAC comments from the Office of Planning dated July 22, 2011, as amended due to the modification of the site plan due to moving the improvements further to the rear of the property.

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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#### BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

#### INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

Department of Permits, Approvals and Inspections

FROM:

Andrea Van Arsdale

Director, Office of Planning

SUBJECT:

5 Mandel Court

INFORMATION:

Item Number:

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**DATE:** July 22, 2011

Petitioner:

Ronald and Stephanie Attman

OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

Zoning:

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**Requested Action:** 

Variance

#### SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

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

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Division Chief:

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Managing Administrative Law Judge

JOHN E. BEVERUNGEN

TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO

Administrative Law Judges

October 25, 2011

JASON VETTORI, ESQUIRE SMITH, GILDEA & SCHMIDT, LLC 600 WASHINGTON AVENUE SUITE 200 TOWSON MD 21204

> Re: Petition for Variance Case No. 2011-0373-A Property: 5 Mandel Way

Dear Mr. Vettori:

Enclosed please find the decision rendered in the above-captioned case.

In the event the decision rendered is unfavorable to any party, please be advised that any party may file an appeal within thirty (30) days from the date of the Order to the Department of Permits and Development Management. If you require additional information concerning filing an appeal, please feel free to contact the appeals clerk at 410-887-3391.

Sincerely,

TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO Administrative Law Judge

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for Baltimore County

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Enclosure

c: Richard E. Matz, Colbert Matz Rosenfelt, Inc., 2035 Smith Avenue, Suite G, Baltimore MD 21209



# **Petition for Variance**

## to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County for the property

located at 5 Mandel Court

which is presently zoned D.R.2

Deed Reference: 06012 \_ 00393Tax Account #1700013650 \_ \_

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)

SEE ATTACHED

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

Reasons to be presented at the 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.

	perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition.
Contract Purchaser/Lessee:	Legal Owner(s):
	Ronald M. Attman
Name - Type or Print	Name - Type or Print
Signature	Signature
Address Telephone No.	Stephanie Attman Name-Type or Print
City State Zip Code	Signature /
Attorney For Petitioner:	5 Mandel Court 410-486-8186 Address Telephone No.
D. Dusky Holman	Baltimore, MD 21209
Name - Type or Print  Dusky Holm	City State Zip Code  Representative to be Contacted:
Smith, Gildea & Schmidt, LLC	RICHARD E. MATZ
Company	Name
600 Washington Avenue, Suite 200 410-821-0070	2035 SMITH AVE, SUITE G 410-653-3836
Address Telephone No.	Address Telephone No.
Towson, MD 21204	BALTIMORE MD 21209
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#### ATTACHMENT TO PETITION FOR VARIANCE

(5 Mandel Court)

#### Petition for Variance from Section(s):

- 1. 1B02.3(B) & 1B02.3(C)(1) of the BCZR to permit a minimum sum of side yard widths of 17 feet in lieu of the minimum sum of side yard widths of 40 feet; and
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3. For such other relief as may be deemed necessary by the Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County.

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# Colbert Matz Rosenfelt, Inc.

Civil Engineers • Surveyors • Planners



#### ZONING DESCRIPTION 5 MANDEL COURT Baltimore, MD 21209-1015

Beginning at a point on the southeasterly side of Mandel Court, which is 50 feet wide, at a distance of 190 feet (more or less) northeasterly of the centerline of Sugarcone Road, which is 60 feet wide. Being Lot # 33, Block J, Section #6 in the subdivision of "GREEN GATE" as recorded in Baltimore County Plat Book # E.H.K. Jr. 38, Folio # 129, containing 15,451 SQ.FT. (more or less).

Also known as 5 Mandel Court and located in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Election District, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilmanic District.



Professional Certification. I hereby certify that these documents were prepared or approved by me, and that! am a duly licensed professional engineer under the laws of the State of Maryland.

Licence No 13203 \_ Expiration Deta 11 -2-20 |2

2011-0373-A

#### NOTICE OF ZONING HEARING

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

Case: # 2011-0373-A
5 Mandel Court
5/east side of Mandel Court, 190 feet northeast of centerline of Sugarcone Road
3rd Election District - 2nd Councilmanic District
Legal Owner(s): Ronald & Stephanie Attman
Variance: to permit a minimum sum of side yard widths of 17 feet in lieu of the minimum width of individual side yard of 2 feet in lieu of the minimum width of individual side yard of 15 feet and for such other relief as may be deemed necessary by the Administrative Law Judge.

Hearing: Tuesday, August 9, 2011 at 1:30 p.m. in Room 205, Jefferson Building, 105 West Chesapeake Avenue, Towson 21204.

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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.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION**

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THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the annexed advertisement was published
n the following weekly newspaper published in Baltimore County, Md.,
once in each ofsuccessive weeks, the first publication appearing
on 7/26/, 2011.
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Arbutus Times
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	RE: Case No.:	2011-03/3-A
	Petitioner/Developer:	
	Ronald & S	tephanie Attman
	Date of Hearing/Closing: _	August 9, 2011
Baltimore County Department of Permits, Approvals and Inspections County Office Building, Room 111 11 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204		
Attn: Kristen Lewis:		
Ladies and Gentlemen:		
This letter is to certify under the penalties costed conspicuously on the property locate		
Mandel Court		
	July 24, 2011	
The sign(s) were posted on		
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	Sincerely,	
		July 25, 2011
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Please forward billing to:

Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Attman 5 Mandel Court Baltimore, MD 21209 410-486-8186

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KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive

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

July 18, 2011

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C: Dusky Holman, 600 Washington Avenue, Ste. 200, Towson 21204 Mr. & Mrs. Attman, 5 Mandel Court, Baltimore 21209 Richard Matz, 2835 Smith Avenue, Ste. G, Baltimore 21209

NOTES: (1) THE PETITIONER MUST HAVE THE ZONING NOTICE SIGN POSTED BY AN APPROVED POSTER ON THE PROPERTY BY MONDAY, JULY 25, 2011.

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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 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.

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For Newspaper Advertising:
Item Number or Case Number: 2011-0373 A.
Petitioner: Ronald and Stephanie Attman
Address or Location: 5 Mandel Court, Baltimore, MD 21209
PLEASE FORWARD ADVERTISING BILL TO:
Name: Ronald and Stephanie Attman
Address: Mandel Court
Baltimore, MD 21209
Telephone Number: 410-486-81860



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

August 1, 2011

Ronald and Stephanie Attman 5 Mandel Court Baltimore, MD 21209

RE: Case Number 2011-0373-A, 5 Mandel Court

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Attman,

The above referenced petition was accepted for processing **ONLY** by the Bureau of Zoning Review, Department of Permits and Development Management (PDM) on June 29, 2011. 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

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**Enclosures** 

c: People's Counsel

Richard E. Matz, 2035 Smith Ave., Ste. G, Baltimore, MD 21209 D. Dusky Holman, 600 Washington Ave., Ste. 200 Towson, MD 21204

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#### **BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND**

#### **Inter-Office Correspondence**



TO:

Lawrence M. Stahl; Managing Administrative Law Judge

Office of Administrative Hearings

FROM:

David Lykens, Department of Environmental Protection and Sustainability

(DEPS) - Development Coordination

DATE:

July 20, 2011

SUBJECT:

**DEPS Comment for Zoning Item** 

# 11-373-A

Address

5 Mandel Court (Attman Property)

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of July 11, 2011.

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

Reviewer: Jeff Livingston; Development Coordination

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#### BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

#### INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

Department of Permits, Approvals and Inspections **DATE:** July 22, 2011

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OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

FROM:

Andrea Van Arsdale

Director, Office of Planning

SUBJECT:

5 Mandel Court

**INFORMATION:** 

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Prepared by:

Division Chief:

# BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

**DATE:** July18, 2011

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

Department of Permits, Approvals

And Inspections

FROM:

Dennis A. Kenhedy, Supervisor

Bureau of Development Plans Review

SUBJECT:

**Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting** 

For July 25, 2011 Item No. 2011-373

The Bureau of Development Plans Review has reviewed the subject zoning item and we have the following comment.

Permanent structures are not permitted in the drainage and utility easement. Proposed structure shall be set back to be at least 6 feet away from the property line.

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Martin O'Malley, Governor Anthony G. Brown, Lt. Governor

Beverley K. Swaim-Staley, Secretary Neil J. Pedersen, Administrator

Maryland Department of Transportation

Date: 7-15-11

Ms. Kristen Matthews Baltimore County Department of Permits, Approvals and Inspections County Office Building, Room 109 Towson, Maryland 21204

RE: **Baltimore County** 

Item No. 2011-0373-A

Variance Ronald M. & Stephanie Attman 5 Mandel Court

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. 2011-0373-A

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Richard Zeller at 410-545-5598 or 1-800-876-4742 extension 5598. Also, you may E-mail him at (rzeller@sha.state.md.us). Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

ss Management Division

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KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive JOHN J. HOHMAN, Chief Fire Department

July 13, 2011

County Office Building, Room 111 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

ATTENTION: Zoning Review

Distribution Meeting of: July 11, 2011

Item No.:

Special Hearing: 2011-0370-SPHA.

Administrative Variance: 2011-0363A, 2011-371A-0372A, 2011-0374A.

Variance: 2011-0370-SPHA, 2011-0373A, 2011-0375A.

#### Comments:

The Baltimore County Fire Marshal's Office has no comments on the above case numbers at this time.

Don W. Muddiman, Inspector Baltimore County Fire Marshal's Office 700 E. Joppa Road, 3<sup>RD</sup> Floor Towson, Maryland 21286 Office: 410-887-4880 dmuddiman@baltimorecountymd.gov

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cc: File

RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE

5 Mandel Court; SE/S of Mandel Court,

190' NE of c/line Sugarcone Road

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Legal Owner(s): Ronald & Stephanie Attman

Petitioner(s)

- \* BEFORE THE
- \* ADMINSTRATIVE LAW
- JUDGE FOR
  - **BALTIMORE COUNTY**
- \* 2011-373-A

#### **ENTRY OF APPEARANCE**

Pursuant to Baltimore County Charter § 524.1, please enter the appearance of People's Counsel for Baltimore County as an interested party in the above-captioned matter. Notice should be sent of any hearing dates or other proceedings in this matter and the passage of any preliminary or final Order. All parties should copy People's Counsel on all correspondence sent and all documentation filed in the case.

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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 8th day of July, 2011, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Richard Matz, Colbert, Matz & Rosenfelt, Inc, 2825 Smith Avenue, Suite G, Baltimore, MD 21209 and D. Dusky Holman, Esquire, Gildea & Schmidt, LLC, 600 Washington Avenue, Suite 200, Towson, Maryland 21204, Attorney for Petitioner(s).

PETER MAX ZIMNERMAN
People's Counsel for Baltimore County

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LAUREN M. DODRILL MICHAEL J. LIPPENHOLZ CHARLES B. MAREK, III ELYANA TARLOW JASON T. VETTORI REBECCA G. WYATT

of counsel:

JAMES T. SMITH, JR.

September 21, 2011

Timothy M. Kotroco, Esquire Office of Administrative Hearings Administrative Law Judge 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 103 Towson, MD 21204

Re: Attman/5 Mandel Court

Case No.: 2011-0373-A

Rescheduled Hearing Date: Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.

Dear Administrative Law Judge Kotroco:

In follow up to our conversation last week, Ronald and Stephanie Attman, the Petitioners, will be out of town on the scheduled hearing date. They have authorized me to proffer their testimony at the aforementioned rescheduled hearing date. It is my understanding that you do not object to the proffer of their testimony. If your position changes at any point, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

Jason T. Vettori

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CC: Lawrence Stahl, Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County Ronald & Stephanie Attman, 5 Mandel Court

Richard E. Matz, Colbert Matz Rosenfelt, Inc.

D. Dusky Holman, Esquire

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of counsel:

JAMES T. SMITH, JR.

September 21, 2011

Steve Silverman, Esquire Silverman & Thompson 201 N. Charles Street Baltimore, MD 21201

Re: Attman/5 Mandel Court

Case No.: 2011-0373-A

Rescheduled Hearing Date: Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at

10:00 a.m. in Room 205, Jefferson Building

Dear Mr. Silverman:

In follow up to my letter dated August 5, 2011, please accept this notification that the originally scheduled hearing has been rescheduled for Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 205, Jefferson Building. It is my further understanding that you have had further meetings with the Attmans in an attempt to address the concerns you originally expressed regarding the proposed addition and corresponding relief requested. Dick Matz has indicated that he will bring evidence documenting your position with respect to the proposed addition and the corresponding relief requested which will be presented at the rescheduled hearing. While you have every right to attend the rescheduled hearing, it is not required that you do so. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any comments, questions or concerns.

Very truly yours,

ason T. Vettori

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CC: Timothy M. Kotroco, Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County Lawrence Stahl, Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County Ronald & Stephanie Attman, 5 Mandel Court Richard E. Matz, Colbert Matz Rosenfelt, Inc. D. Dusky Holman, Esquire

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of counsel:

JAMES T. SMITH, JR.

August 5, 2011

Steve Silverman, Esquire Silverman & Thompson 201 N. Charles Street Baltimore, MD 21201

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Re: Attman/5 Mandel Court

Case No.: 2011-0373-A

Hearing Date: August 9, 2011, 1:30 p.m.

OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

Dear Mr. Silverman:

It is my understanding that you live at 6 Mandel Court. Dick Matz has advised me that you contacted your neighbors, the Attmans, about some concerns you have with the improvement they are proposing at 5 Mandel Court. He has further advised me that he has personally met with you and the Attmans in an attempt to resolve those issues. At this time, Mr. Matz has informed me that he is drafting some modifications to the proposed improvement that he hopes may be acceptable to you.

As you are aware, the hearing regarding the request for zoning relief is scheduled for Tuesday, August 9, 2011 at 1:30 p.m. I am writing to notify you that it is my intention to show up at the hearing as scheduled to notify the Administrative Law Judge that we would like the hearing to be continued until a later date so that we can attempt to address the concerns that you have brought to our attention.

Mr. Matz informed me that it was his understanding that Timothy M. Kotroco, Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County would be presiding over the zoning hearing. However, I called the Office of Administrative Hearings' office and spoke to Mr. Kotroco, and he indicated that Lawrence Stahl would be presiding over the hearing. Nevertheless, Mr. Kotroco did not have any objection to the proposed continuation. He told me that he would let Mr. Stahl know that it was our intention to continue the scheduled hearing.

It is fairly common that hearings are continued as minor issues are settled amongst neighbors. Obviously, I will make certain that you receive notice when the matter is to be set Steve Silverman, Esquire August 5, 2011 Page 2

in for a new hearing date. If any other interested persons show up at the hearing, they too will be notified about a future hearing date where the substantive issues will be presented. Mr. Stahl and Mr. Kotroco will receive courtesy copies of this letter as well. As the neighbor on the side of the house where the proposed improvement is being constructed, I certainly understand your interest in the requested relief and will be certain to keep you updated regarding changes to the proposed improvement and updates regarding the request for relief before the Administrative Law Judges.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

Jason T. Vettori

JTV: sf

CC: Lawrence Stahl, Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County
Timothy M. Kotroco, Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County
Ronald & Stephanie Attman, 5 Mandel Court
Richard E. Matz, Colbert Matz Rosenfelt, Inc.
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### Debra Wiley - Fwd: Case No. 2011-0373-A - 5 Mandel Court

From:

Debra Wiley

To:

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Date:

9/15/2011 11:56 AM

Subject: Fwd: Case No. 2011-0373-A - 5 Mandel Court

CC:

Kotroco, Timothy; Lewis, Kristen

#### Good Morning,

This is to advise you that the above-referenced case has been scheduled for Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at 10:00 AM, in Room 205. As you may recall, this case was opened and continued from August 9th in which there was no one in attendance.

As stated in your attached correspondence to Mr. Silverman, dated August 5, 2011, please notify him of the new hearing date.

Thanks and feel free to contact me with any concerns or questions.

Debbie Wiley Legal Administrative Secretary Office of Administrative Hearings 105 West Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 103 Towson, Md. 21204 410-887-3868 410-887-3468 (fax) dwiley@baltimorecountymd.gov

#### Debra Wiley - Re: Case No. 2011-0373-A - 5 Mandel Court

From:

Kristen Lewis

To:

Wiley, Debra

Date:

9/15/2011 9:20 AM

Subject:

Re: Case No. 2011-0373-A - 5 Mandel Court

Hi Debbie,

I have 10/12, 10/13 and 10/18 available at any time in Room 205. If any of these dates work, I can reserve it for whatever time they would like. Let me as soon as you can.

>>> Debra Wiley 9/14/2011 4:04 PM >>> Hi Kristen,

Our office was notified by Jason Vettori and Dick Matz today that they would like to proceed with the above-referenced case. This case was opened and continued by Larry Stahl from August 9th. They have both been advised that this will be heard some time in October and between Matz, Vettori & Kotroco, the UNAVAILABLE dates are as follows:

10/3, 10/6, 10/7, 10/11 & 10/21

Can you give me any available dates/times for this to be continued. I believe the estimated length of hearing will be about an hour or two.

Thanks.

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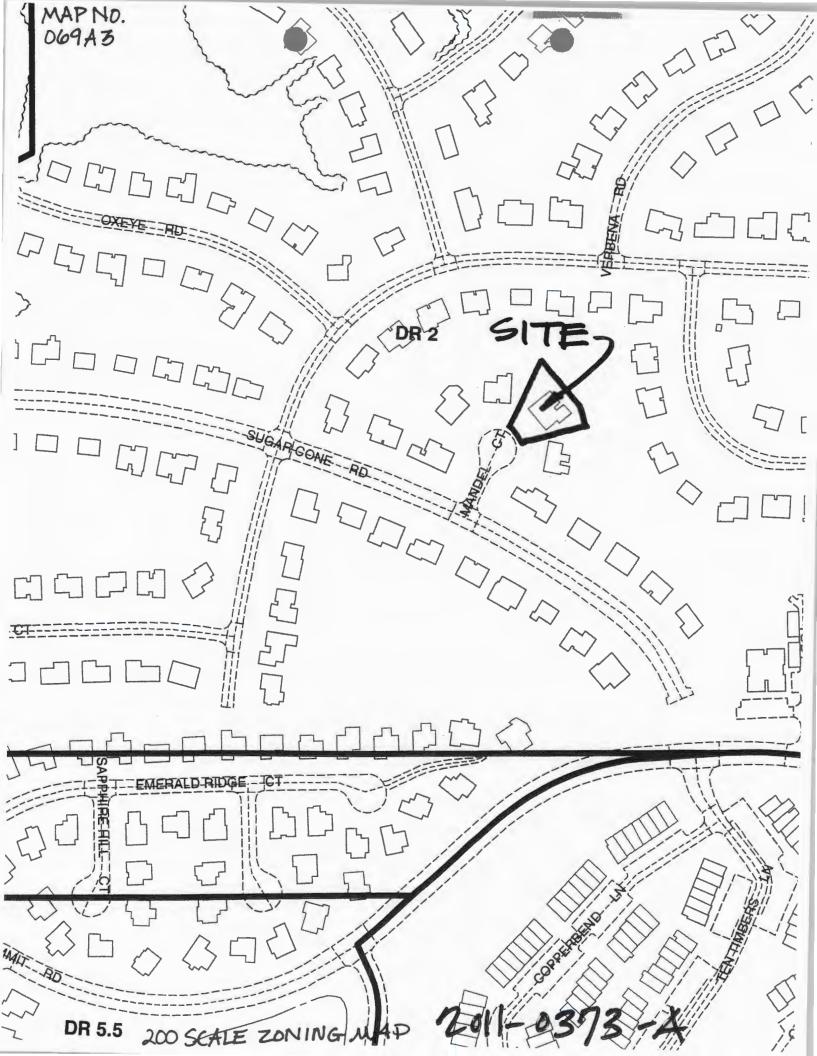
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## PETITIONER'S SIGN-IN SHEET

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## Petitioner/Developer

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Honorable Lawrence M. Stahl Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County Office of Administrative Hearings 105 West Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 103 Towson, MD 21204

September 13, 2011

RE: Case Number 2011-0373-A Original Hearing Date: August 9, 2011

Dear Judge Stahl:

We are the neighbors directly adjacent to the Attmans at 5 Mandel Court. We have seen the revised site plan showing the proposed garage set directly behind the existing kitchen window. We believe this is a much better proposal and have no objections, were a variance to be granted.

Steven D Silverman

Date#6 Mandel Court

Date

Freddye L. Silverman

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361 Md. 107, 760 A.2d 677, 20 NDLR P 110

(Cite as: 361 Md. 107, 760 A.2d 677)

Court of Appeals of Maryland. John P. MASTANDREA, et ux. John C. NORTH, II.

No. 119, Sept. Term, 1999. Oct. 10, 2000.

Chesapeake Bay critical area commission sought review of county board of appeals' grant of variance from critical area regulations, for brickin-sand pathway designed for wheelchair access for landowners' daughter on residential property with frontage on creek. The Circuit Court, Talbot County, William S. Horne, J., reversed. Landowners appealed. After issuance of writ of certiorari, the Court of Appeals, Harrell, J., held that: (1) pathway constituted a reasonable modification to relevant zoning ordinance requirement, and (2) evidence supported grant of variance.

Judgment of circuit court reversed and remanded with directions.

West Headnotes

#### [1] Zoning and Planning 414 \$\infty\$ 1581

414 Zoning and Planning 414X Judicial Review or Relief 414X(A) In General 414k1580 Decisions Reviewable 414k1581 k. In general. Most Cited

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(Formerly 414k570)

Question of whether Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or local zoning ordinance authorizing "reasonable accommodations" for benefit of disabled citizens in zoning matter was source of legal authority for county board of appeals' consideration of reasonable accommodations to a disabled person in a variance proceeding was not required to be resolved in case in which board granted variance from Chesapeake Bay critical area regulations, for brick-in-sand pathway designed for wheelchair access on landowners' residential property that had frontage on creek, where critical area commission conceded that board had the abstract legal authority to grant a variance as a reasonable accommodation to a disabled person. 42 U.S.C.A. §§ 12131-12134.

#### [2] Zoning and Planning 414 € 1532

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Brick-in-sand pathway designed for wheelchair access for landowners' daughter on residential property in Chesapeake Bay critical area constituted a reasonable modification to relevant zoning ordinance requirement and enabled such a disabled person to enjoy waterfront within critical area buffer equally with a non-disabled person.

#### [3] Zoning and Planning 414 € 1745

414 Zoning and Planning 414X Judicial Review or Relief 414X(E) Further Review 414k1744 Scope and Extent of Review 414k1745 k. In general. Most Cited

Cases

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Court of Appeals' role in reviewing whether county board of appeals, as administrative agency, correctly reached conclusions required by zoning ordinance for grant of variance in Chesapeake Bay critical area buffer was precisely the same as that of circuit court; that meant that Court was required to review administrative decision itself.

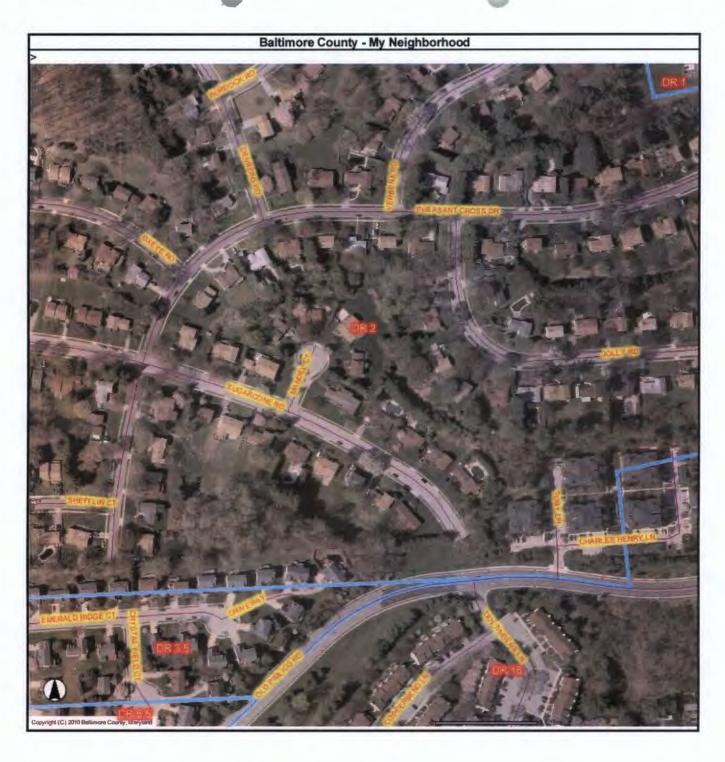
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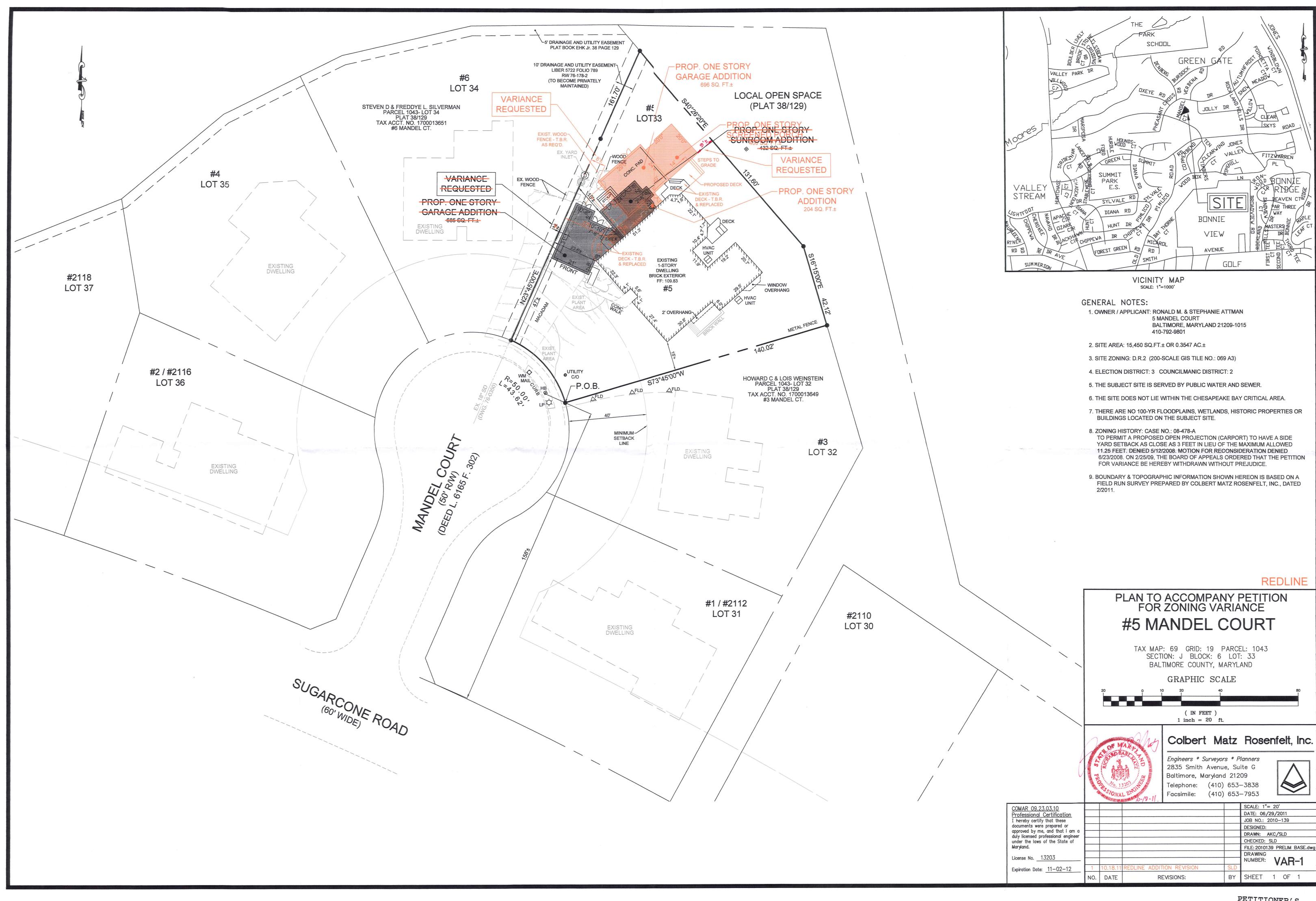
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