IN RE: PETITION FOR ADMIN. VARIANCE

SE corner of Neepier Road and West Geipe Road 1st Election District 1st Councilmanic District

(445 Neepier Road)

Roger and Catherine Acker Petitioners

- * BEFORE THE
- OFFICE OF
- * ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
- FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY
- * Case No. 2012-0115-A

OPINION AND ORDER

This matter comes before the Office of Administrative Hearings as a Petition for Administrative Variance filed by the legal owners of the subject property, Roger and Catherine Acker for property located at 445 Neepier Road. The variance request is from Sections 1B01.2.C and 504.2 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R.") to permit an open projection (deck/screened porch) with a 12 foot rear yard setback in lieu of the required 22.5 feet, and to amend the latest Final Development Plan for Westchester Oaks, Lot 8 only. The subject property and requested relief are more particularly described on Petitioners' Exhibit No. 1. Petitioners desire to build a deck over an existing stamped concrete patio to provide additional space for the growing family. The property is located at the corner of Neepier Road and West Geipe Road. The rear of Petitioners' property backs to Hahn Avenue, a paper street. The most affected property owner at 443 Neepier Road did not express any concern about the variance.

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.

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The Petitioners having filed a Petition for Administrative Variance and the subject property having been posted on November 6, 2011, and there being no request for a public hearing, a decision shall be rendered based upon the documentation presented.

The Petitioners have filed the supporting affidavits as required by Section 32-3-303 of the Baltimore County Code. Based upon the information available, there is no evidence in the file to indicate that the requested variance would adversely affect the health, safety or general welfare of the public and should therefore be granted. In the opinion of the Administrative Law Judge, the information, photographs, and affidavits submitted provide sufficient facts that comply with the requirements of Section 307.1 of the B.C.Z.R. Furthermore, strict compliance with the B.C.Z.R. would result in practical difficulty and/or unreasonable hardship upon the Petitioners.

Pursuant to the posting of the property and the provisions of both the Baltimore County Code and the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations, and for the reasons given above, the requested variance should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, by the Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County, this 29th day of November, 2011 that a Variance from Sections 1B01.2.C and 504.2 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R.") to permit an open projection (deck/screened porch) with a 12 foot rear yard setback in lieu of the required 22.5 feet, and to amend the latest Final Development Plan for Westchester Oaks, Lot 8 only, be and is hereby GRANTED, subject to the following:

The 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, the Petitioners would be required to return,
and be responsible for returning, said property to its original condition.

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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

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Managing Administrative Law Judge
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TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO
Administrative Law Judges

November 29, 2011

ROGER AND CATHERINE ACKER 445 NEEPIER ROAD CATONSVILLE MD 21228

> Re: Petition for Administrative Variance Case No. 2012-0115-A Property: 445 Neepier Road

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Acker:

Enclosed please find the decision rendered in the above-captioned case. The petition for Administrative Variance has been granted in accordance with the enclosed Order.

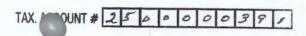
In the event the decision rendered is unfavorable to any party, please be advised that any party may file with the Department of Permits, Approvals and Inspections an appeal within thirty (30) days from the date of this Order. If you require additional information concerning filing an appeal, please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

Sincerely,

TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County

TMK:pz

Enclosure





CASE NO.

REV 10/25/01

2012-0115-A

Petition for Administrative Variance

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

for the property located at 445 NEEPIER ROAD
which is presently zoned DR-5.5

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) 1001.2.0.,504.2 (BCZR)

TO PERMIT AN OPEN PROJECTION (DECK SCREENED PORCH) WITH A 12-FOOT REAR YARD SETRACK IN LIEU OF THE REQUIRED 22.5-FEET AND TO AMEND THE LATEST F.D.P. FOR "WESTCHESTER OAKS", LOT 8 ONLY.

of the zoning regulations of Baltimore County, to the zoning law of Baltimore County, for the reasons indicated on the back of this petition form.

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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	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.
Contract Purchaser/Lessee:	Legal Owner(s):
	Roger L. Acker
Name - Type or Print	Name - Type or Print L. Acker
Signature	Signature Catherine L. Auker
Address Telephone No.	Name - Type or Print Alken
City State Zip Code	Signature
Attorney For Petitioner:	445 Neepier Rd 443-695-7018
	Address Telephone No.
	Catonsville MD 21228
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·	Representative to be Contacted:
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A Public Hearing having been formally demanded and/or found to be this day of that the subject matter of the transfer of Baltimore County and that the property be reposted.	required, it is ordered by the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, his petition be set for a public hearing, advertised, as required by the zoning
	Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

Estimated Posting Date

Affidavit in Support of Administrative Variance

That the Affiant(s) does/do presently reside at

The undersigned hereby affirms under the penalties of perjury to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, as follows: That the information herein given is within the personal knowledge of the Affiant(s) and that Affiant(s) is/are competent to testify thereto in the event that a public hearing is scheduled in the future with regard thereto.

Address
Catonsville MO 21228
That based upon personal knowledge, the following are the facts upon which I/we base the request for an Administrative Variance at the above address (indicate hardship or practical difficulty): We are veguesting a variance for a deck to be built over our existing Stamped concrete patio to provide additional space for our growing family. My wife and I have a 2 year old daughter, Julia, and a second baby due on October 22, 2011. This additional space is being requested to accompate our growing family. The deck will be made of maintenance free Trex material in neutral colors to provide for nice aesthetics within our community. The deck will also have a gate for the safety of our children. (Deck to be screen in growing a year or two).
That the Affiant(s) acknowledge(s) that if a formal demand is filed, Affiant(s) will be required to pay a reposting and advertising fee and may be required to provide additional information.
Roger L. Acker Cothein L. Arker Signature
Roger L. Acker Roger L. Acker Name - Type Jor Print Catherine L. Acker Name - Type or Print
STATE OF MARYLAND, COUNTY OF BALTIMORE, to wit:
I HEREBY CERTIFY, this and for the County aforesaid, personally appeared, and before me, a Notary Public of the State
the Affiant(s) herein, personally known or satisfactorily identified to me as such Affiant(s).
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Zoning Description

445 Neepier Road

Beginning at a point on the east side of Neepier Road, 50 feet right-of-way at its intersection with the southside of West Geipe Road, 60' right-of-way being Lot #8 in the subdivision of West Chester Oaks as recorded in Baltimore County Plat Book Liber 78 Folio 132 and containing 0.148 acres +/-. Being known as 445 Neepier Road and located in the 1st Election District and 1st Councilmanic District of Baltimore County.

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ADMINISTRATIVE VARIANCE INFORMATION SHEET AND DATES

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Letter of Transmittal

William D. Gulick, Jr.

Consultant to Land Development and Industry
Commercial and Residential
2944 Edgewood Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21234
Phone - 410-530-6293
E-mail - wdgjr@comcast.net

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ZONING OFFICE: ATTN. MS. KRISTEN LEWIS

We Are Sen	nding You: 🔽 Attac	hed Under separate cover the following items:		
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Transmittals are as checked below:

☐ For approval ☐ For your use ☐ As requested ☐ For review & content

Remarks: CASE NO.: 2012-0115-A ADDRESS: 445 NEEPIER ROAD

William D. Gulick, Jr.

Chief Office Engineer



Certificate of Posting

Department of Permits, Approval, and Inspections Baltimore County 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Room 111 Towson. MD 21204

Date: NOV. 6, 2011

Attention: MS. KRISTEN LEWIS

Re: Case Number: 2012-0115-A

Petitioner/Developer: ROGER ACKER

Date of Hearing/Closing: NOV. 21, 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: 445 NEEPIER ROAD

BALTO. MD 21228

The sign(s) were posted on:

NOV. 6, 2011

(SEE ATTACHED PHOTOS)

William D. Gulick, Jr.

2944 Edgewood Avenue Baltimore, MD 21234 (410) 530-6293

MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 30, 2011

TO: Zoning Review Office

FROM: Office of Administrative Hearings

RE: Case No. 2012-0115-A

The appeal period for the above-referenced case expired on December 29, 2011. There being no appeal filed, the subject file is ready for return to the Zoning Review Office and is placed in the 'pick up box.'

c: Case File
Office of Administrative Hearings



KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive

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

November 16, 2011

Roger & Catherine Acker 445 Neepier Road Catonsville, MD 212289

RE: Case Number 2012-0115-A, 445 Neepier Road

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Acker,

The above referenced petition was accepted for processing **ONLY** by the Bureau of Zoning Review, Department of Permits and Development Management (PDM) on October 26, 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,

W. Carl Richards, Jr. Supervisor, Zoning Review

WCR:mcn

Enclosures

c: People's Counsel

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

DATE: November 16, 2011

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

Department of Permits, Approvals

And Inspections

FROM:

Dennis A. Kennedy, Supervisor

Bureau of Development Plans

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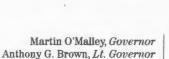
Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

For November 21, 2011

Item Nos. 2012-115,116,117,118

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





Beverley K. Swaim-Staley, Secretary Darrell B. Mobley, Acting Administrator

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Date: 11-8-11

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

RE: Baltimore County

Item No. 2012-0115-A
Administrative Variouse
Roger and Catherine Acker
445 Neepier Road.

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. 2012-0115-1

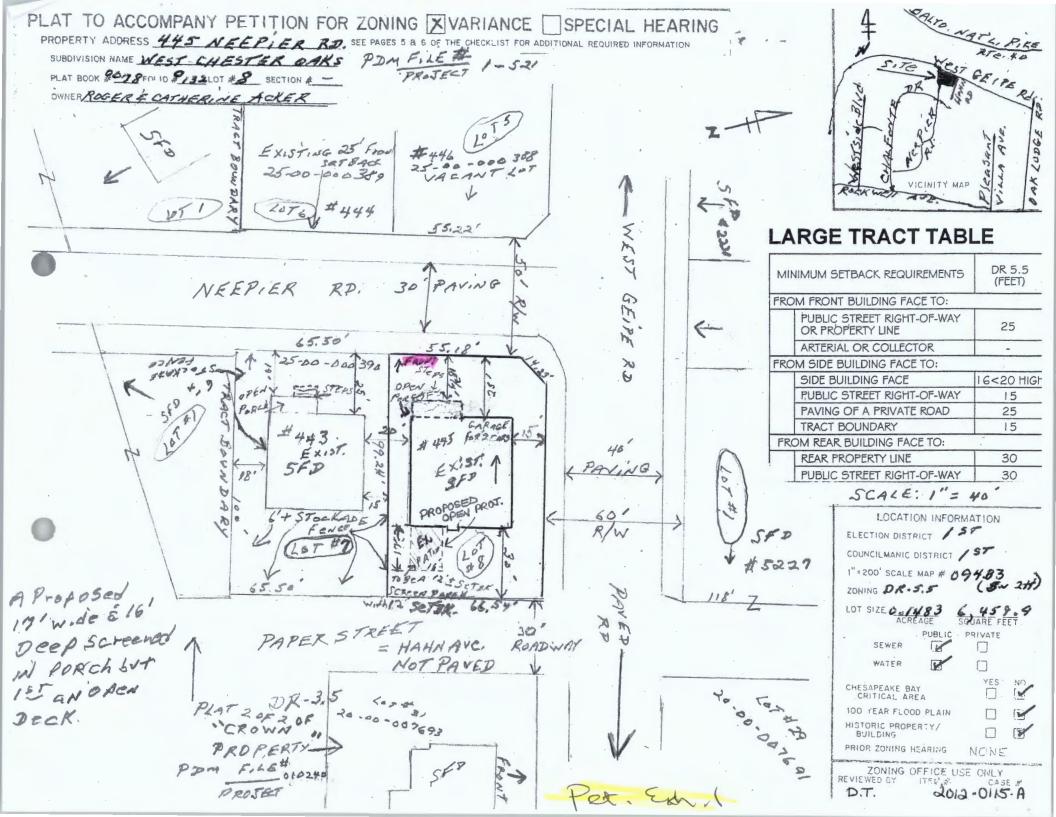
Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Richard Zeller at 410-545-5598 or 1-800-876-4742 extension 5598. Also, you may E-mail him at (rzeller@sha.state.md.us). Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Steven D. Foster, Chief Access Management Division

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