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County Executive

LAWRENCE M. STAHL
Managing Administrative Law Judge
JOHN E. BEVERUNGEN
Administrative Law Judge

November 1, 2012

Jonathon M. Schmitt Susan W. Schmitt 18209 York Road Parkton, Maryland 21120

RE: PETITION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE VARIANCE

(18209 York Road) Case No. 2013-0072-A

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Schmitt:

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

In the event any party finds the decision rendered is unfavorable, any party may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on filing an appeal, please contact the Office of Administrative Hearings at 410-887-3868.

Very truly yours

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Managing Administrative Law Judge

for Baltimore County

LMS:dlw Enclosure

c: Ron Krauss, P.O. Box 58, Butler, MD 21023

IN RE: PETITION FOR ADMIN. VARIANCE (18209 York Road)

7th Election District 3rd Councilmanic District Jonathan M. and Susan W. Schmitt Petitioners BEFORE THE

OFFICE OF

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

Case No. 2013-0072-A

OPINION AND ORDER

This matter comes before the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) for Baltimore County as a Petition for Administrative Variance filed by the legal owners of the subject property, Jonathan M. and Susan W. Schmitt. The variance request is from Section 400.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R."), to permit an accessory structure (2 car garage) to be placed in the side yard in lieu of the required rear yard placement. The subject property and requested relief are more particularly described on Petitioners' Exhibit No. 1.

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

The Petitioners having filed a Petition for Administrative Variance and the subject property having been posted on September 29, 2012, 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

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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.

Although the Office of Planning did not make any recommendations related to the garage height and usage, I will impose conditions that the accessory structure not be converted into a dwelling unit or apartment, not contain any sleeping quarters, living area, kitchen or bathroom facilities, and not be used for commercial purposes.

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, this 1st day of November, 2012 by the Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County that the Petition for Variance from Section 400.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R."), to permit an accessory structure (2 car garage) to be placed in the side yard in lieu of the required rear yard placement, be and is hereby GRANTED.

The relief granted herein shall be subject to the following:

- 1. The Petitioners may apply for any appropriate 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 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.
- The Petitioners or subsequent owners shall not convert the subject garage into a
 dwelling unit or apartment. The structure shall not contain any sleeping quarters,
 living area, kitchen or bathroom facilities.
- 3. The garage shall not be used for commercial purposes.

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

Managing Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County

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ADMIN Address 18209 York Rd. Parkton, MP Deed Reference 24040 Property Owner(s) Printed Name(s) Jonathan

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FOR ADMINISTRATIVE VARIANCE - OR - ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIAL HEARING

To be filed with the Department of Permits, Approvals and Inspections To the Office of Administrative Law of Baltimore County for the property located at: which is presently zoned Residential (SELECT THE HEARING(S) BY MARKING X AT THE APPROPRIATE SELECTION(S) AND ADDING THE PETITION REQUEST) Administrative Variances require that the Affidavit on the reverse of this Petition Form be completed / notarized. 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 ADMINISTRATIVE VARIANCE from section(s BCZR 400.1 TO PERMIT AN ACCESSORY STRUCTURE (2 CMR GARAGE) TO BE PLACED IN THE SIDE YARD, IN LIEU OF THE REQUIRED PLAK YARD PLACEMENT. of the zoning regulations of Baltimore County, to the zoning law of Baltimore County. ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIAL HEARING to approve a waiver pursuant to Sections 32-4-107(b), 32-4-223.(8), and Section 32-4- 416(a)(2): (indicate type of work in this space to raze, alter or construct addition to building) of the zoning regulations of Baltimore County, to the zoning law of Baltimore County. Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by the zoning regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above petition(s), 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. Legal Owner(s) Affirmation: I / we do so 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 / these Petition(s). Legal Owners: Contract Purchaser/Lessee: Name-Type or Print Signature #1 Signature Mailing Address City State Zip Code Zip Code Email Address ORDER RECEIVED FOR FILING Representative to be contacted: Attorney for Petitioner: - Vauss Name - Type or Name-Type or Print Signature Signature Date Mailing Address State WMV is . LOV Zip Code Telephone # Email Address A PUBLIC HEARING having formally demanded and/or found to be required, it is ordered by the Office of Administrative Law, of Baltimore County, that the subject matter of this petition be set for a public hearing, advertised, as required by the zoning regulations of Baltimore County and that the property be reposted. Administrative Law Judge of Baltimore County 2013-0072-A Filing Date 9 /21 / 12 Estimated Posting Date 9 / 30 / 12 CASE NUMBER Reviewer

Affidavit in Support of Administrative Variance

(THIS AFFIDAVIT IS NOT REQUIRED FOR AN HISTORIC ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIAL HEARING)

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

That the property is not under an active zoning violation citation and Affiant(s) is/are the resident home owner(s) of this residential lot, or is/are the contract purchaser(s) of this residential lot, who will, upon purchase, reside at the existing dwelling on said property located at:

Address: 18 209 York Road	Parteton	MD	21120
Print or Type Address of property	City	State	Zip Code
Based upon personal knowledge, the f Administrative Variance at the above a	following are the fac address. (Clearly st	cts which I/we base the cate practical difficu	ne request for an Ity or hardship here)
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Name- Print or Type		Name- Print or Type	
The following information is t	to be completed by a	Notary Public of the Sta	te of Maryland
STATE OF MARYLAND, COUNTY OF	F BALTIMORE, to	wit:	
I HEREBY CERTIFY, this 2 and for the County aforesaid, personally a		2012, before me	a Notary of Maryland, in
Tonathan Schmitt.	and Suso	in Schmot	+.
the Affiant(s) herein, personally known or	satisfactorily identifie	d to me as such Affiant	t(s) (Print name(s) here)
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My Commission Expires

Administrative Zoning Petition - Attachment in answer to hardship question

Property: 18209 York Road, Parkton, MD 21120 Owners: Jonathan Schmitt and Susan Schmitt Phone: 410-804-7921 and 443-801-7867

Representative to be Contacted: Ron Krauss 410-935-8587

Our house is on a narrow lot, and the position of the well and septic reserve area severely limit the area for the construction of the garage in the rear yard and on the north side of the house. The only viable place to construct a garage is on the south side of the house. The neighboring lot is an unbuildable lot with heavy brush and trees.

The house is located on York Road, a very busy state route with heavy traffic. We have a 2 year old son, and want to make the transfer from car to house as safe as possible. The construction of a garage will allow us to close the door behind us during the transfer.

I also have a 72 year old mother that visits quote often that has serious health and mobility issues, and would greatly benefit from parking closer to the house.

Onathan Schmitt, Owner

Susan Schmitt, Owner

ADMINISTRATIVE VARIANCE INFORMATION SHEET AND DATES

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ase Number 2013. 0072 -A Address 18709 YORK R.S.
Contact Person: JASON SEIDEMAN Phone Number: 410-887-3391 Planner, Please Print Your Name
iling Date: 9-31-12 Posting Date: 9-30-12 Closing Date: 10-15-12
Any contact made with this office regarding the status of the administrative variance should be hrough the contact person (planner) using the case number.
POSTING/COST: The petitioner must use one of the sign posters on the approved list (on the reverse side of this form) and the petitioner is responsible for all printing/posting costs. Any reposting must be done only by one of the sign posters on the approved list and the petitioner is again responsible for all associated costs. The zoning notice sign must be visible on the property on or before the posting date noted above. It should remain there through the closing date.
2. <u>DEADLINE:</u> The closing date is the deadline for an occupant or owner within 1,000 feet to file a formal request for a public hearing. Please understand that even if there is no formal request for a public hearing, the process is not complete on the closing date.
ORDER: After the closing date, the file will be reviewed by the zoning or deputy zoning commissioner. He may: (a) grant the requested relief; (b) deny the requested relief; or (c) order that the matter be set in for a public hearing. You will receive written notification, usually within 10 days of the closing date if all County agencies' comments are received, as to whether the petition has been granted, denied, or will go to public hearing. The order will be mailed to you by First Class mail.
4. POSSIBLE PUBLIC HEARING AND REPOSTING: In cases that must go to a public hearing (whether due to a neighbor's formal request or by order of the zoning or deputy zoning commissioner), notification will be forwarded to you. The sign on the property must be changed giving notice of the hearing date, time and location. As when the sign was originally posted, certification of this change and a photograph of the altered sign must be forwarded to this office.
(Detach Along Dotted Line)
Petitioner: This Part of the Form is for the Sign Poster Only
USE THE ADMINISTRATIVE VARIANCE SIGN FORMAT
Case Number 2013 0072 -A Address 18709 YULK RD.
Petitioner's Name SCHMITI Telephone 410 - 804 - 7931
Posting Date: 9-30-18 Closing Date: 10-15-12
Wording for Sign: To Permit AN ACCESSORY STRUCTURE (2-CAR GARAGE)
TO BE PLACED IN THE SIDE YARD, IN LIEU OF THE REQUIRED
REAR YARD PLACEMENT

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:

18209 YORK ROAD

Northeast side of York Road, which is 35 feet wide, 350 feet northwest from the intersection with Wiseburg Road, which is 23 feet wide.

Being known and designated as Lot No. 2A, as shown on Plat entitled "Final Subdivision Plat, Section One, 'Coachman's Field", which Plat is recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Play Book S.M. No. 56, folio 109. Containing 1.253 acres of land more or less.

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ATTENTION: KRISTEN LEWIS

DATE: 09/30/2012

Case Number: 2013-0072-A

Petitioner / Developer: JONATHAN SCHMITT
Date of Hearing (Closing): OCTOBER 15, 2012

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: 18209 YORK ROAD

The sign(s) were posted on: SEPTEMBER 29, 2012



Lindu O'Kufe
(Signature of Sign Poster)

Linda O'Keefe
(Printed Name of Sign Poster)

(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)



KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive

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

October 16, 2012

Jonathan & Susan Schmitt 18209 York Road Parkton, MD 21120

RE: Case Number: 2013-0072 A, Address: 18209 York Road, 21120

Dear Mr. & Ms. Schmitt:

The above referenced petition was accepted for processing **ONLY** by the Bureau of Zoning Review, Department of Permits, Approvals, and Inspection (PAI) on September 21, 2012. This letter is not an approval, but only a **NOTIFICATION**.

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC), which consists of representatives from several approval agencies, has reviewed the plans that were submitted with your petition. All comments submitted thus far from the members of the ZAC are attached. These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to ensure that all parties (zoning commissioner, attorney, petitioner, etc.) are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed improvements that may have a bearing on this case. All comments will be placed in the permanent case file.

If you need further information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the commenting agency.

Very truly yours,

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W. Carl Richards, Jr. Supervisor, Zoning Review

WCR: jaf

Enclosures

c: People's Counsel

Ron Krauss, P O Box 58 Butler, MD 21023



Martin O'Malley, Governor Anthony G. Brown, Lt. Governor Darrell B. Mobley, Acting Secretary Melinda B. Peters, Administrator

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Date: 10-1-12

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

RE: **Baltimore County**

Item No. 2013-007Z-A Administrative Variance Fonathan & Suson Schmidtt

Dear Ms. Lewis:

We have reviewed the site plan to accompany petition for variance on the subject of the above captioned, which was received on 10-1-12. A field inspection and internal review reveals that an entrance onto MD45 consistent with current State Highway Administration guidelines is not required. Therefore, SHA has no objection to approval for Case Number 2013-0072-A.

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

Sincerely.

Steven D. Foster, Chief

Access Management Division

SDF/raz

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

DATE: October 4, 2012

Department of Permits, Approvals And Inspections

FROM:

Dennis A. Kennedy, Supervisor

Bureau of Development Plans

Review

SUBJECT:

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

For October 15, 2012

Item Nos. 2013-0072, 0073, 0074 and 0077

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

DAK cc: File

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

December 5, 2012

TO:

Zoning Review Office

FROM:

Office of Administrative Hearings

RE:

Case No. 2013-0072-A - Appeal Period Expired

The appeal period for the above-referenced case expired on December 3, 2012. 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



From:

Debra Wiley

To:

rkrauss@mris.com; shwolfinger@gmail.com

Date:

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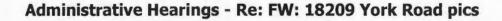
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Attachments: Message from "zoneprt1"

Good Afternoon,

Please find attached a copy of the above-referenced Opinion and Order. The originals have been placed in the mail today. Have a great day!

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



From: Administrative Hearings

To: rkrauss@mris.com **Date:** 11/1/2012 7:50 AM

Subject: Re: FW: 18209 York Road pics

Good Morning,

Our office is in receipt of both of your e-mails containing numerous photographs for Administrative Variance 2013-0072-A.

It is hopeful that the decision will be made today and we will send a copy to this e-mail once completed.

Thank you.

>>> <rkrauss@mris.com> 10/31/2012 8:48 PM >>>
Hi Case 2013-0072-A Thanks Ron Krauss (brother in law) 410-935-8587

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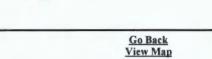
From: "Susan Wolfinger Schmitt" <shwolfinger@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, October 31, 2012 8:42pm To: "rkrauss@mris.com" <rkrauss@mris.com>

Subject: 18209 York Road pics

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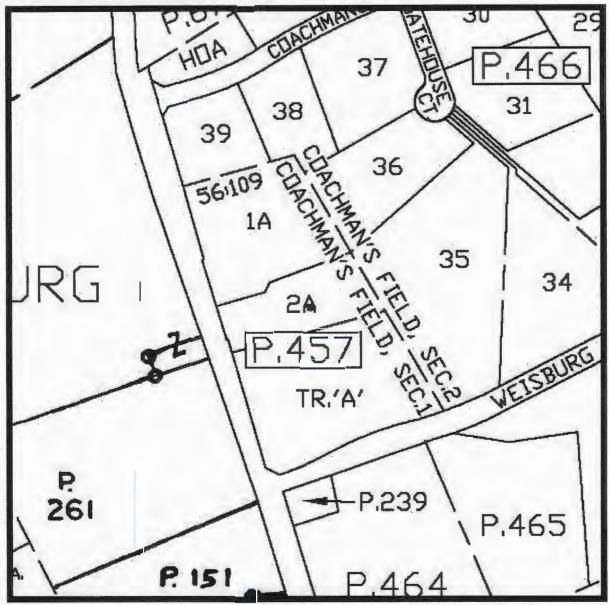
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The information shown on this map has been compiled from deed descriptions and plats and is not a property survey. The map should not be used for legal descriptions. Users noting errors are urged to notify the Maryland Department of Planning Mapping, 301 W. Preston Street, Baltimore MD 21201.

If a plat for a property is needed, contact the local Land Records office where the property is located. Plats are also available online through the Maryland State Archives at www.plats.net.

Property maps provided courtesy of the Maryland Department of Planning ©2011. For more information on electronic mapping applications, visit the Maryland Department of Planning web site at www.mdp.state.md.us/OurProducts/OurProducts.shtml





















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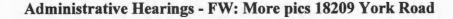
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FW: More pics 18209 York Road

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Hi Again more photos Ron Krauss 410-935-8587 Case 2013-0072-A

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CASE NO. 2013- 0072-9

CHECKLIST

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