

KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive

LAWRENCE M. STAHL

Managing Administrative Law Judge
JOHN E. BEVERUNGEN

Administrative Law Judge

September 15, 2015

Mark L. Markell 330 Townsend Road Essex, Maryland 21221

RE: Petition for Special Hearing and Variance

Froperty: 330 Towsend Road Case No. 2015-0300-SPHA

Dear Mr. Markell:

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 Baltimore County Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on filing an appeal, please contact the Baltimore County Office of Administrative Hearings at 410-887-3868.

Sincerely,

JOHN E. BEVERUNGEN Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County

JEB:sln Enclosure

c:

Kathryn McDowell, 328 Townsend Road, Essex, Maryland 21221

IN RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING *

AND VARIANCE

(330 Townsend Road) 15th Election District

7th Council District Mark L. Markell

Petitioner

BEFORE THE

OFFICE OF

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

Case No. 2015-0300-SPHA

OPINION AND ORDER

This matter comes before the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) for consideration of Petitions for Special Hearing and Variance filed on behalf of the legal owner. The Special Hearing was filed pursuant to § 500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R.") as follows: (1) to permit an apartment in an accessory building (formerly a garage) for a family member; and (2) to amend the previous case opinion (Case #07-491-A) which allowed a height (for the accessory building) of 20 ft. in lieu of the required 15 ft. In addition, a Petition for Variance pursuant to B.C.Z.R. § 400.3 to permit an accessory building (formerly a garage) that is being requested as an accessory apartment to have a height of 24 ft. in lieu of the required 15 ft. A site plan was marked and accepted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

Appearing at the public hearing in support of the requests was Mark L. Markell. Bruce E. Doak, a licensed surveyor, assisted the Petitioner. The Petitioner's sister and her husband, who are neighbors, attended and opposed the request. They contend that drainage from Petitioner's property has caused flooding and damage to their home, and they presented a series of photographs depicting these conditions. The Petition was advertised and posted as required by the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations. A substantive Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC) comment was submitted by the Department of Planning (DOP), which indicated that agency did not oppose the request provided all safety and inspection requirements are satisfied.

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This matter is currently the subject of a violation case (Case No. CC1505933) before the Office of Administrative Hearings. The violation case has been stayed pending the outcome of this zoning hearing.

PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING

The Baltimore County Council enacted legislation in 2011 which permits under certain circumstances accessory apartments for family members. These were formerly referred to as "in law apartments." The requirements for such an apartment are set forth at B.C.Z.R. §400.4, and based on the testimony I believe Petitioner complies with these requirements. The apartment is occupied by Petitioner's mother, who is elderly and has had a series of medical problems in the recent past. Petitioner submitted a notarized Declaration of Understanding (Exhibit #4) which contains the requisite information and must be filed in the County land records office. As such, the petition for special hearing will be granted.

VARIANCE

To obtain variance relief requires a showing that:

- (1) The property is unique; and
- (2) If variance relief is denied, petitioner will experience a practical difficulty or hardship.

Trinity Assembly of God v. People's Counsel, 407 Md. 53, 80 (2008).

Petitioner has met this test. The garage was constructed several years ago by contractors, and thus Petitioner must contend with existing site conditions. If the B.C.Z.R. were strictly interpreted, Petitioner would experience a practical difficulty, given he would be required to raze or reconfigure the garage. Finally, I find that the variance can be granted in harmony with the spirit and intent of the B.C.Z.R., and in such manner as to grant relief without injury to the public health, safety, and general welfare. This is demonstrated by the lack of County agency opposition.

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I am mindful of the concerns raised by the neighboring owners. Unfortunately, under Maryland law an upper owner of property is not liable for water draining across lower property, provided the upper owner does not collect the water into a single channel such that it substantially increases the flow upon the lower land. Kennedy Dev. Co. v. Snure, 212 Md. 369, 376 (1957). Here, there was no evidence that the Petitioner had done so, and the flow of water appears to follow the natural topography. One of the neighbors' photographs did reveal that the Petitioner's gutters and downspouts overflow during storm conditions, and a condition will be included in the Order below requiring those issues to be addressed.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED this <u>15th</u> day of **September**, **2015**, by this Administrative Law Judge, that the Petition for Special Hearing filed pursuant to § 500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R) as follows: (1) to permit an apartment in an accessory building (formerly a garage) for a family member; and (2) to amend the previous case opinion (Case #07-491-A) which allowed a height of 20 ft. in lieu of the required 15 ft., be and is hereby GRANTED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition for Variance pursuant to B.C.Z.R. § 400.3 to permit an existing accessory building with a height of 24 ft. in lieu of the required 15 ft., be and is hereby GRANTED.

The relief granted herein shall be subject to and conditioned upon the following:

- 1. Petitioner may apply for necessary permits and/or licenses upon receipt of this Order. However, Petitioner is hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at his own risk until 30 days from the date hereof, during which time an appeal can be filed by any party. If for whatever reason this Order is reversed, Petitioner would be required to return the subject property to its original condition.
- Petitioner must within 60 days of the date hereof clean and repair as necessary all gutters and downspouts at the subject property, and

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must ensure that the downspouts do not convey water onto the adjoining property at 328 Towsend Road.

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

JOHN E. BEVERUNGEN Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County

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PETITION FOR ZONING HEARING(S)

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:

Address 330 Town 5000 ROAD which is presently zoned DR 5.5 10 Digit Tax Account # 1 5 1 9 3 9 0 9 9 0 Deed References: SM 24028 / 114 Property Owner(s) Printed Name(s) MARK (SELECT THE HEARING(S) BY MARKING X AT THE APPROPRIATE SELECTION AND PRINT OR TYPE THE PETITION REQUEST) The undersigned legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plan attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for: X a Special Hearing under Section 500.7 of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to determine whether or not the Zoning Commissioner should approve SEE ATTACHED SHEET a Special Exception under the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County to use the herein described property for a Variance from Section(s) SEE ATTACHED SHEET of the zoning regulations of Baltimore County, to the zoning law of Baltimore County, for the following reasons: (Indicate below your hardship or practical difficulty or indicate below "TO BE PRESENTED AT HEARING". If you need additional space, you may add an attachment to this petition) 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 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 (Petitioners): Contract Purchaser/Lessee: Name-Type or Print Name #2 - Type or Print Signature Email Andress

Email Andress 330 LOWISEND Mailing Address Mailing Address 443-257-3891 MWINE 66 @ YAHOO.COM Zip Code Telephone # Telephone # **Email Address** Representative to be contacted: Attorney for Petitioner: BRUCE E. DOAK Name- Type or Print Type or Print Signature Signature

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Special Hearing Requested / Use Permit

To permit an apartment in an accessory building (formerly a garage) for a family member per Section 400.4B BCZR

TO ATTHE PREVIOUS CASE OPINION (CASE #07-991-A) WHICH ALLOWED A HEIGHT OF 20 FEET IN LIEU OF THE REQUIRED IS FEET.

Variance Requested

To permit an accessory building (formerly a garage) that is being requested as an accessory apartment to have a height of 24 feet in lieu of the required 15 feet per Section 400.3 BCZR

Bruss. Doak Consulting, Ll

3801 Baker Schoolhouse Road Freeland, MD 21053 o 443-900-5535 m 410-419-4906 bdoak@bruceedoakconsulting.com

Zoning Description

330 Townsend Road
Fifteenth Election District Seventh Councilmanic District
Baltimore County, Maryland

Beginning at a point on the northeastern side of Townsend Road which is 50 feet wide at the distance of 1,175 feet northwesterly of the centerline of Mace Avenue, which is 50 feet wide.

Being Lot 69, Section E of "Back River Highlands" recorded in Baltimore County Plat Book No. 4, Page 64.

Containing 10,000 square feet or 0.230 of an acre of land, more or less.

This description is part of a zoning hearing petition and is not intended for any conveyance purposes.





Land Use Expert and Surveyor

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Aug 13, 2015

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NOTICE OF ZONING HEARING

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Case: # 2015-0300-SPHA

330 Townsend Road

NE/s Townsend Road, NW of Mace Avenue
15th Election District - 7th Councilmanic District
Legal Owner(s) Mark Markell
Special Hearing: to permit an apartment in an accessory

Special Hearing: to permit an apartment in an accessory building (formerly a garage) for a family member, to amend the previous case opinion (Case 07-491-A) which allowed a height of 20 feet in lieu of the required 15 feet.

Variance: to permit an accessory building (formerly a garage) that is being requested as an accessory apartment to have a height of 24 feet in lieu of the required 15 feet Hearing: Friday, September 4, 2015 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.



KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive

July 9, 2015

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

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Director

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C: Mark Markell, 330 Townsend Road, Essex 21221
Bruce Doak, 3801 Baker Schoolhouse Road, Freeland 21053

NOTES: (1) THE PETITIONER MUST HAVE THE ZONING NOTICE SIGN POSTED BY AN APPROVED POSTER ON THE PROPERTY BY SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2015.

- (2) HEARINGS ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE; FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CALL THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS OFFICE AT 410-887-3868.
- (3) FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING THE FILE AND/OR HEARING, CONTACT THE ZONING REVIEW OFFICE AT 410-887-3391.



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Please forward billing to:

Mark Markell 330 Townsend Road Essex, MD 21221 443-257-3891

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330 Townsend Road; NE/S Townsend Road, * NW 1,175' to c/line of Mace Avenue

15th Election & 7th Councilmanic Districts

Legal Owner(s): Mark L. Markell

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Petitioner(s)

BEFORE THE OFFICE

OF ADMINSTRATIVE

HEARINGS FOR

* BALTIMORE COUNTY

* 2015-300-SPHA

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

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN
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 1st day of July, 2015, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Bruce Doak. 3801 Baker Schoolhouse Road, Freeland, Maryland 21053, Representative for Petitioner(s).

Peter Max Zummerman

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN
People's Counsel for Baltimore County

DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS, APPROVALS AND INSPECTIONS ZONING REVIEW OFFICE

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 legal owner/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 legal owner/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:
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Legal Owners (Petitioners): MARK MARKELL
Contract Purchaser/Lessee:
PLEASE FORWARD ADVERTISING BILL TO:
Name: MARK MARKELL
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MEMORANDUM

DATE:

October 19, 2015

TO:

Zoning Review Office

FROM:

Office of Administrative Hearings

RE:

Case No. 2015-0300-SPHA - Appeal Period Expired

The appeal period for the above-referenced case expired on October 15, 2015. 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.'

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Office of Administrative Hearings

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DECLARATION OF UNDERSTANDING

THIS DECLSRATION OF UNDERSTANDING (hereinafter referred to as "Declaration") is made on the 23rd day of June 2015, by and between Mark L. Markell (hereinafter referred to as the "Declarant") and the Department of Permits, Approvals and Inspections (hereinafter referred to as "PAI").

RECITALS

- A. The Declarant who is also the owner of this property has filed an application for a use permit and special hearing to allow the use of an existing detached accessory building located behind the existing dwelling in the rear yard of the subject property. The existing detached accessory building was built for the purpose of housing a family member and has been used as such since that time.

 The property being located at 330 Townsend Road Essex, MD 21221 and is more particularly described by metes and bounds in Exhibit A (The Property) and Exhibit B (The use permit or hearing plans) attached hereto and made a part hereof. The property is zoned D.R. 5.5 which is the particular zone in which the property is located.
- B. PAI or The Administration Law Judge has approved the Declaration request to create an Accessary Apartment complete with dedicated bathing and cooking facilities, located on this owner-occupied property. The accessary apartment will be housing for Kathryn Markell, who is the mother of the property owner. The other residents of the property are Melissa Markell and Brooke Markell, who are also related to the property owner. The use permit must be renewed with PIA every two years by filing a renewal on a PAI approved form, to be dated from the month of the initial approval.
- C. As a condition of approval of the Declarant request, Bill No. 49-11 requires the filing of this Declaration among the Land Records of Baltimore County, to provide notice to any future owners, subsequent bona fide purchasers or users of the Property that no part of any improvements or addition on the Property may be used for separate living quarters and that all such improvements shall only be used as a single- family residence, unless otherwise approved by and at the discretion of PIA.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledge, the Declarant and PIA hereby declare as follows:

- 1. Any and all improvements now existing or to be constructed on the Property shall be used only as a single-family residence. No such improvements or additions shall ever be used as a separate living quarter or second residential unit. The kitchen for the Accessory Apartment will be constructed as part of the Property and shall be accessory to the principal use of the Property as a single-family residence. The Accessory Apartment shall house only immediate family members listed in this Declaration and it is not to be used as an independent residential unit, nor is it to be used for compensation, and it shall not be used by any other person or for any other reason. The use permit and this Declaration are subject to the order, conditions or restrictions of any required zoning hearing. The hearing order is to be made part of this Declaration when it is recorded in the Land Records.
- 2. Once the Accessory Apartment is no longer occupied by the persons named in this Declaration or if the property is sold, or the use permit has not been renewed within the 2 year temporary use permit time limit, the use permit shall terminate, and any proposed changes in occupancy to the Accessory Apartment by the property owner or subsequent purchaser shall require a new request for a use permit.
- Upon use permit termination, the Accessory Apartment in the accessory building requires removal of the kitchen and possibly other residential elements, at the discretion of PAI.
- 4. The covenants, conditions and restrictions stated above shall run with and bind the Property and shall be enforced by Baltimore County, MD and by the owners the owners of all or any portion of the Property.
- 5. Enforcement of the Covenants shall be by proceedings at law or in equity against any person or persons violating or attempting to violate any of the covenants, either to restrain the violation or to recover damages.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have duly executed this Declaration under seal on the date first above written.

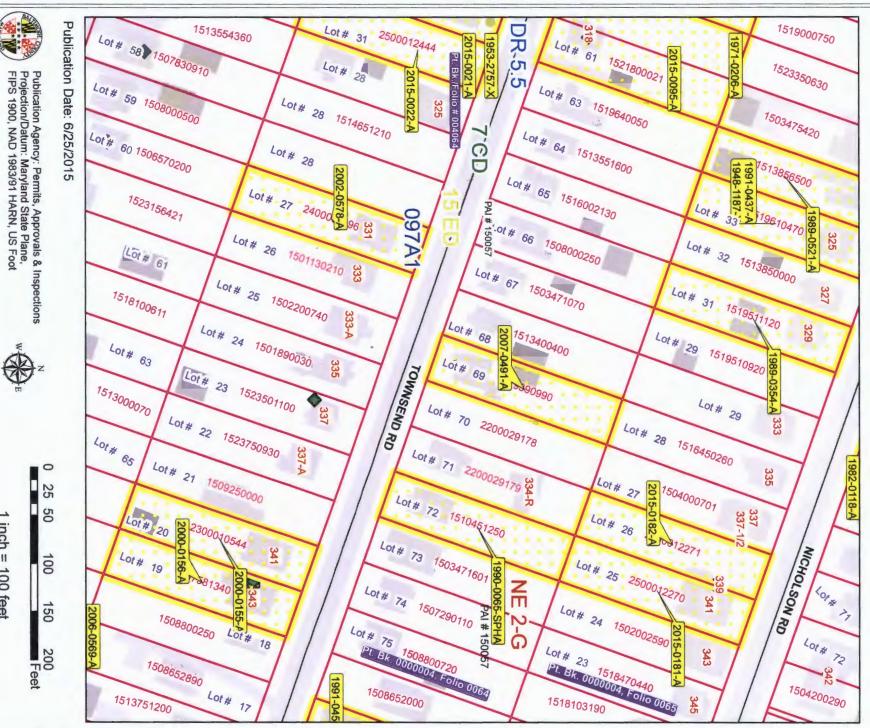
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The declarant(s) herein, who is/ are also the owner(satisfactorily proven) to be the person(s) whose nan instrument, and who acknowledged that he/ she/ the for the purposes therein contained.	ne(s) is/ are subscribed to the within

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, have hereunto set my hand and Notarial Seal.

My Commission Expires: 03 10 2018

Notary Public

330 Townsend Road









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Property Location

330 TOWNSEND RD ESSEX MD 21221-6634



Application Details

Complaint Description:

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▼ Inspections

Upcoming (1)

07/10/2015 at TBD Scheduled Re-Inspection (285595) Inspector: Phillip Mills

Actions *

Completed (3)

Correction Notice Issued - 1; Rescheduled - 2

Rescheduled Initial Inspection (282625) Rescheduled by: Constance Palmer on 06/02/2015 at 07:28 AM

Rescheduled Initial Inspection (282710)

Rescheduled by: Adam Whitlock on 06/03/2015 at 08:10 AM

Correction Notice Issued Initial Inspection (283137) Result by: Phillip Mills on 06/09/2015 at 03:42 PM

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Attachments

400 Washington Avenue . Historic Courthouse . Towson, MD 21204



CASE NO. 2015. 0300-5PHA

CHECKLIST

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IN RE: PETITION FOR ADMIN. VARIANCE N side Townsend Road, 1,175 feet NW

of Mace Avenue
15th Election District
7th Councilmanic District

(330 Townsend Road)

Mark Markell

Petitioner

BEFORE THE

* DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER

BALTIMORE COUNTY

* CASE NO. 07-491-A

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This matter comes before this Deputy Zoning Commissioner as a Petition for Administrative Variance filed by the legal owner of the subject property, Mark Markell. The variance request is for property located at 330 Townsend Road. The variance request is from Section 400.3 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit a detached garage with a height of 20 feet in lieu of the maximum allowed 15 feet. The subject property and requested relief are more particularly described on Petitioner's Exhibit No. 1. The Petitioner states his home is only 820 square feet in size and the additional garage height is necessary to provide much needed storage space.

Zoning Advisory Committee Comments

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC) comments are made part of the record of this case and contain the following highlights: ZAC comments were received from the Office of Planning dated May 31, 2007 which restrictions, and a copy of which is incorporated herein and made a part hereof the file.

Applicable Law

Section 307 of the B.C.Z.R. - Variances.

"The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County and the County Board of Appeals, upon appeal, shall have and they are hereby given the power to grant variances from height and area

County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit a detached garage with a height of 20 feet in lieu of the maximum allowed 15 feet be and is hereby GRANTED, subject to the following:

- 1. The Petitioner may apply for her building permit and be granted same upon receipt of this Order; however, Petitioner is hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at her 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 Petitioner would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said property to its original condition.
- 2. The Petitioner or subsequent owners shall not convert the subject accessory structure into a dwelling unit or apartment. The structure shall not contain any sleeping quarters, living area, kitchen or bathroom facilities.
- 3. The accessory structure shall not be used for commercial purposes.

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

JOHN V. MURPHY

DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER

FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

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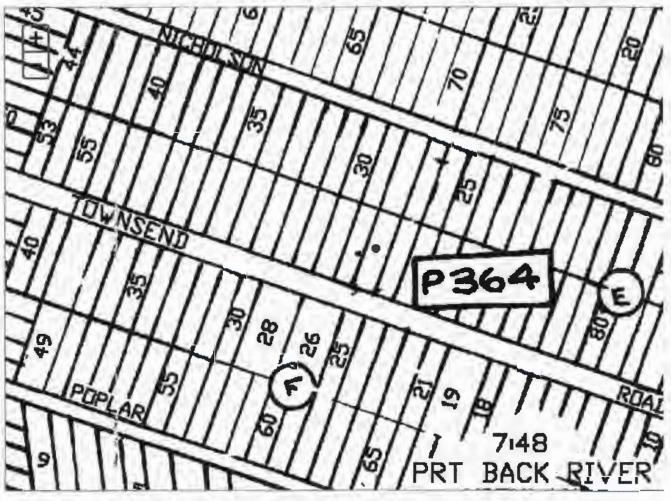
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If a plat for a property is needed, contact the local Land Records office where the property is located. Plats are also available online through the Maryland State Archives at www.plats.net (http://www.plats.net).

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KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive

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

August 27, 2015

Mark L Markell 330 Townsend Road Essex MD 21221

RE: Case Number: 2015-0300 SPHA, Address: 330 Townsend Road

Dear Mr. Markell:

The above referenced petition was accepted for processing **ONLY** by the Bureau of Zoning Review, Department of Permits, Approvals, and Inspection (PAI) on June 24, 2015. 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

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Enclosures

c: People's Counsel
Bruce E Doak, Bruce E Doak Consulting, 3801 Baker Schoolhouse Road, Freeland MD 21053

Larry Hogan, Governor Boyd Rutherford, Lt. Governor

Pete K. Rahn, Secretary Douglas H. Simmons, Acting Administrator

Date: 6/26/15

Ms. Kristen Lewis Baltimore County Office of Permits and Development Management County Office Building, Room 109 Towson, Maryland 21204

RE: **Baltimore County**

Special Heaving Variance Mark L. Markell

330 Townsend Road.

Dear Ms. Lewis:

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. 2015-0300-5 DHA-

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Richard Zeller at 410-229-2398 or 1-866-998-0367 (in Maryland only) extension 2398, or by email at (rzeller@sha.state.md.us).

Sincerely,

David W. Peake

Metropolitan District Engineer Baltimore & Harford Counties

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OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Arnold Jablon

DATE: July 16, 2015

Deputy Administrative Officer and

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Andrea Van Arsdale

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Exhibit Sheet

Petitioner/Developer

Protestants

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No. 1	Siteplan	B+W	Photos of site
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Printed 6/12/2015

DECLARATION OF UNDERSTANDING

THIS DECLSRATION OF UNDERSTANDING (hereinafter referred to as "Declaration") is made on the 23rd day of June 2015, by and between Mark L. Markell (hereinafter referred to as the "Declarant") and the Department of Permits, Approvals and Inspections (hereinafter referred to as "PAI").

RECITALS

- A. The Declarant who is also the owner of this property has filed an application for a use permit and special hearing to allow the use of an existing detached accessory building located behind the existing dwelling in the rear yard of the subject property. The existing detached accessory building was built for the purpose of housing a family member and has been used as such since that time.

 The property being located at 330 Townsend Road Essex, MD 21221 and is more particularly described by metes and bounds in Exhibit A (The Property) and Exhibit B (The use permit or hearing plans) attached hereto and made a part hereof. The property is zoned D.R. 5.5 which is the particular zone in which the property is located.
- B. PAI or The Administration Law Judge has approved the Declaration request to create an Accessary Apartment complete with dedicated bathing and cooking facilities, located on this owner-occupied property. The accessary apartment will be housing for Kathryn Markell, who is the mother of the property owner. The other residents of the property are Melissa Markell and Brooke Markell, who are also related to the property owner. The use permit must be renewed with PIA every two years by filing a renewal on a PAI approved form, to be dated from the month of the initial approval.
- C. As a condition of approval of the Declarant request, Bill No. 49-11 requires the filing of this Declaration among the Land Records of Baltimore County, to provide notice to any future owners, subsequent bona fide purchasers or users of the Property that no part of any improvements or addition on the Property may be used for separate living quarters and that all such improvements shall only be used as a single- family residence, unless otherwise approved by and at the discretion of PIA.

PETITIONER'S

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledge, the Declarant and PIA hereby declare as follows:

- 1. Any and all improvements now existing or to be constructed on the Property shall be used only as a single-family residence. No such improvements or additions shall ever be used as a separate living quarter or second residential unit. The kitchen for the Accessory Apartment will be constructed as part of the Property and shall be accessory to the principal use of the Property as a single-family residence. The Accessory Apartment shall house only immediate family members listed in this Declaration and it is not to be used as an independent residential unit, nor is it to be used for compensation, and it shall not be used by any other person or for any other reason. The use permit and this Declaration are subject to the order, conditions or restrictions of any required zoning hearing. The hearing order is to be made part of this Declaration when it is recorded in the Land Records.
- 2. Once the Accessory Apartment is no longer occupied by the persons named in this Declaration or if the property is sold, or the use permit has not been renewed within the 2 year temporary use permit time limit, the use permit shall terminate, and any proposed changes in occupancy to the Accessory Apartment by the property owner or subsequent purchaser shall require a new request for a use permit.
- Upon use permit termination, the Accessory Apartment in the accessory building requires removal of the kitchen and possibly other residential elements, at the discretion of PAI.
- 4. The covenants, conditions and restrictions stated above shall run with and bind the Property and shall be enforced by Baltimore County, MD and by the owners the owners of all or any portion of the Property.
- 5. Enforcement of the Covenants shall be by proceedings at law or in equity against any person or persons violating or attempting to violate any of the covenants, either to restrain the violation or to recover damages.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have duly executed this Declaration under seal on the date first above written.

WITNESS: BLIDG BLUDL ENCY BYLO	IL Mak Whell
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The declarant(s) herein, who is/ are also the o satisfactorily proven) to be the person(s) who instrument, and who acknowledged that he/ s for the purposes therein contained.	
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, have hereunto set my	hand and Notarial Seal.
My Commission Expires: 03 10 2018	NAAA

Notary Public

The Declaration of Understanding for the <u>Accessory Apartment at:</u> 330 Townsend Road Essex, MD 21221

Is approved:		
	Arnold Jablon, Director-PAI	Date

This is a letter to state that I, FERDINAND T TUAN, residing at 339 TOWNSEND RD BALTO NO 21221 am not opposed to the continuing residence of Kathryn Markell at the address of 330 Townsend Road, Essex, MD 21221. In the past 8 years that she has lived at this address, we have had no issues or concerns to my family or our neighborhood. My family and I, find no reason to complain or reason as to why Kathryn Markell should not be allowed to continue living in this home. We support her continued residency.

If there are any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 410 687 - 4614

Sincerely,

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If there are any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 410-736-3303

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Report

Jason P. O'Connor, Sr. 335 Townsend Road Baltimore, Maryland 21221

July1, 2015

To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is to state that Mark Markell has been my neighbor since 2006 and I have not experienced any problems with Mr. Markell. Mr. Markell is very quiet and does not cause any problems in the neighborhood. If you have any questions or concerns, you can reach me at 443-772-3905.

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Lason P. O'Connor, Sr.

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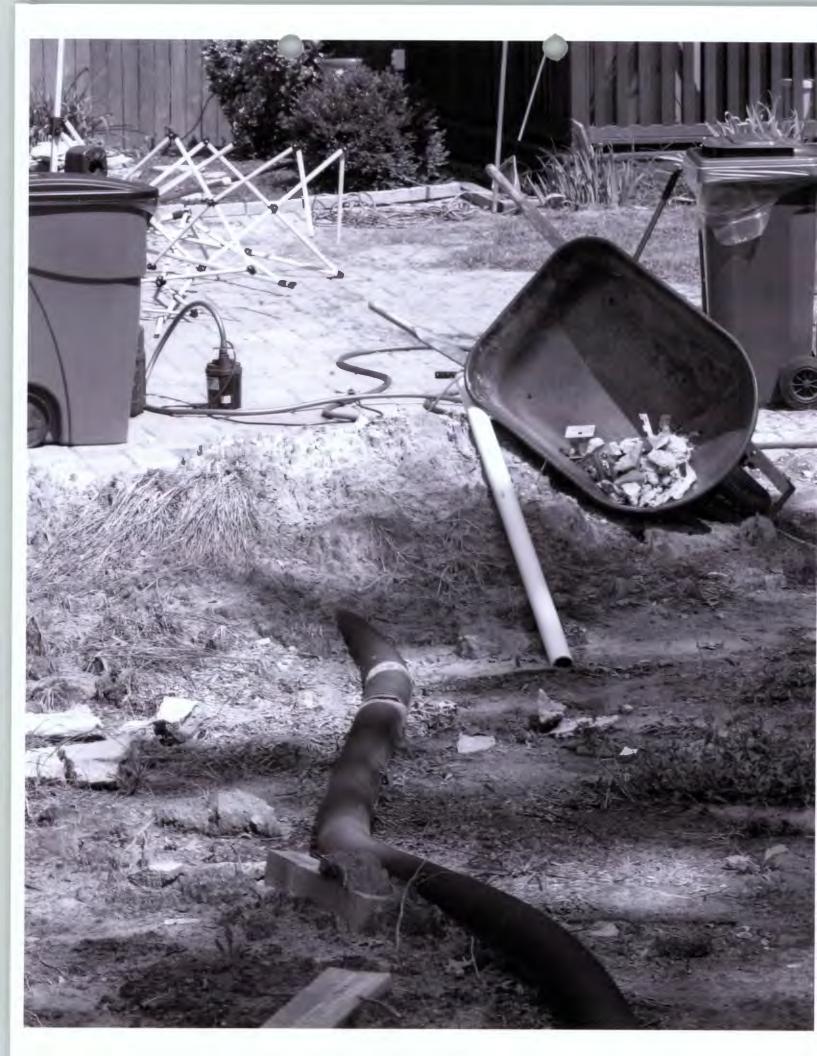




















REAR DWELLING FLOOR PLAN 24×30 Bin 23' 2" 3 Closet

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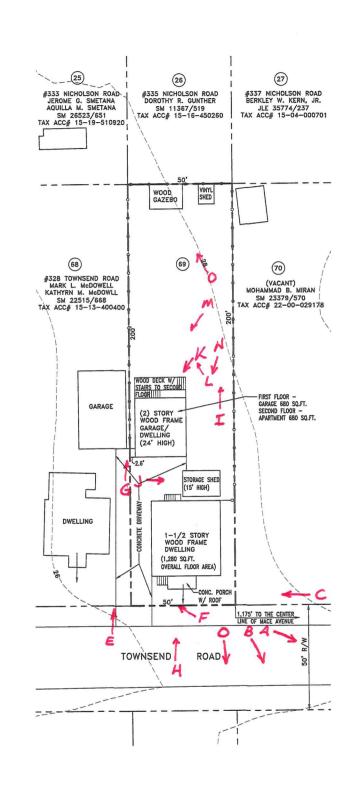
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FOR THE MARKELL PROPERTY 330 TOWNSEND ROAD

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND 15th ELECTION DISTRICT 7th COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT Date: 6/15/2015

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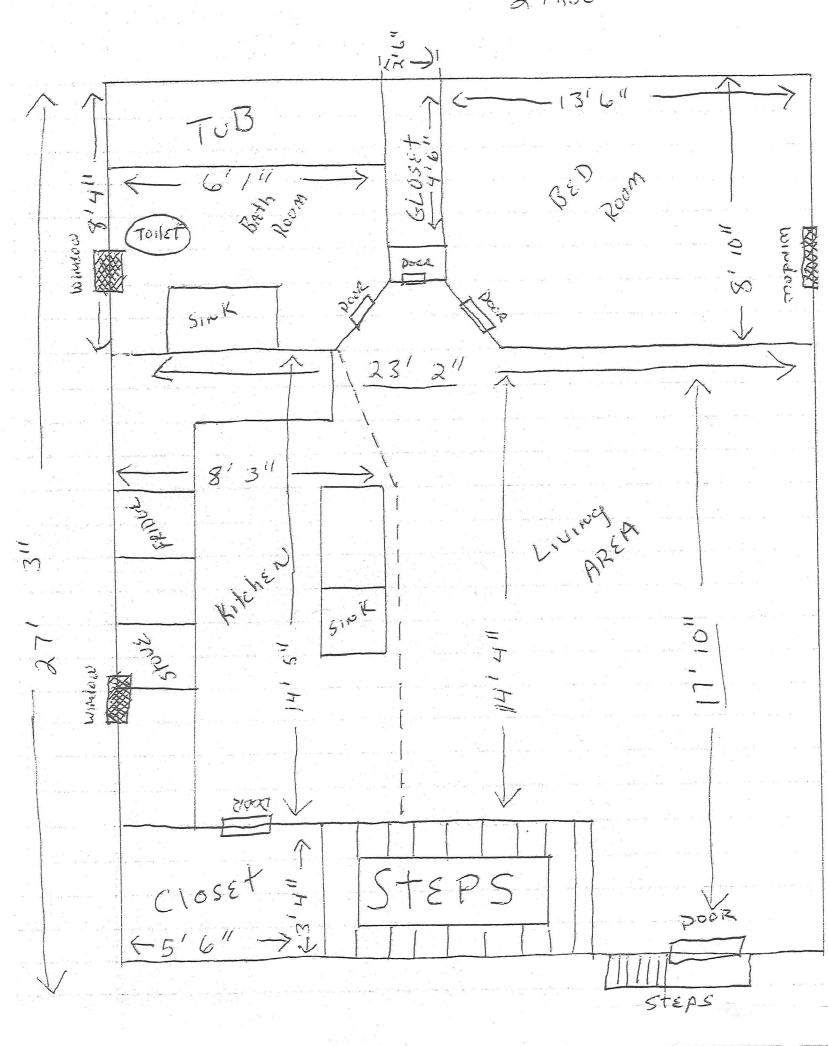












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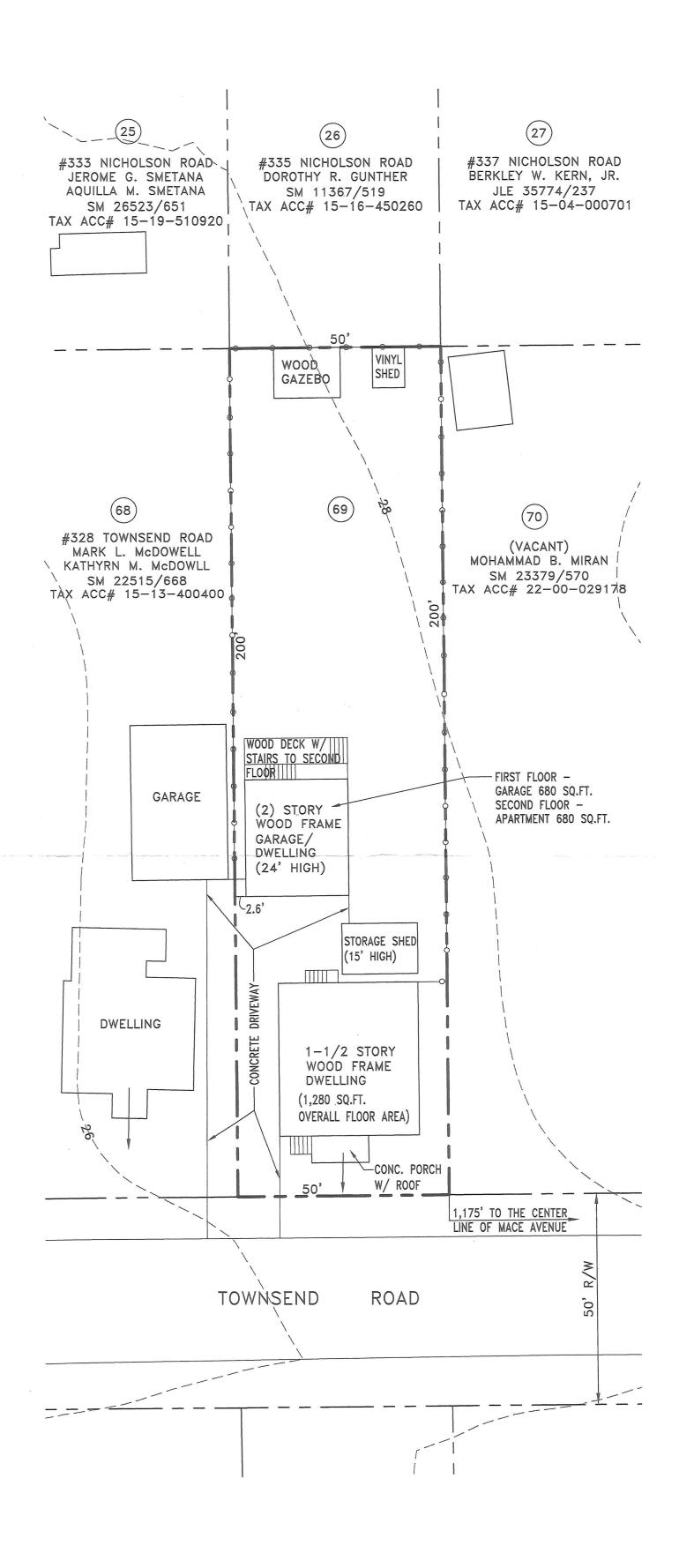
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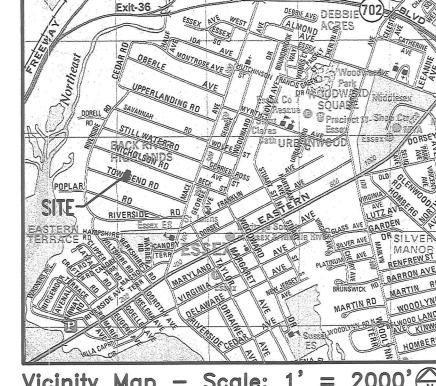
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