

KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive

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

May 23, 2018

Thomas J. Hoff
Landscape Architects & Land Development Consultants
512 Virginia Avenue
Towson, MD 21286

Re:

Zoning Verification, 13607 Brookline Road, Lot 11, Block "D" Section One, Carroll Manor

11th Election District

Dear Mr. Hoff:

Your recent letter to this office regarding the above referenced property was forwarded to me for reply. Based upon the information provided and my review of the available zoning records, and my conversation with Mr. Arnold Jablon, Director of Permits, Approvals & Inspections, the following has been determined.

The subject property is currently zoned RC-5 (Resource Conservation, Rural –Residential) as shown on the official 2008 Baltimore County Zoning Map 044B2. The property will be as permitted & restricted by Petition for Special Hearing and Petition for Variance case #2016-0158-SPHA to allow a setback of 40 ft. in lieu of the required 50 ft. which was approved on the 8th of July 2016 by the Board of Appeals of Baltimore County. Please see attached copies of the opinion, agreement and amended opinion.

The foregoing is merely an informal opinion. It is not an Expert or legal opinion. It is not intended to be relied on as Expert or legal advice, and is not legally or factually binding on Baltimore County or any of its officials, agents, or employees. Baltimore County expressly disclaims any and all liability arising out of, or in any way connected with the information provided in this document, or any interpretation thereof.

I trust that the information set forth in this letter is sufficiently detailed and responsive to the request. If you need further information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-887-3391.

Sincerely,

Jun R. Fernando

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Planner II

Zoning Review

JRF/kl

THOMAS J. HOFF

Landscape Architects and Land Development Consultants 512 VIRGINIA AVENUE TOWSON, MD. 21286 410-296-3668

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Wested in 1954

May 17, 2018

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Mr. Arnold Jablon, Director PAI Department of Permits, Approvals & Inspections Baltimore County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue, Room 111 Towson, MD 21204

Re: 13607 Brookline Road

Lot 11, Block "D", Section One, Carroll Manor

Plat #20/79

Tax Account #1102088801

Request for Verification of Setbacks

Dear Mr. Jablon:

We are requesting a verification of the setbacks for this lot.

This plat was recorded in 1954 and it was signed by the Baltimore County Planning Commission. The zoning at the time of recording was "A-Residential". It is our understanding after meeting with the Zoning Office that the minimum side setbacks are 7 feet and 10 feet and the minimum rear setback is 20 feet. The front setback is 40 feet as indicated on the plat.

There was a zoning case on this lot, Case No. 2016-158 SPHA.

If your office is in agreement that the setbacks stated above are correct, please indicate your approval in writing. Attached is a check in the amount of \$150.00 representing payment for this request.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please call me at 410-296-3669.

Very truly yours.

Thomas J. Hoff, RLA

Attachments: The Record Plat of Carroll Manor, Plat 20/79 & State Property Data Sheet, Fee Check

ELLEN McBarron Burger & Kirsten Burger– Legal Owners 13607 Brookline Road 11^{TH} E; 3^{RD} C

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Re:	Petition for Variance pursuant to § 1A04.3B2b of the BCZR to allow a setback of 30 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet from any lot line other than a street per; and Petition for Special Hearing pursuant to § 1A04.3B1 of the BCZR to allow a property area less than 1-1/2 acres (1.04 acres), and a density less than 0.5 for existing lots that were created prior to 1979.
3/15/16	Opinion and Order of the Administrative Law Judge wherein the Petition for Variance was DENIED; and the Petition for Special Hearing was DISMISSED as Moot given the denial of the Petition for Variance.
4/5/16	Letter from Bruce E. Doak (misdated 10/27/15) to ALJ Beverungen providing additional information for reconsideration of the variance.
4/13/16	Motion for Reconsideration filed by J. Neil Lanzi, Esquire, on behalf of Ellen McBarrow Burger and Kirsten Burger, Legal Owners/Petitioners.
4/22/16	Opinion and Order on Motion for Reconsideration wherein the ALJ DENIED the Petition for Variance; and Ordered the Petitioners shall be entitled to construct a single-family dwelling on the subject property in accordance with BCZR §304, provided the height and setback requirements are satisfied.
5/20/16	Letter of Appeal filed by J. Neil Lanzi, Esquire on behalf of Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger, Petitioners/Appellants.
5/23/16	Appeal received by Board.
9/14/16	Board convened for a Hearing.
10/6/16	Board convened for Public Deliberation.
10/24/16	Opinion and Order issued by the Board wherein the Petition for Special Hearing, and the Petition for Variance were GRANTED; and the Settlement Agreement dated July 8, 2016 (Pet. Ex. 4), and the Site Plan attached thereto are incorporated into and made a part of the Order.

11/16/16 Joint Motion to Revise the October 24, 2016 Order of the Board filed by the parties.

11/4/16

thereto.

Amended Opinion and Order issued by the Board to correct setback as provided in the Settlement Agreement dated July 8, 2016 (Pet. Ex. 4), and the Site Plan attached

ELLEN McBarron Burger & Kirsten Burger–Legal Owners 13607 Brookline Road 11^{TH} E; 3^{RD} C

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Re: Petition for Variance pursuant to § 1A04.3B2b of the BCZR to allow a setback of 30 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet from any lot line other than a street per; and

Petition for Special Hearing pursuant to § 1A04.3B1 of the BCZR to allow a property area less than 1-1/2 acres (1.04 acres), and a density less than 0.5 for existing lots that were created prior to 1979.

12/15/16 Board convened for Public Deliberation on the Joint Motion to Revise.

1/12/17 Ruling on Joint Motion for Revisory Order issued by the Board wherein the Joint Motion was considered a Motion for Reconsideration; and the Motion for Reconsideration was GRANTED upon the condition the parties submit a revised Settlement Agreement and/or Red-Lined Site Plan at the scheduled hearing.

3/9/17 Board convened for a Hearing.

Consent Order issued by the Board wherein the Order of the Board dated October 24, 2016 as amended November 4, 2016 was further amended to read that the Settlement Agreement dated July 8, 2016 (Petitioner's Exhibit No. 7) and the redlined site plan attached thereto dated March 8, 2017 was incorporated, thereby replacing Petitioner's Exhibit No. 4.

9/22/17 File closed and returned to Zoning.

IN THE MATTER OF

Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger,
Trustees of the Ellen McBarron Burger
Revocable Trust, Legal Owner/Petitioner
13607 Brookline Road
Baldwin, MD 21013

Re: Petition for Variance pursuant to BCZR §1A04.3B.2.b and Petition for Special Hearing BCZR §1A04.3B.1

- * BEFORE THE
- * BOARD OF APPEALS
- * OF
- * BALTIMORE COUNTY
- * Case No. 16-158-SPHA

CONSENT ORDER

ORDERED, that the red-lined site plan dated March 8, 2017 (Petitioner's Exhibit No. 6) and the Settlement Agreement dated July 8, 2016 containing Petitioner's red-lined site plan dated March 8, 2017 (collectively Petitioner's Exhibit No. 7), be and are hereby accepted and made a part of the record; and it is further,

ORDERED, that the Order of this Board dated October 24, 2016 as amended November 4, 2016 be further amended to read:

ORDERED, that the Settlement Agreement dated July 8, 2016 (Petitioner's Exhibit No. 7) and the red-lined site plan attached thereto dated March 8, 2017 be and the same are hereby incorporated into and made a part of this Order, thereby replacing Petitioner's Exhibit No. 4.

Any Petition for Judicial Review from this decision must be made in accordance with Rule 7-201 through Rule 7-210 of the Maryland Rules.

BOARD OF APPEALS
OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

Maureen E. Murphy, Chairman

Benfred B. Alston

Meryl W. Rosen

Approved as to form:

J. Neil Lanzi, Esquire

Wright, Constable & Skeen, LLC

102 W. Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 406

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David F. Mister, Esquire

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Attorney for Protestants



JEFFERSON BUILDING SECOND FLOOR, SUITE 203 105 WEST CHESAPEAKE AVENUE TOWSON, MARYLAND, 21204 410-887-3180 FAX: 410-887-3182

March 29, 2017

J. Neil Lanzi, Esquire Wright, Constable & Skeen, L.L.P. 102 W. Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 406 Towson, Maryland 21204

David F. Mister, Esquire 13604 Brookline Road Baldwin, Maryland 21013

RE: In the Matter of: Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger, Trustees of the

Ellen McBarron Burger Revocable Trust - Legal Owners

Case No.: 16-158-SPHA

Dear Counsel:

Enclosed please find a copy of the Consent Order issued this date by the Board of Appeals of Baltimore County in the above subject matter.

Any petition for judicial review must be made in accordance with Rule 7-201 through Rule 7-210 of the *Maryland Rules*, <u>WITH A PHOTOCOPY PROVIDED TO THIS OFFICE</u> <u>CONCURRENT WITH FILING IN CIRCUIT COURT</u>. Please note that all Petitions for Judicial Review filed from this decision should be noted under the same civil action number. If no such petition is filed within 30 days from the Board's original Opinion and Order issued October 24, 2016, the subject file will be closed.

Very truly yours,

Krysundra "Sunny" Cannington

John and Maria Pycha

Office of People's Counsel

Judith Wilson

Richard Edmunds

Administrator

KLC/tam Enclosure Duplicate Original Cover Letter

c:

Ellen McBarron Burger
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JEFFERSON BUILDING SECOND FLOOR, SUITE 203 105 WEST CHESAPEAKE AVENUE TOWSON, MARYLAND, 21204 410-887-3180 FAX: 410-887-3182 January 18, 2017

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT

IN THE MATTER OF:

Ellen McBarron Burger & Kirsten Burger-Legal Owners

13607 Brookline Road

16-158-SPHA

11th Election District; 3rd Councilmanic District

Re:

Revision to Settlement Order and red-lined site plan attached thereto.

ASSIGNED FOR: THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2017, AT 9:30 A.M.

LOCATION:

Hearing Room #2, Second Floor, Suite 206

Jefferson Building, 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Towson

NOTICE:

- This appeal is an evidentiary hearing. Parties should consider the advisability of retaining an attorney.
- Please refer to the Board's Rules of Practice & Procedure, Appendix B, Baltimore County Code.
- No postponements will be granted without sufficient reasons; said requests must be in writing and in compliance with Rule 2(b) of the Board's Rules. No postponements will be granted within 15 days of scheduled hearing date unless in full compliance with Rule 2(c).
- If you have a disability requiring special accommodations, please contact this office at least one week prior to hearing date
- NEW! Parties must file one (1) original and three (3) copies of all Motions, Memoranda, and exhibits (including video and PowerPoint) with the Board unless otherwise requested.
- NEW! Projection equipment for digital exhibits is available by request. A minimum of forty-eight (48) hours-notice is required. Supply is limited and not guaranteed.

For further information, including our inclement weather policy, please visit our website www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/appeals/index.html

Krysundra "Sunny" Cannington, Administrator

c:

Counsel for Petitioners/Legal Owners

Petitioners/Legal Owners

: J. Neil Lanzi, Esquire

: Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger

Counsel for Protestants

Protestants

· : David F. Mister, Esquire

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IN THE MATTER OF

Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger,
Trustees of the Ellen McBarron Burger
Revocable Trust, Legal Owner/Petitioner
13607 Brookline Road
Baldwin, MD 21013

Re: Petition for Variance pursuant to BCZR §1A04.3B.2.b and Petition for Special Hearing BCZR §1A04.3B.1

BEFORE THE

BOARD OF APPEALS

* OF

* BALTIMORE COUNTY

* Case No. 16-158-SPHA

RULING ON JOINT MOTION FOR REVISORY ORDER

This case comes to the Board on a Joint Motion to Revise this Board's Opinion and Order dated October 24, 2016 (the "Opinion") granting the Petition of Special Hearing filed pursuant to BCZR §1A04.3B.1 to allow a property area less than 1 ½ acres (1.04 acres), and a density less than 0.5 for existing lots that were created prior to 1979 and a Petition for Variance filed pursuant to BCZR §1A04.3B.2.b to allow a setback of 30 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet from any lot line other than a street, and our subsequent Amended Opinion correcting the setback distance (the "Amended Opinion").

A Settlement Agreement with an attached red-lined site plan were incorporated into the Board's Opinion and Amended Opinion at the request of the Parties. The Settlement Agreement and Red-lined Site Plan refer to stone walls and indicate that the "stone walls, remains of barn foundation to be removed." A Joint Motion for Revisory Order was filed by the parties on November 16, 2016. A public deliberation on the Joint Motion to Revise was held on December 15, 2016.

The Joint Motion for Revisory Order states that an error was made by this Board in allowing the language regarding the stone wall removal to remain in our Opinion and Order. The Parties are now requesting, pursuant to Rule 11, that the language regarding the removal of the stone wall be changed and/or deleted by this Board. The Rules of Practice and Procedure of the

Ruling on Joint Motion Levise
In the matter of: Ellen McBaron Burger and Kirsten Burger
Case number 16-158-SPHA

County Board of Appeals, located in Appendix B of the *Baltimore County Code*, provide the Board with revisory powers of our decisions. Rule 11 states:

Within thirty (30) days after the entry of an order, the board shall have revisory power and control over the order in the event of fraud, mistake or irregularity.

In reviewing the Joint Motion under Rule 11, this Board finds that the error on the Red-Lined Site Plan was the error of the parties and not the error of the Board. The Board is not authorized by the *Baltimore County Code* or otherwise to change evidence which has already been accepted by the Board after a hearing and after the record is closed. Further, the Settlement Agreement and Red Lined Site Plan were agreed to, and submitted by, the Parties.

However, prior to entering an Order on the Joint Motion to Revise, the Board will treat the Joint Motion to Revise as a Motion for Reconsideration pursuant to Rule 10 of our Rules of Practice and Procedure which state in pertinent part:

A party may file a motion for reconsideration of an order of the board of appeals. The motion shall be filed within thirty (30) days after the date of the original order...After public deliberation and in its discretion, the board may convene a hearing to receive testimony or argument or both on the motion. Each party participating in the hearing on the motion shall be limited to testimony or argument only with respect to the motion; the board may not receive additional testimony with respect to the substantive matter of the case...

Accordingly, an additional hearing will be scheduled to allow the parties to submit a revised Settlement Agreement and/or Red-Lined Site Plan, the contents of which they shall agree.

ORDERED, that the Joint Motion for Revisory Order shall be considered as a Motion for Reconsideration; and it is further,

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In the matter of: Ellen McBaron Burger and Kirsten Burger
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ORDERED, that the Motion for Reconsideration is GRANTED upon the condition that the Parties submit to the Board a revised Settlement Agreement and/or Red-Lined Site Plan at a hearing to be scheduled; and it is further

ORDERED, that a final Opinion will be issued by this Board with no further action to be taken on this Ruling until such time as the Board's final Opinion and Order are issued.

BOARD OF APPEALS OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

Maureen E. Murphy, Chainman

Benfred B. Alston

Meryl W. Rosen



JEFFERSON BUILDING SECOND FLOOR, SUITE 203 105 WEST CHESAPEAKE AVENUE TOWSON, MARYLAND, 21204 410-887-3180 FAX: 410-887-3182

January 12, 2017

J. Neil Lanzi, Esquire Wright, Constable & Skeen, L.L.P. 102 W. Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 406 Towson, Maryland 21204 David F. Mister, Esquire 13604 Brookline Road Baldwin, Maryland 21013

RE: In the Matter of: Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger, Trustees of the

Ellen McBarron Burger Revocable Trust - Legal Owners

Case No.: 16-158-SPHA

Dear Counsel:

Enclosed please find a copy of the Ruling on Joint Motion for Revisory Order issued this date by the Board of Appeals of Baltimore County in the above subject matter.

Any petition for judicial review must be made in accordance with Rule 7-201 through Rule 7-210 of the Maryland Rules, WITH A PHOTOCOPY PROVIDED TO THIS OFFICE CONCURRENT WITH FILING IN CIRCUIT COURT. Please note that all Petitions for Judicial Review filed from this decision should be noted under the same civil action number. If no such petition is filed within 30 days from the Board's original Opinion and Order issued October 24, 2016, the subject file will be closed.

Very truly yours,

Krysundra "Sunny" Cannington

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Administrator

KLC/tam Enclosure Duplicate Original Cover Letter

c:

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John and Maria Pycha Judith Wilson Richard Edmunds Office of People's Counsel

BOARD OF APPEALS OF BALTIMORE COUNTY MINUTES OF DELIBERATION

IN THE MATTER OF: Ellen McBarron Burger & Kirsten Burger– Legal Owners

16-158-SPHA

DATE:

December 15, 2016

BOARD/PANEL:

Maureen E. Murphy, Panel Chair

Meryl W. Rosen Benfred B. Alston

RECORDED BY:

Tammy A. McDiarmid, Legal Secretary

PURPOSE:

To deliberate the Joint Motion to Revise submitted by the parties.

PANEL MEMBERS DISCUSSED THE FOLLOWING:

STANDING

The Board reviewed the history of this case and the Joint Motion to Revise.

- At the hearing in this matter, the parties submitted a Settlement Agreement which had a Site Plan attached. Mr. Doak prepared the Site Plan, and testified at the hearing. The Site Plan contained a notation that the barn wall was to be removed. When the Board prepared its Order, they incorporated the Settlement Agreement.
- In the Joint Motion to Revise, the parties request the Board to revise its Order to delete the notation on the Site Plan that the barn wall is to be removed.
- The Board noted that pursuant to its Rules, that within 30 days they have revisory power over the Order in the event of fraud, mistake or irregularity. In fact, the Board did issue an Amended Order in this matter as it related to the setback. However, there is no mechanism in the Board's Rules to reopen the case to change evidence already submitted.
- The Board noted that the record in this case is closed and they can't tamper with the evidence presented. The mistake on the Site Plan was made by the parties, not the Board.

FINAL DECISION: After thorough review of the facts and law in the matter, the Board unanimously agreed to treat the Joint Motion to Revise as a Motion for Reconsideration and set the case in for a hearing if the parties wish to jointly submit a Revised or Amended Site Plan.

NOTE: These minutes, which will become part of the case file, are intended to indicate for the record that a public deliberation took place on the above date regarding this matter. The Board's final decision and the facts and findings thereto will be set out in the written Opinion and Order to be issued by the Board.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy A. McDiarmid



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November 22, 2016

NOTICE OF PUBLIC DELIBERATION ON JOINT MOTION TO REVISE

IN THE MATTER OF:

Ellen McBarron Burger & Kirsten Burger-Legal Owners

13607 Brookline Road

16-158-SPHA

11th Election District; 3rd Councilmanic District

A Joint Motion to Revise the October 24, 2016 Order of the Board of Appeals of Baltimore County was filed on November 16, 2016. A public deliberation has been scheduled for the following:

DATE AND TIME: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2016 at 9:30 a.m.

LOCATION:

Jefferson Building - Second Floor Hearing Room #2 - Suite 206 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue

NOTE: PUBLIC DELIBERATIONS ARE OPEN WORK SESSIONS WHICH ALLOW THE PUBLIC TO WITNESS THE DECISION-MAKING PROCESS. ATTENDANCE IS NOT REQUIRED AND PARTICIPATION IS NOT ALLOWED. A WRITTEN OPINION AND/OR ORDER WILL BE ISSUED BY THE BOARD AND A COPY SENT TO ALL PARTIES.

For further information, including our inclement weather policy, please visit our website www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/appeals/index.html

Krysundra "Sunny" Cannington Administrator

c:

Counsel for Petitioners/Legal Owners

Petitioners/Legal Owners

: J. Neil Lanzi, Esquire

: Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger

Counsel for Protestants

Protestants

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November 22, 2016

J. Neil Lanzi, Esquire Wright, Constable & Skeen, LLP 102 W. Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 406 Towson, Maryland 21204 David F. Mister, Esquire 13604 Brookline Road Baldwin, Maryland 21013

Re:

In the matter of Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger

Case number: 16-158-SPHA

Dear Counsel:

This letter will acknowledge receipt of your Joint Motion to Revise the October 24, 2016 Order of the Board of Appeals of Baltimore County in the above referenced subject matter. A copy of your Motion for Revise, will be forwarded to the appropriate Board members for their review. A public deliberation has been scheduled and the Notice is attached.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 410-887-3180.

Very truly yours,

Krysundra "Sunny" Cannington

Administrator

Duplicate Original



Wright, Constable & Skeen, L.L.P. Attorneys at Law

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J. NEIL LANZI

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BALTIMORE COUNTY

BOARD OF APPEALS

November 16, 2016

HAND-DELIVERED

Krysundra "Sunny" Cannington, Administrator Board of Appeals for Baltimore County Jefferson Building, 2nd Floor, Suite 203 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

In the Matter of: Ellen McBarron Burger and

Kirsten Burger- Legal Owners Case No. 16-158-SPHA

Dear Ms. Cannington:

Re:

Enclosed please find a Joint Motion to Revise the October 24, 2016 Order of the Board of Appeals of Baltimore County in the above referenced case.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

J. Neil Lanzi

cc: David F. Mister, Esq., 13604 Brookline Road, Baldwin, MD 21013
Peter Max Zimmerman, People's Counsel for Baltimore County
Maria Pycha, 13612 Brookline Road, Baldwin, MD 21013
Judith Wilson, 13612 Devonfield Drive, Baldwin, MD 21013
Richard Edmunds, 13609 Brookline Road, Baldwin, MD 21013
Bruce Doak
Ellen McBarron Burger
Kirsten Burger

IN THE MATTER OF

Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger,
Trustees of the Ellen McBarron Burger
Revocable Trust, Legal Owner/Petitioner
13607 Brookline Road
Baldwin, MD 21013

Re: Petition for Variance pursuant to BCZR §1A04.3B.2.b and Petition for Special Hearing BCZR §1A04.3B.1

* BEFORE THE

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BALTIMORE COUNTY BALTIMORE COUNTY
BOARD OF APPEALS

Case No. 16-158-SPHA

JOINT MOTION FOR REVISORY ORDER

Petitioners, Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger, as Trustees of the Ellen McBarron Burger Revocable Trust, legal owners ("Petitioners"), by their counsel, J. Neil Lanzi, Esquire and Wright, Constable & Skeen, LLP and David Mister, Esquire for himself and on behalf of Maria Pycha, John Pycha, Judith Wilson and Richard Edmunds (collectively "Protestants"), respectfully requests the Board of Appeals of Baltimore County ("Board") to revise its Final Opinion and Order dated October 24, 2016, as amended on November 4, 2016, and for reasons states:

- 1. Rule 11 of the Board Rules of Practice and Procedure states as follows:

 Within thirty days after the entry of an Order, the Board shall have revisory power and control over the Order in the event of fraud, mistake or irregularity.
- 2. The Board, in its Opinion and Order dated October 24, 2016 ("Order") incorporated the Settlement Agreement dated July 8, 2016 ("Settlement Agreement") between Petitioners and Protestants and the Site Plan attached thereto as part of the Order.
 - 3. A mistake was made in the Order.
- 4. The Settlement Agreement (Petitioners' Exhibit 4 at the Board Hearing) lists certain design requirements as contained in the RC 5 performance standards set forth in the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("BCZR"), including:

(00340557v. (14914.00001))

- c. Integrate, where possible, <u>significant features of this site</u>, such as distinctive buildings, vistas, topographic features, specimen trees, tree stands, hedgerows, monuments, landmarks and gardens, into the site design, and retain the existing character of the features and their settings.
- d. Coordinate building design, site layout and grading so that grade transitions are gradual and respect the existing topography.
- 5. The Site Plan attached to the Settlement Agreement describes the old bank barn foundation located on Petitioners' Property as "stone walls, remains of barn foundation to be removed."
- 6. Petitioner Ellen Burger testified the bank barn was a distinctive building and its stone walls were a unique feature of the subject Property.
- 7. Bruce Doak, registered land surveyor testified the Property was unique for various reasons including existence of the old stone foundation walls and indicated that, without the variance relief for setbacks, the stone walls would have to be removed in order to build a house consistent with other homes in the neighborhood.
- 8. Laura Thomas, Petitioners' expert architect, testified as to the uniqueness of the Property indicating as correctly stated by the Board that "she was amenable to using the stone walls in the design or as an outdoor area, she did not want retention of the stone walls remaining to be a condition in our Order".
- 9. Petitioners, through counsel and after inquiring of Protestant's counsel during the hearing, proffered testimony and a request that retaining or removing the barn foundation walls not be a condition of the Board's Order so that the decision as to whether remove or retain the barn foundation walls would ultimately be the decision of the purchaser of Petitioners' Property when designing their new residence.
- 10. Protestants, through counsel David Mister, had no objection to the proffered testimony and request of Petitioners.

- 11. Notwithstanding the language on the Site Plan attached to the Settlement

 Agreement, all of the uncontroverted testimony clarified the note on the Site Plan clearly

 establishing the barn foundation walls did not have to be removed or retained as a condition to
 the Order.
- 12. The Board has the power to revise its Order in the event of mistake pursuant to Rule 11.

WHEREFORE, Petitioners and Protestants respectfully request:

- 1. The Board further revise its Opinion and Order as amended to incorporate language that states, notwithstanding the Site Plan attached to the Settlement Agreement, the removal or retention of the barn foundation walls, be and the same, shall be at the discretion of the future owner of the Property and shall not be a condition of the Board's Order; and
 - 2. Provide such other and further relief as is necessary.

J. Nei Lanzi

Wright, Constable & Skeen, LLP

102 W. Pennsylvania Avenue

Suite 406

Towson, MD 21204

(443) 991-5917

David F. Mister

13604 Brookline Road

Baldwin, MD 21013

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that on this day of, 2016, a copy of
the foregoing Joint Motion For Revisory Order was mailed, postage prepaid, to Maria Pycha,
13612 Brookline Road, Baldwin, Maryland 21013; Judith Wilson, 13612 Devonfield Drive,
Baldwin, Maryland 21013; Richard Edmunds, 13609 Brookline Road, Baldwin, Maryland 21013;
Peter Max Zimmerman and Carole S. Demilio, People's Counsel for Baltimore County, Jefferson
Building, Room 204, 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204.
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IN THE MATTER OF

Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger,
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- * BEFORE THE
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- * Case No. 16-158-SPHA

SECOND AMENDED OPINION

On October 24, 2016, this Board issued an Opinion and Order in the above captioned matter.

On November 4, 2016, this Board amended its October 24, 2016 Opinion and Order to correct the Variance relief from a setback of 30 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet to a setback of 40 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet.

A Joint Motion To Revise the Board's October 24, 2016 Order was filed on November 16, 2016, where it was brought to our attention that the site plan attached to the Settlement Agreement dated July 8, 2016 (Petitioner's Exhibit 4) contained a mutual mistake by the parties with regard to the removal of the stone walls of a barn foundation on the Petitioner's Property. The uncontradicted testimony presented to the Board established the removal of the stone walls remaining from the barn foundation should not be a condition of the Board's Order and instead should be subject to the discretion of the future owners of the subject property.

Rule 11 of the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure states as follows:

Within 30 days after the entry of an order, the Board shall have revisory power and control over the order, in the event of fraud, mistake or irregularity. Accordingly, the Board has reviewed its Opinion and Order issued in these proceedings, the Joint Motion to Revise the Board's Order and finds that an error existed within that Order. Accordingly, the Board will amend their Order to reflect that, notwithstanding the site plan language attached to the July 8, 2016 Settlement Agreement (Petitioner's Exhibit 4) which states "stone walls, remains of barn foundation to be removed", the retention or removal of the stone walls, remains of barn foundation on the subject property, shall be up to the discretion of the property owner.

No other changes having been made, any Petition for Judicial Review will be filed from the date of the Board's original Opinion and Order issued October 24, 2016 and as amended November 4, 2016.

OF BALTIMORE COUNTY
Maureen E. Murphy, Chairman
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BOARD OF APPEALS





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November 4, 2016

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RE: In the Matter of: Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger, Trustees of the

Ellen McBarron Burger Revocable Trust – Legal Owners

Case No.: 16-158-SPHA

Dear Counsel:

Enclosed please find a copy of the Amended Opinion and Order issued this date by the Board of Appeals of Baltimore County in the above subject matter.

Any petition for judicial review must be made in accordance with Rule 7-201 through Rule 7-210 of the Maryland Rules, WITH A PHOTOCOPY PROVIDED TO THIS OFFICE CONCURRENT WITH FILING IN CIRCUIT COURT. Please note that all Petitions for Judicial Review filed from this decision should be noted under the same civil action number. If no such petition is filed within 30 days from the Board's original Opinion and Order issued October 24, 2016, the subject file will be closed.

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IN THE MATTER OF

Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger,

Trustees of the Ellen McBarron Burger Revocable Trust, Legal Owner/Petitioner 13607 Brookline Road

Baldwin, MD 21013

Re: Petition for Variance pursuant to BCZR §1A04.3B.2.b and Petition for Special Hearing BCZR §1A04.3B.1

* BEFORE THE

* BOARD OF APPEALS

* OF

* BALTIMORE COUNTY

Case No. 16-158-SPHA

AMENDED OPINION

On October 24, 2016, this Board issued an Opinion and Order in the above-captioned matter.

On October 28, 2016, it was brought to our attention that the Order incorrectly stated:

Petition for Variance filed pursuant to BCZR §1A04.3B.2.b to allow a setback of 30 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet from any lot line other than a street, be, and the same is hereby **GRANTED**.

The parties entered into a Settlement Agreement, dated July 8, 2016, which was incorporated into the Opinion and Order, wherein they agreed that the Variance relief would allow a setback of 40 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet.

Rule 11 of the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure states as follows:

Within thirty (30) days after the entry of an order, the board shall have revisory power and control over the order in the event of fraud, mistake or irregularity.

Accordingly, the Board has reviewed its Opinion and Order issued in these proceedings and finds that an error existed within that Order. Accordingly, the Board will amend their Order to reflect the agreed upon setback.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Order is hereby amended to read:

ORDERED, that the relief requested in the Petition for Special Hearing and Petition for Variance, be, and the same is hereby GRANTED pursuant to the Settlement Agreement dated July

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8, 2016 (Pet. Ex. 4) and the Site Plan attached thereto, which are hereby incorporated into and made a part of this Order.

No other changes having been made, any Petition for Judicial Review will be filed from the date of the Board's original Opinion and Order issued October 24, 2016.

BOARD OF APPEALS OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

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Revocable Trust, Legal Owner/Petitioner
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Baldwin, MD 21013

Re: Petition for Variance pursuant to BCZR §1A04.3B.2.b and Petition for Special Hearing BCZR §1A04.3B.1

- BEFORE THE
- BOARD OF APPEALS
- * OF
- BALTIMORE COUNTY
- * Case No. 16-158-SPHA

OPINION

This case comes to the Board on appeal of an Opinion and Order of the Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") dated March 1, 2016 dismissing as most the Petition for Special Hearing filed pursuant to BCZR §1A04.3B.1 and denying the Petition for Variance filed pursuant to BCZR §1A04.3B.2.b, as well as an Opinion and Order on Motion for Reconsideration dated April 22, 2016, denying the Motion for Reconsideration but permitting a single family dwelling to be constructed under BCZR §304, provided the height and setback requirements are met.

A *de novo* public hearing was held before this Board on September 14, 2016. Petitioners, Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger, as Trustees of the Ellen McBarron Burger Revocable Trust were represented by J. Neil Lanzi, Esquire and Wright, Constable & Skeen (hereinafter, the "Petitioners"). David F. Mister, Esquire represented himself as a Protestant, as well as Maria Pycha, Judith Wilson and Richard Edmunds (hereinafter, the "Protestants"). A public deliberation was held on October 6, 2016.

Factual Background

Petitioners are the Trustees of a revocable trust which owns the property located at 13607 Brookline Road, Baldwin, MD 21013 in the northeastern section of Baltimore County, in a subdivision known as Carroll Manor (the "Property"). (Pet. Ex. 3). The Property, identified as Lot

No. 11, consists of 1.04 acres and is unimproved, except for an old stone foundation wall. (Pet. Ex. 1). The Property is zoned RC 5.

Evidence

At the hearing, the Parties represented to the Board that they had reached a settlement agreement as to all outstanding issues between them. As a result, the Petitioners proceeded by way of a proffer on some facts and by way of direct testimony on other facts, without dispute or evidence to the contrary presented by the Protestants.

Mr. Lanzi proffered that the Petitioners desire to sell Lot 11 but need the relief requested in order to build a house which is consistent with the other homes in the neighborhood and which meets the Performance Standards for homes in the RC5 zone. Mr. Lanzi indicated that the requests here had the support of the community and that the settlement agreement reached would be made a part of an Order by this Board so that it would be binding on all parties in the future.

Mrs. Ellen Burger testified at the hearing and explained that she purchased 13609 Brookline Road, also known as Lot No. 12, in the 1960s. The Deed dated June 7, 2012 and recorded in the Land Records of Baltimore County at Liber 32196, Folio 466, indicates that Mrs. Ellen Burger and her husband Edward D. Burger, purchased Lot 12 on December 21, 1962. Lot 12 is improved with a single family home, is located next to Lot No. 11. Mrs. Burger explained that Lot No. 12 was used by her family as their home. Another Deed dated May 28, 1965, Liber 4464, Folio 302, indicates that Mr. and Mrs. Burger also purchased Lot 11. During the time that the family resided on Lot 12, they used Lot No. 11 for recreational purposes.

Mrs. Burger introduced and explained a series of photographs of both Lots. (Pet. 5A-5N). Several of the photographs depict the old stone wall which Mrs. Burger described was the foundation for a bank barn. (Pet. Ex. 5D, 5I-5N). There is a concrete or asphalt basketball court contained within the stone walls. (Pet. Ex. 5J, 5N). Mrs. Burger stated that the stone walls were a

unique feature of the Property. She also stated that Lot No.11 was the last available lot in Carroll Manor and thus, it was very desirable on the buying market.

Bruce E. Doak, a registered land surveyor, prepared the Site Plan and Redlined Site Plan. (Pet. Exs. 1 and 2). Mr. Doak opined that the Property was unique due to the old stone walls which measure 8' in height; due to the topography; and due to the septic reserve area located in the front of the Property. He testified that the stone walls - while old - are not historic and need to be removed in order to build a house that is consistent with other homes in the neighborhood. Without a variance, any potential house would have to be rotated to meet the RC5 setbacks but would then encroach on the septic reserve area in the front. The septic reserve area is particularly large and cannot be moved to the back of the Property. If the house is rotated to meet the RC5 setbacks, the front door would not face Brookline Road but would face 13605 or 13609. The Redlined Site Plan shows the proposed home located in a place even with, and similarly oriented to, the homes located at 13605 and 13609. (Pet. Ex. 2). Without the relief, he indicated that the Petitioners would not be able to meet the Performance Standards in BCZR §1A04.4.

Mr. Doak described the topography of Lot 11 as being different from the topography of the neighboring homes. The topography of Lot 11 slopes down more in the rear of the Property than the other properties in the area. The Site Plan shows how the topography lines differ between the Properties. (Pet. Ex. 1). Accordingly, we find that it would not be possible to build the home in the rear of the Property.

Mr. Doak further stated that if the relief requested is granted, the home to be built would not be detrimental to the neighborhood. He advocated that the RC5 regulations, which went into effect after the Petitioners owned the Property, impact this Property disproportionately from other properties in the neighborhood because the other homes in Carroll Manor were built with different setbacks and without any required Performance Standards. The RC5 regulations, he suggested,

make it more difficult to build a home on this Property. Without the relief here, the home would alter the essential character of the neighborhood for the reasons he described.

Also testifying on behalf of the Petitioners was Laura Thomas, a licensed Maryland architect. Ms. Thomas testified that in her opinion, the property was extremely unique and presented unusual challenges as a building lot. If the front door did not face Brookline Road, the proposed home would change the fabric of the neighborhood. In order to meet the setbacks, the home would be long and narrow and therefore inconsistent with the orientation of the neighboring homes. Although she was amenable to using the stone walls in the design or as an outdoor area, she did not want retention of the stone walls remaining to be a condition in our Order.

As previously indicated, the Protestants did not offer any evidence. Mr. Mister represented that he and the other Protestants executed the Settlement Agreement and that it should be incorporated into our Order. (Pet. Ex. 4).

Law

In order for an area variance to be granted, this Board must be convinced that the Petitioners have met their burden of proof as to both "uniqueness" and "hardship." Section 307.1 of the BCZR states, in pertinent part, as follows:

"...(T)he County Board of Appeals, upon appeal, shall have and they are hereby given the power to grant variances from height and area regulations...only in cases where special circumstances or conditions exist that are peculiar to the land or structure which is the subject of the variance request and where strict compliance with the Zoning Regulations for Baltimore County would result in practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship.... Furthermore, any such variance shall be granted only if in strict harmony with the spirit and intent of said height, area...regulations, and only in such manner as to grant relief without injury to public health, safety, and general welfare...."

This Board is guided by the holding provided by the Court of Special Appeals in *Cromwell* v. Ward, 102 Md. App. 691, 698 (1995), wherein the Court writes:

...The Baltimore County ordinance requires "conditions ...peculiar to the land...and...practical difficulty...." Both must exist. ...However, as is clear from the language of the Baltimore County ordinance, the initial factor that must be established before the practical difficulties, if any, are addressed, is the abnormal impact the ordinance has on a specific piece of property because of the peculiarity and uniqueness of that piece of property, not the uniqueness or peculiarity of the practical difficulties alleged to exist. It is only when the uniqueness is first established that we then concern ourselves with the practical difficulties...."

The Cromwell Court explained the legal concept of "uniqueness" by stating:

'Uniqueness' of a property for zoning purposes requires that the subject property have an inherent characteristic not shared by other properties in the area, i.e. shape, topography, subsurface condition, environmental factors, historical significance, access or non-access to navigable waters, practical restrictions imposed by abutting properties (such as obstruction) or other similar restrictions. In respect to structures, it would relate to such characteristics as unusual architectural aspects and bearing or party walls.

The *Cromwell* Court connected the variance law in Baltimore County with the law in Maryland and emphasized that:

We conclude that the law in Maryland and in Baltimore County under its charter and ordinance remains as it has always been a property's peculiar characteristic or unusual circumstances relating only and uniquely to that property must exist in conjunction with the ordinance's more severe impact on the specific property because of the property's uniqueness before any consideration will be given to whether practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship exists.

Id. at 710.

In requiring a finding of "uniqueness", the Court of Special Appeals in *Cromwell* referred to the definition of "uniqueness" provided in *North v. St. Mary's County*, 99 Md. App. 502, 514 (1993):

In the zoning context the "unique" aspect of a variance requirement does not refer to the extent of improvements upon the property, or upon neighboring property. "Uniqueness" of a property for zoning purposes requires that the subject property has an inherent characteristic not shared by other properties in the area, i.e., its shape, topography, subsurface condition, environmental factors, historical significance, access or non-access to navigable waters, practical restrictions imposed by abutting

properties (such as obstructions) or other similar restrictions. In respect to structures, it would relate to such characteristics as unusual architectural aspects in bearing or parting walls....

Id. at 710.

If the Property is determined to be "unique," then the issue is whether practical difficulties also exist. Toward this end, the Board acknowledges that a variance may be granted where strict application of the zoning regulations would cause practical difficulty to the Petitioner and his/her property. *McLean v. Soley*, 270 Md. 208 (1973); *Trinity Assembly of God v. People's Counsel*, 407 Md. 53 (2008).

To prove practical difficulty for an area variance, the Petitioner must produce evidence to allow the following questions to be answered affirmatively:

- 1. Whether strict compliance with requirement would unreasonably prevent the use of the property for a permitted purpose or render conformance unnecessarily burdensome;
- 2. Whether the grant would do substantial injustice to applicant as well as other property owners in the district or whether a lesser relaxation than that applied for would give substantial relief; and
- 3. Whether relief can be granted in such fashion that the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and public safety and welfare secured.

Mclean at 214-215.

Decision

In this case, the Petitioners are seeking Special Hearing relief to use a lot having an area of less than 1½ acres (1.04 acres) as required in BCZR §1A04.3B.1.a and for a variance from the Building Setbacks in BCZR §1A04.3B.2.b which reads in pertinent part as follows:

b. Any principal building hereafter constructed in an RC5 Zone shall be situated...at least 50 feet from any lot line other than a street line...

As to the lot size, BCZR, §1A04.3B.1.b.(1) permits the Petitioners to request a Special Hearing to alter the minimum lot size because the Lot in this case was in existence prior to

September 2, 2003 and does not meet the minimum acreage requirement or the minimum building setbacks. The only condition to requesting the Special Hearing is that the Petitioners may not alter the Performance Standards set forth in BCZR §1A04.4 for RC5. Based on the Deeds submitted, we find that the Petitioners have owned Lot 11 since May 28, 1965. (Pet. Ex. 3).

Accordingly, the Petitioners are required to comply with the Performance Standards in BCZR §1A04.4. In order to meet the Performance Standards, the Petitioners need a variance from the 50' setbacks. Applying the holdings above to the facts of this case, we find that a variance request should be granted.

Under Cromwell and Trinity Assembly, supra, the Board finds, based on the undisputed testimony of Bruce Doak, and the photographs submitted by Mrs. Burger, that the Property is 'unique' because, unlike the properties in the area, this Property contains the remnants of an old stone foundation upon which a barn once stood; the topography of this Property slopes to the rear and the septic reserve encompasses a large portion of the front of the Property.

The evidence produced revealed that the other properties in the neighborhood do not have an old stone barn foundation. The evidence further revealed that the topography of the neighboring properties do not slope toward the rear to the same extent as this Property. Finally, the evidence showed that the septic reserve area cannot be moved from the front to the rear, thus limiting the area where a proposed home could be located.

As a result of these 'unique' features, we also find that strict compliance with BCZR §1A04.3B.2.b would result in practical difficulty and unreasonable hardship. Applying the factors in *McLean*, *supra*, we first find that strict compliance with the RC5 area setbacks would unreasonably prevent the use of the property for the permitted purpose of building a home because the Petitioners could not meet both the 50' setbacks and the Performance Standards.

As to the second factor, we find that the grant of the area variance applied for would do substantial justice to the Petitioners as well as the Protestants because the proposed home would be more consistent with all the other homes in the neighborhood. The intent of the Performance Standards is to "ensure that rural residential development conforms with a quality of design that maintains and reflects the rural character of the County." (BCZR §1A04.4B.1.) The photographs of the other homes on this neighborhood reflect the well-maintained, 1960s two-story ranch style homes, with large front yards set back from Brookline Road, lined up with one another, and with front doors facing that road. If this proposed home is set within the 50' setbacks, it would be rotated such that it would encroach on the septic reserve area and would be out of character with the positioning of the homes on neighboring lots.

Finally, we find that the variance relief can be granted here such that it is within the spirit of the building setback regulations and Performance Standards and that public safety and welfare would still be secured. We find in this case, that the orientation and location of the proposed home on this lot, located on this road, as it will be situated among existing homes of similar style, are significant factors here when evaluating whether the spirit of the regulation has been met.

We note that the Protestants entered into a Settlement Agreement which is attached and incorporated into the Site Plan (Pet. Ex. 1). Both the Settlement Agreement and Site Plan will be incorporated into our Order.

For the foregoing reasons, the Petitioner's Special Hearing request and Petition for variance is granted.

ORDER

THEREFORE, IT IS THIS 24¹⁴ day of Votober, 2016, by the Board of Appeals of Baltimore County,

ORDERED, that the Petition for Special Hearing filed pursuant to BCZR §1A04.3B.1 to allow a property area less than 1 ½ acres (1.04 acres), and a density less than 0.5 for existing lots that were created prior to 1979 and a Petition for Variance filed pursuant to BCZR §1A04.3B.2.b to allow a setback of 30 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet from any lot line other than a street, be, and the same is hereby GRANTED; and it is further,

ORDERED, that the Settlement Agreement dated July 8, 2016 (Pet. Ex. 4) and the Site Plan attached thereto, be and the same are hereby incorporated into and made a part of this Order.

Any petition for judicial review from this decision must be made in accordance with Rule 7-201 through Rule 7-210 of the *Maryland Rules*.

BOARD OF APPEALS OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

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October 24, 2016

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July 8, 2016

David F. Mister, Esquire Winter & Bartlett, LLC 30 E. Padonia Road, Suite 404 Timonium, MD 21093

Re: Proposed Letter Agreement

Dear David:

This letter proposal is in response to the counter-proposal presented by you on behalf of certain neighbors on July 1, 2016 regarding the Burger property known as 13607 Brookline Road and the pending appeal with the Baltimore County Board of Appeals, Case No. 2016-0158-SPHA. This proposal is made without prejudice and shall remain open until July 15, 2016, after which time Petitioners intend to file for undersized lot approval and dismiss the appeal.

- 1. <u>Petitioners/Owners</u>. Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger as Trustees of the Ellen McBarron Burger Revocable Trust dated January 18, 2000.
- 2. <u>Protestants/Interested Parties</u>. David F. Mister, Esquire, 13604 Brookline Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21013; John and Maria Pycha 13612 Brookline Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21013; Judith Wilson, 13612 Devonfield Drive, Baltimore, Maryland 21013; and Richard Edmunds, 13609 Brookline Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21013.
- 3. <u>Property</u>. Lot 11, Block D as shown on the Plat entitled, "Section 1, Carroll Manor", currently known as 13607 Brookline Road consisting of 1.04 acres currently zoned RC5.
 - 4. Zoning Relief Requested.
- A. Variance to allow a setback of 40 ft. in lieu of the required 50 ft. from the two side property lot lines.
- B. Variance to allow a property area of 1.04 acres in lieu of 1.5 acres and a density less than 0.5 for existing lots created before 1979 per Section 1A04.3.B.1(a) of the B.C.Z.R.
- 5. <u>Proposed Residence Location</u>. As shown on the site plan attached as Exhibit 1, the front of the proposed residence will be oriented to face Brookline Road. The front setback from the

July 8, 2016 Page Two middle of Brookline Road to the front building envelope shall be 95 ft. and the front of the proposed residence shall be in line with the two adjoining houses. The side setbacks on either sides of the building envelope shall be a minimum of 40 ft. The rear yard setback from the proposed building envelope to the rear property line shall be 40 ft. Driveway. The proposed driveway shall be either on the right or left side of the septic reserve area as shown on the attached site plan. The final location shall be at the discretion of the purchaser of the Property subject to the recommendation of the purchaser's builder taking into consideration Section 8B (retaining vegetation to the fullest extent possible) of this Agreement and determining the most practical location for the driveway connection between the public road and the garage for any proposed residence on the Property. The edge of paving of the final location of the driveway shall be a minimum of 10 feet from the property line. Proposed Residence Details. The proposed residence shall be subject to the Baltimore 7. County performance standards for properties located in the RC5 zone, specifically Section 1A04.4 of the B.C.Z.R. The residence shall be a minimum of 2,000 sq. ft. with a maximum of 4,000 sq. ft. and a height of less than 35 ft. per the B.C.Z.R. Design. The design of the proposed residence shall be in keeping with the neighborhood and in accordance with the RC5 performance standards, specifically, the following: Reflect the traditional rural character of the area in architectural form, scale, materials, detailing and landscaping context. Retain the existing quality vegetation of the site to the fullest extent possible and protect the root systems of the remaining vegetation during construction. Integrate, where possible, significant features of this site, such as distinctive buildings, vistas, topographic features, specimen trees, tree stands, hedgerows, monuments, landmarks and gardens, into the site design, and retain the existing character of the features and their settings. Coordinate building design, site layout and grading so that grade transitions are gradual and respect the existing topography. Provide for smooth transitions between the proposed development and the surrounding rural area by arranging and orienting the proposed buildings and site improvements to complement those in the surrounding vicinity. Provide varietal transitions between proposed buildings and site improvements with respect to setbacks, street patterns and building-to-street grade relationships. Integrate, where possible, building and design features that will limit the amount of impermeable surface and minimize storm water run-off. Provide landscaping which includes tree and shrubbery plantings that are water H. loving and are highly water absorbing in nature. (00334077v. (14914.00001))

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- 9. <u>Site Plan/Building Permit</u>. Petitioner will present the site plan attached as Exhibit 1 to the Baltimore County Board of Appeals subject to the conditions listed above. Protestants/Interested Parties agree to support the site plan and proposed zoning relief as described above at the hearing before the Baltimore County Board of Appeals and/or Administrative Law Judge. Protestants/Interested Parties further agree to not directly or indirectly take any steps to delay or hinder Petitioners' application for building permit approval.
- 10. <u>Binding Agreement</u>. This Agreement and the conditions thereon, including any resulting Zoning Order from the Administrative Law Judge and/or the Board of Appeals, shall attach to and run with the land to any contract purchasers of the subject property. This Agreement shall be binding on the parties hereto, their successors, personal representatives and assigns.
- 11. <u>Use of Property</u>. The land shall be used only for residential uses as allowed in the RC5 zone or any subsequent residential zone applied to the property.
- 12. <u>Conditions</u>. The obligations of the Petitioners/Owners shall not become effective and binding upon the Petitioners/Owners unless the requested zoning relief has been granted in accordance with the Petitioners/Owners' request and no appeals filed by anyone.

13. Miscellaneous.

- A. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, the provisions of this Agreement shall terminate and be of no further force and effect in the event any of the Protestants/Interested Parties (or any other third party not a party to this Agreement) object or in any way impede Petitioners' application for zoning relief and/or building permit application for a proposed residence on the property.
- B. If any Party to this Agreement or its successors and/or assigns is required to institute legal action to enforce the terms of this Agreement and is successful (whether by judgment or settlement) in obtaining enforcement of the Agreement, that party or its successors or assigns, shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorney fees and other reasonable costs of the action from the person or entity against whom the enforcement is obtained.
- C. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts and contains the entire understanding of the Parties. Electronic signatures shall be accepted as originals.
- D. Each Party warrants it has carefully read and understands the agreement and has had ample time to consult with counsel of its choice.

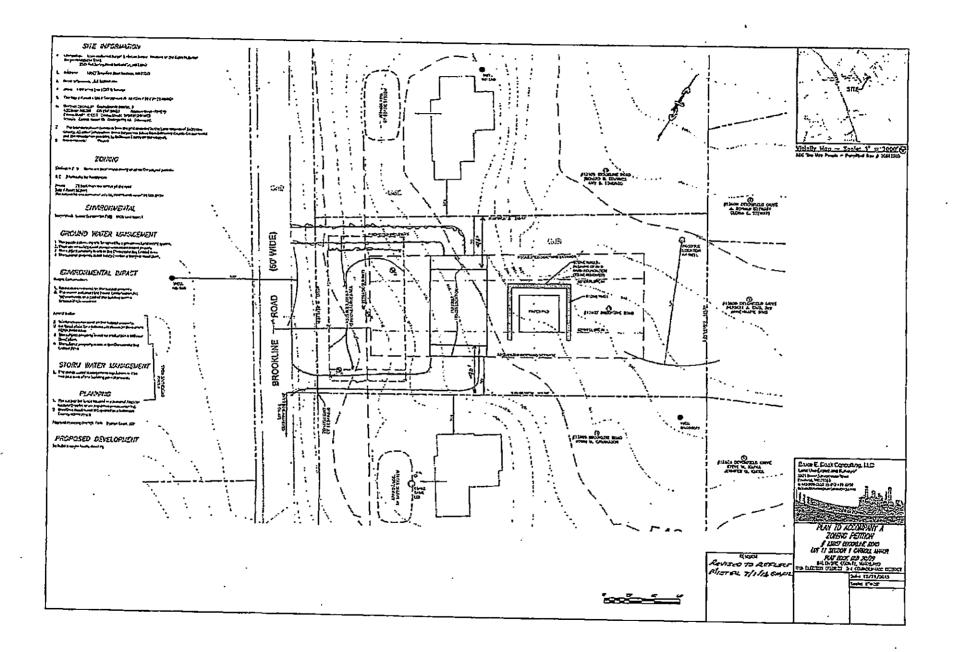
In the event you agree with the terms provided above, please sign below.

Very truly yours,

J. Neil Lanzi

I have read the above Letter Agreement and now execute confirming my acceptance of its terms.

DATE:	PETITIONERS/OWNERS:
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Administrative Law Judge

May 23, 2016

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Towson, Maryland 21204

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> BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS

RE: APPEAL TO BOARD OF APPEALS

Case No. 2016-0158-SPHA Location: 13607 Brookline Road

Dear Mr. Lanzi:

Please be advised that an appeal of the above-referenced case was filed in this Office on May 20, 2016. All materials relative to the case have been forwarded to the Baltimore County Board of Appeals ("Board").

If you are the person or party taking the appeal, you should notify other similarly interested parties or persons known to you of the appeal. If you are an attorney of record, it is your responsibility to notify your client.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the Board at 410-887-3180.

Sincerely

LAWRENCE M. STAHL

Managing Administrative Law Judge

for Baltimore County

LMS/dlw

c: Baltimore County Board of Appeals
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APPEAL

Petitions for Special Hearing and Variance (13607 Brookline Road) 11th Election District – 3rd Councilmanic District Legal Owners: Ellen McBarron Burger & Kirsten Burger Case No. 2016-0158-SPHA

Petitions for Special Hearing and Variance Hearing (January 7, 2016)

Zoning Description of Property

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- 2. Title Deed
- 3. Plat Carroll Manor
- 4. SDAT Sheet
- 5. Aerial My Neighborhood

Protestants' Exhibits:

1. Petition in Opposition

Miscellaneous (Not Marked as Exhibits) - NONE

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IN RE: **PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING** * BEFORE THE

AND VARIANCE

(13607 Brookline Road) * OFFICE OF

11th Election District

3rd Council District * ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

Ellen McBarrow Burger & Kirsten Burger

Owners * FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

Petitioners

* Case No. 2016-0158-SPHA

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OPINION AND ORDER ON MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION

Now pending is Petitioners' Motion for Reconsideration of the March 15, 2016 Order issued in the above case. Petitioners set forth in their Motion certain facts which they contend justify variance relief. These are, for the most part, the same facts articulated by Mr. Doak at the March 14, 2016 hearing. I am mindful that counsel was not involved in the proceeding at that juncture, but do not believe the facts set forth in the Motion can support the grant of a variance. Under Maryland law, variances should be granted "sparingly" since it is "an authorization for [that] ...which is prohibited by a zoning ordinance." Cromwell v. Ward, 102 Md. App. 691, 699 (1995).

On the other hand, I believe Petitioners would be entitled to avail themselves of B.C.Z.R. §304, which governs the "use of undersized single family lots." Section 304.1 of the B.C.Z.R. is a grandfathering provision which provides as follows:

Except as provided in Section 4A03, a one-family detached or semidetached dwelling may be erected on a lot having an area or width at the building line less than that required by the area regulations contained in these regulations if:

- A. Such lot shall have been duly recorded either by deed or in a validly approved subdivision prior to March 30, 1955;
- B. All other requirements of the height and area regulations are complied with; and
- C. The owner of the lot does not own sufficient adjoining land to conform to the width and area requirements contained in these regulations.

The lot (and subdivision) was recorded prior to 1955 and Petitioners do not own adjoining land which would enable them to comply with the regulations. Motion, ¶¶21-22. As such, they would be entitled to construct a single family dwelling on the undersized lot, provided all height and setback requirements were satisfied. In other words, the dwelling height must not exceed 35 feet, side and rear yard setbacks are 50 feet, and the front setback from the centerline of Brookline Road is 75 feet. B.C.Z.R. §1A04.3.B.2. The subject lot is 145 feet wide, which would enable Petitioners to construct a dwelling that is 45 feet wide, after accounting for the side yard setbacks. While I understand Petitioners' preference is to construct a house in the configuration shown on the site plan, I do not believe that can justify the grant of a variance. Counsel's point concerning the RC 5 zone performance standards is a valid one, although I am confident the Department of Planning in conducting its review would take into account the house orientation was dictated by the significant setbacks in the RC 5 zone.

It is important to note that under this regulation (unlike B.C.Z.R. §307 governing variances) the Petitioners do not need to establish the property is unique or that they would experience a hardship or practical difficulty if the regulations were strictly interpreted. <u>Mueller v. People's Counsel</u>, 177 Md. App. 43, 87 (2007) ("B.C.Z.R. § 304 does not contain elements of practical difficulty or uniqueness, which are embodied in § 307").

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED this 22nd day of April 2016, by this Administrative Law Judge, that the Motion for Reconsideration be and is hereby DENIED as concerns the petition for variance.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Petitioners shall be entitled to construct a single-family dwelling on the subject property in accordance with B.C.Z.R. §304, provided the height and setback requirements (as discussed above) are satisfied.

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

Signed
JOHN E. BEVERUNGEN
Administrative Law Judge
for Baltimore County

JEB/sln

IN RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING * AND VARIANCE

(13607 Brookline Road) 11th Election District

3rd Council District

Ellen McBarrow Burger & Kirsten Burger

Owners

Petitioners

BEFORE THE

OFFICE OF

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

Case No. 2016-0158-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 Ellen McBarrow Burger & Kirsten Burger, legal owners ("Petitioners"). The Special Hearing was filed pursuant to § 500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R."), to allow a property area (1.04 acres) less than 1.5 acres and a density less than 0.5 for existing lots that were created prior to 1979 as required in §1A04.3.B.1.a of the B.C.Z.R. In addition, a Petition for Variance seeks to allow a setback of 30 ft. in lieu of the required 50 ft. from any lot line other than a street per §1A04.3.B.2.b of the B.C.Z.R. A site plan was marked and accepted into evidence as Petitioners' Exhibit 1.

Appearing at the public hearing in support of the requests was Ellen McBarrow Burger & Kirsten Burger, legal owners. Bruce E. Doak, surveyor, assisted Petitioners. Several neighbors, represented by David Mister, Esq., attended the hearing and opposed the requests. The Petition was advertised and posted as required by the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations. No substantive Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC) comments were received.

The subject property is 1.04 acres and zoned RC 5. The property is shown as Lot 11 on the plat of Carroll Manor (Petitioners' Exhibit 3), which was recorded in 1954. The lot is

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unimproved, although it contains a foundation or remnants of a barn the neighbors believe is historic. It was stipulated the property or the foundation are not listed on the Baltimore County Landmarks List. Petitioners propose to construct a single family dwelling on the lot, but require zoning relief to do so.

A variance request involves a two-step process, summarized as follows:

- (1) It must be shown the property is unique in a manner which makes it unlike surrounding properties, and that uniqueness or peculiarity must necessitate variance relief; and
- (2) If variance relief is denied, Petitioner will experience a practical difficulty or hardship.

Cromwell v. Ward, 102 Md. App. 691 (1995).

Petitioners have not met this test. Mr. Doak testified "the lot is not unique ... it looks like all the other lots." He argued that the property was nonetheless unique because, unlike the other lots with single family dwellings, the property was rezoned to RC 5 and Petitioners must comply with all current land use laws and regulations. While that may differentiate this property, it is not sufficient to establish the critical element of "uniqueness" required under Maryland law. To establish uniqueness a Petitioner must provide evidence the size, shape, topography, subsurface conditions, or environmental factors are unlike that of properties in the area. The court of special appeals has referred to these as "inherent characteristic[s]" of a property. North v. St. Mary's County, 99 Md. App. 502, 512 (1994).

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED this <u>15th</u> day of March, 2016, 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.") to allow a property area (1.04 acres) less than 1.5 acres and a density less than 0.5 for existing lots that were created prior to 1979 as required in §1A04.3B.1.a of the B.C.Z.R., be and is hereby DISMISSED as Moot given the denial of the petition for variance.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition for Variance which seeks to allow a setback of 30 ft. in lieu of the required 50 ft. from any lot line other than a street per §1A04.3.B.2.b of the B.C.Z.R., be and is hereby DENIED.

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

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JOHNE. BEVERUNGEN Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County

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KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive LAWRENCE M. STAHL
Managing Administrative Law Judge
JOHN E. BEVERUNGEN
Administrative Law Judge

March 15, 2016

Bruce E. Doak Bruce E. Doak Consultants 3801 Schoolhouse Road Freeland, Maryland 21053

RE:

Petitions for Special Hearing and Variance

Case No. 2016-0158-SPHA Property: 13607 Brookline Road

Dear Mr. Doak:

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.

Sincerely,

JOHN E. BEVERUNGEN Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County

JEB:dlw Enclosure

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CHECKLIST

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Ellen McBarron Burger 2525 Pot Spring Road, Unit L606 Lutherville, MD 21093 410-419-4906

NOTICE OF ZONING HEARING

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CASE NUMBER: 2016-0158-SPHA

13607 Brookline Road NE/s Brookline Road, 327 ft. NW of the centerline of Country Side Lane 11th Election District – 3rd Councilmanic District Legal Owners: Ellen McBarron Burger, Kirsten Burger

Special Hearing to allow a property area (1.04 acres) less than 1 ½ acres and a density less than 0.5 for existing lots that were created prior to 1979 as required in Section 1A04.3Ba BCZR. **Variance** to allow a setback of 30 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet from any lot line other than a street per Section 1A04.3B2b BCZR.

Hearing: Monday, March 14, 2016 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 ACCOMODATIONS, 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

January 13, 2016

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

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C: Ms. McBarron-Burger, Ms. Burger, 2525 Pot Spring Road, Unit L606, Lutherville 21093 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 TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2016.

- (2) HEARINGS ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE; FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CALL THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS OFFICE AT 410-887-3868.
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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 13607 BROOKLINE ROAD which is presently zoned RC5

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Property Owner(s) Printed Name(s) ELLEN MCBARRON BURGER & KIRSTEN BURGER

TRUSTEES OF THE ELLEN MCBARRON BURGER REVOCABLE TRUST

(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:

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

2.___ a Special Exception under the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County to use the herein described property for

3. X 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).

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

Zoning Description

13607 Brookline Road Eleventh Election District 3rd Councilmanic District Baltimore County, Maryland

Beginning at a point on the northeast side of Brookline Road, approximately 327 feet northwesterly from the center line of Country Side Lane along center line of Brookline Road and northeasterly 25 feet from the center line of Brookline Road,

Being Lot 11 Section 1 as shown on the plat entitled "Carroll Manor", which is recorded in the Land Records of Baltimore County in Plat Book GLB 20, page 79.

Containing 1.04 acres of land, more or less.

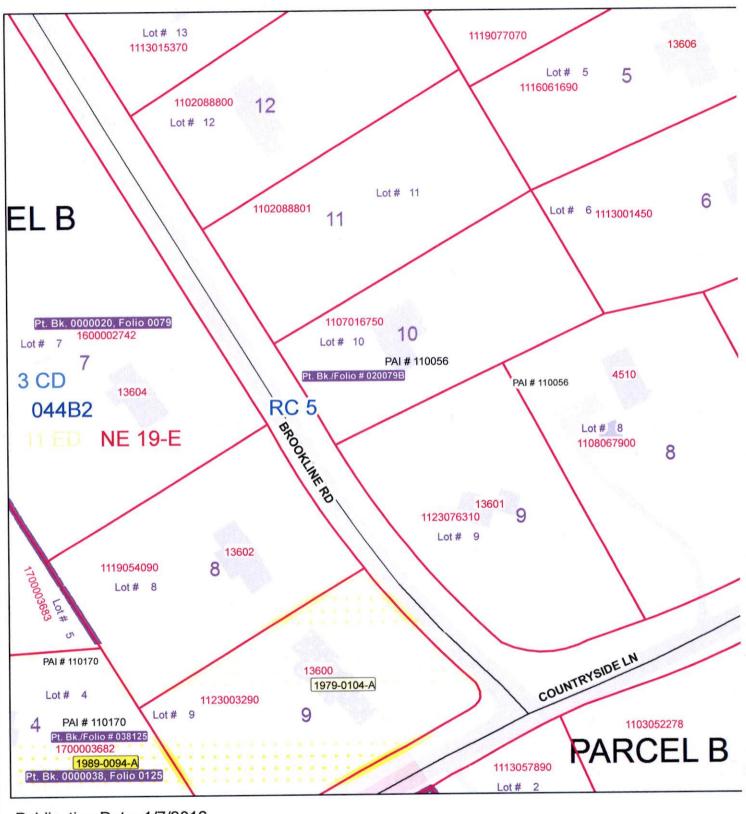
This description is part of a zoning hearing petition and is not intended for any conveyance purposes.





Land Use Expert and Surveyor

13607 Brookline Road 2016-u158-SPHA



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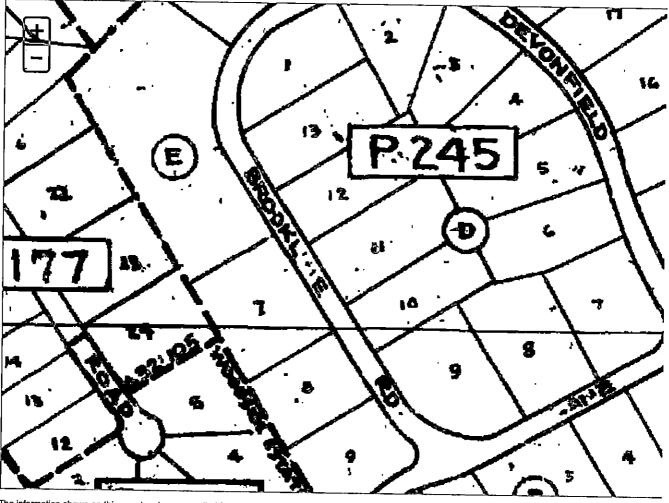


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The information shown on this map has been compiled from deed descriptions and plats and is not a property survey. The map should not be used for legal descriptions. Users noting errors are urged to notify the Maryland Department of Planning Mapping, 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 (http://www.plats.net).

Property maps provided courtesy of the Maryland Department of Planning.

For more information on electronic mapping applications, visit the Maryland Department of Planning web site at www.mdp.state.md.us/OurProducts/QurProducts.shtml), which is the Maryland Department of Planning web site at www.mdp.state.md.us/OurProducts/QurProducts.shtml).

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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This Beed, dated Lunce's 2012 from ELLEN McBARRON BURGER (also known as Ellen M. Burger) ("Grantor") to ELLEN McBARRON BURGER and KIRSTEN BURGER, Trustees of the ELLEN McBARRON BURGER REVOCABLE TRUST dated January 18, 2000, as amended and/or restated from time to time (the "Trust") ("Grantees"). The Trust is not a business trust.

Whereas, Edward D. Burger and Ellen McBarron Burger, husband and wife, were vested with fee simple title to the two (2) hereinafter described real properties (the "Properties"), as tenants by the entireties, by (i) Deed dated December 21, 1962 and (ii) Deed dated May 28, 1965 as set forth below, and the said Ellen McBarron Burger became sole owner by right of survivorship following the death of her husband, Edward D. Burger, on May 21, 2009; and

Whereas, on January 18, 2000, Grantor created the Trust for estate planning purposes and, in accordance with the said purposes, Grantor desires to convey to the Trust her entire interest in the Properties.

Bow, Therefore, Grantor, for NO MONETARY CONSIDERATION, but for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, does hereby grant and convey to the Grantees, on behalf of the Trust, their respective successors in trust and assigns, in fee simple, the Properties located in the Eleventh Election District of Baltimore County, State of Maryland, and described as follows:

Being for the First known and designated as Lot No. 12, Block D, as shown on a Plat entitled "Section 1, Carroll Manor", which Plat is recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County, Maryland in Plat Book G.L.B. No. 20, folio 79. The improvements thereon being known as 13609 Brookline Road, Baldwin, Maryland 21013.

Being the same Property described in a Deed dated December 21, 1962, and recorded among the said Land Records in Liber R.R.G. No. 4089, folio 190, from The Carroll Manor Company, to Edward D. Burger and Ellen M. Burger, husband and wife, as tenants by the entireties.

Being for the Second known and designated as Lot No. 11, Block D, as shown on a Plat entitled "Section 1, Carroll Manor", which Plat is recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County, Maryland in Plat Book G.L.B. No. 20, folio 79.

Being the same Property described in a Deed dated May 28, 1965, and recorded among the said Land Records in Liber R.R.G. No. 4464, folio 302, from The Carroll Manor Company, to Edward D. Burger and Ellen M. Burger, husband and wife, as tenants by the entireties.

> Harbor City Research, Inc. 201 N. Charles St., Suite 900 Baltimore, MD 21201

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Subject To the conditions and restrictions contained in a Deed from The Carroll Manor Company to Vincent W. Ambrose and wife dated October 1, 1954, and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County, Maryland in Liber G.L.B. No. 2567, folio 82.

Together With all improvements thereupon, and the rights, alleys, ways, waters, easements, privileges, appurtenances, and advantages, belonging or appertaining thereto.

To Have and To Hold the Properties hereby conveyed to the Grantees, on behalf of the Trust, their respective successors in trust and assigns, in fee simple, forever.

Grantor covenants that she will warrant specially the Properties hereby granted and conveyed, and that she will execute such further assurances of the Properties as may be requisite.

Witness the hand and seal of Grantor.

Witness

Ellen McBarron Burger (SEAL)

State of Maryland}
City/County of Polytmare to wit:

Bereby Certify that on this June, 2012, before me, a Notary Public for the aforesaid State, personally appeared Ellen McBarron Burger, known to me, (or satisfactorily proven) to be the person whose name is subscribed to this Deed, and who acknowledged that she executed the same for the purposes contained herein.

the same band and Notarial Seal.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: Anualy

THE UNDERSIGNED ATTORNEY, ADMITTED TO PRACTICE BEFORE THE COURT OF APPEALS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT THE ABOVE INSTRUMENT HAS BEEN PREPARED BY HIM OR UNDER HIS SUPERVISION.

David H. Fishman, Attorney

After Recording, Return To; Janice Portney, Paralegal c/o Gordon Feinblatt LLC The Garrett Building 233 East Redwood Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202-3332

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Exhibit 2

This Deed. Made this

28th

day of May,

in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixty-five , by and between THE CARROLL MANOR COMPANY, a body corporate of the State of Maryland,

, of the first part, and

EDWARD D. BURGER and ELLEN M. BURGER, his wife,

of the second part.

Witnesseth, that in consideration of the sum of Five Dollars (\$5.00) and other good and valuable considerations, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the said THE CARROLL MANOR COMPANY does hereby grant and convey unto the said EDWARD D. BURGER and ELLEN M. BURGER, his wife, as tenants by the entireties, their assigns, the survivor of them, and the heirs and assigns of the survivor,

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in fee simple, all that

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BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED as Lot No. 11, Block D, as shown on Plat of Section 1, Carroll Manor, which Plat is recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber G.L.B. No. 20, folio 79.

BEING a portion of all that property which, by Deed dated November 3, 1953, and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber G.L.B. No. 2386, folio 62, was granted and conveyed by John P. Raab and wife unto The Carroll Manor Company, in fee simple.

SUBJECT TO the conditions and restrictions contained in a Deed from The Carroll Manor Company to Vincent W. Ambrose and Wife dated October 1, 1954, and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber G.L.B. No. 2567, folio 82.



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Together with the buildings and improvements thereupon erected, made or being and all and every the rights, alleys, ways, waters, privileges, appurtenances and advantages, to the same belonging, or anywise appertaining.

To Have and To Hold the said lot of ground and premises, above described and mentioned, and hereby intended to be conveyed; together with the rights, privileges, appurtenances and advantages thereto belonging or appertaining unto and to the proper use and benefit of the said EDWARD D. BURGER and ELLEN M. BURGER, his wife, as tenants by the entireties, their assigns, the survivor of them, and the heirs and assigns of the survivor, in fee simple, subject to the conditions and restrictions hereinbefore referred to.

And the said party of the first part hereby covenants that the it has not done or suffered to be done any act, matter or thing whatsoever, to encumber the property hereby conveyed; that bait will warrant specially the property granted and that will execute such further assurances of the same as may be requisite.

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THE CARROLL MANOR COMPANY % isranix President XXXX

State of Maryland,

, to wit:

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That on this

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President of The Carroll Manor Company, and acknowledged the aforegoing Deed to be the act of said body corporate.

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:- in the year one thousand nine thundred and and fifty-three = - - - _ _ _ before me, the subscriber

a Notary Public = - - - - - - - - - -

the County of Paltimore ______ aforesaid, personally appeared

John 2. Raab and Tula O. Paab; his wife, Grantors herein, - - - -

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AS WITHESS my Hand and Notarial Seal.



Wright, Constable & Skeen, L.L.P. | Attorneys at Law

102 W. Pennsylvania Avenue - Suite 406 - Towson - Maryland - 21204 · Phone: 443-991-5917

J. NEIL LANZI Writer's Direct Dial / Email: (667) 206-4610 /nlanzi@wcslaw.com

July 8, 2016

David F. Mister, Esquire Winter & Bartlett, LLC 30 E. Padonia Road, Suite 404 Timonium, MD 21093

Re:

Proposed Letter Agreement

Dear David:

This letter proposal is in response to the counter-proposal presented by you on behalf of certain neighbors on July 1, 2016 regarding the Burger property known as 13607 Brookline Road and the pending appeal with the Baltimore County Board of Appeals, Case No. 2016-0158-SPHA. This proposal is made without prejudice and shall remain open until July 15, 2016, after which time Petitioners intend to file for undersized lot approval and dismiss the appeal.

- 1. <u>Petitioners/Owners</u>. Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger as Trustees of the Ellen McBarron Burger Revocable Trust dated January 18, 2000.
- 2. <u>Protestants/Interested Parties</u>. David F. Mister, Esquire, 13604 Brookline Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21013; John and Maria Pycha 13612 Brookline Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21013; Judith Wilson, 13612 Devonfield Drive, Baltimore, Maryland 21013; and Richard Edmunds, 13609 Brookline Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21013.
- 3. <u>Property</u>. Lot 11, Block D as shown on the Plat entitled, "Section 1, Carroll Manor", currently known as 13607 Brookline Road consisting of 1.04 acres currently zoned RC5.
 - 4. Zoning Relief Requested.
- A. Variance to allow a setback of 40 ft. in lieu of the required 50 ft. from the two side property lot lines.
- B. Variance to allow a property area of 1.04 acres in lieu of 1.5 acres and a density less than 0.5 for existing lots created before 1979 per Section 1A04.3.B.1(a) of the B.C.Z.R.
- 5. <u>Proposed Residence Location</u>. As shown on the site plan attached as Exhibit 1, the front of the proposed residence will be oriented to face Brookline Road. The front setback from the

July 8, 2016 Page Two middle of Brookline Road to the front building envelope shall be 95 ft. and the front of the proposed residence shall be in line with the two adjoining houses. The side setbacks on either sides of the building envelope shall be a minimum of 40 ft. The rear yard setback from the proposed building envelope to the rear property line shall be 40 ft. Driveway. The proposed driveway shall be either on the right or left side of the septic reserve area as shown on the attached site plan. The final location shall be at the discretion of the purchaser of the Property subject to the recommendation of the purchaser's builder taking into consideration Section 8B (retaining vegetation to the fullest extent possible) of this Agreement and determining the most practical location for the driveway connection between the public road and the garage for any proposed residence on the Property. The edge of paving of the final location of the driveway shall be a minimum of 10 feet from the property line. Proposed Residence Details. The proposed residence shall be subject to the Baltimore 7. County performance standards for properties located in the RC5 zone, specifically Section 1A04.4 of the B.C.Z.R. The residence shall be a minimum of 2,000 sq. ft. with a maximum of 4,000 sq. ft. and a height of less than 35 ft. per the B.C.Z.R. <u>Design</u>. The design of the proposed residence shall be in keeping with the neighborhood and in accordance with the RC5 performance standards, specifically, the following: Reflect the traditional rural character of the area in architectural form, scale, materials, detailing and landscaping context. Retain the existing quality vegetation of the site to the fullest extent possible and protect the root systems of the remaining vegetation during construction. Integrate, where possible, significant features of this site, such as distinctive buildings, vistas, topographic features, specimen trees, tree stands, hedgerows, monuments, landmarks and gardens, into the site design, and retain the existing character of the features and their settings. Coordinate building design, site layout and grading so that grade transitions are gradual and respect the existing topography. Provide for smooth transitions between the proposed development and the surrounding rural area by arranging and orienting the proposed buildings and site improvements to complement those in the surrounding vicinity. Provide varietal transitions between proposed buildings and site improvements with respect to setbacks, street patterns and building-to-street grade relationships. Integrate, where possible, building and design features that will limit the G. amount of impermeable surface and minimize storm water run-off. Provide landscaping which includes tree and shrubbery plantings that are water H. loving and are highly water absorbing in nature. (00334077v. (14914.00001))

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- 9. <u>Site Plan/Building Permit</u>. Petitioner will present the site plan attached as Exhibit 1 to the Baltimore County Board of Appeals subject to the conditions listed above. Protestants/Interested Parties agree to support the site plan and proposed zoning relief as described above at the hearing before the Baltimore County Board of Appeals and/or Administrative Law Judge. Protestants/Interested Parties further agree to not directly or indirectly take any steps to delay or hinder Petitioners' application for building permit approval.
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Very truly yours,

J. Neil Lanzi

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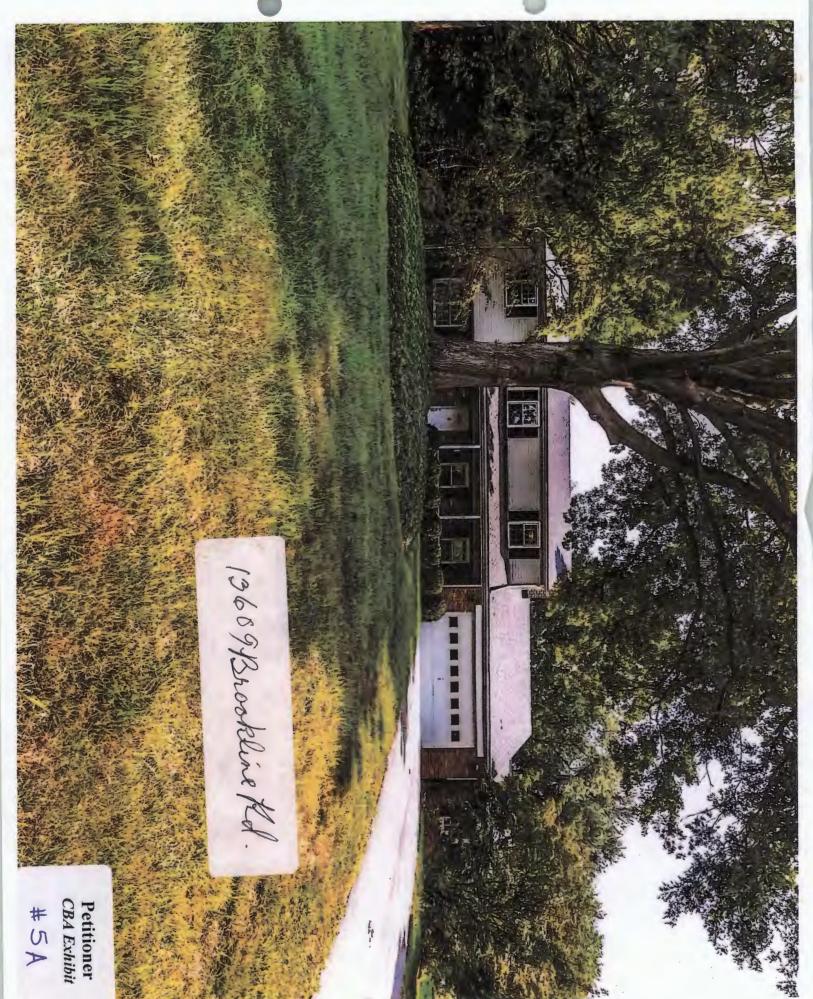
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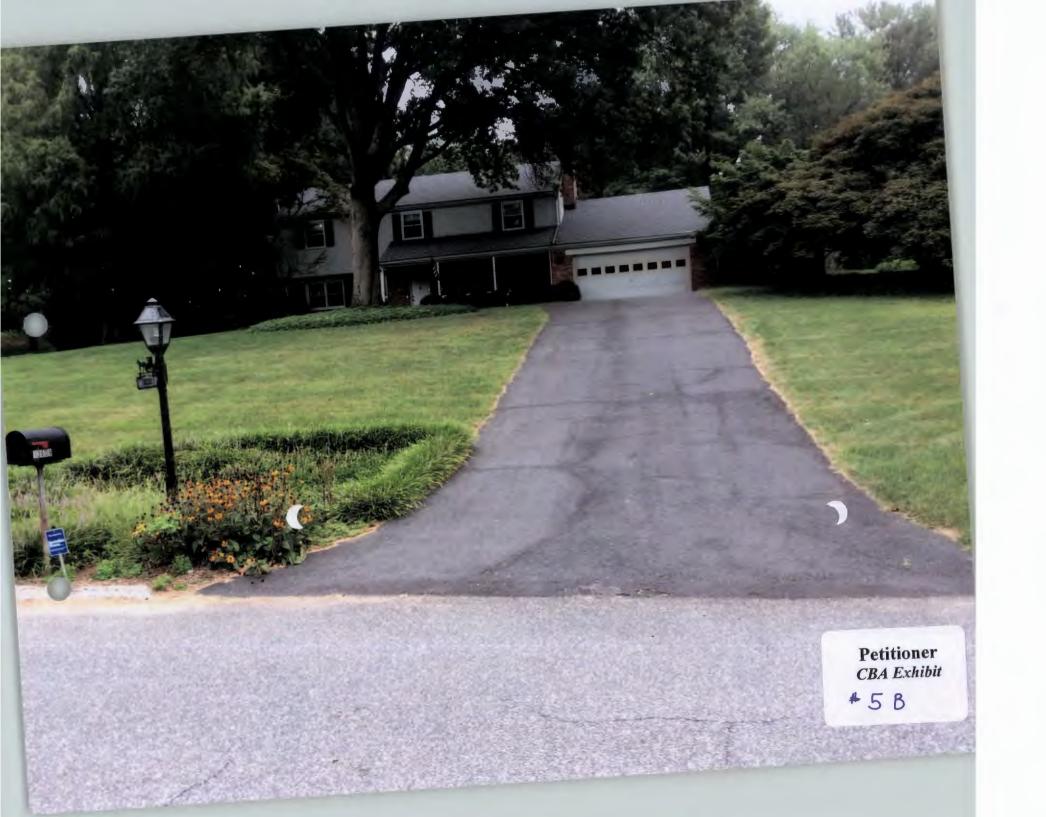
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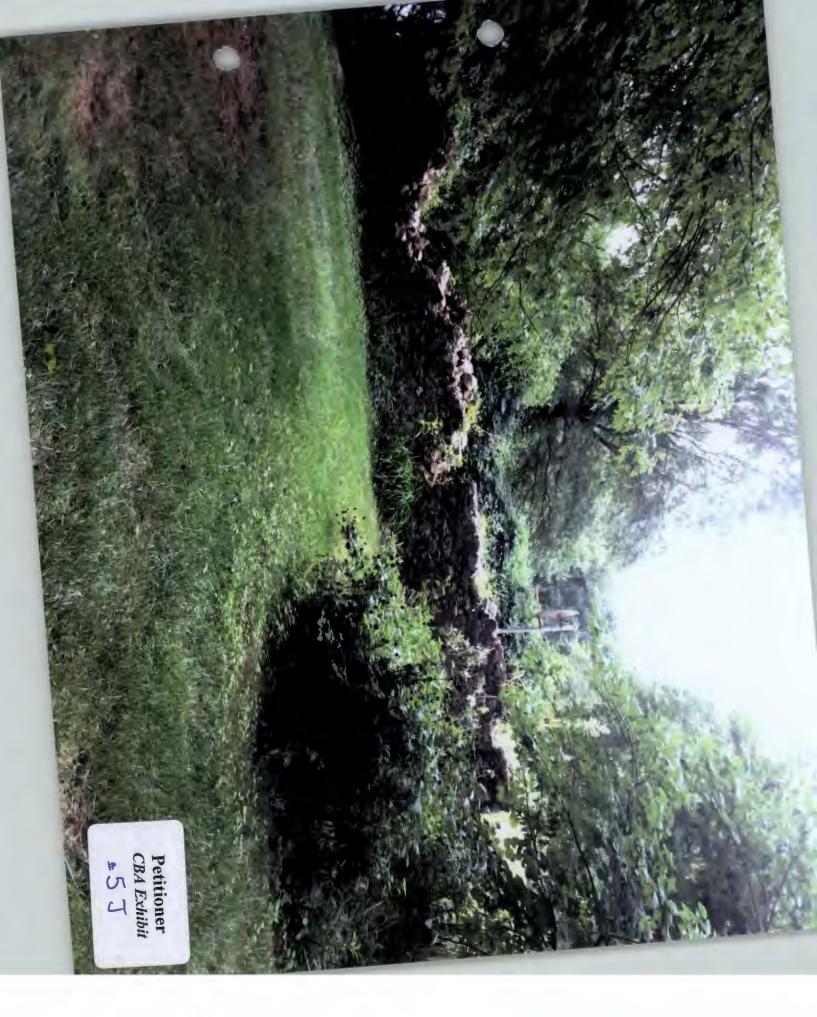


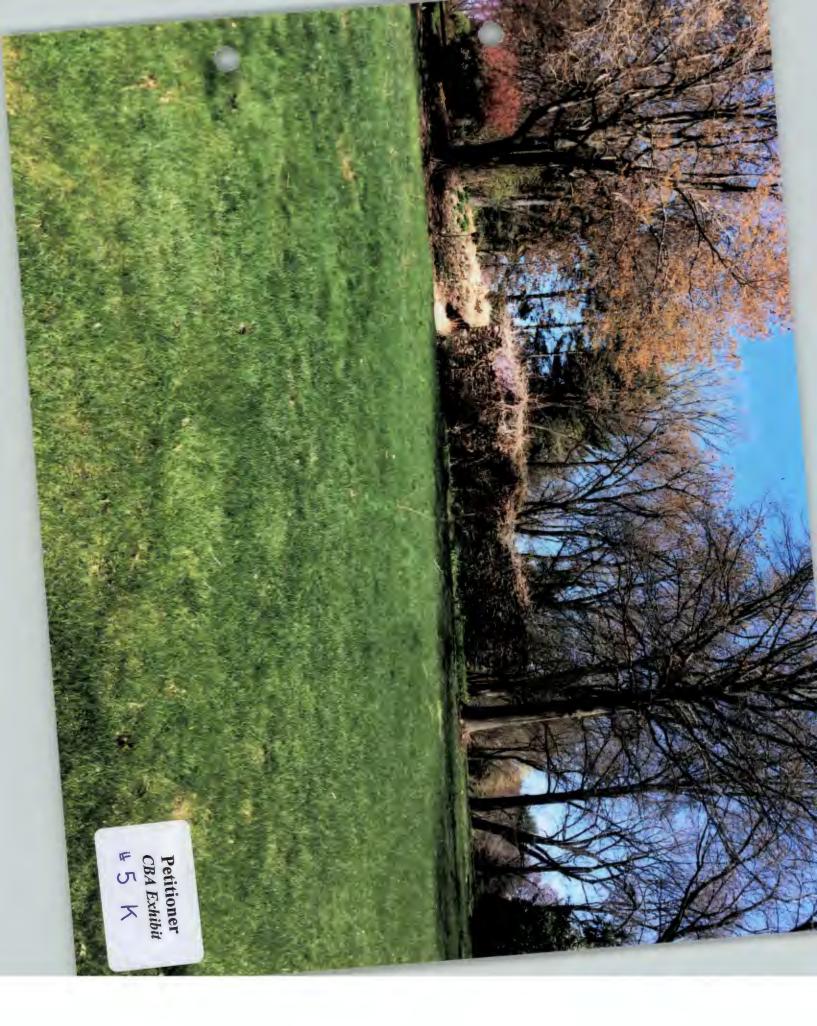


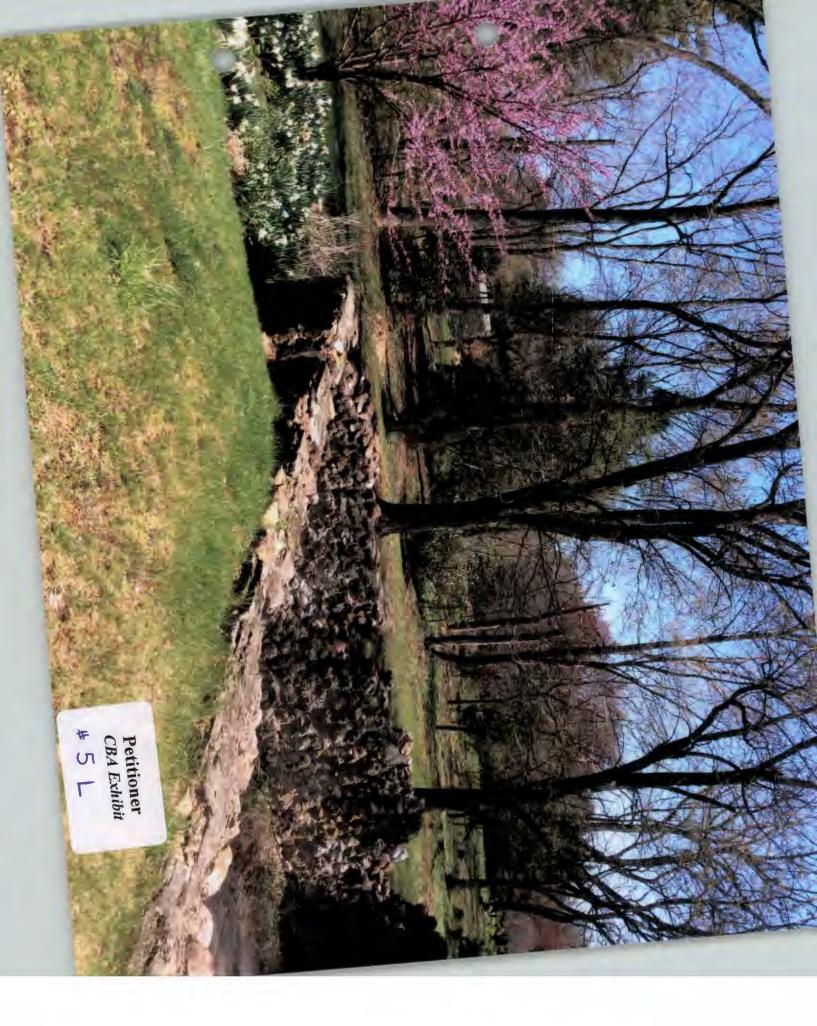




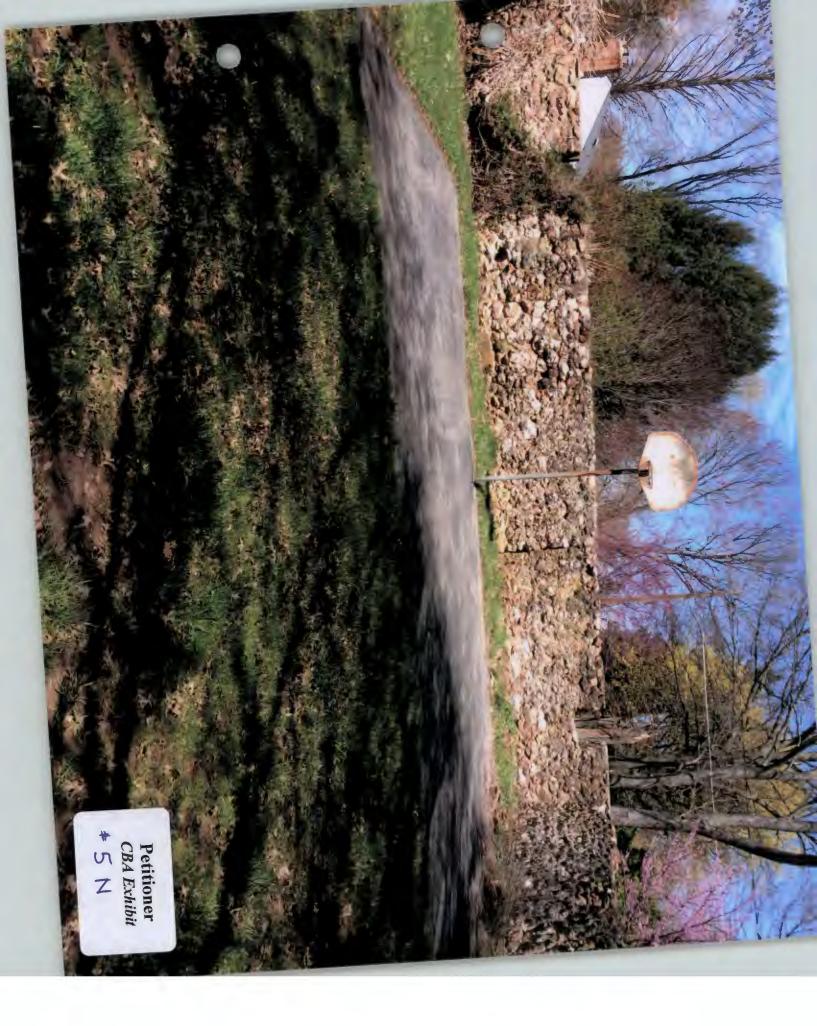














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July 8, 2016

David F. Mister, Esquire Winter & Bartlett, LLC 30 E. Padonia Road, Suite 404 Timonium, MD 21093

Re:

Proposed Letter Agreement

Dear David:

This letter proposal is in response to the counter-proposal presented by you on behalf of certain neighbors on July 1, 2016 regarding the Burger property known as 13607 Brookline Road and the pending appeal with the Baltimore County Board of Appeals, Case No. 2016-0158-SPHA. This proposal is made without prejudice and shall remain open until July 15, 2016, after which time Petitioners intend to file for undersized lot approval and dismiss the appeal.

- 1. <u>Petitioners/Owners</u>. Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger as Trustees of the Ellen McBarron Burger Revocable Trust dated January 18, 2000.
- 2. <u>Protestants/Interested Parties</u>. David F. Mister, Esquire, 13604 Brookline Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21013; John and Maria Pycha 13612 Brookline Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21013; Judith Wilson, 13612 Devonfield Drive, Baltimore, Maryland 21013; and Richard Edmunds, 13609 Brookline Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21013.
- 3. <u>Property</u>. Lot 11, Block D as shown on the Plat entitled, "Section 1, Carroll Manor", currently known as 13607 Brookline Road consisting of 1.04 acres currently zoned RC5.
 - 4. Zoning Relief Requested.
- A. Variance to allow a setback of 40 ft. in lieu of the required 50 ft. from the two side property lot lines.
- B. Variance to allow a property area of 1.04 acres in lieu of 1.5 acres and a density less than 0.5 for existing lots created before 1979 per Section 1A04.3.B.1(a) of the B.C.Z.R.
- 5. <u>Proposed Residence Location</u>. As shown on the site plan attached as Exhibit 1, the front of the proposed residence will be oriented to face Brookline Road. The front setback from the

Petitioner CBA Exhibit middle of Brookline Road to the front building envelope shall be 95 ft. and the front of the proposed residence shall be in line with the two adjoining houses. The side setbacks on either sides of the building envelope shall be a minimum of 40 ft. The rear yard setback from the proposed building envelope to the rear property line shall be 40 ft.

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- C. Integrate, where possible, significant features of this site, such as distinctive buildings, vistas, topographic features, specimen trees, tree stands, hedgerows, monuments, landmarks and gardens, into the site design, and retain the existing character of the features and their settings.
- D. Coordinate building design, site layout and grading so that grade transitions are gradual and respect the existing topography.
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- F. Provide varietal transitions between proposed buildings and site improvements with respect to setbacks, street patterns and building-to-street grade relationships.
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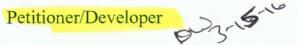
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Exhibit Sheet



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Deed

Whereas, Edward D. Burger and Ellen McBarron Burger, husband and wife, were vested with fee simple title to the two (2) hereinafter described real properties (the "Properties"), as tenants by the entireties, by (i) Deed dated December 21, 1962 and (ii) Deed dated May 28, 1965 as set forth below, and the said Ellen McBarron Burger became sole owner by right of survivorship following the death of her husband, Edward D. Burger, on May 21, 2009; and

Whereas, on January 18, 2000, Grantor created the Trust for estate planning purposes and, in accordance with the said purposes, Grantor desires to convey to the Trust her entire interest in the Properties.

And valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, does hereby grant and convey to the Grantees, on behalf of the Trust, their respective successors in trust and assigns, in fee simple, the Properties located in the Eleventh Election District of Baltimore County, State of Maryland, and described as follows:

Being for the first known and besignated as Lot No. 12, Block D, as shown on a Plat entitled "Section 1, Carroll Manor", which Plat is recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County, Maryland in Plat Book G.L.B. No. 20, folio 79. The improvements thereon being known as 13609 Brookline Road, Baldwin, Maryland 21013.

Being the same Property described in a Deed dated December 21, 1962, and recorded among the said Land Records in Liber R.R.G. No. 4089, folio 190, from The Carroll Manor Company, to Edward D. Burger and Ellen M. Burger, husband and wife, as tenants by the entireties.

Being for the Second known and designated as Lot No. 11, Block D, as shown on a Plat entitled "Section 1, Carroll Manor", which Plat is recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County, Maryland in Plat Book G.L.B. No. 20, folio 79.

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PETITIONER'S

EXHIBIT NO. __2_

Subject To the conditions and restrictions contained in a Deed from The Carroll Manor Company to Vincent W. Ambrose and wife dated October 1, 1954, and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County, Maryland in Liber G.L.B. No. 2567, folio 82.

Together With all improvements thereupon, and the rights, alleys, ways, waters, easements, privileges, appurtenances, and advantages, belonging or appertaining thereto.

To pave and To pold the Properties hereby conveyed to the Grantees, on behalf of the Trust, their respective successors in trust and assigns, in fee simple, forever.

Grantor covenants that she will warrant specially the Properties hereby granted and conveyed, and that she will execute such further assurances of the Properties as may be requisite.

Witness the hand and seal of Grantor.

Witness:

Ellen McBarron Burger (SEAL)

State of Maryland}
City/County of Polytomore to wit:

COUNT

Public for the aforesaid State, personally appeared *Ellen McBarron Burger*, known to me, (or satisfactorily proven) to be the person whose name is subscribed to this Deed, and who acknowledged that she executed the same for the purposes contained herein.

nd and Notarial Seal.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

THE UNDERSIGNED ATTORNEY, ADMITTED TO PRACTICE BEFORE THE COURT OF APPEALS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT THE ABOVE INSTRUMENT HAS BEEN PREPARED BY HIM OR UNDER HIS SUPERVISION.

David H. Fishman, Attorney

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Petition in opposition to Zoning Petition for 13607 Brookline Road.

Case No. 2016-0158-SPHA

We the undersigned immediate neighbors of the proposed building site object to and protest the petition for:

- 1 Variance of the side yard setback of 50'.
- Allowance of property area of less than 1 ½ acres and a density less than 0.5 for the building lot.
- The destruction or demolition of a possible historic landmark structure on the property.

We object for, among other reasons, that the proposed zoning changes or uses are not consistent and otherwise incompatible with the property's zoning classification and spirit and intent of Baltimore County zoning regulations, including greater density than permitted by law, inconsistency with impermeable surface regulations, and detrimental to streams and wetlands in an RC5 zone.

Signatures Attached

PROTESTANT'S

EXHIBIT NO. _____

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Name	Address	Date
amy Elmunds	13609 Brookline Rd. 21013	3-13-16
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Melissa Daniel	13602 Brookline Rd. 21013	3/13/16
Robin Cavanaugh	13405 Brookline Rd. 21013	3/13/14
Judith W. Wilson	13412 Devenfield Dr. 21013	3.13.16
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mary Imanz.	13616 BROOKINE Rd BALDWIN, MD 21013	3/13/16

Name	Address	<u>Date</u>
Tanglewilm w	13612 Devonfield Dr.	21013 3/14/16
Maria Rycha		
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Email: nlanzi@wcslaw.com

March 22, 2017

Krysundra "Sunny" Cannington, Administrator Board of Appeals for Baltimore County Jefferson Building, 2nd Floor, Suite 203 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

Re:

In the Matter of: Ellen McBarron Burger and

Kirsten Burger- Legal Owners Case No. 2016-0158-SPHA

Dear Ms. Cannington:

At the recent hearing for the above referenced case, I was directed by the Board to prepare a Consent Order. I am now enclosing the fully executed Consent Order as requested.

Should you require anything further, please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours, ·

J. Neil Lanzi

cc: David F. Mister, Esquire



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WRITER'S EMAIL: dmister@mwblaw.net

March 7, 2017

The Honorable Maureen E. Murphy, Chairman Board of Appeals of Baltimore County Jefferson Building, 2nd Floor, Suite 203 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

Re:

In the Matter of Ellen McBarron Burger

and Kristen Burger - Legal Owners

Case No.: 16-158 SPHA

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BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS

Dear Chairman Murphy:

Please be advised that I have elected to not attend the hearing on Thursday, March 9, 2017 for reconsideration of the Joint Motion to Revise the Board's Opinion and Order.

My brother passed away on Sunday and I expect to be traveling out of the state to his funeral at that time.

The protestants below have no objection to the Petitioner's request to revise the site plan to delete the notation "TO BE REMOVED" from the description "STONE WALLS REMAINS OF OLD BARN FOUNDATION".

Respectfully Submitte

David F. Mister

DFM:amc

cc: Neil Lanzi, Esquire (via email)

Maria Pycha (via email)

Judith Wilson (via email)

Richard Edmunds (via email)
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BOARD OF APPEALS OF BALTIMORE COUNTY MINUTES OF DELIBERATION

IN THE MATTER OF: Ellen McBarron Burger & Kirsten Burger-Legal Owners

16-158-SPHA

DATE:

October 6, 2016

BOARD/PANEL:

Maureen E. Murphy, Panel Chairman

Meryl W. Rosen Benfred B. Alston

RECORDED BY:

Sunny Cannington, Administrator

PURPOSE:

To deliberate the following:

Revised Site Plan and Settlement Agreement.

PANEL MEMBERS DISCUSSED THE FOLLOWING:

STANDING

- The Board held a hearing in accordance with their January 12, 2017 Ruling on the Joint Motion for Revisory Order. In that Ruling, the Board decided that the only way to make the requested changes would be if the parties appeared at a hearing and put into evidence a revised site plan that corresponded to the revisions requested and the Board would review any objections at that time.
- The Board held the hearing. The new Site Plan was submitted. The Protestants indicated there was
 no objection to the Petitioner's request to remove the "To Be Removed" language from the
 description of the stone walls.
- Petitioner's Counsel, Mr. Lanzi, indicated he would submit a Consent Order with signature from Protestant's Counsel, Mr. Mister, within 30 days.

<u>FINAL DECISION:</u> After thorough review of the facts, testimony, and law in the matter, the Board unanimously agreed to GRANT the revision to the Site Plan.

NOTE: These minutes, which will become part of the case file, are intended to indicate for the record that a public deliberation took place on the above date regarding this matter. The Board's final decision and the facts and findings thereto will be set out in the written Opinion and Order to be issued by the Board.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sunny Cannington
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From:

Neil Lanzi <nlanzi@wcslaw.com>

Sent:

Monday, January 16, 2017 1:23 PM

To:

Krysundra Cannington; dmister@mwblaw.net

Cc:

'Bruce Doak'; Ellen Burger

Subject:

RE: Burger

Sunny,

It appears that March 9th is the date that works for all. Please send a notice at your convenience.

Regards,

Neil



Neil Lanzi Partner

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From: Krysundra Cannington [mailto:kcannington@baltimorecountymd.gov]

Sent: Friday, January 13, 2017 3:04 PM To: Neil Lanzi; dmister@mwblaw.net

Subject: RE: Burger

Neil,

I understand and apologize again for the inconvenience.

You are correct, we are closed on Monday.

Sunny

Krysundra "Sunny" Cannington Administrator Board of Appeals of Baltimore County 410-887-3180

From:

David F. Mister < dmister@mwblaw.net>

Sent:

Friday, January 13, 2017 3:34 PM

To:

Krysundra Cannington

Cc:

Neil Lanzi

Subject:

Re: Burger

I am available Feb. 28 and March 9.

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On Jan 13, 2017, at 3:03 PM, Krysundra Cannington < kcannington@baltimorecountymd.gov > wrote:

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Sunny,

I will need a few days to check with everyone again. Hopefully will be back to you by Tuesday (I assume you are closed Monday).

Regards,

From:

Krysundra Cannington

Sent:

Friday, January 13, 2017 2:37 PM

To:

Neil Lanzi (nlanzi@wcslaw.com); 'dmister@mwblaw.net'

Subject:

Burger

Counsel,

I apologize, I was checking dates with the Board at the same time I emailed you. The following dates work for the panel, February 16, 28, or March 9. Are you available any of these dates?

Thank you.

Sunny

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Friday, January 13, 2017 9:21 AM

To:

Krysundra Cannington; mwblaw@mwblaw.net

Cc:

David F. Mister

Subject:

RE: Burger 16-158-SPHA

Sunny,

February 8, 15 and 22 are good for me, my clients and witness. We should only need 10 minutes to present the testimony and new exhibit.

Thanks,

Neil



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From: Krysundra Cannington [mailto:kcannington@baltimorecountymd.gov]

Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2017 10:52 AM

To: mwblaw@mwblaw.net; Neil Lanzi

Subject: Burger 16-158-SPHA

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From:

David F. Mister <dmister@mwblaw.net>

Sent:

Thursday, January 12, 2017 1:26 PM

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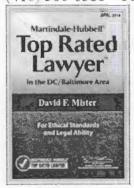
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Very truly yours,

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From: Anthony Bartlett [mailto:mwblaw@mwblaw.net]

Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2017 12:52 PM
To: David F. Mister <dmister@mwblaw.net>

Subject: Fw: Burger 16-158-SPHA

David, is this you?

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Thursday, January 12, 2017 10:51 AM

To:

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Subject:

Burger 16-158-SPHA

Good morning Counsel,

As previously indicated, the Board will be scheduling another hearing so that the settlement order can be amended. It is my understanding this will be a short hearing. I am reviewing dates with the Board members. Presently, we have the following dates available on our docket: February 1, 2, 7, 8, 15, 16, and 22. Please advise which dates work best for you. Please be advised that the hearing would take place at either 9 or 10 a.m.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sunny

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IN THE MATTER OF

Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger,
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Revocable Trust, Legal Owner/Petitioner
13607 Brookline Road
Baldwin, MD 21013

Re: Petition for Variance pursuant to BCZR §1A04.3B.2.b and Petition for Special Hearing BCZR §1A04.3B.1

BEFORE THE

BOARD OF APPEALS

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BALTIMORE COUNTY BALTIMORE COUNTY
BOARD OF APPEALS

Case No. 16-158-SPHA

JOINT MOTION FOR REVISORY ORDER

Petitioners, Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger, as Trustees of the Ellen McBarron Burger Revocable Trust, legal owners ("Petitioners"), by their counsel, J. Neil Lanzi, Esquire and Wright, Constable & Skeen, LLP and David Mister, Esquire for himself and on behalf of Maria Pycha, John Pycha, Judith Wilson and Richard Edmunds (collectively "Protestants"), respectfully requests the Board of Appeals of Baltimore County ("Board") to revise its Final Opinion and Order dated October 24, 2016, as amended on November 4, 2016, and for reasons states:

- Rule 11 of the Board Rules of Practice and Procedure states as follows:
 Within thirty days after the entry of an Order, the Board shall have revisory power and control over the Order in the event of fraud, mistake or irregularity.
- 2. The Board, in its Opinion and Order dated October 24, 2016 ("Order") incorporated the Settlement Agreement dated July 8, 2016 ("Settlement Agreement") between Petitioners and Protestants and the Site Plan attached thereto as part of the Order.
 - 3. A mistake was made in the Order.
- 4. The Settlement Agreement (Petitioners' Exhibit 4 at the Board Hearing) lists certain design requirements as contained in the RC 5 performance standards set forth in the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("BCZR"), including:

- c. Integrate, where possible, <u>significant features of this site</u>, such as distinctive buildings, vistas, topographic features, specimen trees, tree stands, hedgerows, monuments, landmarks and gardens, into the site design, and retain the existing character of the features and their settings.
- d. Coordinate building design, site layout and grading so that grade transitions are gradual and respect the existing topography.
- 5. The Site Plan attached to the Settlement Agreement describes the old bank barn foundation located on Petitioners' Property as "stone walls, remains of barn foundation to be removed."
- 6. Petitioner Ellen Burger testified the bank barn was a distinctive building and its stone walls were a unique feature of the subject Property.
- 7. Bruce Doak, registered land surveyor testified the Property was unique for various reasons including existence of the old stone foundation walls and indicated that, without the variance relief for setbacks, the stone walls would have to be removed in order to build a house consistent with other homes in the neighborhood.
- 8. Laura Thomas, Petitioners' expert architect, testified as to the uniqueness of the Property indicating as correctly stated by the Board that "she was amenable to using the stone walls in the design or as an outdoor area, she did not want retention of the stone walls remaining to be a condition in our Order".
- 9. Petitioners, through counsel and after inquiring of Protestant's counsel during the hearing, proffered testimony and a request that retaining or removing the barn foundation walls not be a condition of the Board's Order so that the decision as to whether remove or retain the barn foundation walls would ultimately be the decision of the purchaser of Petitioners' Property when designing their new residence.
- 10. Protestants, through counsel David Mister, had no objection to the proffered testimony and request of Petitioners.

- 11. Notwithstanding the language on the Site Plan attached to the Settlement

 Agreement, all of the uncontroverted testimony clarified the note on the Site Plan clearly

 establishing the barn foundation walls did not have to be removed or retained as a condition to
 the Order.
- 12. The Board has the power to revise its Order in the event of mistake pursuant to Rule 11.

WHEREFORE, Petitioners and Protestants respectfully request:

- 1. The Board further revise its Opinion and Order as amended to incorporate language that states, notwithstanding the Site Plan attached to the Settlement Agreement, the removal or retention of the barn foundation walls, be and the same, shall be at the discretion of the future owner of the Property and shall not be a condition of the Board's Order; and
 - 2. Provide such other and further relief as is necessary.

J. Neil Lanzi

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY, that on this day of _ wower _, 2016, a copy of
the foregoing Joint Motion For Revisory Order was mailed, postage prepaid, to Maria Pycha,
13612 Brookline Road, Baldwin, Maryland 21013; Judith Wilson, 13612 Devonfield Drive,
Baldwin, Maryland 21013; Richard Edmunds, 13609 Brookline Road, Baldwin, Maryland 21013;
Peter Max Zimmerman and Carole S. Demilio, People's Counsel for Baltimore County, Jefferson
Building, Room 204, 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204.

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- * Case No. 16-158-SPHA

SECOND AMENDED OPINION

On October 24, 2016, this Board issued an Opinion and Order in the above captioned matter.

On November 4, 2016, this Board amended its October 24, 2016 Opinion and Order to correct the Variance relief from a setback of 30 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet to a setback of 40 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet.

A Joint Motion To Revise the Board's October 24, 2016 Order was filed on November 16, 2016, where it was brought to our attention that the site plan attached to the Settlement Agreement dated July 8, 2016 (Petitioner's Exhibit 4) contained a mutual mistake by the parties with regard to the removal of the stone walls of a barn foundation on the Petitioner's Property. The uncontradicted testimony presented to the Board established the removal of the stone walls remaining from the barn foundation should not be a condition of the Board's Order and instead should be subject to the discretion of the future owners of the subject property.

Rule 11 of the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure states as follows:

Within 30 days after the entry of an order, the Board shall have revisory power and control over the order, in the event of fraud, mistake or irregularity. Accordingly, the Board has reviewed its Opinion and Order issued in these proceedings, the Joint Motion to Revise the Board's Order and finds that an error existed within that Order. Accordingly, the Board will amend their Order to reflect that, notwithstanding the site plan language attached to the July 8, 2016 Settlement Agreement (Petitioner's Exhibit 4) which states "stone walls, remains of barn foundation to be removed", the retention or removal of the stone walls, remains of barn foundation on the subject property, shall be up to the discretion of the property owner.

No other changes having been made, any Petition for Judicial Review will be filed from the date of the Board's original Opinion and Order issued October 24, 2016 and as amended November 4, 2016.

OF BALTIMORE COUNTY	
Maureen E. Murphy, Chairman	
Benfred B. Alston	
Meryl W. Rosen	

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November 4, 2016

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David F. Mister, Esquire 13604 Brookline Road Baldwin, Maryland 21013

RE: In the Matter of: Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger, Trustees of the

Ellen McBarron Burger Revocable Trust - Legal Owners

Case No.: 16-158-SPHA

Dear Counsel:

Enclosed please find a copy of the Amended Opinion and Order issued this date by the Board of Appeals of Baltimore County in the above subject matter

Any petition for judicial review must be made in accordance with Rule 7-201 through Rule 7-210 of the Maryland Rules, WITH A PHOTOCOPY PROVIDED TO THIS OFFICE CONCURRENT WITH FILING IN CIRCUIT COURT. Please note that all Petitions for Judicial Review filed from this decision should be noted under the same civil action number. If no such petition is filed within 30 days from the Board's Griginal Opinion and Order issued October 24, 2016, the subject file will be closed.

Very truly yours,

Survey Carrington Harr Krysundra "Sunny" Cannington

Administrator

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Case No. 16-158-SPHA

AMENDED OPINION

On October 24, 2016, this Board issued an Opinion and Order in the above-captioned matter.

On October 28, 2016, it was brought to our attention that the Order incorrectly stated:

Petition for Variance filed pursuant to BCZR §1A04.3B.2.b to allow a setback of 30 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet from any lot line other than a street, be, and the same is hereby **GRANTED**.

The parties entered into a Settlement Agreement, dated July 8, 2016, which was incorporated into the Opinion and Order, wherein they agreed that the Variance relief would allow a setback of 40 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet.

Rule 11 of the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure states as follows:

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Accordingly, the Board has reviewed its Opinion and Order issued in these proceedings and finds that an error existed within that Order. Accordingly, the Board will amend their Order to reflect the agreed upon setback.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Order is hereby amended to read:

ORDERED, that the relief requested in the Petition for Special Hearing and Petition for Variance, be, and the same is hereby GRANTED pursuant to the Settlement Agreement dated July

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In the matter of: Ellen McBaron Burger and Kirsten Burger
Case number 16-158-SPHA

8, 2016 (Pet. Ex. 4) and the Site Plan attached thereto, which are hereby incorporated into and made a part of this Order.

No other changes having been made, any Petition for Judicial Review will be filed from the date of the Board's original Opinion and Order issued October 24, 2016.

BOARD OF APPEALS OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

Maureen E. Murphy, Chairman

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BOARD OF APPEALS OF BALTIMORE COUNTY MINUTES OF DELIBERATION

IN THE MATTER OF: Ellen McBarron Burger & Kirsten Burger – Legal Owners 16-1:

16-158-SPHA

DATE:

October 6, 2016

BOARD/PANEL:

Maureen E. Murphy, Panel Chairman

Meryl W. Rosen Benfred B. Alston

RECORDED BY:

Tammy A. McDiarmid, Legal Secretary

PURPOSE:

To deliberate the following:

Petition for Variance pursuant to § 1A04.3B2b of the BCZR to allow a setback of 30 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet from any lot line other than a street; and

Petition for Special Hearing pursuant to § 1A04.3B1 of the BCZR to allow a property area less than 1-1/2 acres (1.04 acres), and a density less than 0.5 for existing lots that were created prior to 1979.

PANEL MEMBERS DISCUSSED THE FOLLOWING:

STANDING

- The Board held a de novo hearing, which was part proffer, and part testimony.
- The Board noted that in July 2016 an Agreement was entered into between the Petitioners and neighbors, who protested the request at the hearing held before the Administrative Law Judge, and attached to the Agreement was a Site Plan.
- The Board reviewed the testimony and evidence presented at the hearing. In order to be granted a variance the property must meet the uniqueness requirement of *Cromwell v. Ward*. Mr. Doak presented testimony that the property was unique due to the stone walls from the old barn, the slope of the property, and the location of the septic reserve area. The Petitioner's architect also felt that the property was unique due to the stone walls of the old barn.
- The Board noted no evidence or testimony was presented to contradict the uniqueness of the property.

DECISION BY BOARD MEMBERS:

The Board finds that the property is unique by the standards of Cromwell v. Ward, based on the testimony and evidence presented.

<u>FINAL DECISION:</u> After thorough review of the facts, testimony, and law in the matter, the Board unanimously agreed to GRANT the requested relief, and the Agreement entered into between the Petitioners and the neighbors will be incorporated into their Opinion and Order.

ELLEN MCBARRON BURGER & KIRSTEN BURGER – LEGAL OWNER 16-158-SPHA MINUTES OF DELIBERATION

NOTE: These minutes, which will become part of the case file, are intended to indicate for the record that a public deliberation took place on the above date regarding this matter. The Board's final decision and the facts and findings thereto will be set out in the written Opinion and Order to be issued by the Board.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy A. McDiarmid



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September 15, 2016

NOTICE OF PUBLIC DELIBERATION

IN THE MATTER OF:

Ellen McBarron Burger & Kirsten Burger-Legal Owners

13607 Brookline Road

16-158-SPHA

11th Election District; 3rd Councilmanic District

This matter having been heard and concluded on September 14, 2015, a public deliberation has been scheduled for the following:

DATE AND TIME: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.

LOCATION:

Jefferson Building - Second Floor Hearing Room #2 - Suite 206 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue

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Krysundra "Sunny" Cannington Administrator

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AMENDED NOTICE OF REASSIGNMENT (AMENDED AS TO TIME ONLY)

IN THE MATTER OF:

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and Ordered the Petitioners shall be entitled to construct a single-family dwelling on the subject property

in accordance with BCZR §304, provided the height and setback requirements are satisfied.

ASSIGNED FOR: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2016, AT 10:00 A.M.

LOCATION:

Hearing Room #2, Second Floor, Suite 206

Jefferson Building, 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Towson

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In the matter of: Ellen M. Burger and Kirsten Burger

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In the matter of: Ellen M. Burger and Kirsten Burger

Case number: 16-158-SPHA

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June 17, 2016

J. Neil Lanzi, Esquire Wright, Constable & Skeen, L.L.P. 102 W. Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 406 Towson, MD 21204 David F. Mister, Esquire 13604 Brookline Road Baldwin, MD 21013

RE:

In the Matter of:

Case number:

Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger

16-158-SPHA

Dear Counsel:

We are in receipt of Mr. Lanzi's request for postponement dated June 8, 2016. This letter is to advise you that the request for a postponement of the hearing scheduled for July 28, 2016 has been granted.

In order to schedule a hearing before the Board of Appeals, without conflict; I am providing dates available on the docket. The Board sits on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of each week. Mr. Lanzi indicated in his letter that he anticipates this matter needing a day and a half. We will schedule two dates. The following dates open for assignment:

Tuesday, August 16, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.; Wednesday, August 17, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.; Thursday, August 18, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.; Tuesday, August 23, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.; Wednesday, August 24, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.; Thursday, August 25, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

Please contact this office upon receipt of this letter to confirm availability. The Notice of Assignment will be issued to all parties at the time an agreeable date is established.

Thanking you in advance for your time and cooperation in this matter. Should you have any questions, please call me at 410-887-3180.

Very truly yours,

Krysundra "Sunny" Cannington

Administrator

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16-158-SPHA

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This matter was assigned for Thursday, July 28, 2016 and has been postponed. It will be rescheduled to a later date.

LOCATION:

Hearing Room #2, Second Floor, Suite 206 Jefferson Building, 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Towson

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BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS

June 8, 2016

Krysundra "Sunny" Cannington, Administrator Board of Appeals for Baltimore County Jefferson Building, 2nd Floor, Suite 203 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

Re:

In the Matter of: Ellen McBarron Burger and

Kirsten Burger- Legal Owners Case No. 2016-0158-SPHA

Dear Ms. Cannington:

In accordance with Rule 2B of the Board of Appeals Rules of Practice and Procedure, I am hereby requesting a postponement of the hearing presently set for July 28, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. on behalf of the legal owners in this case. Petitioners will be utilizing the services of various experts in this matter, including a licensed architect. I have been advised the licensed architect will not be available for the present hearing date.

Accordingly, I respectfully request the hearing be rescheduled to the next available date. For planning purposes, I anticipate this case will take at least one full day of testimony and possibly an additional half day.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

J. Neil Lanzi

Cc: David F. Mister, Esq., 13604 Brookline Road, Baldwin, MD 21013
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Kirsten Burger



JEFFERSON BUILDING SECOND FLOOR, SUITE 203 105 WEST CHESAPEAKE AVENUE TOWSON, MARYLAND, 21204 410-887-3180 FAX: 410-887-3182 June 2, 2016

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT

IN THE MATTER OF:

Ellen McBarron Burger & Kirsten Burger-Legal Owners

13607 Brookline Road

16-158-SPHA

11th Election District; 3rd Councilmanic District

Re: Petition for Variance pursuant to § 1A04.3B2b of the BCZR to allow a setback of 30 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet from any lot line other than a street per; and

Petition for Special Hearing pursuant to § 1A04.3B1 of the BCZR to allow a property area less than 1-1/2 acres (1.04 acres), and a density less than 0.5 for existing lots that were created prior to 1979.

3/15/16 Opinion and Order of the Administrative Law Judge wherein the Petition for Variance was DENIED; and the Petition for Special Hearing was DISMISSED as Moot given the denial of the Petition for

Variance.

4/13/16 Motion for Reconsideration filed by J. Neil Lanzi, Esquire, on behalf of Ellen McBarrow Burger and

Kirsten Burger, Legal Owners/Petitioners.

4/22/16 Opinion and Order on Motion for Reconsideration wherein the ALJ DENIED the Petition for Variance; and Ordered the Petitioners shall be entitled to construct a single-family dwelling on the subject property

in accordance with BCZR §304, provided the height and setback requirements are satisfied.

ASSIGNED FOR: THURSDAY, JULY 28, 2016, AT 10:00 A.M.

LOCATION:

Hearing Room #2, Second Floor, Suite 206
Jefferson Building, 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Towson

NOTICE:

- This appeal is an evidentiary hearing. Parties should consider the advisability of retaining an attorney.
- Please refer to the Board's Rules of Practice & Procedure, Appendix B, Baltimore County Code.
- No postponements will be granted without sufficient reasons; said requests must be in writing and in compliance with Rule 2(b) of the Board's Rules. No postponements will be granted within 15 days of scheduled hearing date unless in full compliance with Rule 2(c).
- If you have a disability requiring special accommodations, please contact this office at least one week prior to hearing date

NEW! Parties must file one (1) original and three (3) copies of all Motions, Memoranda, and exhibits (including video and PowerPoint) with the Board unless otherwise requested.

NEW! Projection equipment for digital exhibits is available by request. A minimum of forty-eight (48) hours-notice is required. Supply is limited and not guaranteed.

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Krysundra "Sunny" Cannington, Administrator

Notice of Assignment

In the matter of: Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger

Case number: 16-158-SPHA

June 2, 2016 Page 2

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Counsel for Petitioners/Legal Owners

Petitioners/Legal Owners

: J. Neil Lanzi, Esquire

: Ellen McBarron Burger and Kirsten Burger

Counsel for Protestants

: David F. Mister, Esquire

Protestants

: Maria Pycha, Judith Wilson, and Richard Edmunds

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KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive LAWRENCE M. STAHL
Managing Administrative Law Judge
JOHN E. BEVERUNGEN
Administrative Law Judge

May 23, 2016

J. Neil Lanzi, Esq.
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BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS

RE: A

APPEAL TO BOARD OF APPEALS

Case No. 2016-0158-SPHA Location: 13607 Brookline Road

Dear Mr. Lanzi:

Please be advised that an appeal of the above-referenced case was filed in this Office on May 20, 2016. All materials relative to the case have been forwarded to the Baltimore County Board of Appeals ("Board").

If you are the person or party taking the appeal, you should notify other similarly interested parties or persons known to you of the appeal. If you are an attorney of record, it is your responsibility to notify your client.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not he sitate to contact the Board at 410-887-3180.

Sincerely

LAWRENCE M. STAHL

Managing Administrative Law Judge

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OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

May 18, 2016

Hand-Delivered

John E. Beverungen, Administrative Law Judge Baltimore County Office of Administrative Hearings 105 West Chesapeake Avenue Suite 103 Towson, MD 21204

Re:

Petition for Variance and Special Hearing

Motion for Reconsideration Case No. 2016-0158-SPHA Property: 13607 Brookline Road

Dear Mr. Beverungen:

On behalf of my clients, Ellen Burger and Kirsten Burger, I am filing an appeal to the March 15, 2016 decision denying the Petition for Variance and dismissing the Petition for Special Hearing and an appeal to the April 22, 2016 decision rendered on the Motion for Reconsideration in the above-captioned matter denying the Petition for Variance.

I am enclosing a check in the amount of \$530.00 as required for the filing fee.

Very truly yours,

J. Neil Lanzi

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Ellen Burger cc:

Kirsten Burger

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KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive LAWRENCE M. STAHL
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JOHN E. BEVERUNGEN
Administrative Law Judge

April 22, 2016

J. Neil Lanzi, Wright, Constable & Skeen, LLP 102 W. Pennsylvania Avenue Suite 406 Towson, Maryland 21204

RE: Motion for Reconsideration

Case No. 2016-0158-SPHA Property: 13607 Brookline Road

Dear Mr. Lanzi:

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.

Sincerely,

JOHN E. BEVERUNGEN Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County

JEB:sln Enclosure

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IN RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING *
AND VARIANCE

(13607 Brookline Road) 11th Election District

3rd Council District

Ellen McBarrow Burger & Kirsten Burger

Owners Petitioners BEFORE THE

OFFICE OF

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

Case No. 2016-0158-SPHA

OPINION AND ORDER ON MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION

Now pending is Petitioners' Motion for Reconsideration of the March 15, 2016 Order issued in the above case. Petitioners set forth in their Motion certain facts which they contend justify variance relief. These are, for the most part, the same facts articulated by Mr. Doak at the March 14, 2016 hearing. I am mindful that counsel was not involved in the proceeding at that juncture, but do not believe the facts set forth in the Motion can support the grant of a variance. Under Maryland law, variances should be granted "sparingly" since it is "an authorization for [that] ... which is prohibited by a zoning ordinance." Cromwell v. Ward, 102 Md. App. 691, 699 (1995).

On the other hand, I believe Petitioners would be entitled to avail themselves of B.C.Z.R. §304, which governs the "use of undersized single family lots." Section 304.1 of the B.C.Z.R. is a grandfathering provision which provides as follows:

Except as provided in Section 4A03, a one-family detached or semidetached dwelling may be erected on a lot having an area or width at the building line less than that required by the area regulations contained in these regulations if:

A. Such lot shall have been duly recorded either by deed or in a validly approved subdivision prior to March 30, 1955;

B. All other requirements of the height and area regulations are complied with; and

C. The owner of the lot does not own sufficient adjoining land to conform to the width and area requirements contained in these regulations.

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The lot (and subdivision) was recorded prior to 1955 and Petitioners do not own adjoining land which would enable them to comply with the regulations. Motion, ¶21-22. As such, they would be entitled to construct a single family dwelling on the undersized lot, provided all height and setback requirements were satisfied. In other words, the dwelling height must not exceed 35 feet, side and rear yard setbacks are 50 feet, and the front setback from the centerline of Brookline Road is 75 feet. B.C.Z.R. §1A04.3.B.2. The subject lot is 145 feet wide, which would enable Petitioners to construct a dwelling that is 45 feet wide, after accounting for the side yard setbacks. While I understand Petitioners' preference is to construct a house in the configuration shown on the site plan, I do not believe that can justify the grant of a variance. Counsel's point concerning the RC 5 zone performance standards is a valid one, although I am confident the Department of Planning in conducting its review would take into account the house orientation was dictated by the significant setbacks in the RC 5 zone.

It is important to note that under this regulation (unlike B.C.Z.R. §307 governing variances) the Petitioners do not need to establish the property is unique or that they would experience a hardship or practical difficulty if the regulations were strictly interpreted. <u>Mueller v. People's Counsel</u>, 177 Md. App. 43, 87 (2007) ("B.C.Z.R. § 304 does not contain elements of practical difficulty or uniqueness, which are embodied in § 307").

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED this <u>22nd</u> day of April 2016, by this Administrative Law Judge, that the Motion for Reconsideration be and is hereby DENIED as concerns the petition for variance.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Petitioners shall be entitled to construct a single-family dwelling on the subject property in accordance with B.C.Z.R. §36:4, provided the height and setback requirements (as discussed above) are satisfied.

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

JEB/sln

JOHN E. BEVERUNGEN Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County

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Date_

By_

IN RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING AND VARIANCE

(13607 Brookline Road) 11th Election District 3rd Council District Ellen McBarrow Burger & Kirsten Burger

Owners

Petitioners

BEFORE THE

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OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS Case No. 2016-0158-SPHA

MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION

Ellen McBarrow Burger and Kirsten Burger as Trustees of the Ellen McBarrow Burger
Trust dated January 18, 2000 ("Trust"), legal owners ("Petitioners"), by their counsel, J. Neil
Lanzi, Esquire and Wright, Constable & Skeen, LLP, pursuant to Appendix G, Rule 2(K) of the
Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R."), respectfully requests the Administrative
Hearing Officer to reconsider the Decision as rendered in the Opinion and Order dated March
15, 2016 and for reasons states:

- 1. The Ellen McBarrow Burger Revocable Trust dated January 18, 2000 is the legal owner of the property known as Lot 11, Block D, as reflected in the Deed dated June 7, 2012 recorded in the Land Records for Baltimore County in Liber 32196, folio 466 and as shown on the plat entitled "Section 1, Carroll Manor", which plat is recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County, Plat Book G.L.B. No. 20, folio 79. A copy of the Deed and plat are attached as **Exhibits 1 and 2**, respectively.
- 2. Lot 11 was conveyed by The Carroll Manor Company unto Edward D. Burger and Ellen M. Burger, previous owners to the Trust, by Deed dated May 28, 1965 as recorded in the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber 4464, folio 302. A copy of the Deed is attached as Exhibit 3.
 - 3. Lot 11, Block D is a portion of the property shown on Exhibit 1, which by Deed

dated November 3, 1953 as recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber G.L.B. No. 2386, folio 62, was conveyed by John P. Rabb and wife unto The Carroll Manor Company in fee simple. A copy of the Deed is attached as **Exhibit 4.**

- 4. The Petitioners filed for Special Hearing relief pursuant to § 500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R.") to allow a property area of 1.04 acres in lieu of 1.5 acres required for the subject property with RC 5 zoning and a density less than 0.5 for existing lots that were created prior to 1979 as required in § 1A04.3B.1.a of the B.C.Z.R.
- 5. Petitioners also requested a variance to allow a setback of 30 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet from a lot line other than a street pursuant to § 1A04.3B.2.b of the B.C.Z.R.
- 6. The uncontradicted testimony in evidence before the Hearing Officer was the intended use for the RC 5 zoned property was the construction of a single family home.
- 7. The B.C.Z.R. § 1A04.2A(2) provides for the residential use in the RC 5 zone as a "by right" principal use.
- 8. Ellen McBarrow Burger and her husband Edward D. Burger, now deceased, have owned and possessed the subject lot since 1965.
- Prior to the Burgers' ownership, the subject lot was owned by the developer of
 The Carroll Manor Subdivision from 1953 to 1965.
- 10. Petitioners' Property contains the remnants of stone walls and old barn that has been utilized as a gathering space by the Carroll Manor community for over 50 years.
- 11. Quite simply the subject property with its stone walls and remainder of an old barn has been a benefit for the neighborhood.
- 12. As shown on the site plan offered as an exhibit at the hearing, the septic reserve area for this property is located in the front of the property closest to Brookline Road.
 - 13. Due to the unique topography of the subject property and elevations as shown on

the site plan, the septic reserve area cannot be relocated. It must be located at the lower elevation, in front of any proposed residence.

- 14. The stone walls from the old barn foundation are a unique feature of this property.
- 15. If a proposed house were to fit within the required side setbacks under current regulations, effectively the house shown on the site plan would be rotated. The result would be an encroachment into the septic reserve area and necessitate the removal of one of the unique features of the property, the stone walls from the old barn.
- 16. It is Petitioners' intent to maintain the stone walls from the old barn to enhance any proposed residence, such enhancement to include a potential terrace, a pergola and/or garden area.
- 17. Further, maintaining the proposed house location in its present orientation as shown on the site plan with the 30 foot side yard setbacks, allows the alignment of the proposed residence to be in keeping with the front alignments and locations of the residences of the immediate neighbors.
- 18. The proposed layout of the residence with the retention of the unique stone walls of the old barn will also allow Petitioners to comply with the performance standards required for RC 5 zoned properties under § 1A04.4D.1 of the B.C.Z.R. which requires a development proposal to:
 - a. Reflect the traditional rural character of the area in architectural form, scale, materials, detailing and landscaping context.
 - b. Retain the existing quality vegetation of the site to the fullest extent possible and protect the root systems of the remaining vegetation during construction.
 - c. Integrate, where possible, significant features of this site, such as distinctive buildings, vistas, topographic features, specimen trees, tree stands, hedgerows, monuments, landmarks and gardens, into the site design, and retain the existing

character of the features and their settings (Emphasis added).

- d. Coordinate building design, site layout and grading so that grade transitions are gradual and respect the existing topography.
- e. Provide for smooth transitions between the proposed development and the surrounding rural area by arranging and orienting the proposed buildings and site improvements to compliment those in the surrounding vicinity (Emphasis added).
- f. Provide varietal transitions between proposed buildings and site improvements with respect to setbacks, street patterns and building-to-street grade relationships.
- 19. In the event the B.C.Z.R. is strictly interpreted, Petitioners will experience a practical difficulty, given they will be unable to construct a single family dwelling on the lot in keeping with the pattern of development in the neighborhood and will be unable to comply with the RC 5 zone performance standards.
- 20. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Petitioners reserve the right to produce evidence demonstrating compliance with § 304.1 of the B.C.Z.R. which states at one family dwelling may be erected on a lot having an area or width at the building line less than that required by the area regulations contained in these regulations if:
 - A. Such lot shall have been duly recorded either by deed or in a validly approved subdivision prior to March 30, 1955;
 - B. All other requirements of the height and area regulations are complied with; and
 - C. The owner of the lot does not own sufficient adjoining land to conform with the width and area requirements contained in these regulations.
- 21. As documented by **Exhibits 1 and 3**, Lot 11 has been duly recorded by deed and a validly approved subdivision prior to March 30, 1955.
- 22. The Owner of the lot does not own adjoining land which would allow it to conform to the width and area requirements contained in the regulations.
 - 23. Baltimore County changed the requirements for RC 5 zoned property in 2004,

including revising the minimum acreage requirements from 1 acre to 1.5 acres and setback requirements from 30 feet to 50 feet.

- 24. Petitioners clearly suffer from substantial practical difficulty in light of the revised zoning regulations which were enacted almost 40 years after the Owners purchased the property and began paying taxes.
- 25. The subject property meets the test necessary for Petitioners to obtain the requested variance relief which requires a showing that;
 - 1) The property is unique; and
- 2) If the variance relief is denied, Petitioners will experience a practical difficulty or hardship. <u>Trinity Assembly of God v. People's Counsel</u>, 407 Md. 53, 80, (2008). WHEREFORE, Petitioners respectfully requests:
- The Administrative Hearing Officer reconsider the decision denying the zoning relief requested;
 - 2. The Administrative Hearing Officer grant Petitioners the requested zoning relief;
- 3. Provide for the reposting and re-advertising of this case in the event a hearing is deemed necessary by the Administrative Hearing Officer; and
 - 4. Provide such other and further relief as is necessary.

J. Neil Lanzi

Wright, Constable & Skeen, LLP 102 W. Pennsylvania Avenue

Suite 406

Towson, MD 21204

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that on this 13 day of April , 2016, a copy of the foregoing Motion For Reconsideration was mailed, postage prepaid, to David F. Mister, Esquire, 13604 Brookline Road, Baldwin, Maryland 21013; Maria Pycha, 13612 Brookline Road, Baldwin, Maryland 21013; Judith Wilson, 13612 Devonfield Drive, Baldwin, Maryland 21013; Richard Edmunds, 13609 Brookline Road, Baldwin, Maryland 21013; Peter Max Zimmerman and Carole S. Demilio, People's Counsel for Baltimore County, Jefferson Building, Room 204, 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204.

Deed

This Beed, dated _______, 2012 from ELLEN McBARRON BURGER (also known as Ellen M. Burger) ("Grantor") to ELLEN McBARRON BURGER and KIRSTEN BURGER, Trustees of the ELLEN McBARRON BURGER REVOCABLE TRUST dated January 18, 2000, as amended and/or restated from time to time (the "Trust") ("Grantees"). The Trust is not a business trust.

Whereas, Edward D. Burger and Ellen McBarron Burger, husband and wife, were vested with fee simple title to the two (2) hereinafter described real properties (the "Properties"), as tenants by the entireties, by (i) Deed dated December 21, 1962 and (ii) Deed dated May 28, 1965 as set forth below, and the said Ellen McBarron Burger became sole owner by right of survivorship following the death of her husband, Edward D. Burger, on May 21, 2009; and

Whereas, on January 18, 2000, Grantor created the Trust for estate planning purposes and, in accordance with the said purposes, Grantor desires to convey to the Trust her entire interest in the Properties.

And valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, does hereby grant and convey to the Grantees, on behalf of the Trust, their respective successors in trust and assigns, in fee simple, the Properties located in the Eleventh Election District of Baltimore County, State of Maryland, and described as follows:

Being for the first known and besignated as Lot No. 12, Block D, as shown on a Plat entitled "Section 1, Carroll Manor", which Plat is recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County, Maryland in Plat Book G.L.B. No. 20, folio 79. The improvements thereon being known as 13609 Brookline Road, Baldwin, Maryland 21013.

Being the same Property described in a Deed dated December 21, 1962, and recorded among the said Land Records in Liber R.R.G. No. 4089, folio 190, from The Carroll Manor Company, to Edward D. Burger and Ellen M. Burger, husband and wife, as tenants by the entireties.

Being for the Second known and designated as Lot No. 11, Block D, as shown on a Plat entitled "Section 1, Carroll Manor", which Plat is recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County, Maryland in Plat Book G.L.B. No. 20, folio 79.

Being the same Property described in a Deed dated May 28, 1965, and recorded among the said Land Records in Liber R.R.G. No. 4464, folio 302, from The Carroll Manor Company, to Edward D. Burger and Ellen M. Burger, husband and wife, as tenants by the entireties.

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Subject To the conditions and restrictions contained in a Deed from The Carroll Manor Company to Vincent W. Ambrose and wife dated October 1, 1954, and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County, Maryland in Liber G.L.B. No. 2567, folio 82.

Together With all improvements thereupon, and the rights, alleys, ways, waters, easements, privileges, appurtenances, and advantages, belonging or appertaining thereto.

To have and To hold the Properties hereby conveyed to the Grantees, on behalf of the Trust, their respective successors in trust and assigns, in fee simple, forever.

Grantor covenants that she will warrant specially the Properties hereby granted and conveyed, and that she will execute such further assurances of the Properties as may be requisite.

Witness the hand and seal of Grantor.

Witness:

State of Maryland}
City/County of Polytmore; to wit:

Public for the aforesaid State, personally appeared Ellen McBarron Burger; known to me, (or satisfactorily proven) to be the person whose name is subscribed to this Deed, and who acknowledged that she executed the same for the purposes contained herein.

bend and Notarial Seal.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

THE UNDERSIGNED ATTORNEY, ADMITTED TO PRACTICE BEFORE THE COURT OF APPEALS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT THE ABOVE INSTRUMENT HAS BEEN PREPARED BY HIM OR UNDER HIS SUPERVISION.

David H. Fishman, Attorney

After Recording, Return To: Janice Portney, Paralegal c/o Gordon Feinblatt LLC The Garrett Building 233 East Redwood Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202-3332 60

State of Maryland Land Instrument Intake Sheet ☐ Baltimore City ☐ County: BALTIMORE Information provided is for the use of the Clerk's Office, State Department of Assessments and Taxation, and County Finance Office Only.
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BALTIMORE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT (Land Records) JLE 32196, p. 0468, MSA_CE62_32052. Date available 06/19/2012. Printed 04/04/2016.

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This Deed, Made this

28th

day of May,

in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixty-five , by and between THE CARROLL MANOR COMPANY, a body corporate of the State of Maryland,

, of the first part, and

EDWARD D. BURGER and ELLEN M. BURGER, his wife,

of the second part.

Witnesseth, that in consideration of the sum of Five Dollars (\$5.00) and other good and valuable considerations, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the said THE CARROLL MANOR COMPANY

do es hereby grant and convey unto the said EDWARD D. BURGER and ELLEN M. BURGER, his wife, as tenants by the entireties, their assigns, the survivor of them, and the heirs and assigns of the survivor,

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Baltimore County, StatezefzMargiani;

, State of Maryland, and described as follows, that is to say:-

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BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED as Lot No. 11, Block D, as shown on Plat of Section 1, Carroll Manor, which Plat is recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber G.L.B. No. 20, folio 79.

BEING a portion of all that property which, by Deed dated November 3, 1953, and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber G.L.B. No. 2386, folio 62, was granted and conveyed by John P. Raab and wife unto The Carroll Manor Company, in fee simple.

SUBJECT TO the conditions and restrictions contained in a Deed from The Carroll Manor Company to Vincent W. Ambrose and wife dated October 1, 1954, and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber G.L.B. No. 2567, folio 82.



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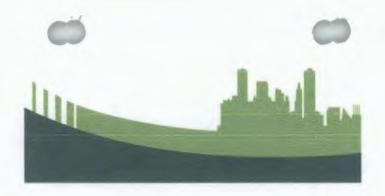
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John Beverungen Baltimore County Administrative Law Judge 105 Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204 RECEIVED

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OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

Re: Reconsideration of Case 2016-0158-SPHA

Dear Mr. Beverungen,

This letter is to present additional information for your reconsideration of the variances requested in Case 2016-0158-SPHA.

As you remember, the subject lot was created on July 13, 1954 as Lot 11 of "Carroll Manor" in Plat Book 20, page 79. At the time of it's creation, it met all of the applicable regulations for Baltimore County. It had the right to be built on the same as all of the other lots in that subdivision, but was left undeveloped by the original owners because they lived on the adjoining lot.

"Unique" is a hard word to place a meaning on or standards for, even reading *Trinity Assembly of God v People's Council*. It is easy to place standards that pertain to topography and shape compared to other properties in the area. But I think that these physical features are only a small list that can make a property unique.

Over the last 30 years of dealing with property in Baltimore County, I have seen just about everything that could make a property unique. I understand that most of the reasons have not been cited in a previous case, but that doesn't make them any less unique.

In case 2015-0175-SPHA, I presented that the subject lot was down zoned which caused it to be un-developable because of the required size and setbacks. In that case, the physical features were similar to other lots in the area. The only thing that made that lot unique was that it was not developed over the years by the owners that lived on the adjoining lot.

In both cases, uniqueness should not be the shape of the lots or the percentage of the slopes, but the history of the property.

I also know that there must be a hardship and practical difficulty imposed on the owner if the variances are not granted. In these two cases the greatest hardship and practical difficulty is being placed on them. They will not have the right to have a house built on them and therefore, have very little value.

Both of these lots were assessed for decades as build able lots and the taxes were paid as such. Neither of the owners did anything to cause their zoning issues. The only thing that they did, was to keep each undeveloped. I find it hard to believe that their actions constitute a loss of their rights and the value of their lots.

Please think of all of the properties you could have considered unique and why and see if they were all for their physical features. I think that the previous cases that you cite were giving us guidelines not requirements.

Thank you for your reconsideration.

With regards,

Bruce E. Doak

MD Reg Property Line Surveyor #531

Enclosed:

Case 2015-0175-SPHA order & plat Case 2015-0176-SPHA order & plat Case 2016-0158-SPHA order & plat

> Bruce E. Doak Consulting, LLC 3801 Baker Schoolhouse Road Freeland, MD 21053 410-419-4906 cell / 443-900-5535 office bdoak@bruceedoakconsulting.com

IN RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING *
AND VARIANCE

(8115 Bellona Avenue)
9th Election District
2nd Council District
Gerard & Theresa Athaide
Petitioners

BEFORE THE

OFFICE OF

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

Case No. 2015-0175-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 owners. The Special Hearing was filed pursuant to § 500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R.") to approve an undersized lot with an area of 18,792 sq. ft. in lieu of the required 20,000 sq. ft. In addition, a Petition for Variance pursuant to B.C.Z.R. §1B02.3.C.1 seeks the following: (1) to permit a lot width of 85 ft. in lieu of the required 100 ft.; (2) to permit a side yard setback of 10 ft. in lieu of the required 25 ft.; and (3) to permit a side yard setback sum of 25 ft. in lieu of the required sum of 40 ft. side yard setbacks. 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 public hearing in support of the requests was Gerard & Theresa Athaide.

Bruce E. Doak from Bruce E. Doak Consulting, LLC, whose firm prepared the site plan appeared and represented the Petitioners. Peggy Squitieri, of the Ruxton Riderwood Lake Roland Area Improvement Association, Inc. (RRLRAIA) attended to obtain additional information regarding the requests. 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 opposed the requests.

PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING

The subject property is shown as lot #5 on the plat of "Woodlands," recorded in 1945. Exhibit 5. That plat created a 12 lot subdivision, and lot #5 is the only lot which has not been improved with a single family dwelling. In 2004, the property was downzoned from D.R. 3.5 (which contains a 10,000 sq. ft. minimum lot size) to D.R. 2 (which contains a 20,000 sq. ft. minimum lot size). The Petitioners' lot is just shy of that figure (approximately 5% deficient in area), and if the request was granted the permitted density would not exceed that shown on the original plat. 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).

Petitioners have met this test. The lot is narrow and deep and is therefore unique. If the B.C.Z.R. were strictly interpreted, Petitioners would experience a practical difficulty, given they would be unable to construct a single family dwelling on the lot. 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 community opposition. The RRLRAIA indicated it was not opposed to the requests, and the parties agreed to certain restrictions which will be included in the Order below. Though 4,000 square feet was suggested as an appropriate maximum size for the proposed dwelling, I believe that 3,000 square feet (the size of the dwelling at 8117 Bellona Ave.) is a more appropriate figure considering this is one of the smaller lots in the subdivision.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED this 5th day of June, 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) to approve an undersized lot with an area of 18,792 sq. ft. in lieu of the required 20,000 sq. ft., be and is hereby GRANTED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition for Variance pursuant to B.C.Z.R. §1B02.3.C.1 seeking: (1) to permit a lot width of 85 ft. in lieu of the required 100 ft.; (2) to permit a side yard setback of 10 ft. in lieu of the required 25 ft.; and (3) to permit a side yard setback sum of 25 ft. in lieu of the required sum of 40 ft. side yard setbacks, be and is hereby GRANTED.

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

- Petitioners may apply for necessary permits and/or licenses upon receipt
 of this Order. However, Petitioners are hereby made aware that
 proceeding at this time is at their 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, Petitioners would be required to
 return the subject property to its original condition.
- Prior to issuance of permits for construction of a single family dwelling, Petitioners must secure approval of the Baltimore County Design Review Panel.
- Any single family dwelling constructed on the lot shall be restricted to 35 ft. height, 40 ft. width and a maximum of 3,000 square feet of abovegrade enclosed area.

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

JEB/sln

IN RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE
(8117 Bellona Avenue)

9th Election District 2nd Council District Gerard & Theresa Athaide Legal Owners Petitioners BEFORE THE OFFICE

OF ADMINISTRATIVE

HEARINGS FOR

BALTIMORE COUNTY

CASE NO. 2015-0176-A

OPINION AND ORDER

This matter comes before the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) for Baltimore County as a Petition for Variance on behalf of the legal owners of the subject property. The Petitioners are requesting Variance relief from the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) §1B02.3.C.1 as follows: (1) to permit a lot width of 95 ft. in lieu of the required 100 ft.; (2) to permit a side yard setback of 10 ft. in lieu of the required 25 ft.; and (3) to permit a side yard setback sum of 16 ft. in lieu of the required 40 ft. side yard setback sum. The subject property and requested relief is more fully depicted on the site plan that was marked as Petitioners' Exhibit 1.

Owners Gerard & Theresa Athaide appeared in support of the petition. Bruce E. Doak, from Bruce E. Doak Consulting, LLC, whose firm prepared the site plan, appeared on behalf of the Petitioners. The Petition was advertised and posted as required by the B.C.Z.R. Peggy Squitieri, of the Ruxton Riderwood Lake Roland Area Improvement Association, Inc. (RRLRAIA) attended to obtain additional information regarding the requests.

The subject property is approximately 22,506 square feet and is zoned DR 2. The property is improved with a single family dwelling constructed in 1959. The variance relief requested herein is simply to "legitimize" conditions that have existed for over 50 years. This case is a

companion to Case No. 2015-0175-SPHA, involving the adjoining (unimproved) property on which the Petitioners propose to construct a single family dwelling.

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).

Petitioners have met this test. Petitioners must contend with long existing site conditions and the property is therefore unique. If the Regulations were strictly interpreted, Petitioners would experience a practical difficulty because they would need to reconfigure their home to comply with current zoning setbacks. 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 Baltimore County and/or community opposition.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, this 5th day of June, 2015, by the Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County, that the Petition for Variance seeking relief from the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R.") §1B02.3.C.1 as follows: (1) to permit a lot width of 95 ft. in lieu of the required 100 ft.; (2) to permit a side yard setback of 10 ft. in lieu of the required 25 ft.; and (3) to permit a side yard setback sum of 16 ft. in lieu of the required 40 ft. side yard setback sum, be and is hereby GRANTED.

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JOHN E. BEVERUNGEN

Administrative Law Judge for

Baltimore County

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PETITIONER'S SIGN-IN SHEET

NAME	ADDRESS	CITY, STATE, ZIP	E- MAIL
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- Kirsten Burger	1906 Corbridge Lane	Monketon, MD 21111	Kirsten burger@comcastret
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CITIZEN'S SIGN - IN SHEET

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KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive

January 13, 2016

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

NOTICE OF ZONING HEARING

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

CASE NUMBER: 2016-0158-SPHA

13607 Brookline Road

NE/s Brookline Road, 327 ft. NW of the centerline of Country Side Lane

11th Election District - 3rd Councilmanic District

Legal Owners: Ellen McBarron Burger, Kirsten Burger

Special Hearing to allow a property area (1.04 acres) less than 1 ½ acres and a density less than 0.5 for existing lots that were created prior to 1979 as required in Section 1A04.3Ba BCZR. Variance to allow a setback of 30 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet from any lot line other than a street per Section 1A04.3B2b BCZR.

Hearing: Monday, March 14, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 205, Jefferson Building, 105 West Chesapeake Avenue, Towson 21204

Arnold Jablon

AJ:kl

C: Ms. McBarron-Burger, Ms. Burger, 2525 Pot Spring Road, Unit L606, Lutherville 21093 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 TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2016.

(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.



501 N. Calvert St., P.O. Box 1377 Baltimore, Maryland 21278-0001 tel: 410/332-6000 800/829-8000

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, that the annexed advertisement of Order No 3980039

Sold To:

Ellen McBarron Burger - CU00521060 2525 Pot Spring Rd Unit L606 Lutherville Timonium, MD 21093-2851

Bill To:

Ellen McBarron Burger - CU00521060 2525 Pot Spring Rd Unit L606 Lutherville Timonium, MD 21093-2851

Was published in "Jeffersonian", "Bi-Weekly", a newspaper printed and published in Baltimore County on the following dates:

Feb 23, 2016

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ONTES: (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 POSTING

February 14, 2016

Re:

Zoning Case No. 2016-0158-SPHA

Petitioner: Ellen McBarron Burger, Kristen Burger

Hearing date: March 14, 2016

Baltimore County Department of Permits, Approvals & Inspections County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue, Room 111 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

Attention: Kristen Lewis

Ladies and Gentlemen,

This letter is to certify under the penalties of perjury that the necessary sign(s) required by law were posted conspicuously on the property located at 13607 Brookline Road.

The sign was posted on February 12, 2016.

Sincerely,

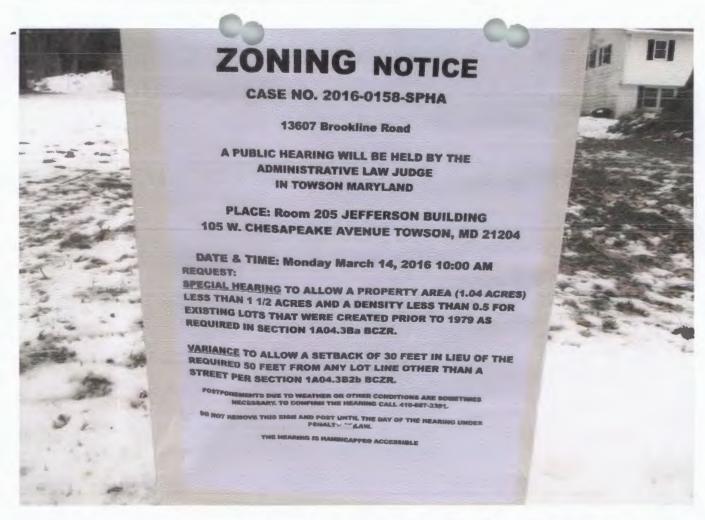
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MD Property Line Surveyor #531

See the attached sheet(s) for the photos of the posted sign(s)



Land Use Expert and Surveyor







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Petitioner(s)

BEFORE THE OFFICE

OF ADMINSTRATIVE

* HEARINGS FOR

BALTIMORE COUNTY

* 2016-158-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.

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JAN 14 2016

Peter Max Zimmerman

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People's Counsel for Baltimore County

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Deputy People's Counsel Jefferson Building, Room 204 105 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204 (410) 887-2188

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 14th day of January, 2016, 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 Zun mer man

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN
People's Counsel for Baltimore County



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

March 9, 2016

Ellen McBarron Burger Kirsten Burger 2525 Pot Spring Road Unit L606 Luth-Timonium MD 21093

RE: Case Number: 2016-0158 SPHA, Address: 13607 Brookline Road

To Whom It May Concern:

The above referenced petition was accepted for processing **ONLY** by the Bureau of Zoning Review, Department of Permits, Approvals, and Inspection (PAI) on January 7, 2016. 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 Consulting, 38)1 Baker Schoolhouse Road, Freeland MD 21053



TO:

Arnold Jablon

DATE: February 1, 2016

Deputy Administrative Officer and

Director of Permits, Approvals and Inspections

FROM:

Andrea Van Arsdale

Director, Department of Planning

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SUBJECT: ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Case Number: 16-158

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OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

INFORMATION:

Property Address: 13607 Brookline Road

Petitioner:

Ellen McBarrow Burger, Kristen Burger

Zoning:

RC 5

Requested Action: Special Hearing, Variance

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The Department has no objection to granting the petitioned zoning relief.

Please be aware that any new residential construction on the site is subject to the performance standards in BCZR Section 1A04.4. For further information concerning the matters stated herein, please contact Kaylee Justice at 410-887-3480.

Prepared by:

Division Chief:

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c: Kaylee Justice

Bruce E. Doak, Bruce E. Doak Consulting Office of the Administrative Hearings People's Counsel for Baltimore County

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM



TO:

Arnold Jablon

DATE: February 1, 2016

Deputy Administrative Officer and

Director of Permits, Approvals and Inspections

FROM:

Andrea Van Arsdale

Director, Department of Planning

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

DATE: January 21, 2016

Department of Permits, Approvals

And Inspections

FROM:

Dennis A. Kennedy, Supervisor

Bureau of Development Plans Review

SUBJECT:

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

For January 18, 2015

Item No. 2016- 0152, 0153, 0154, 0155, 0156, 0157 and 0158

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

DAK:CEN cc:file

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

Inter-Office Correspondence

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OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

TO:

Hon. Lawrence M. Stahl; Managing Administrative Law Judge

Office of Administrative Hearings

FROM:

Jeff Livingston, Department of Environmental Protection and

Sustainability (EPS) - Development Coordination

DATE:

January 19, 2016

SUBJECT:

DEPS Comment for Zoning Item

2016-0158-SPHA

Address

13607 Brookline Road

(Burger Property)

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of January 19, 2016.

<u>X</u> The Department of Environmental Protection and Sustainability has no comment on the above-referenced zoning item.

Reviewer:

Steve Ford

Date: 01-19-2016



Larry Hogan, Governor Boyd K. Rutherford, Lt. Governor

Pete K. Rahn, Secretary Gregory C. Johnson, P.E., Administrator

Date: 1/13/16

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

RE:

Baltimore County

Item No. 2016-0158-SPHA-Special Heaving Variouse Ellen McBarrow Burger & Kirston Burger 13607 Brookling 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. 2016-6158-5746.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Richard Zeller at 410-229-2332 or 1-866-998-0367 (in Maryland only) extension 2332, or by email at (rzeller@sha.state.md.us).

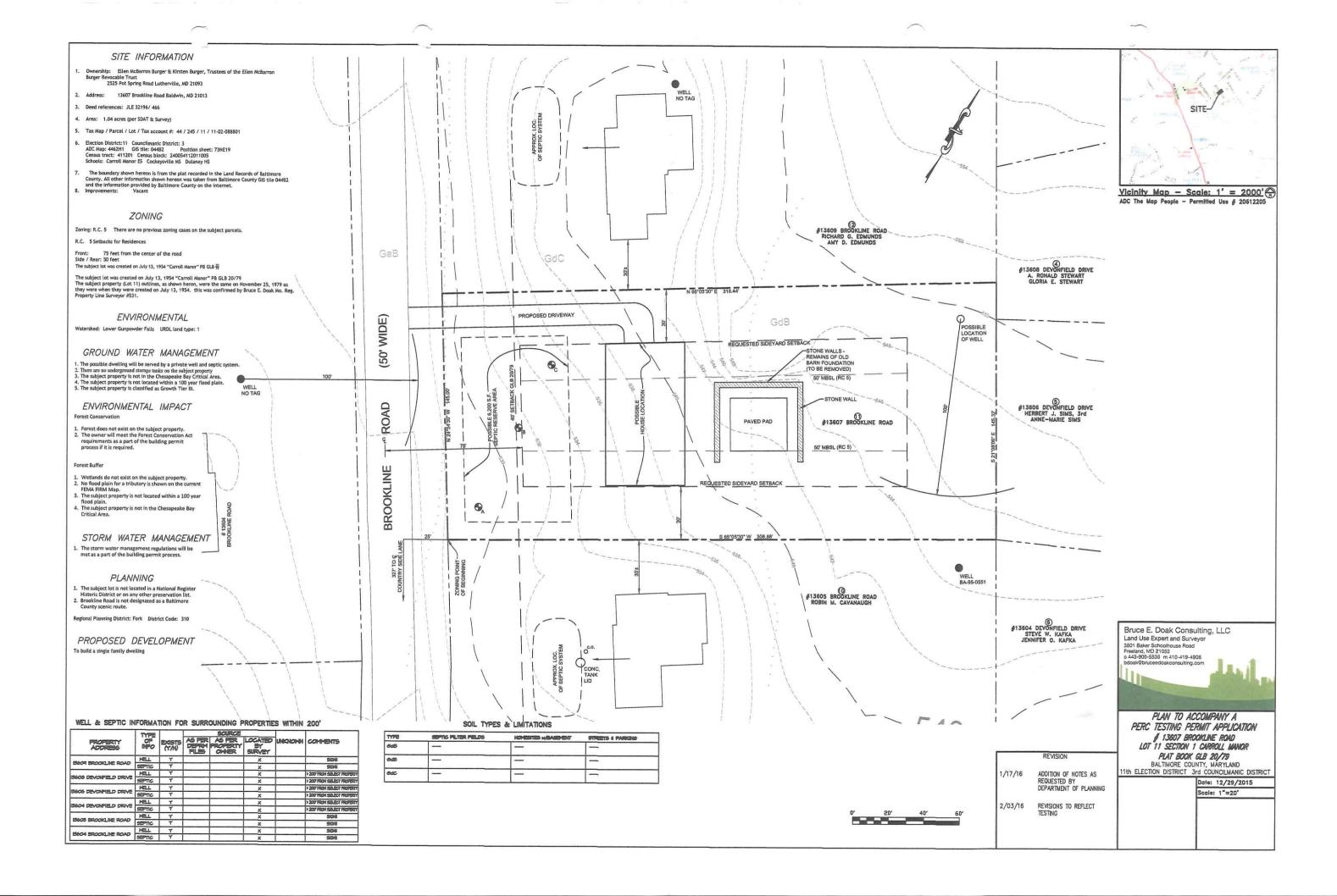
Sincerely,

David W. Peake

Metropolitan District Engineer – District 4

Baltimore & Harford Counties

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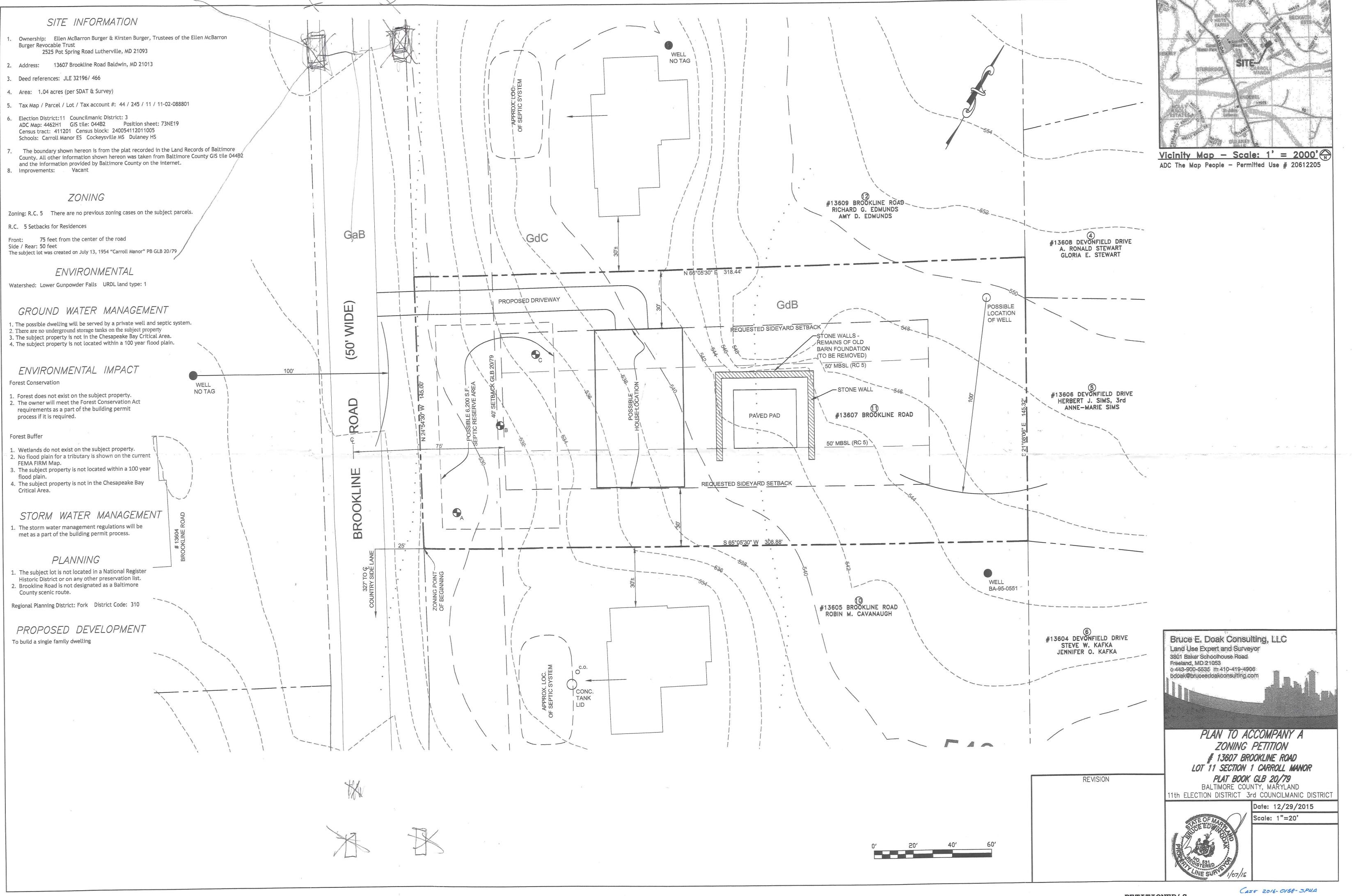


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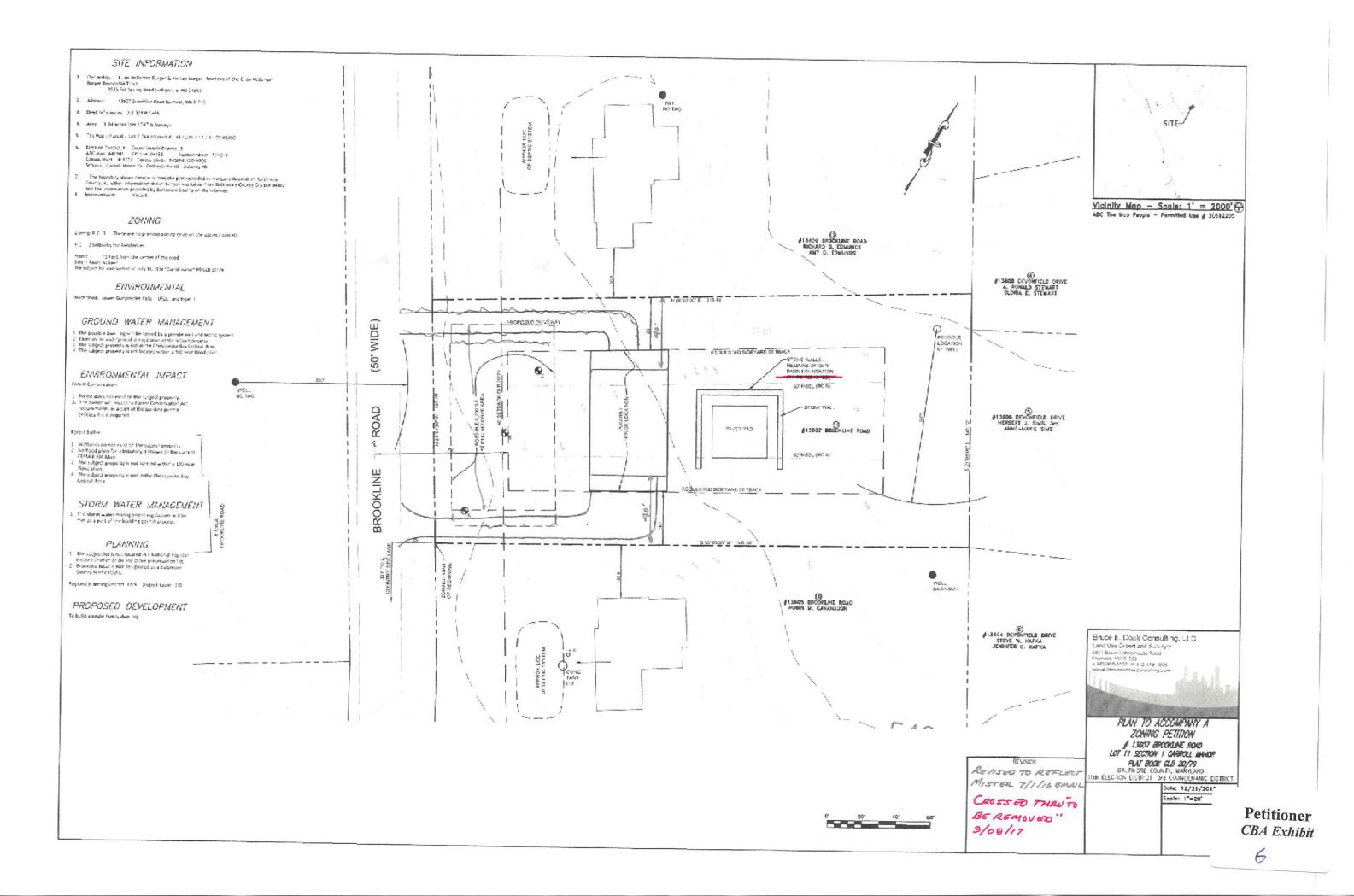


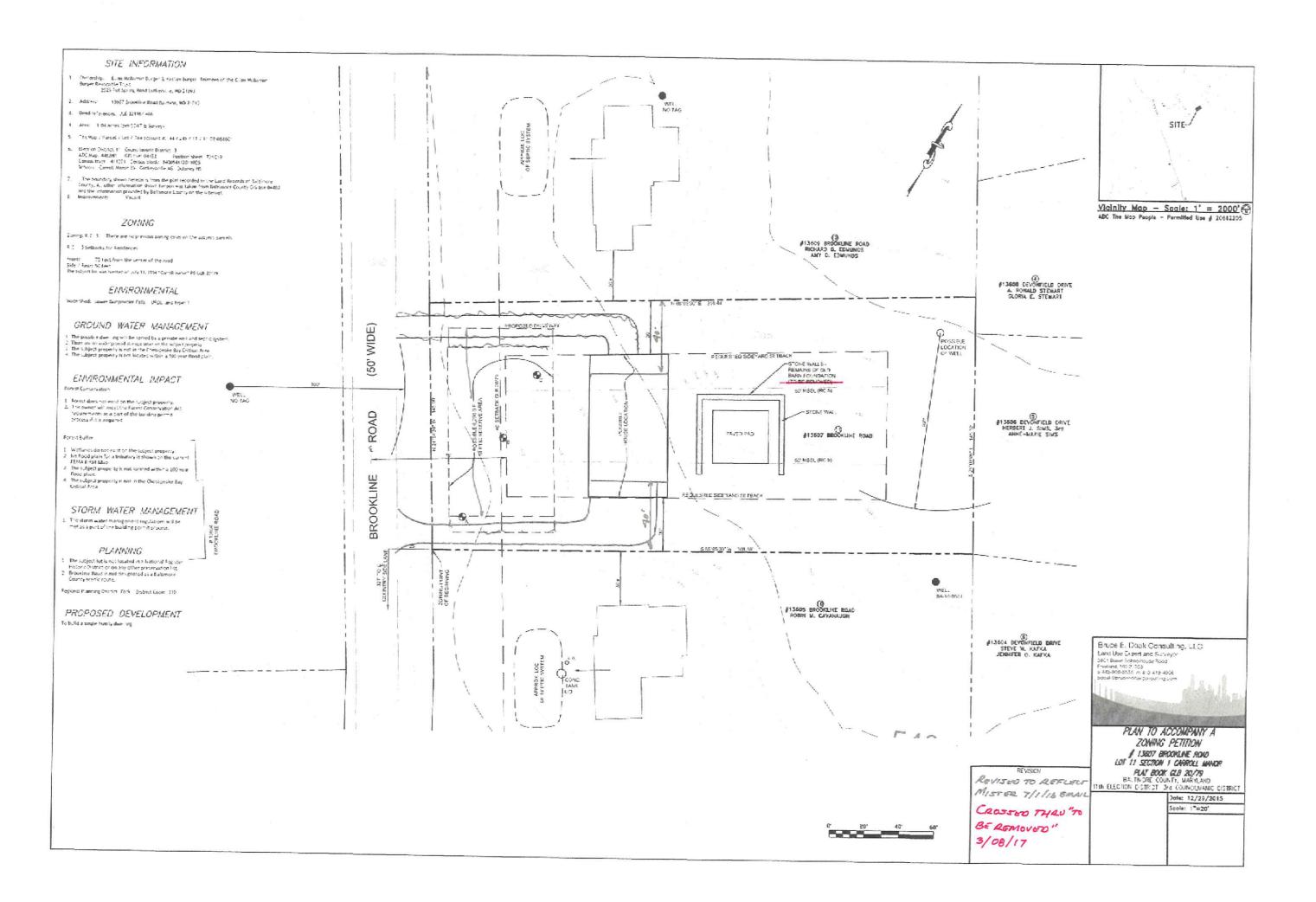
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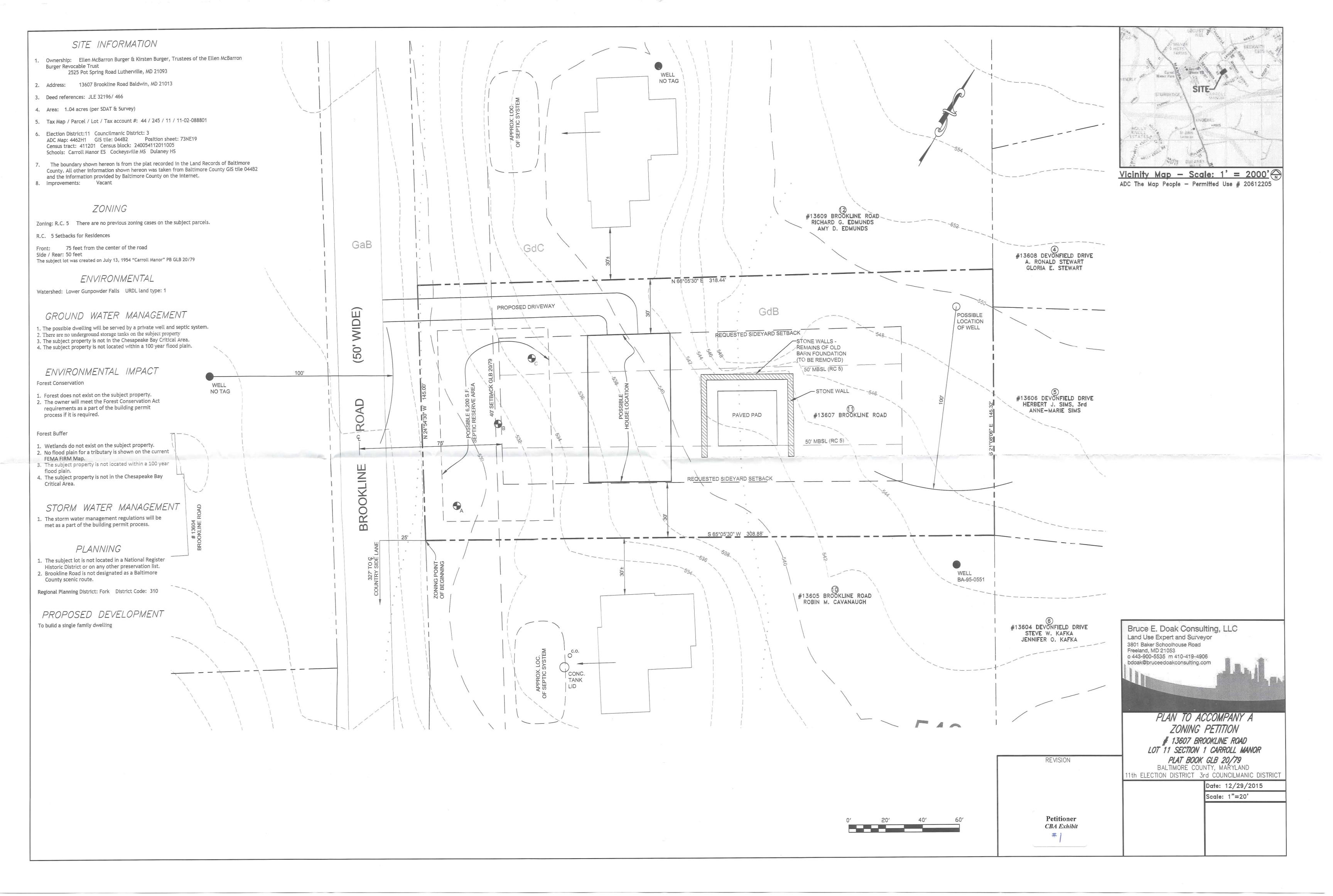


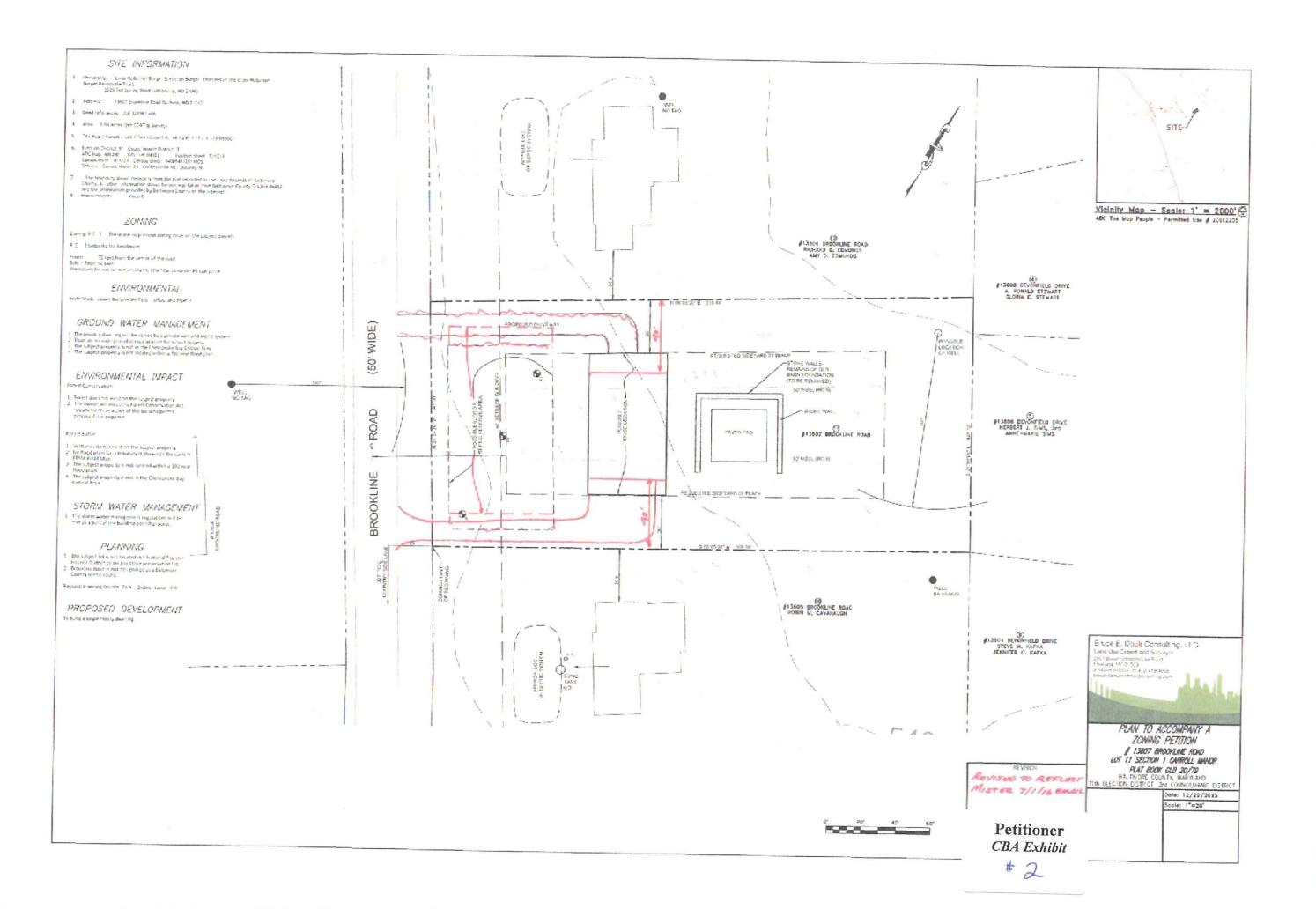
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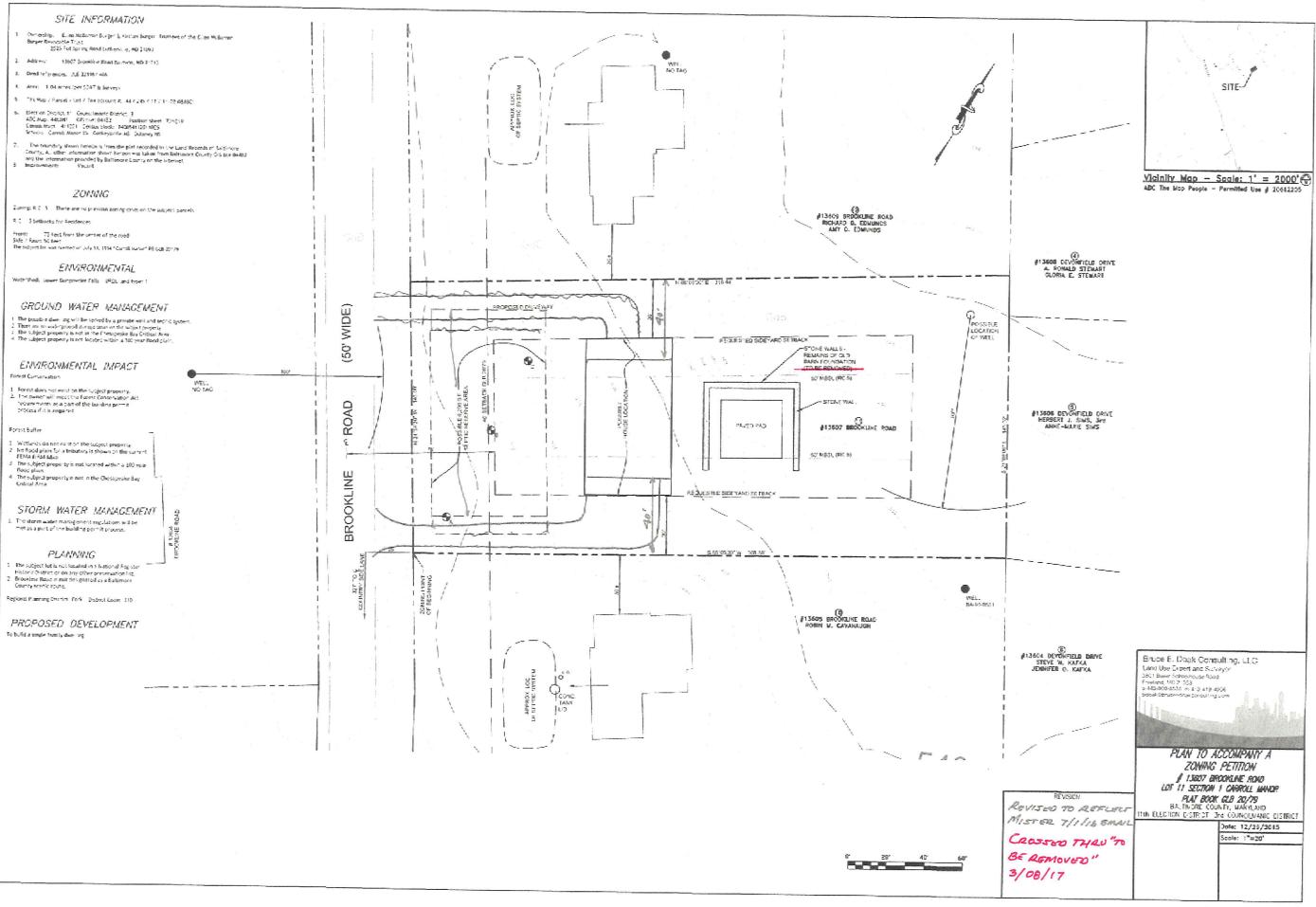
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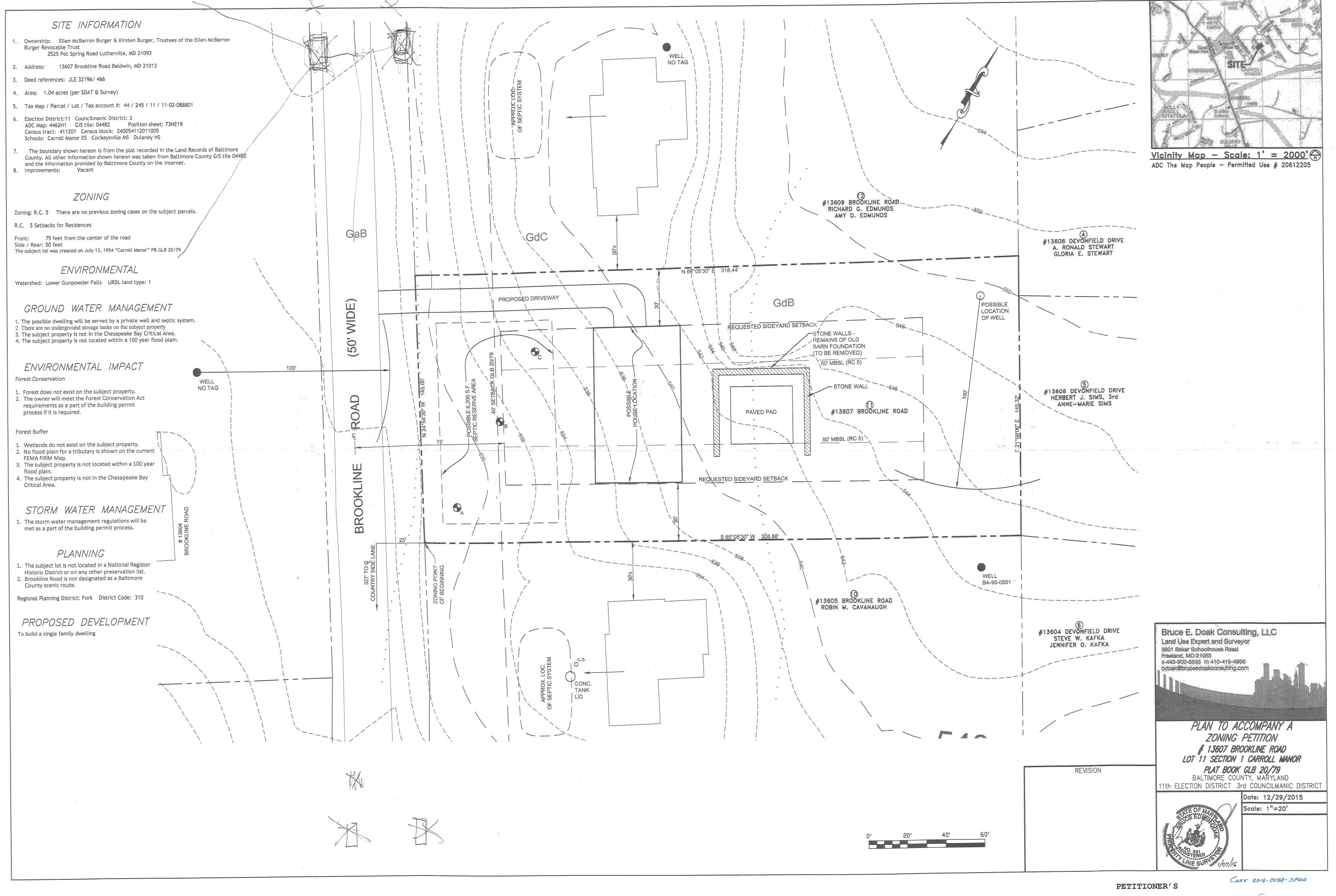
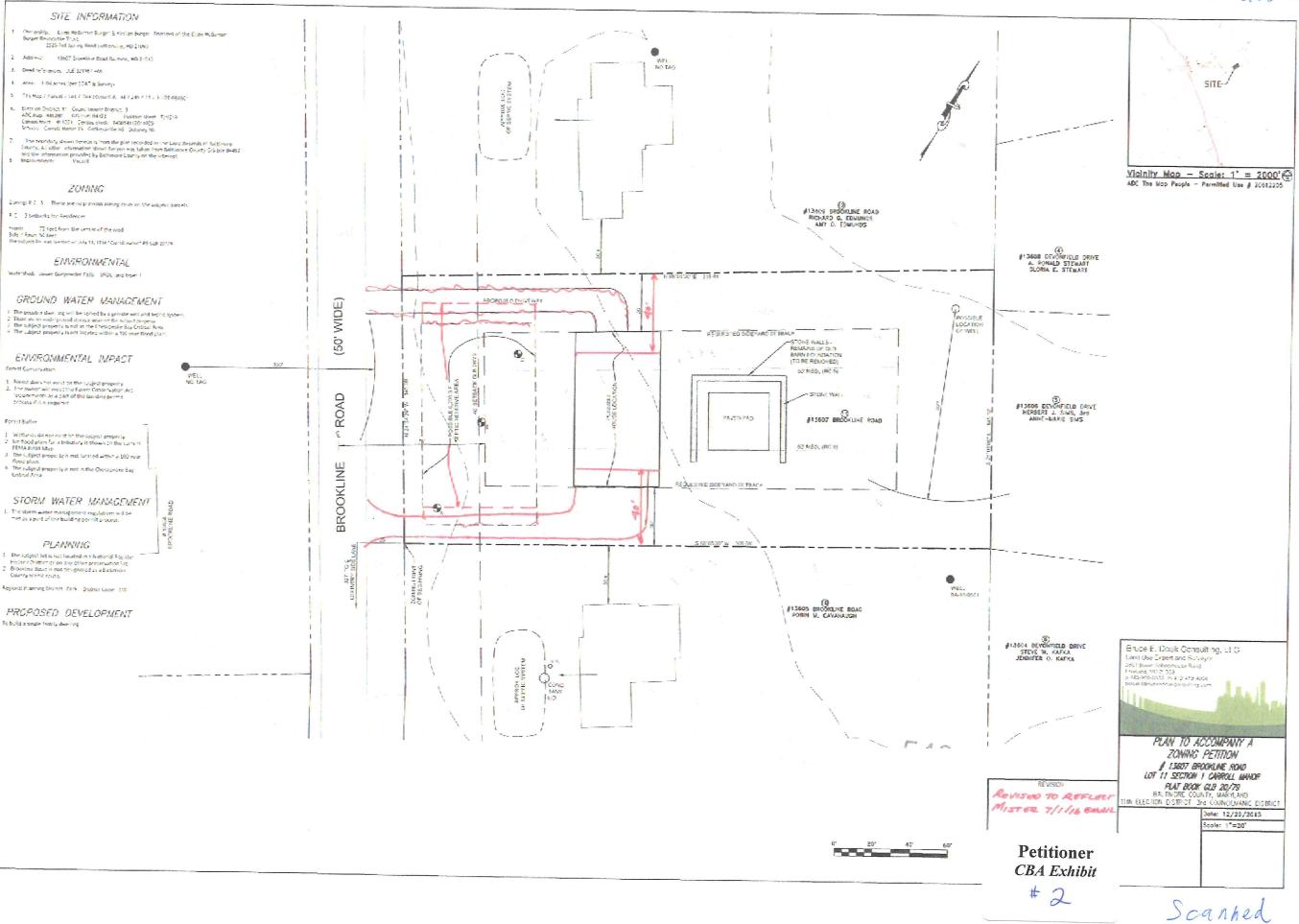


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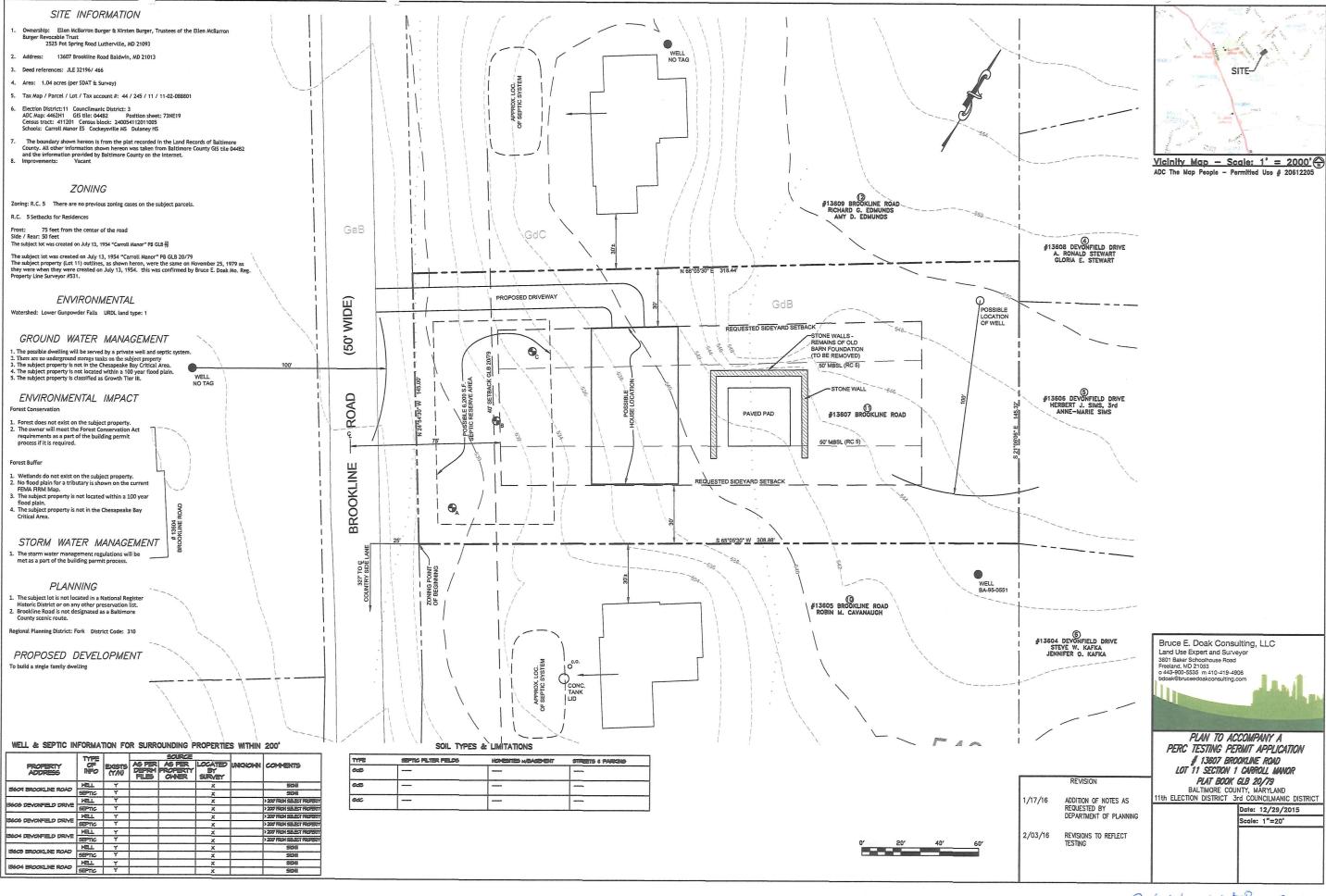
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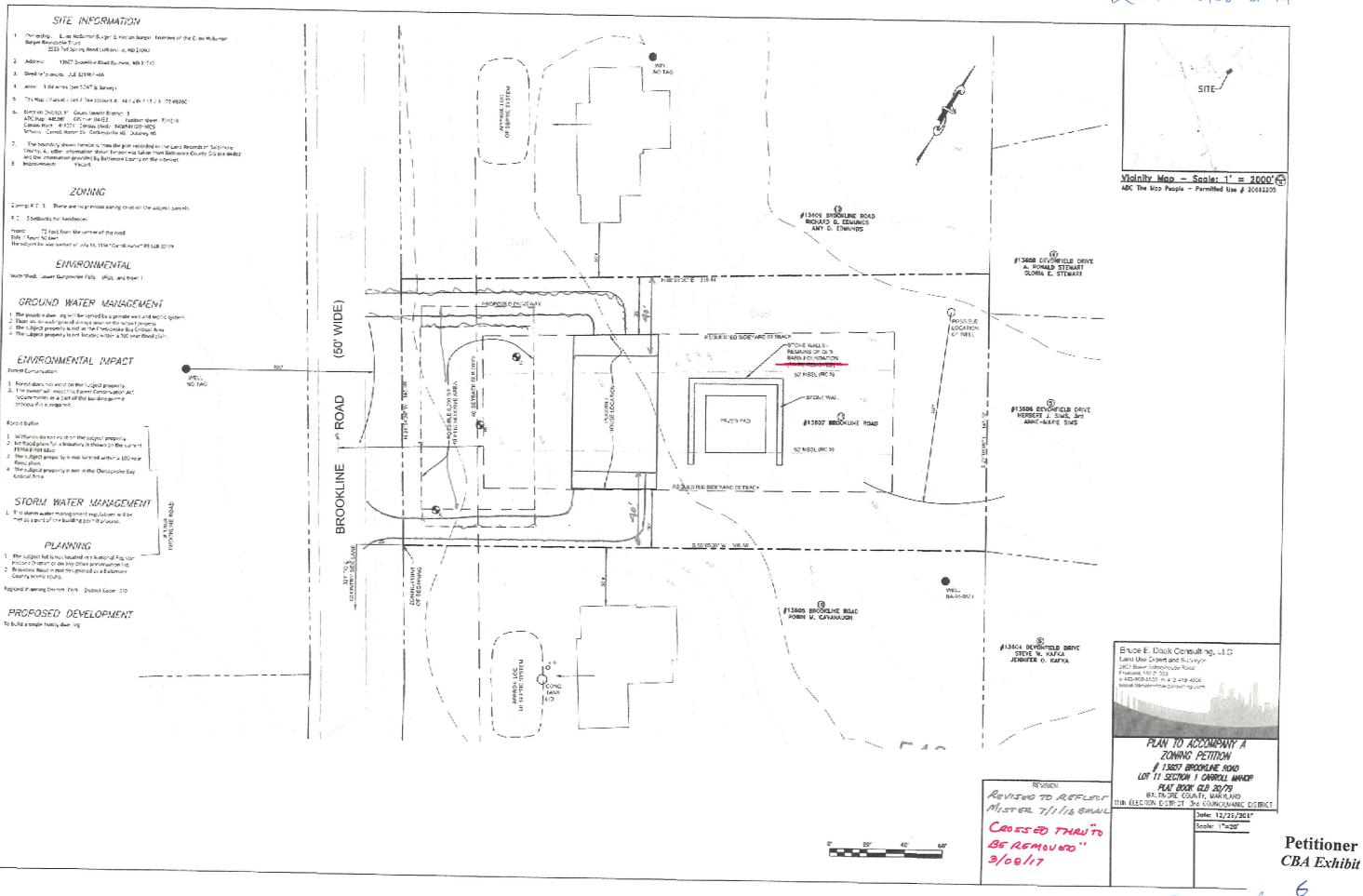
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