MEMORANDUM

DATE:

August 24, 2016

TO:

Zoning Review Office

FROM:

Office of Administrative Hearings

RE:

Case No. 2016-0305-SPHA - Appeal Period Expired

The appeal period for the above-referenced case expired on August 22, 2016. There being no appeal filed, the subject file is ready for return to the Zoning Review Office and is placed in the 'pick up box.'

c: (Case File

Office of Administrative Hearings

IN RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING * AND VARIANCE

BEFORE THE

(20 & 22 Timonium Road)

OFFICE OF

8th Election District

3rd Council District

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

Schaefer-Timonium LLC

FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

Owner

Petitioner

Case No. 2016-0305-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 Schaefer-Timonium LLC, legal owner ("Petitioner"). The Special Hearing was filed pursuant to § 500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R) to approve an amendment to the site plan approved in Case No. 2013-23-A. In addition, a Petition for Variance seeks: (1) to allow a total of six wall-mounted enterprise signs on a single façade in lieu of the permitted three signs with no more than two on a single façade; and (2) to allow two directional signs with sign areas/faces of 9.5 sq. ft. each in lieu of the permitted 8 sq. ft. An amended petition was submitted at the hearing to change the size of the 2 directional signs from 9.5 sq. ft. to 10.46 sq. ft. Petitioner's Ex. 1. A site plan was marked and accepted into evidence as Petitioner's Ex. 2.

Appearing at the public hearing in support of the requests were professional engineer Ken Colbert and Bill Schaefer. Chris Mudd, Esq. represented the Petitioner. There were no protestants or interested citizens in attendance. The Petition was advertised and posted as required by the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations. Substantive Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC) comments were received from the Bureau of Development Plans Review (DPR) and the Department of Planning (DOP). Both concerned landscaping, which will be discussed below.

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The subject property is 2.66 acres in size and is split-zoned BM, BR and MR-IM. A Nationwide Infiniti automobile dealership operates at the site.

SPECIAL HEARING

The petition for special hearing was filed at the behest of the zoning office, for record-keeping purposes. The petition merely seeks confirmation that the zoning relief granted herein, along with the site plan admitted as Exhibit 2, will amend the Order and site plan approved in Case No. 2013-0023-A.

VARIANCE

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).

Petitioner has met this test. The site is bordered by the Maryland State Fairgrounds and several large horse stables limit visibility into the site. These were the same factors noted in Case No. 2013-0023-A, where the property was found to be unique. Petitioner would experience practical difficulty if the regulations were strictly interpreted because it would be unable to install the signs required by its franchise agreements. Finally, I find that this variance can be granted in harmony with the spirit and intent of the B.C.Z.R., and in such manner as to grant relief without injury to the public health, safety, and general welfare. This is demonstrated by the lack of County and/or community opposition.

The DOP requested Petitioner submit a plan documenting the existing landscaping at the site. The Petitioner submitted a landscape plan (Petitioner's Ex. 8) prepared by Human & Rohde,

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Inc., landscape architects. That plan contains a chart showing the existing planting units exceed that which is required by Condition C of the Landscape Manual, concerning automotive display areas. As such, I find that Petitioner has also satisfied the DPR ZAC comment, which referenced the "Class D" screen required by Condition C noted above.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED this <u>22nd</u> day of **July**, **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 approve an amendment to the site plan approved in Case No. 2013-0023-A, in accordance with the terms of the Order and site plan herein, be and is hereby GRANTED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition for Variance which seeks: (1) to allow a total of six wall-mounted enterprise signs on a single façade in lieu of the permitted three signs with no more than two on a single façade; and (2) to allow two directional signs with a maximum sign area/face of 10.46 sq. ft. each in lieu of the permitted 8 sq. ft., be and is hereby GRANTED.

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

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

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

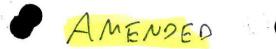
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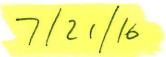
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PETITION FOR ZONING HEARING(S)

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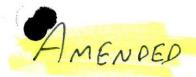
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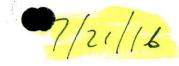
SCHAEFER-TIMONIUM, LLC

20 AND 22 TIMONIUM ROAD

ATTACHMENT TO PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING

1. Special Hearing to approve amendment to the site plan approved in Case No. 2013-23-A.





SCHAEFER-TIMONIUM, LLC

20 AND 22 TIMONIUM ROAD

ATTACHMENT TO PETITION FOR VARIANCE

- 1. Variance from Section 450.4 Attachment 1.5(a) of the BCZR to allow a total of six wall-mounted enterprise signs on a single façade in lieu of the permitted three signs, with no more than two on a single façade.
 - 2. Variance from Section 450.4 Attachment 1.3 of the BCZR to allow two directional signs with sign areas/faces of 9.5 square feet each in lieu of the permitted 8 square feet.

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Colbert Matz Rosenfelt, Inc.

Civil Engineers • Surveyors • Planners



ZONING DESCRIPTION

NATIONWIDE INFINITI 22 W. TIMONIUM ROAD

Beginning at a point on the north side of W. Timonium Road, variable width right-of-way, 950 feet, more or less, from the centerline of York Road (Maryland Route 45) variable width right-of-way. Thence the following courses and distances:

North 18° 48' 16" West, 356.42 feet; North 75° 52' 44" East, 182.97 feet; South 18° 48' 16" East, 314.39 feet to the north side of w. Timonium Road, binding on said right-of-way, by a curve to the left R= 2326.83 feet, L= 184.40 feet to the place of beginning and being part of the Deed recorded in Liber 24815, folio 139.

Containing 60,780 Sq. Ft. or 1.40 Acres, more or less and located in the 8th Election District and the 3rd Councilmanic District.



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

License No: 9752

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DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS, APPROVALS AND INSPECTIONS ZONING REVIEW OFFICE

ADVERTISING REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR ZONING HEARINGS

The <u>Baltimore County Zoning Regulations</u> (BCZR) require that notice be given to the general public/neighboring property owners relative to property which is the subject of an upcoming zoning hearing. For those petitions which require a public hearing, this notice is accomplished by posting a sign on the property (responsibility of the legal owner/petitioner) and placement of a notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the County, both at least fifteen (15) days before the hearing.

Zoning Review will ensure that the legal requirements for advertising are satisfied. However, the legal owner/petitioner is responsible for the costs associated with these requirements. The newspaper will bill the person listed below for the advertising. This advertising is due upon receipt and should be remitted directly to the newspaper.

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Darlene Miller, Public Notice Coordinator (Representative Signature)

NOTICE OF ZONING HEARING

The Administrative Law Judge 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: 2016-0305-SPHA

20 & 22 Timonium Road

N/s Timonium Road, 950ft. w/from centerline of York Road

8th Election District - 3rd Councilmanic District Legal Owners: Schaefer-Timonium, LLC

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Hearing Thursday, July 21, 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 ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CONTACT THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS OFFICE AT 410-887-3868.

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CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

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KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive June 28, 2016 ARNOLD JABLON
Deputy Administrative Officer
Director, Department of Permits,
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Arnold Jablon

Director

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C: David Karceski, 210 W. Pennsylvania Avenue, Ste. 500, Towson 21204 William Schaefer, 2085 York Road, Timonium 21093

- NOTES: (1) THE PETITIONER MUST HAVE THE ZONING NOTICE SIGN POSTED BY AN APPROVED POSTER ON THE PROPERTY BY FRIDAY, JULY 1, 2016..
 - (2) HEARINGS ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE; FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CALL THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS OFFICE AT 410-887-3868.
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AND VARIANCE

20 & 22 Timonium Road; N/S Timonium Road,*

950' W from c/line York Road

8th Election & 3rd Councilmanic Districts

Legal Owner(s): Schaefer-Timonium LLC

Petitioner(s)

BEFORE THE OFFICE

OF ADMINSTRATIVE

HEARINGS FOR

BALTIMORE COUNTY

2016-305-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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Peter Max Zummerman PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN

People's Counsel for Baltimore County

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

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 14th day of June, 2016, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to David Karceski, Esquire, Venable, LLP, 210 W. Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 500, Towson, Maryland 21204, Attorney for Petitioner(s).

Peter Max Zummerman

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN People's Counsel for Baltimore County



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

July 14, 2016

Schaefer-Timonium LLC William H Schaefer, Managing Member 2085 York Road Timonium MD 21093

RE: Case Number: 2016-0305 SPHA, Address: 20 and 22 Timonium Road

Dear Mr. Schaefer:

The above referenced petition was accepted for processing ONLY by the Bureau of Zoning Review, Department of Permits, Approvals, and Inspection (PAI) on June 1, 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

David H Karceski, Esquire, 210 W Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 500, Towson MD 21204



Larry Hogan, Governor Boyd K. Rutherford, Lt. Governor Pete K. Rahn, Secretary Gregory C. Johnson, P.E., Administrator

Date: 6/13/16

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

Dear Ms. Lewis:

Thank you for the opportunity to review your referral request on the subject of the Case number referenced below. 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 Case No. 2016-0305-5PHA

Committee approval of Case No. 2016-0305-SPHA

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Schaefer-Timonium LLC

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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,

Wendy Wolcott, PLA

Acting Metropolitan District Engineer - District 4

Baltimore & Harford Counties

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTRA-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO:

Arnold Jablon

DATE: July 12, 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: 16-305

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OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

INFORMATION:

Property Address: 20 – 22 Timonium Road

Petitioner:

Schaefer-Timonium LLC BM, BR-ME, MR-IM

Zoning:

Requested Action: Variance, Special Hearing

The Department of Planning has reviewed the petition for a variance to permit six wall-mounted enterprise signs on a single façade and two directional signs with sign areas/faces of 9.5 square feet in lieu of permitted three signs, with no more than two on a single façade and permitted 8 square feet respectively and the petition for special hearing to determine whether or not the Administrative Law Judge should approve an amendment to site plan approved in Case No. 2013-23-A.

A site visit was conducted on June 22, 2016.

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

The Department recommends that in conjunction with this case the petitioner submit a revised plan that documents the existing landscaping onsite. For further information concerning the matters stated herein, please contact Wally Lippincott at 410-887-3480.

Prepared by:

Division Chief:

AVA/KS/LTM/ltm

c: Wally Lippincott

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David H. Karceski, Esq.

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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:

June 22, 2016

SUBJECT:

EPS Comment for Zoning Item

2016-0305-SPHA

Address

20 & 22 Timonium Road

(Schaefer Property)

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of June 13, 2016.

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

Reviewer:

Steve Ford

Date: 06-22-2016

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

DATE: June 15, 2016

Department of Permits, Approvals

And Inspections

FROM:

Dennis A. Kennedy, Supervisor

Bureau of Development Plans Review

SUBJECT:

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

For June 13, 2016 Item No. 2016-0305

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

Plant a Class "D" screen along the display frontage and submit a Landscape Plan.

DAK:CEN cc:file

ZAC-ITEM NO 16-0305-06132016.doc

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

Inter-Office Correspondence



TO:

Hon. Lawrence M. Stahl; Managing Administrative Law Judge

Office of Administrative Hearings

FROM:

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Address

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Reviewer:

Steve Ford

Date: 06-22-2016

Case No.: 2016 - 0305 - SPHA

Exhibit Sheet

Petitioner/Developer

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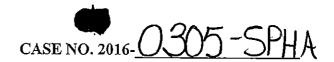
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'IN RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE (20-22 W. Timonium Road) Schaefer Timonium, LLC

Petitioner

BEFORE THE

OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE

* HEARINGS FOR

BALTIMORE COUNTY

CASE NO. 2013-0023-A

ORDER AND OPINION

This matter comes before the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) as a Petition for Variance filed by David H. Karceski, Esquire with Venable, LLP, on behalf of the legal owner, Schaefer Timonium, LLC. The Petitioner is requesting Variance relief from § 450.4 Attachment 1.5(g) of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R."), to allow two (2) freestanding enterprise signs with sign face areas of 42 square feet and 38 square feet, in lieu of the one permitted 50 square foot freestanding enterprise sign. The subject property and requested relief is more fully depicted on the site plan that was marked and accepted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

Appearing at the public hearing in support for this case was Leslie M. Pittler, Esquire and Kenneth J. Colbert with Colbert, Matz, Rosenfelt, Inc., the consulting firm that prepared the site plan. David H. Karceski, Esquire with Venable, LLP, appeared as counsel and represented Petitioner. The file reveals that the Petition was properly advertised and the site was properly posted as required by the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations.

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC) comments were received and made a part of the file. There were no adverse ZAC comments received from any of the County review agencies.

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Testimony and evidence revealed that the subject property is approximately 2.66 +/- acres in size, and is split-zoned BM, BR, and MR-IM. The Petitioner operates an Infiniti auto dealership on site, and currently has two (2) freestanding enterprise signs. The sign abatement provisions in the B.C.Z.R. have necessitated the zoning relief, and Petitioner proposes to continue using one existing sign (shown as sign "A" on Exhibit 1) and to replace an antiquated sign (shown as sign "B" on the plan) with a new sign (sign "D") containing more modern corporate branding. Neither sign exceeds the permitted height, and one sign will identify new car sales while the other sign indicates where used vehicles are sold on site.

Based upon the testimony and evidence presented, I will grant the request for variance relief. Under *Cromwell* and its progeny, to obtain variance relief requires a showing that:

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

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

Petitioner has met this test.

Petitioner's engineer Kenneth Colbert, who was accepted as an expert, testified via proffer that the site is unique in that it is surrounded on three (3) sides by the State Fairgrounds, which are approximately 88 acres in size. In addition, as shown on Exhibit 3, the fair property contains several large horse stables which are situated approximately 20' from West Timonium Road, and this serves to limit visibility into the site.

If the B.C.Z.R. were strictly enforced, the Petitioner would indeed suffer a practical difficulty and/or hardship. The Petitioner would be unable to properly identify the new and used car lots on the site: 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,

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safety, and general welfare. This is demonstrated by the lack of opposition from the community and the lack of negative comments from Baltimore County reviewing agencies.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this petition, and after considering the testimony and evidence, I find that Petitioner's variance request should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, this 5th day of October, 2012 by the Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County, that the Petition for Variance seeking relief from § 450.4 Attachment 1.5(g) of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R."), to allow two (2) freestanding enterprise signs with sign face areas of 42 square feet and 38 square feet, in lieu of the one permitted 50 square foot freestanding enterprise sign, be and is hereby GRANTED.

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

1. The Petitioner may apply for its appropriate permits and may be granted same upon receipt of this Order. However the Petitioner is hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at its own risk until such time as the thirty (30) day appellate process from this Order has expired. If for whatever reason this Order is reversed, the Petitioner will be required to return and be responsible for returning said property to its original condition.

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

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JOHN E. BEVER VNGEN Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County

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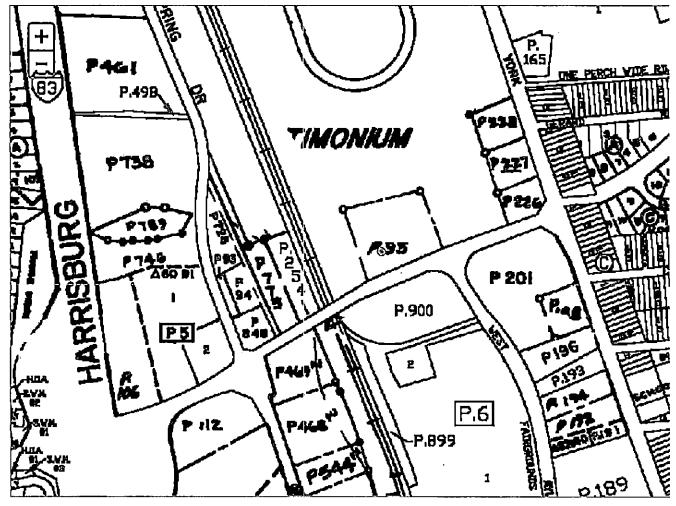
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If a plat for a property is needed, contact the local Land Records office where the property is located. Plats are also available online through the Maryland State Archives at www.plats.net (http://www.plats.net).

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 $\underline{www.mdp.state.md.us/OurProducts/OurProducts.shtml} \ (http://www.mdp.state.md.us/OurProducts/OurProducts.shtml).$

RESUME

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

KENNETH J. COLBERT 2835 SMITH AVENUE, SUITE G BALTIMORE, MD 21209

PROFESSIONAL STATUS: Professional Engineer, Maryland, PE No. 9752

EDUCATION: University of Missouri-Rolla

Rolla, Missouri

B.S. in Civil Engineering - 1968

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE:

Mr. Colbert is a 1968 graduate of the University of Missouri with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering. He has extensive experience in the field of Civil Engineering, Site Planning and Zoning for residential, commercial, and other non-residential land development projects. He has prepared plans and has managed construction projects throughout central Maryland. Responsibilities include project coordination, project design, assisting in bid process, review of studies, reports and construction documents, and quality control.

Accepted as an expert in those areas, and testified before the following:

Anne Arundel County Administrative Hearing Officer

Anne Arundel County Board of Appeals

City of Annapolis City Council

City of Annapolis Planning Commission

Baltimore County Board of Appeals

Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner

Baltimore County Liquor Board

Baltimore City Board of Municipal Zoning Appeals

Cecil County Board of Appeals

City of Elkton Planning Board

City of Elkton City Council

City of Gaithersburg Planning Board

City of Gaithersburg City Council

Harford County Board of Appeals

Howard County Hearing Examiner

Howard County Board of Appeals

Montgomery County Planning Board

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Montgomery County Board of Appeals

City of Rockville Planning Commission

City of Rockville Board of Appeals

City of Westminster Planning Board

Testified as an expert witness in the field of Civil Engineering for Land Development in the District Courts of Baltimore County and Howard County.

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PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:

April, 1987 – Present

Colbert Engineering, Inc. / Colbert Matz Rosenfelt, Inc. Consulting Civil Engineers & Surveyors Baltimore, Maryland

Established a private consulting firm for design and construction management of land development projects. Primary services include site design and preparation of plans for commercial and residential land development projects, as well as complete survey and construction stakeout services.

In September 1994 Colbert Engineering, Inc. merged its operations with another consulting engineering firm to form Colbert Matz Rosenfelt, Inc. This merger enabled the new firm to expand its client base and to better, and more effectively serve its existing clients.

Mr. Colbert was the managing partner of the company while maintaining project management responsibilities. In addition, he was the principal responsible for operation of the Survey Department. Relinquished ownership in 2013, and remained with the company as an employee.

Jan., 1986 – Apr., 1987 <u>Security Management Corporation</u>
Builders and Developers
Baltimore, Maryland

Employed by Security Management Corporation as Engineering Manager for Land Development activities with responsibility for budgeting, management and supervision of the land development phases for all projects. Projects included single family and multi-family developments ranging in size from 50 units to 1500 units in four governmental jurisdictions.

Nov., 1978 – Jan., 1986 Colbert Engineering, Inc. / CDH Engineering Corp. / Kidde Consultants
Consulting Civil Engineers and Surveyors
Glen Burnie, Maryland

Established a private consulting firm for design and construction management of land development projects. Services included site design and preparation of site development plans for residential and commercial developments.

In June 1982, Colbert Engineering, Inc. merged its operation with that of another consulting engineering firm to form CDH Engineering Corporation. This merger enabled the new firm to expand its engineering and surveying capabilities, and grow to maintain a staff of approximately 20 people. As engineering and managing partner, duties and responsibilities continued as before but on an expanded basis

CDH Engineering Corporation was purchased by Kidde Consultants, Inc., a top 500 engineering company, in June 1984. The office became one of eight branch offices spread throughout Maryland, Virginia, Delaware and Pennsylvania. As Branch Office Manager, duties and responsibilities continued to include engineering for land development projects of various types and sizes, as well as interaction with the main office on management, marketing and budget matters.

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Mar., 1976 – Nov.,1978 Anne Arundel County, Maryland
Department of Public Works
Annapolis, Maryland

Employed by Anne Arundel County as a Senior Engineer responsible for the Engineering Review Section of the Development Services Division, Department of Public Works. This Section, which had a complement of four engineers, reviewed the engineering plans for all Land Development activities within the County. Promoted to Chief of the Development Services Division. The Division staff consisted of 13 Engineers, Engineering Technicians, Construction Inspectors and Clerical personnel. The function of this Division was the review and processing of all private construction within the County.

May, 1973 – Mar., 1976 <u>Purdum & Jeschke</u> Consulting Engineers & Surveyors Baltimore, Maryland

Employed by Purdum & Jeschke as a Design Engineer with prime areas of responsibilities being design of Storm Drainage Systems and Site Grading for various land development projects. Advanced to Project Engineer responsible for residential and commercial development projects.

Sept.,1971 – May, 1973 <u>Mathews-Phillips, Inc.</u> Builders and Developers Silver Spring, Maryland

Employed by Mathews-Phillips, Inc. as an Assistant Construction Superintendent for Garden Apartment and Townhouse Projects. Prime area of responsibility was for installation of Underground Utilities, Storm Drainage, Site Grading and Paving.

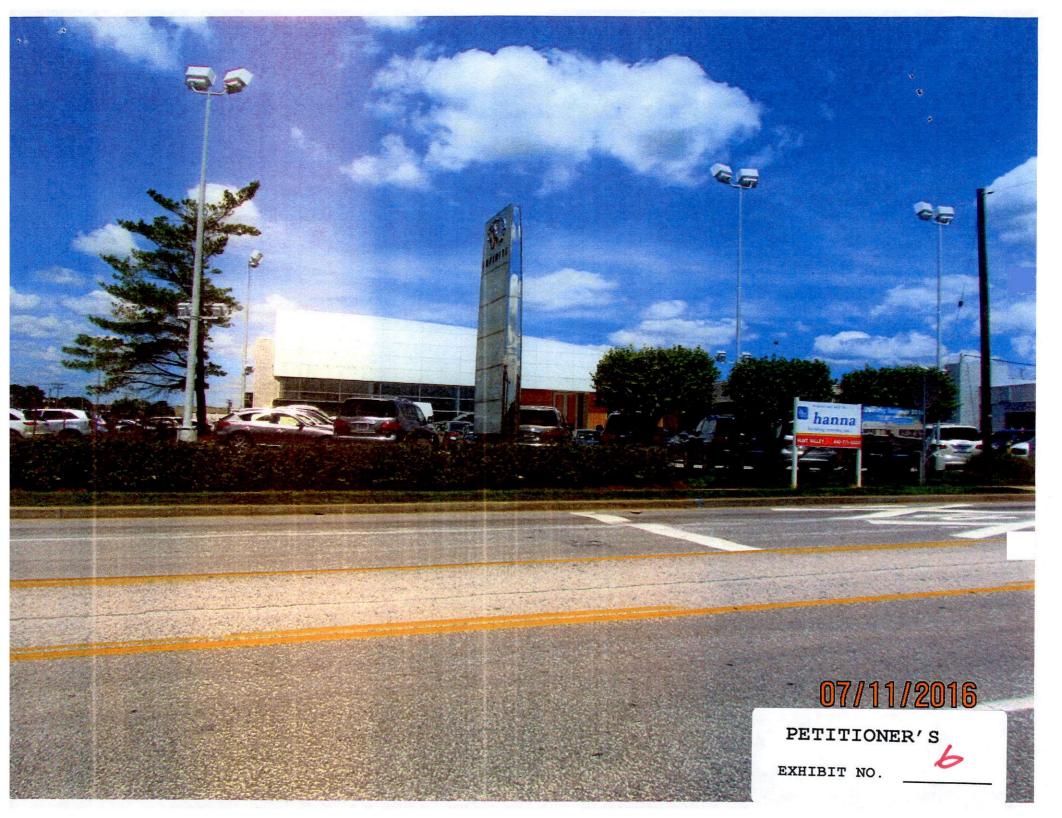
July, 1970 – Sept.,1971 Richard P. Browne Associates
Consulting Engineers and Surveyors
Columbia, Maryland

Employed by Richard P. Brown Associates as a Design Engineer with prime responsibility being design of Storm Drain Systems and Site Grading for various land development projects including single family residential and multi-family sites

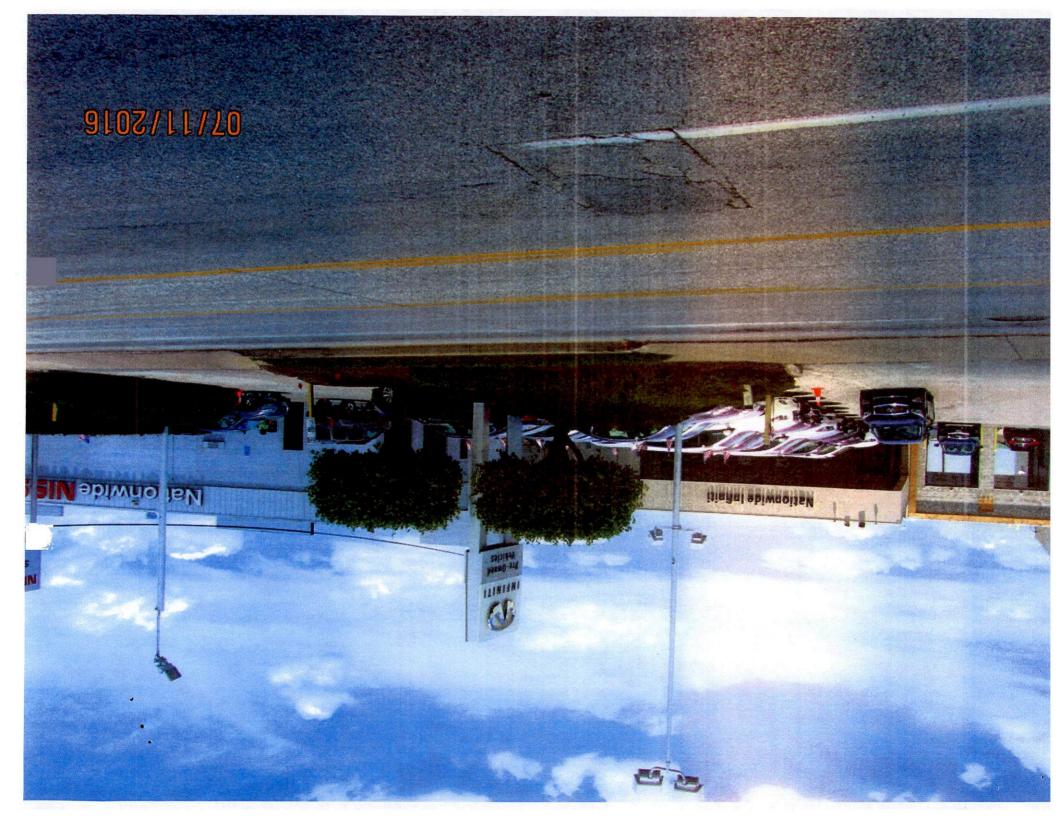
June, 1968 – July,1970 <u>Clayton Surveying and Engineering Company</u>
Consulting Engineers and Surveyors
St. Louis, Missouri

Joined Clayton Surveying and Engineering Company immediately following graduation from college as a Design Engineer working primarily on the design of Road Systems, Storm Drains and Sanitary Sewer Systems for residential subdivisions and commercial sites.

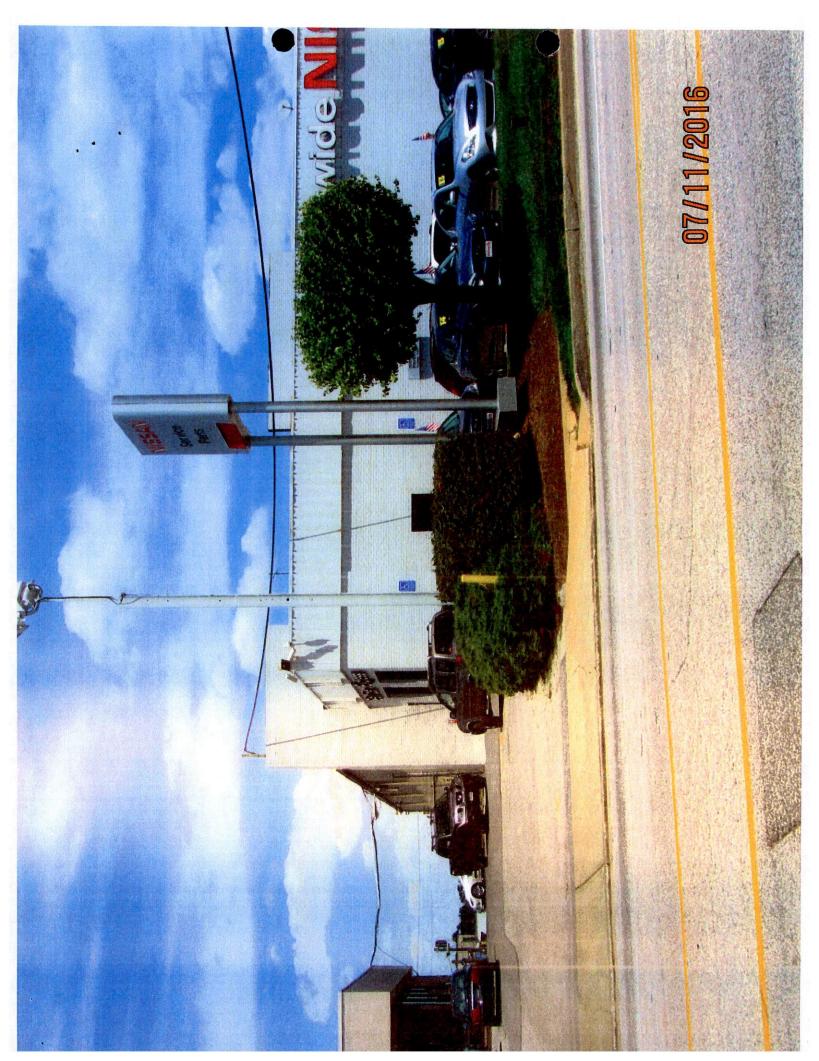
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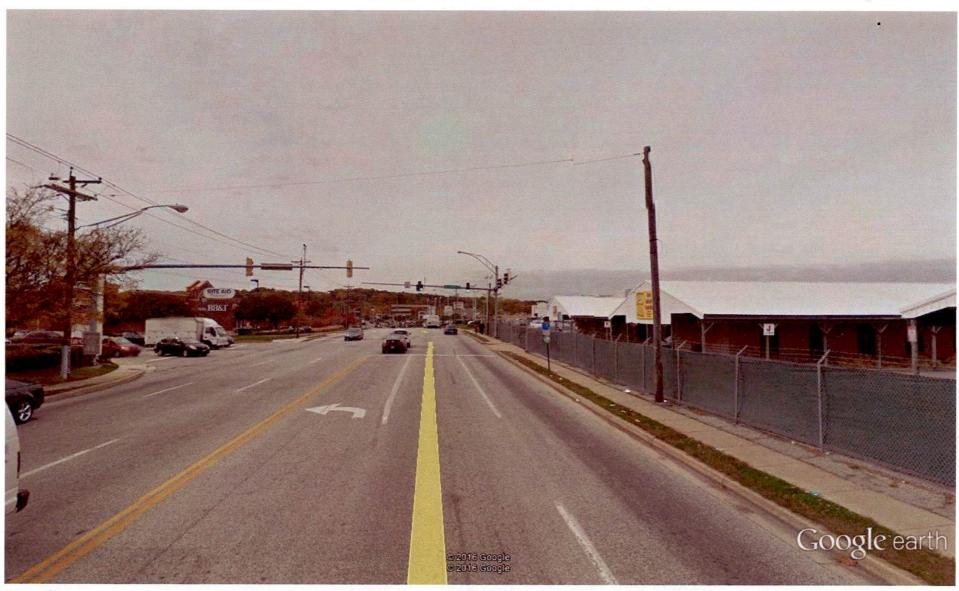












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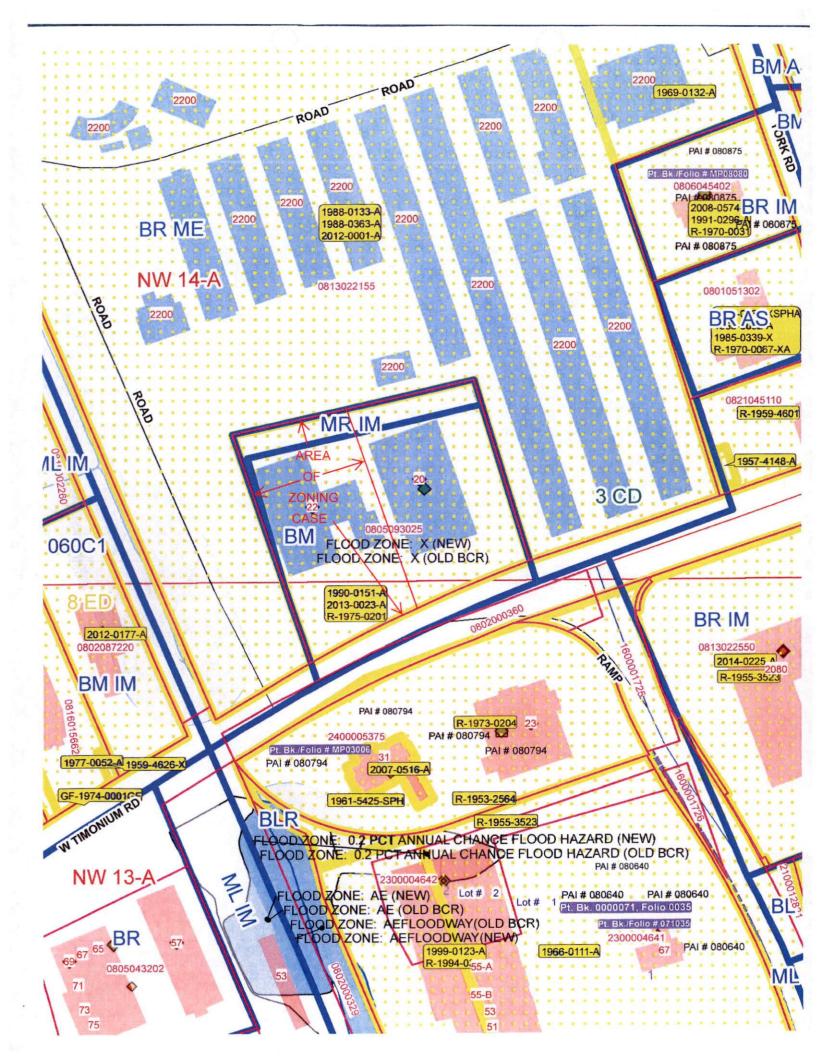
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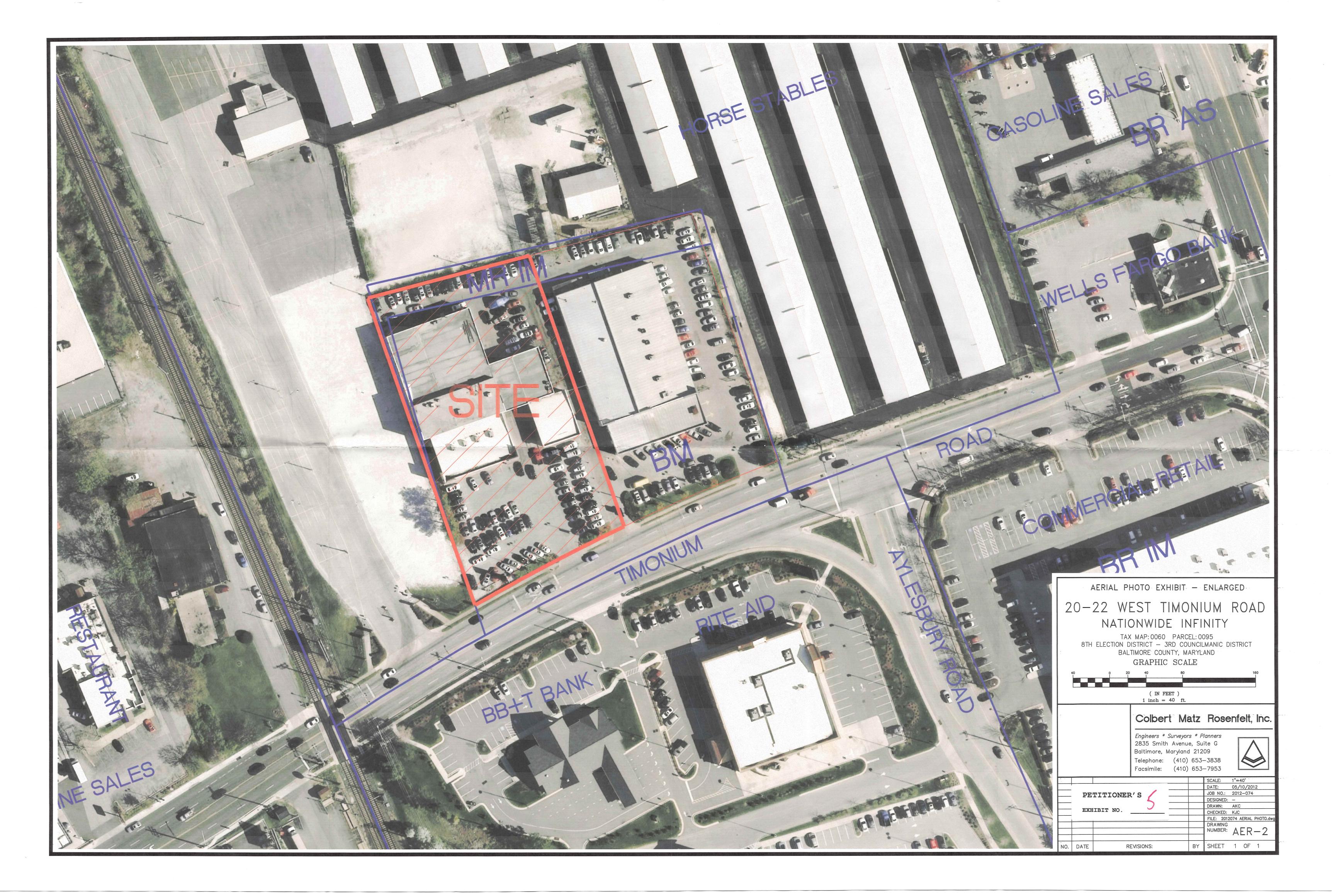


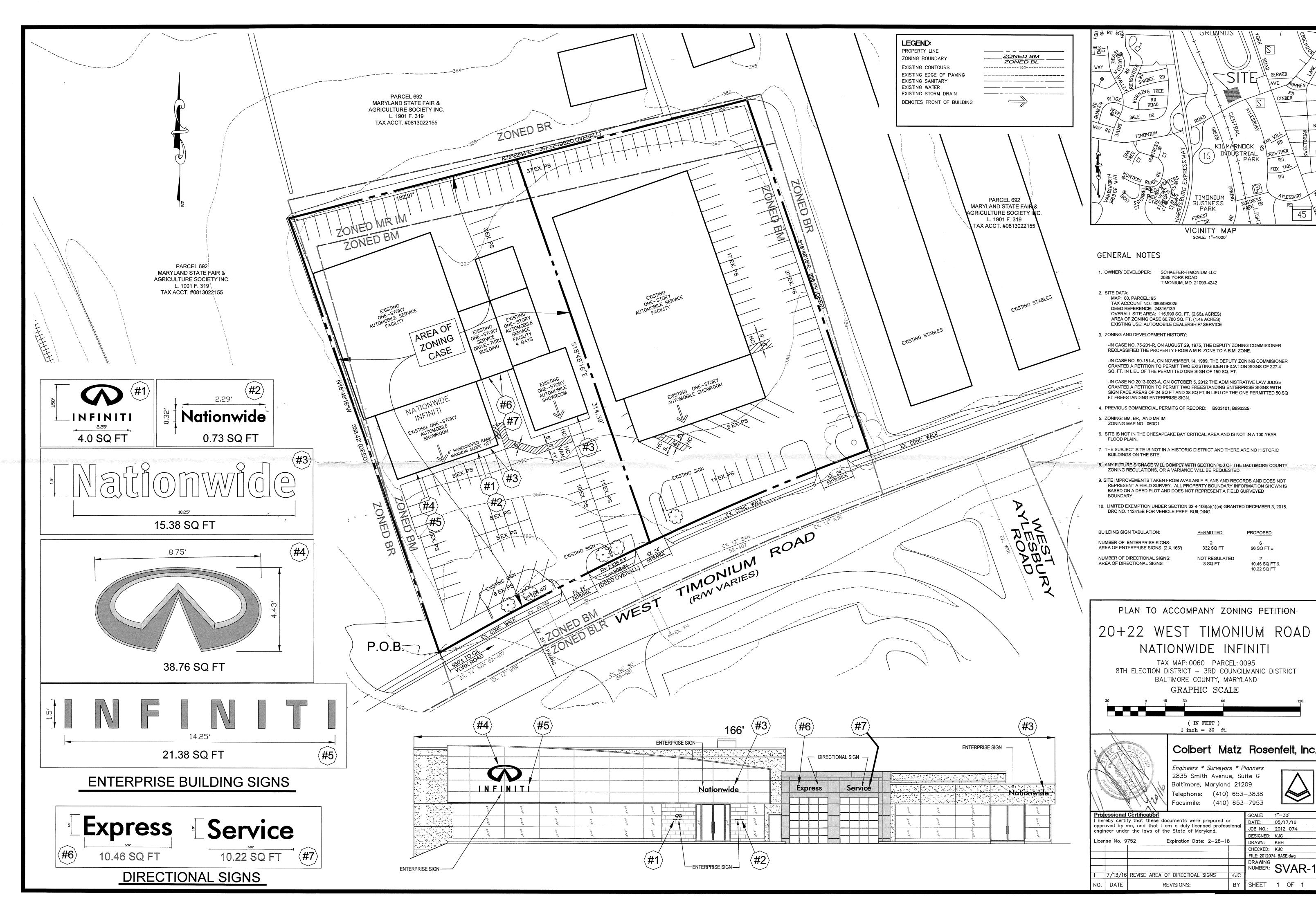
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