IN RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING, \*
SPECIAL EXCEPTION & VARIANCE

(6709 Whitestone Road)

1<sup>st</sup> Election District

1<sup>st</sup> Council District

Generation III Limited Liability Company

Legal Owner

Mark F. & Lenora M. Cessna

Lessees

Petitioners

BEFORE THE

OFFICE OF

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

Case No. 2017-0168-SPHXA

## **OPINION AND ORDER**

This matter comes before the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) for Baltimore County for consideration of Petitions for Special Hearing, Special Exception and Variance filed on behalf of Generation III Limited Liability Company, legal owner, and Mark F. & Lenora M. Cessna, lessees ("Petitioners").

The Petition for Special Hearing was filed pursuant to §500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R) to relieve the conditions identified in B.C.Z.R. §253.2.C as required for a special exception for a commercial kennel. A Petition for Variance seeks: (1) pursuant to B.C.Z.R. §421.2, to permit a commercial kennel, within a manufacturing zone, to be located within 0 ft. of the nearest property line (or lease line) in lieu of the required 200 ft.; and (2) pursuant to B.C.Z.R. §253.4, to permit a non-MR use, unscreened from the motorway, within 45 ft. of the right-of-way of an existing freeway in lieu of the required 100 ft. Finally, a Petition for Special Exception seeks to permit a commercial kennel in an ML zone.

Appearing at the public hearing in support of the requests was Lenora and Mark Cessna, Matthew Azrael and professional engineer James Matis. Michael T. Wyatt, Esq. represented Petitioners. There were no protestants or interested citizens in attendance. The Petition was advertised and posted as required by the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations. Substantive ORDER RECEIVED FOR FILING

Date\_\_4\28\17 By\_\_\_\_\_SLO Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC) comments were submitted by the Bureau of Development Plans Review (DPR) and the Department of Planning (DOP). The DOP objected to the requests, and its comment will be discussed below.

The subject property is approximately 3.07 acres in size and is zoned ML-IM. The property is improved with a 50,000 sq. ft. industrial flex-space warehouse, occupied by a variety of commercial and industrial tenants. The lessees propose to lease a 12,000 sq. ft. space to operate a dog "day care" and boarding operation. To do so zoning relief is required.

# Special Hearing

In the request for special hearing Petitioners seek an exception from "the conditions required for a special exception for a commercial kennel as identified under Section 253.2.C." Petitioners are not requesting a special exception without complying with the requirements of B.C.Z.R. §502.1. Instead, Petitioners seek an exemption from an antiquated provision of the B.C.Z.R. (i.e., Section 253.2.C), similar to the one sought in Case No. 2012-0196-SPHXA, which also involved a commercial kennel approved by special exception in an ML zone. Both cases concerned a regulation which permits by special exception commercial kennels in the ML zone, but only as an "interim use." The regulation allows such use to continue only so long as the property is not served by public and water facilities. The exception sought in this case (as in Case No. 2012-0196-SPHXA) seeks to nullify the "interim" nature of the use.

As Mr. Matis testified, this provision was enacted in 1970 (Bill No. 100-1970), at a time when dog kennels were often marginal businesses with incessant barking and odors. Such facilities were mainly located in the rural portions of the County. And the County Council most likely wanted to permit the uses specified in Section 253.2.C only until water and sewer was available to attract owners and tenants to prime industrial land in the county. Baltimore County was much less

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developed at this time, and planners wanted to ensure an adequate supply of industrial land existed to support continued economic growth. But much has changed in the ensuing fifty years.

As an initial matter, industrial zoned land is now frequently used for residential developments by way of the planned unit development process. The demand for housing continues to rise while warehouse and industrial uses in the county have diminished. Also, Petitioners explained dogs and cats are now treated as family members, and owners frequently seek "day care" services for their pets in addition to the more traditional boarding services when the family goes on vacation. Indeed, "doggie day care" businesses exist in many cities and metropolitan areas.

Petitioners propose to operate a "Camp Bow Wow" franchise at the subject property. Over 135 franchise locations exist in North America, and Petitioners estimated they would have capacity for approximately 125 dogs. They project 75% of their revenue would come from dog day care, while 25% would be from boarding services. Market studies indicate the target customer for such a facility will have an annual income of \$75,000 and would live in a suburban area close to work and other amenities. As Mr. Matis testified, if B.C.Z.R. §253.2.C was enforced literally, a commercial kennel would essentially be unable to locate within an ML zone in the urban portion of the county, since nearly all such land has public sewer and water facilities available.

In Case No. 2012-0196-SPHXA, the DOP submitted a ZAC comment indicating it did not oppose the request to waive the conditions in B.C.Z.R. §253.2.C and did not believe the commercial kennel use would be detrimental to the community. Petitioners' Ex. No. 12. Likewise, I do not believe a commercial kennel located in an industrial park adjacent to the Beltway will have a detrimental impact upon the community. The space has been vacant for some time, and Petitioners propose a creative reuse for the space which will provide a valuable service to the community.

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# **Variances**

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 met this test. The property is irregularly shaped and is bordered by the Baltimore Beltway. As such it is unique. If the Regulations were strictly interpreted, Petitioners would experience a practical difficulty because they would be unable to operate the commercial kennel. 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.

In its ZAC comment the DOP suggested Petitioners' second variance request could not be granted pursuant to B.C.Z.R. §253.4, since it would be considered a "use variance" which is not authorized under the B.C.Z.R. That comment is based (in part at least) on a recent order issued by the undersigned finding that in a BL zone, within 100 feet of a street right-of-way or residential zone boundary, only passenger automobile parking and uses permitted in the MR zone are permitted. See Case No. 2016-0328-SPHA. A commercial kennel is not a permitted use in the MR zone, and thus the DOP, based on the earlier case noted, believed this would constitute a use variance.

But Mr. Matis suggested the DOP (and the undersigned) were misreading the Regulations, and I believe he is correct. That regulation does not prohibit non-MR uses within 100 feet of a street right-of-way or residential zone boundary in a ML zone; it only requires such uses to be ORDER RECEIVED FOR FILING

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screened in accordance with the landscape manual. And it is from this latter requirement Petitioners seek variance relief.

#### Special Exception

Under Maryland law, a special exception use enjoys a presumption that it is in the interest of the general welfare, and therefore, valid. Schultz v. Pritts, 291 Md. 1 (1981). The Schultz standard was revisited in Attar v. DMS Tollgate, LLC, 451 Md. 272 (2017), where the court of appeals discussed the nature of the evidentiary presumption in special exception cases. The court reaffirmed a special exception is properly denied only when there are facts and circumstances showing that the adverse impacts of the use at the particular location in question would be above and beyond those inherently associated with the special exception use. Id.

Mr. Matis, who was accepted as an expert, testified Petitioners satisfied the requirements set forth in BCZR §502.1, and I concur. The kennel use will require only interior alterations to the building, and the center has ample parking and is conveniently located off of I-695. In addition, the tenant immediately adjacent to the proposed kennel operates a private ambulance service and indicated it "wholeheartedly supports [Petitioners]." Petitioners' Ex. No. 8. As such, I do not believe the use will have a detrimental impact upon the community.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED this <u>28th</u> day of April, <u>2017</u>, 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 relieve the conditions required for a special exception for a commercial kennel (as set forth in B.C.Z.R. §253.2.C), be and is hereby GRANTED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition for Special Exception to permit a commercial kennel in an ML zone, be and is hereby GRANTED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition for Variance: (1) to permit a commercial ORDER RECEIVED FOR FILING

kennel, within a manufacturing zone, to be located within 0 ft. of the nearest property line (or lease line) in lieu of the required 200 ft.; and (2) to permit a non-MR use, unscreened from the motorway, within 45 ft. of the right-of-way of an existing freeway in lieu of the required 100 ft., be and is hereby GRANTED.

The relief granted herein shall be subject to 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.
- 2. Landscaping or other screening shall be provided as determined in the sole discretion of the Baltimore County landscape architect.

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

JOHN E. BEVERUNGEN Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County

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KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive

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

April 28, 2017

Michael T. Wyatt, Esq. 1447 York Road, Suite 800 Lutherville, MD 21093

RE: Petitions for Special Hearing, Special Exception and Variance

Case No. 2017-0168-SPHXA Property: 6709 Whitestone Road

Dear Mr. Wyatt:

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,

JOEN E. BEVERUNGEN Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County

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#### PETITION FOR ZONING HEARING

#### **EXHIBIT 1**

# Specific Relief Requested

- 1. Special Hearing is requested pursuant to Section 500.7 BCZR to relieve the conditions required for a Special Exception for a Commercial Kennel as identified under Section 253.2.C of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations.
- 2. A Special Exception is also requested to permit a Commercial Kennel in an ML zone as provided under Section 253.2.C of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations.
- 3. A Variance is requested pursuant to Section 421.2 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations to permit a Commercial Kennel, within a manufacturing zone, to be located within 0 feet of the nearest property line (or lease line), in lieu of the required 200 feet.
- 4. A Variance is requested pursuant to Section 253.4 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations to permit a non-MR Use, unscreened from the motorway, within 45 feet of the right-of-way of an existing freeway, in lieu of required 100 feet.

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December 15, 2016

**Description to Accompany Zoning Petition** for Special Hearing, Special Exception and Variances 6709 Whitestone Road **Election District 1 Baltimore County, Maryland** 

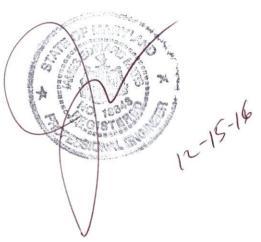


Beginning for the same on the west side of Whitestone Road, at a point located North 31° 56' West 1,098 feet, more or less, from the point of intersection of the centerlines of Whitestone Road and Whitehead Road, thence leaving said west side of Whitestone and running thence,

- 1. South 72°45'16"West 142.31 feet to a point, thence
- 2. South 89°52'30"West 74.26 feet to a point on the east side of the Baltimore Beltway, I-695, running thence and binding along the east side of said Baltimore Beltway
- 3 . North 0° 07' 30" West 180.57 feet to a point, thence leaving the east side of said Baltimore Beltway and running thence
- 4. North 40° 56' 42" East 188.42 feet to a point on the west side of Whitestone Road, running thence and binding on said west side of Whitestone Road
- 5. South 17° 14' 44" East 293.75 feet to the place of beginning

Containing 1.01 acres more or less or 44,057 square feet of land.

This description is intended for zoning purposes only and is not intended for use in conveyance of land.



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# DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS, APPROVALS AND INSPECTIONS ZONING REVIEW OFFICE

# ADVERTISING REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR ZONING HEARINGS

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Case Number: 2017-0168-SPHXA  Property Address: 6709 Whitestone Rd  Property Description: west side of Whitestone Rd, 1/2 1098 feet  north of Whitehead Rd
Legal Owners (Petitioners): <u>Generation TL LLC</u>
Contract Purchaser/Lessee:
PLEASE FORWARD ADVERTISING BILL TO:  Name: Michael Wille Grove  Company/Firm (if applicable): HUK Low Grove  Address: 1447 Vork Road, Suite 800  Litterville MD 21093
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Arnold Jablon

Director of Permits, Approvals and Inspections for Baltimore County

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KEVIN KAMENETZ
County Executive

January 23, 2017

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KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive

January 24, 2017

ARNOLD JABLON
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Director, Department of Permits,
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# **CERTIFICATE OF POSTING**

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Director of Permits, Approvals and Inspections for Baltimore County

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KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive

March 21, 2017

ARNOLD JABLON
Deputy Administrative Officer
Director, Department of Permits,
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# **NEW NOTICE OF ZONING HEARING**

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KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive

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

February 15, 2017

Generation III Ltd Liability Co 101 Chesapeake Avenue 5th floor Towson MD 21204

RE: Case Number: 2017-0168 SPHXA, Address: 6709 Whitestone Rd

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 December 21, 20156. 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
Mark F& Lenora M Cessna, 7 Saffron Court, Reisterstown MD 21136
Michael T Wyatt, Esquire, 1447 York Road, Suite 800, Lutherville MD 21093
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Larry Hogan, Governor Boyd K. Rutherford, Lt. Governor

Maryland Department of Transportation

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

Date: 1/3/17

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. 2017-0168-5PHXA

Special Heaving Special Except in Variouse Generation III Limited Liability Company 6709 Whitestone Road.

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

Metropolitan District Engineer - District 4

**Baltimore & Harford Counties** 

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# **BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND**

# INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

DATE: January 6, 2017

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

Department of Permits, Approvals

And Inspections

FROM:

Dennis A. Kennedy, Supervisor

Bureau of Development Plans Review

SUBJECT:

**Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting** 

For January 2, 2017 Item No. 2017-0168

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

If granted, Landscape and Lighting Plans are required per the requirements of the Landscape Manual.

DAK:CEN Cc:file ZAC-ITEM NO 17-0168-01022017.doc

# **BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND** INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO:

Arnold Jablon

**DATE: 2/1/2017** 

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OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

Deputy Administrative Officer and

Director of Permits, Approvals and Inspections

FROM:

Andrea Van Arsdale

Director, Department of Planning

SUBJECT: ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Case Number: 17-168

INFORMATION:

6709 Whitestone Drive **Property Address:** 

**Petitioner:** 

Generation III Limited Liability Company

Zoning:

ML-IM

Requested Action:

Special Hearing, Special Exception, Variance

The Department of Planning has reviewed the petition for special hearing to determine whether or not the Administrative Law Judge should relieve the conditions required for a special exception for a commercial kennel and also the petition for a special exception to use the property for a commercial kennel in an M.L. zone. The Department also reviewed the petition for variance to permit a commercial kennel within a manufacturing zone to be located within 0 feet of the nearest property line (or lease line) and to permit a non-M.R. use, unscreened from the motorway, within 45 feet of the right-of-way of an existing freeway, in lieu of the required 200 feet, screening and 100 feet respectively.

A site visit was conducted on January 4, 2017.

The Department objects to granting the petitioned zoning relief.

The Department recommends that the conditions determining a special exception are integral to maintaining the health, safety and general welfare of Baltimore County citizens and ensures the orderly development of the communities within which they live and work. The Petitioner has not submitted to the Department of Planning materials that would cause it to support relieving the conditions required for a special exception, that being in conflict with the provisions of BCZR § 102.1, therefore the petitioned zoning relief for a special hearing should not be granted.

Data available to the Department confirms that the subject site is served by public water and sewer. The use of the M.L. zoned property as a commercial kennel is only permitted as an interim use, provided public water and sewer are not available at minimum for a period of 2 years upon the hearing of the petition. This use is further conditioned upon its discontinuation within 1 year of public water and sewer becoming available. BCZR § 253 does not provide for the establishment of a commercial kennel on M.L. zoned property served by public water and sewer. The Department recommends that the petitioned zoning relief for a special exception to use the property for a commercial kennel is beyond the scope of BCZR § 253.2.C.3 and should not be granted.

Date: 2/1/2017

Subject: ZAC #17-168

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The Department recommends that the petitioned commercial kennel use, screened or not, is absent from the list of permitted uses in the M.R. zone; therefore, the petition for variance is moot. Based upon prior rulings it is the understanding of the Department that the provisions of BCZR § 253.4 are immune to petitions for variance.

For further information concerning the matters stated herein, please contact Dennis Wertz at 410-887-3480.

Prepared by;

Lloyd T. Moxley

**Division Chief:** 

Kathy Schlabach

AVA/KS/LTM/ka

c: Dennis Wertz James E. Matis Office of the Administrative Hearings People's Counsel for Baltimore County

# BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

# **Inter-Office Correspondence**



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:

December 28, 2016

SUBJECT:

**DEPS** Comment for Zoning Item

Address

# 2017-0168-SPHXA

6709 Whitestone Road

(Generation III Limited Liability

Company Property)

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of January 2, 2017.

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

Reviewer:

Steve Ford

Date: <u>12-23-2016</u>

RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING

SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE

6709 Whitestone Road; W/S Whitestone Road\*

1098' N of c/line of Whitehead Road

1st Election & 1st Councilmanic Districts

Legal Owner(s): Generation III Ltd Liability Co.

Contract Purchaser(s): Mark & Lenora Cessna\*

Petitioner(s)

BEFORE THE OFFICE

OF ADMINSTRATIVE

**HEARINGS FOR** 

**BALTIMORE COUNTY** 

2017-168-SPHXA

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# **ENTRY OF APPEARANCE**

Pursuant to Baltimore County Charter § 524.1, please enter the appearance of People's Counsel for Baltimore County as an interested party in the above-captioned matter. Notice should be sent of any hearing dates or other proceedings in this matter and the passage of any preliminary or final Order. All parties should copy People's Counsel on all correspondence sent and all documentation filed in the case.

Peter Max Zummerman

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People's Counsel for Baltimore County

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Deputy People's Counsel
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Towson, MD 21204 (410) 887-2188

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 22nd day of December, 2016, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to James Matis, 954 Ridgebrook Road, Suite 120, Sparks, MD 21152 and Michael Wyatt, Esquire, 1447 York Road, Suite 800, Lutherville, Maryland 21093, Attorney for Petitioner(s).

Peter Max Zummerman

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN
People's Counsel for Baltimore County

# MEMORANDUM

DATE:

May 31, 2017

TO:

Zoning Review Office

FROM:

Office of Administrative Hearings

RE:

Case No. 2017-0168-SPHXA - Appeal Period Expired

The appeal period for the above-referenced case expired on May 30, 2017. 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

## Kristen L Lewis

From:

Michael Wyatt <mwyatt@hwklawgroup.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 20, 2017 2:45 PM

To:

Kristen L Lewis

Cc:

jem@matiswarfield.com; Mark Cessna (mark.cessna.cbw@gmail.com)

Subject:

RE: Confilct Dates-6709 Whitestone Road/2017-0168 SPHXA

Kristin: I still have received a date for the hearing in this matter.

In addition to April 3, 4, 17-19, and 27, as mentioned below, the following dates in April and May are NOT GOOD:

April 12, 13, 14, 25 and 28. May 5, 8, 15, 18 and 19.

Thank you.

Michael T. Wyatt, Esquire HWK Law Group The Galleria Towers 1447 York Road Suite 800 Lutherville, MD 21093 (410) 825-2255 (Ext. 110) office (888) 856-3668 fax



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From: Michael Wyatt

**Sent:** Monday, March 06, 2017 4:19 PM **To:** 'klewis@baltimorecountymd.gov'

Cc: jem@matiswarfield.com; Mark Cessna (mark.cessna.cbw@gmail.com)

Subject: Confilct Dates

Kristin: Following up on the above-referenced matter, the following dates in April are NOT good for us:

April 3, 4, 17-19, and 27

Thanks.

Michael T. Wyatt, Esquire HWK Law Group The Galleria Towers 1447 York Road Suite 800 Lutherville, MD 21093

From:

Debra Wiley

Sent:

Friday, February 17, 2017 10:27 AM

To:

'mwyatt@hwklawgroup.com'

Cc:

Kristen L Lewis; Sherry Nuffer (snuffer@baltimorecountymd.gov)

Subject:

Postponement Request for Case No. 2017-0168-SPHXA

## Good Morning,

ALJ Beverungen is in receipt of your postponement request for the above-referenced matter, which has been granted.

Per ALJ Beverungen, if you're aware of any opposition or interest in this case, please notify those parties that the case has been postponed.

Our office will forward the case file to the Office of Zoning Review for rescheduling.

Thank you.

Debra Wiley, Legal Administrative Secretary Baltimore County Office of Administrative Hearings 105 West Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 103 Towson, Maryland 21204 410-887-3868

From:

Debra Wiley

Sent:

Friday, February 17, 2017 10:29 AM

To:

John E. Beverungen; Lawrence Stahl; Sherry Nuffer

Cc:

Kristen L Lewis

Subject:

Change to February Calendar

Case No. 2017-0168-SPHXA scheduled for 2/23 @ 1:30 PM has been postponed.

Please mark your calendars accordingly.

Thanks.

Debra Wiley Baltimore County Office of Administrative Hearings 105 West Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 103 Towson, Maryland 21204 410-887-3868

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Friday, February 17, 2017 9:57 AM

To:

Debra Wiley; Sherry Nuffer

Subject:

FW: 6907 Whitestone Road/Case No 2017 - 0168 - SPHXA

Attachments:

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Importance:

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This was sent to me this morning in regards to a case for next week. For some reason, we didn't receive his request. June brought the files over yesterday.

Kristen Lewis PAI – Zoning Review 410-887-3391

From: Michael Wyatt [mailto:mwyatt@hwklawgroup.com]

Sent: Friday, February 17, 2017 9:54 AM

To: Kristen L Lewis <klewis@baltimorecountymd.gov>

Cc: jem@matiswarfield.com; Mark Cessna (mark.cessna.cbw@gmail.com) <mark.cessna.cbw@gmail.com>; Michelle

Rachal < Michelle@hwklawgroup.com>

Subject: 6907 Whitestone Road/Case No 2017 - 0168 - SPHXA

Importance: High

Kristin: This follows our phone conversation just now. I was calling to confirm next week's hearing had been postponed. You advised that the request, another copy of which is attached, was not received (most likely due to your new fax system which goes to the computer instead of a dedicated machine).

Anyway, I would appreciate your expedited attention to this postponement request. I have a scheduling conflict and the property has not been posted in any event, based on the assumption that the case would be postponed.

Thank you for your anticipated response regarding this matter.

Michael

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January 31, 2017

Via Telefax (410-887-3048)

Baltimore County Zoning Review County Office Building Attn: Kristin 111 West Chesapeake Avenue, Room 111 Towson, Maryland 21204

Re:

Zoning Hearing -

6709 Whitestone Road, Suite D Baltimore, MD 21207 Case No: 2017-0168-SPHXA

Dear Kristin:

I am in receipt of a "Corrected Notice of Zoning Hearing" setting this matter in for February 23, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. Unfortunately, I have a previously scheduled deposition on February 23, 2017 in the matter of *In re The Charles Angelos Trust*, Baltimore County Case No: 03-C-16-011253 OB.

In view of this conflict, I would respectfully request that the zoning matter be rescheduled. Following our telephone conversation this morning, I am **not** available on the following dates in March 2017: March 6, 13, 16, 21 and 30. Otherwise, my clients, our expert witness, and I are available if you can reschedule in March around these dates.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or require additional information.

Very truly yours,

Michael T. Wyatt

MTW/mlr

Enclosure

#### Real Property Data Search

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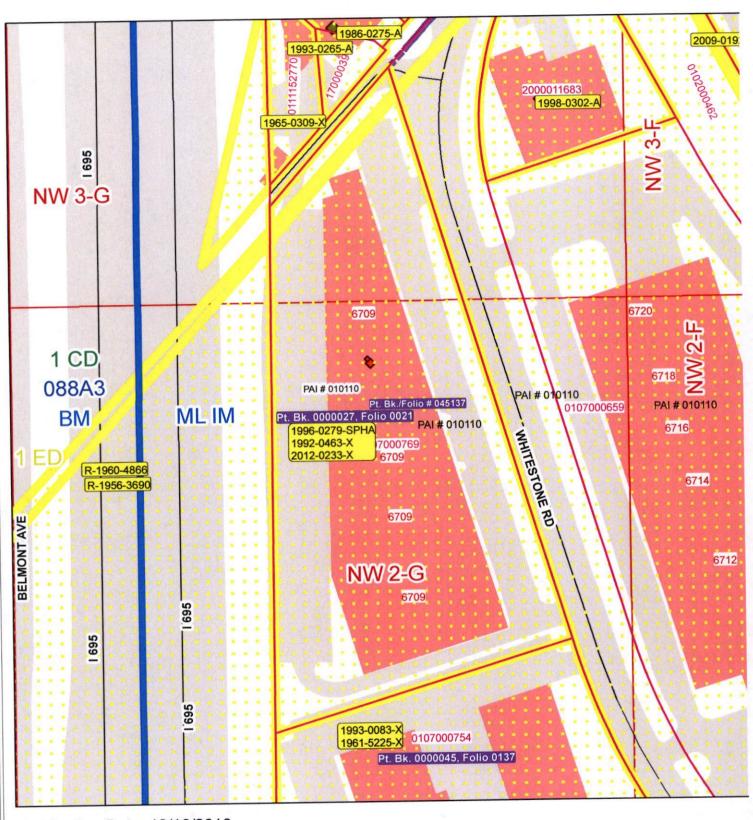
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## PETITIONER'S SIGN-IN SHEET

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Michael Wyett	1447 York Rd. , Ste 800	Letterville MD 21095	mwyoff hwklowgroup.co
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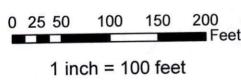


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IN THE MATTER OF:	*	BEFORE THE
6709 Whitestone Road, Suite D Baltimore, Maryland 21207	*	BALTIMORE COUNTY
GENERATION III LIMITED	*	OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE
LIABILITY COMPANY	*	HEARINGS
Legal Owner/Petitioner	*	
MARK F. CESSNA and	*	
LENORA M. CESSNA Contract Purchaser/Lessee	*	Case No: 2017-0168-SPHXA

# **PETITIONER'S**

# **HEARING EXHIBITS**

(April 20, 2017)

IN THE MATTER OF:

\* BEFORE THE

6709 Whitestone Road, Suite D

\* BALTIMORE COUNTY

Baltimore, Maryland 21207

\* OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE

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\* HEARINGS

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LENORA M. CESSNA

Contract Purchaser/Lessee

\* Case No: 2017-0168-SPHXA

# PETITIONER'S HEARING EXHIBITS TABLE OF CONTENTS

- 1. Plat 6709 Whitestone Road, Lot 1 D Meadows Industrial Park.
- 2. Exhibit to Accompany Zoning Petition delineating Special Exception Area and previous zoning cases.
- 3. Property Advertisement from Blue & Obrecht.
- 4. Camp Bow Wow Franchise Documentation.
- 5. Franchise Market Area Map MD-072 North Baltimore.
- 6. Photograph Camp Bow Wow Stand at M&T Bank Stadium.
- 7. Camp Bow Wow internal business photos.
- 8. Correspondence from Mid-Atlantic Emergency Vehicles, Inc. dated January 16, 2017.
- 9. Photographs of space to be leased and surrounding area.
- 10. Camp Bow Wow Environmental Impact Study.
- 11. Correspondence from Michael T. Wyatt to Lloyd Moxley and Dennis Wertz of Baltimore County Department of Planning dated March 30, 2017.
- 12. Opinion and Order dated April 9, 2012.

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BASIC SERVICES TRANSPORTATION- THE SITE IS NOT LOCATED WITHIN THE TRAFFIC SHED OF A LOCATED INTERSECTION
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HOURS OF OPERATION - APPROXIMATELY 7:00 AM TO 7:00 PM DAILY

#### **Parking Tabulation**

PARKING	REQUIRED

PROPOSED COMMERCIAL KENNEL 12,344 SF AT 15 EMPLOYEES @ 1 SP /EMPLOYEE = 15 SPACES

SERVICE GARAGE 15,245 SF @ 3.3 SP /1000 SF = 51 SPACES

WAREHOUSE 18,760 SF AT 9 EMPLOYEES @ 1 SP /EMPLOYEE = 9 SPACES

OFFICE 5.663 SF @ 3.3 SP /1,000 SF = 19 SPACES

TOTAL PARKING REQUIRED = 94 SPACES

TOTAL PARKING EXISTING SURFACE = 113 SPACES\*\*

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Pet Ex #1

135 SPACES

A Special Hearing is requested pursuant to Section 500.7 BCZR to relieve the conditions required for a Special Exception for a Commercial Kennel as identified under Section 253.2.C of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations.

A Special Exception is also requested to permit a Commercial Kennel in an ML zone as provided under Section 253.2.C of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations.

A Variance is requested to Section 421.2 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations to permit a Commercial Kennel, within a Manufacturing Zone, to be located within 0 feet of the nearest property line, (lease line) in lieu of the required 200 feet.

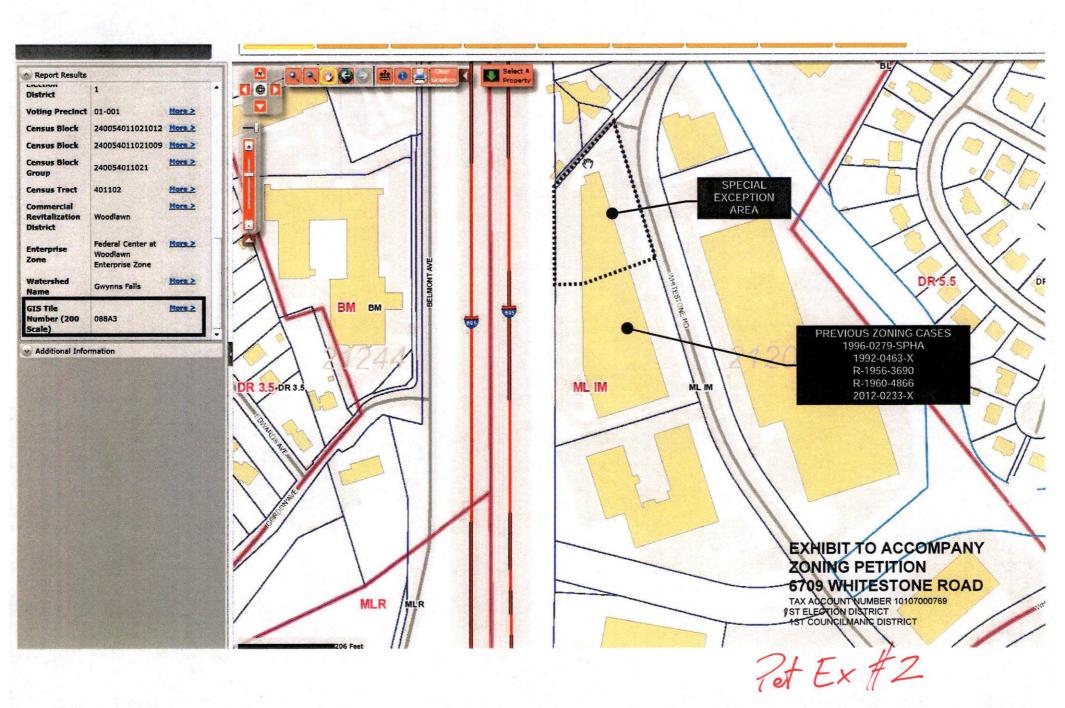
A Variance is requested to Section 253.4 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations to permit a non MR Use, unscreened from the motorway, within 45 feet of a the right-of-way of an existing freeway, in lieu of required 100 feet.



DATE	ISSUE
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PLAT TO ACCOMPANY ZONING PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING, VARIANCE AND SPECIAL EXCEPTION REQUEST 6709 WHITESTONE ROAD LOT 1 D MEADOWS INDUSTRIAL PARK

> BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND 1ST ELECTION DISTRICT 1ST COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT ZONING MAP NO. 88A3 PLAN SCALE 1" = 30'



#### FLEX / WAREHOUSE SPACE FOR LEASE

### Immediate Availability



#### 6709 Whitestone Road - Woodlawn, MD 21207

#### **Building Information**

Building Size: 51,815 SF

Space Available: Suite A: 15,545 SF

\$5.95 PSF, NNN **\$2.95 PSF** for 1st year

Suite D: 12,344 SF

\$7.75 PSF, NNN **\$4.95 PSF** for 1st year

#### **Highlights**

Fully air conditioned flex / warehouse space Suite A has a 12' x 20' drive-in door 18' ceiling height

Excellent Beltway visibility; Close to SSA and CMS

Zoned ML-IM (retail uses also permitted per existing variance)

David Paulson, SIOR

443-330-4804

dpaulson@blueobrecht.com

**Kevin Moriarty** 443-330-4808

kmoriarty@blueobrecht.com



Blue & Obrecht Realty, LLC 9475 Deereco Road, Suite 200 Timonium, MD 21093 410-561-5568

This building has excellent visibility and signage opportunities along the Baltimore Beltway. It is locally owned and managed, with excellent parking and easy access to I-695 and Security Boulevard.

# North America's Largest Pet Care Franchise

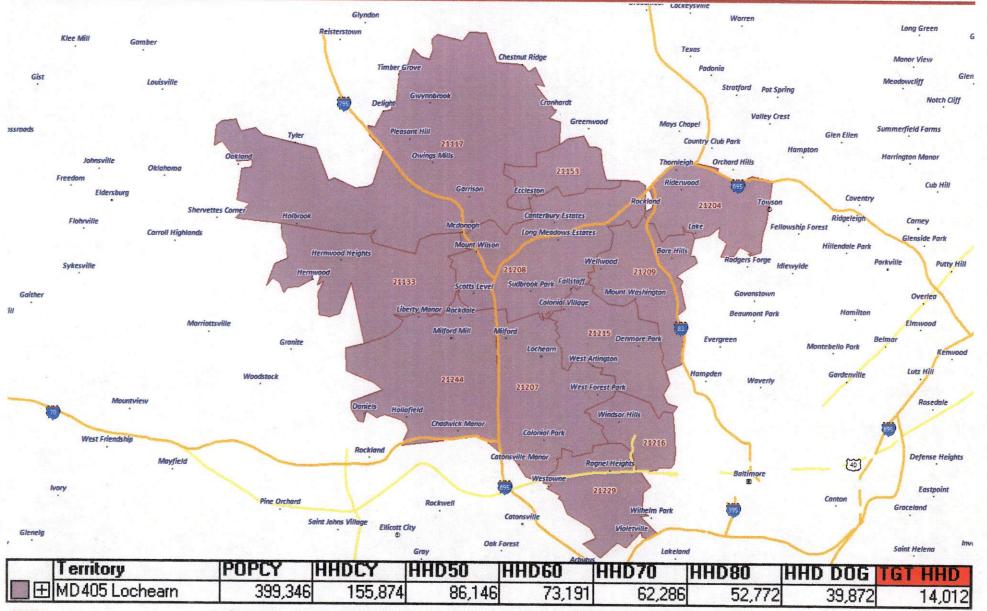
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Market: MD-072 North Baltimore

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# **Indoor & Outdoor Play Areas**









Pet Ex#7



#### Mid-Atlantic Emergency Vehicles, Inc. 6709 Whitestone Road Suite C Baltimore, MD 21207

January 16, 2017

RE: Petition for Special Exception Mark and Lenora Cessna

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to you today to share with you that Mark and Lenora Cessna, representative of Mema's Canine Companions, LLC, have informed Mid-Atlantic Emergency Vehicles, Inc. of their intent to lease the property located at 6709 Whitestone Rd., Woodlawn, MD. This property is owned by Generation III, LLC and a leasing agreement is pending as per the outcome of the Petition for Special Zoning Exception. We are the tenant located in the space adjacent to property requesting the special exception.

Mark and Lenora Cessna have fully disclosed to Mid-Atlantic Emergency Vehicles, Inc. their intent to utilize the property as a dog day care and boarding facility, under the name of "Camp Bow Wow". We have determined that "Camp Bow Wow" will not hamper our ability to conduct business.

Let it be known that Mid-Atlantic Emergency Vehicles, Inc. wholeheartedly supports Mark and Lenora Cessna's petition for special exception and that they be granted approval to move forward in establishing the business, Camp Bow Wow at this location.

Sincerely,

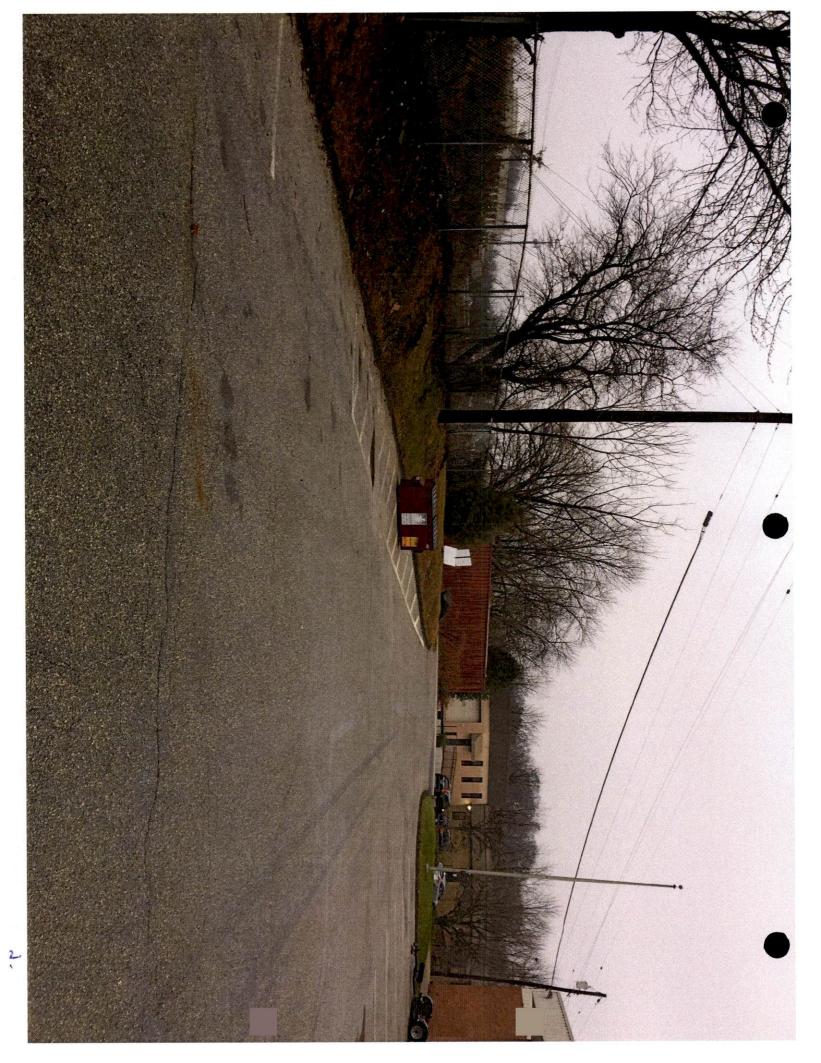
Mid-Atlantic Emergency Vehicles, Inc.

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As Camp Bow Wow continues to expand throughout the USA, some communities have begun to ask about the potential environmental impact the Camp's outside playgrounds might have on nearby storm drains. The primary concern comes from the runoff caused during a rainstorm and the potential risk to the nearby waterway's ecosystem. As a result of these important questions Camp Bow Wow and its supplier partner Spartan Chemical Company, Inc. conducted the following study.

#### **Environmental Impact Study of Camp Bow Wow's Outdoor Playgrounds**

#### Purpose:

The purpose was to make sure that incidental runoff of water and nutrients and maintenance items from the playground do not detrimentally impact the environment. We used San Diego County Region 9 Basin plan and Title 17 of the California Heath and Safety Code Storm Water Runoff Limits as the benchmark for allowable discharge limits. They are as follows:

- o pH = 6.5 8.5
- Nitrogen as Nitrates < 5mg/L</li>
- o Un-ionized Ammonia <.025 mg/L
- Total Phosphorus < .05 mg/L</li>
- o Total Coliforms: 10,000 cfu / 100ml
- o Fecal Coliforms: 400 cfu / 100 ml
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March 30, 2017

Via Email

<u>lmoxley@baltimorecountymd.gov</u> <u>dwertz@baltimorecountymd.gov</u>

Mr. Lloyd T. Moxley, Senior Planner Mr. Dennis Wertz, Senior Planner Baltimore County Department of Planning The Jefferson Building, Suite 101 105 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Zoning -

6709 Whitestone Road, Suite D

Baltimore, MD 21207

Case No: 2017-0168-SPHXA

Dear Mr. Moxley and Mr. Wertz:

Following up on the Department of Planning's February 2, 2017 comments to the above zoning case, and our March 2, 2017 meeting with you, we offer:

#### Commercial Kennel Operation in an ML Zone.

In 1967 when the definition was written, kennels were primarily in rural areas, and **not** in the urban areas. In 1970 Kennel use qualified as an interim condition special exception use. The policy at the time likely went like this: kennels were still primarily up in the country and therefore not really a use that the County would want to promote in an industrial zone, unless that land didn't have immediate access to public water and sewer – meaning that, without water and sewer that land really couldn't be used for industrial purposes anyway.

The proposed Camp Bow Wow use is not a kennel in the traditional sense. It is a day care facility for dogs whose owners wish to avail themselves of the convenience of dropping off their pet during the day to go to work or attend to other matters. The attached promotional literature and standards for franchised Camp Bow Wow operators amply highlights the modernization of this industry.

Pet Ex # 11

Mr. Lloyd Moxley Mr. Dennis Wertz Baltimore County Department of Planning March 30, 2017 Page 2

#### Please also consider:

- 1. Precedents for relieving conditions required under 253.2c have already been supported by the Planning Office and relieved under Case 12-196. See attached.
- 2. There are not many places where this type of use would be better suited than as an adaptive reuse of a building that was built in a different time for a different purpose.
- 3. The dog boarding industry is significant and substantially different than what the county council had in mind when with the original definition of kennel. The people that utilize this service pay a lot of money and want their dogs cared for by professionals. Customers utilizing the daily service desire a convenient location close to their home or workplace. This is a far cry from earlier iterations of this industry with kennel operations almost exclusively located in rural areas.
- 4. Applicant is only asking for a variance or waiver from the condition that there be no water and sewer (to support interim use) in this ML-zoned property.
- 5. The interim use conditions were presumably established at a time (almost 50 years ago) when there was an inventory of ML land which did not have access to public water or sewer and when kennels primarily operated in rural areas. Quite the opposite is true today, as there is negligible inventory of ML land on private well and septic systems; furthermore, not having access to public water and sewer facilities would be particularly detrimental to this petitioner's operation, in that for a modern kennel business to be successful, these types of public facilities are critical in maintaining both a clean and sanitary environment, and providing adequate fire/life safety protection.

#### Motorway Screening Variance.

BCZR 253.4 – Within 100 feet of any residential zone boundary or the right-of-way of any street abutting such a boundary, only passenger automobile accessory parking and those uses permitted in M.R. Zones, as limited by the use regulations in Section 241, are permitted. Any use other than passenger automobile accessory parking and those uses permitted in MR Zones as limited by the use regulations in Section 241 established within 100 feet of the right-of-way of an existing or proposed freeway or expressway so designated by the Planning Board shall be screened from the motorway in accordance with the standards and criteria contained in the Baltimore County Landscape Manual adopted pursuant to § 32-4-404 of the Baltimore County Code. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no trucking facility or part of a trucking facility may be established within 100 feet of such a right-of-way.

Applicant is only requesting relief from the screening requirements for a legitimate Special Exception use established within 100 feet of the freeway. The only stipulation that Section 253.4 makes is that any use other than MR uses and passenger vehicle parking needs to

Mr. Lloyd Moxley Mr. Dennis Wertz Baltimore County Department of Planning March 30, 2017 Page 3

be screened. The language does not qualify as to whether that use is a special exception use or anything else allowed under Section 253.

Finally, the subject property is located in an Enterprise Zone. Enterprise Zones are intended to encourage investments in areas where adaptive redevelopment is desirable. Applicant's proposed use would be a new business in a relatively stagnant commercial warehouse property that would approximately employ 15 people.

I hope this information provides additional clarification on the petition and addresses the concerns raised by the Planning Department's ZAC comments.

Thank you for your continued attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Michael T. Wyatt

MTW/mlr

Attachments

cc:

Mr. Mark Cessna

Mr. James E. Matis, P.E.

IN RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING, \*
SPECIAL EXCEPTION, & VARIANCE

NW side of Cockeysville Road, 376' NE of \* the c/line of Beaver Dam Road

(246 Cockeysville Road)

8th Election District

3rd Council District

246 Cockeysville Road Partnership (Richard Clarke), Owner

Best Friends Fur-Ever, Inc., (Kelly Cullum) \*
Contract Purchaser/Lessee

Petitioners

BEFORE THE

OFFICE OF

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

FOR

BALTIMORE COUNTY

Case No. 2012-0196-SPHXA

#### OPINION AND ORDER

This matter comes before the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) for consideration of Petitions for Special Hearing. Special Exception, and Variance filed by Richard Clarke, 246 Cockeysville Road Partnership, Legal Owner, and Kelly Cullum, Best Friends Fur-Ever, Inc., Contract Purchaser/Lessee, (the "Petitioners"). Special Hearing relief is requested as follows:

- Request that the conditions for the proposed commercial kennel (special exception), as provided in Section 253.2.C of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) be waived;
- To permit exercise areas and dog runs in a riverine floodplain pursuant to Section 500.6 of the B.C.Z.R., Sections 3112.00 and 3112.2 of the Baltimore County Building Code, and Sections 32-4-107, 32-4-404, 32-4-414 and 32-8-301 of the Baltimore County Code (B.C.C.);
- 3. A modified parking plan pursuant to Section 409.12 of the B.C.Z.R., and
- For such other and further relief as may be deemed necessary by the Administrative Law Judge.

In addition, Petitioners request Special Exception relief for a commercial kennel pursuant to Section 253.2.C.3 of the B.C.Z.R., and for such other and further relief as may be deemed necessary by the Administrative Law Judge.

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# Enterprise Zone Background Information



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#### Zone Objectives

Baltimore County has three Enterprise Zones designated by the Maryland Department of Business & Economic Development: the Chesapeake Zone, designated June 15, 2015 (formerly known as the North Point Zone designated December 1995 and renewed December 2005); the Southwest Enterprise Zone, designated December 1996 and renewed in 2003 and 2013; and the Federal Center at Woodlawn, designated June 2011.

The purpose of the zones is four-fold: 1) Insure retention and spur expansions of existing companies; 2) Promote development and occupancy of vacant, underutilized land and buildings; 3) Encourage the creation of well-paying new jobs; and 4) Support the County's commitment to revitalizing older office and industrial areas of Baltimore County.

#### Eligibility & Benefits

A business may be eligible for Enterprise Zone benefits if it makes a new investment in real property in the Enterprise Zone or if it hires any new employees that work inside the Zone. Qualifying companies in the Enterprise Zone can benefit from property tax credits and income tax credits. Generally, most types of business establishments are eligible for Enterprise Zone benefits with the exception of retail. Benefits include:

#### The Real Property Tax Credit

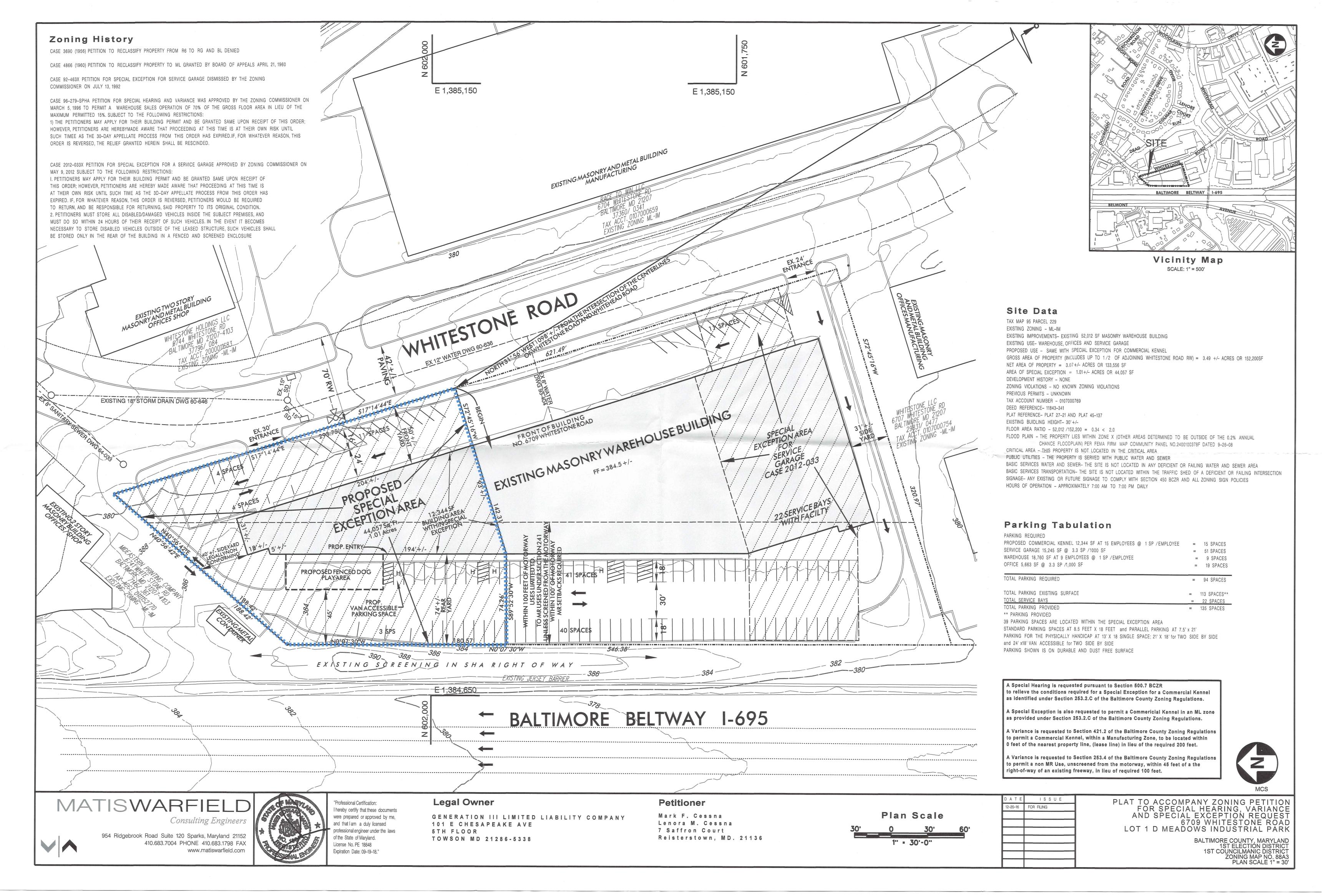
Eligible companies that make improvements to real property in the Zone can benefit from property tax credits over a 10-year period. For the first five years, the tax credit is equal to 80% of the increase in property tax owed resulting from the new investment. The tax credit declines in the remaining five years by 10% annually. The sample table on the next page shows the tax rates and credit amounts resulting from a \$500,000 improvement. Please note: The property tax credit is granted on whole taxable years only; a business would have to pay any half-year levy tax bills should the capital improvement be assessed as complete before July 1 of the first year of eligibility.

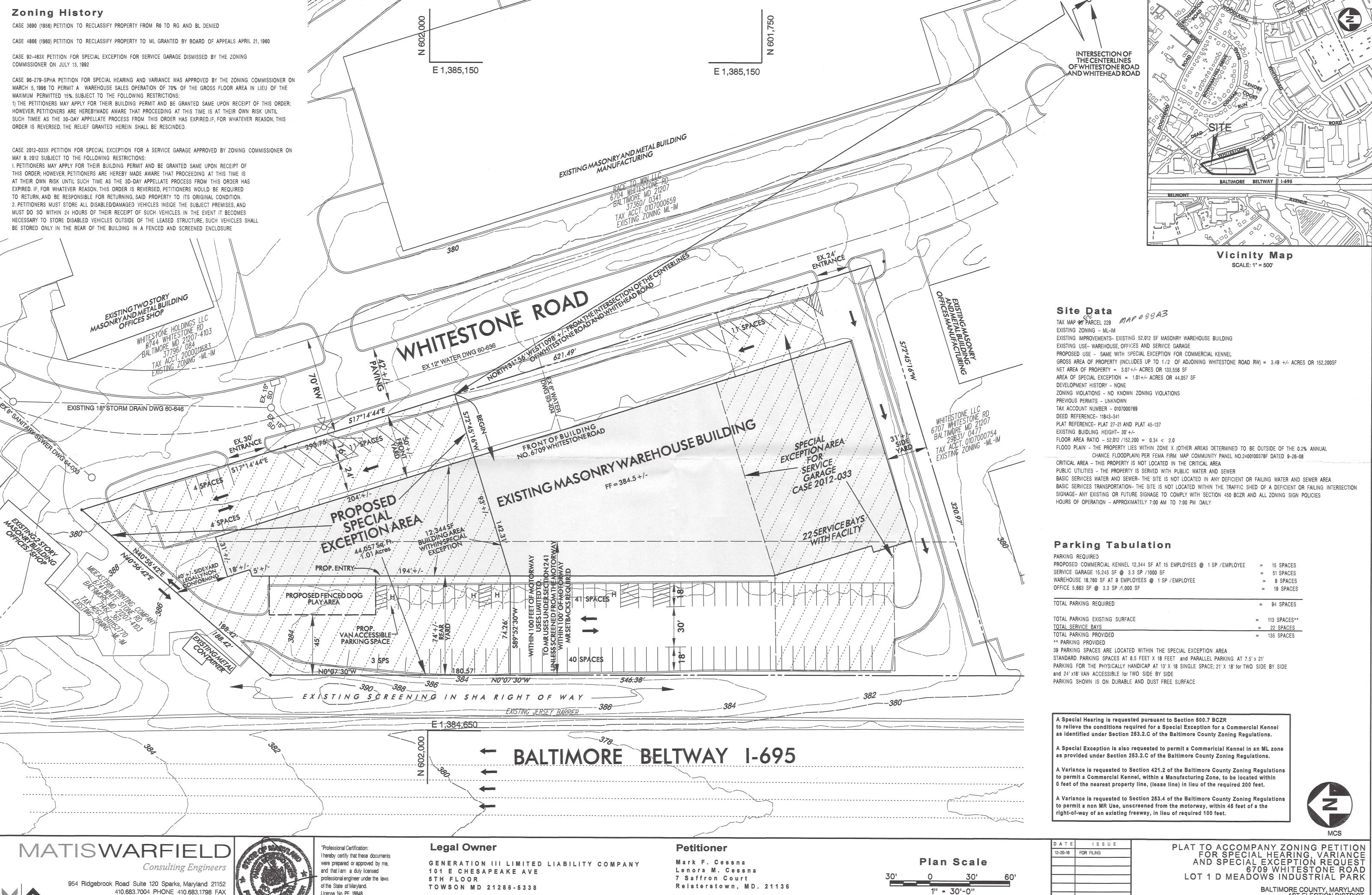
#### The State Income Tax Credit

Eligible companies located in the Enterprise Zone can benefit from a state income tax credit for newly hired employees. A credit is available for each new, full-time job created in the Enterprise Zone. A company can receive a one-time credit up to \$1,000 per new employee. Additionally, if the new job is filled









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