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DEREK J. BAUMGARDNER
Administrative Law Judge

June 7, 2024

Lemuel Benjamin, Rent, II – <u>benrentii@gmail.com</u> 3804 Perry Hill Road Perry Hall, MD 21128

RE: Petition for Variance

Case No. 2024-0057-A

Property: 3804 Perry Hall Road

Dear Mr. Rent:

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

Pursuant to Baltimore County Code § 32-3-401(a), "a person aggrieved or feeling aggrieved" by this Decision and Order 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,

DEREK J. BAUMGARDER Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County

DJB:dlm Enclosure

c: Lemuel Benjamin Rent, III – <u>benrentiii@gmail.com</u> Code Enforcement - <u>paienforce@baltimorecountymd.gov</u>

PETITION FOR ZONING HEARING(S)

To be filed with the Department of Permits, Approvals and Inspections To the Office of Administrative Hearings for Baltimore County for the property located at: _Currently Zoned Residential Permy Hall NO 71128 10 Digit Tax Account # 1/1/868 290 Owner(s) Printed Name(s) (SELECT THE HEARING(S) BY MARKING \underline{x} AT THE APPROPRIATE SELECTION(S) AND ADDING THE PETITION REQUEST) The undersigned, who own and occupy the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the plan/plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for an: a Special Hearing under Section 500.7 of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to determine whether or not the Zoning Commissioner should approve a Special Exception under the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County to use the herein described property for a Variance from Section(s) BCZR: 400.3 → To permit an existing accessory structure to have a height of 16 feet 4 inches in lieu of the maximum permitted height of 15 feet. 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) Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by the zoning regulations. I/ we agree to pay expenses of above petition(s), advertising, posting, etc. and further agree to be bound 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). Contract Purchaser/Lessee: Legal Owners (Petitioners): Name #2 - Type or Print Name - Type or Print Signature # 2 Signature Mailing Address Mailing Address State City Telephone #'s (Cell and Home) **Email Addres** Zip Code Telephone # **Email Address** Zip Code Representative to be contacted: **Attorney for Petitioner:** Name - Type or Print Signature City State City Mailing Address Mailing Addre **Email Address** Telephone # **Email Address** Zip Code Zip Code 3 Case Number_2024 ~ 0057 -**Do Not Schedule Dates** Reviewer Filing Date

3804 Perry Hall Road

(11-11-068290)

2024-0057-A

Property Description

Located on the northeast side of Perry Hall Road (45' row), approximately 980 feet +/- from the intersection with Pepper Hill Road (50' row).

Being known and designated as Lot 8-A, as shown on the Plat of Perry Hall Manor, Section 8, which Plat is recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Plat Book GLB No. 20, page 129. The improvements thereon being known as No. 3804 Perry Hall Road.

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DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS, APPROVALS AND INSPECTIONS ZONING REVIEW OFFICE

ADVERTISING REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR ZONING HEARINGS

The Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (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 twenty (20) days before the hearing.*

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

OPINIONS MAY NOT BE ISSUED UNTIL ALL ADVERTISING COSTS ARE PAID.

For Newspaper Advertising:
Case Number:
Property Address: 3804 PERRY MALL RUAD
Legal Owners (Petitioners): LEMUEL BENJAMIN RENT, 2ND
Contract Purchaser/Lessee:
PLEASE FORWARD ADVERTISING BILL TO: Name: Company/Firm (if applicable): LEMUEL BENJAMIN RENT, 3RD Address: 414 S. STEPNEY RUAD ABERDEEN, MD 21001
Telephone Number:

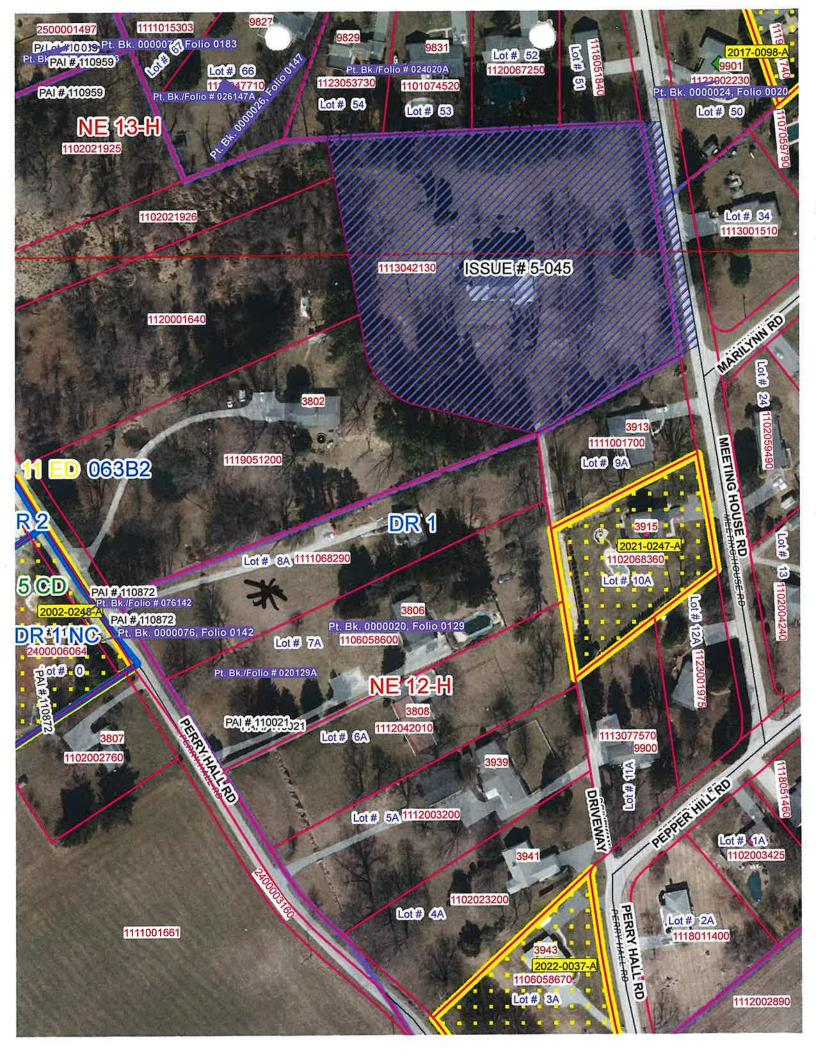
^{*}Failure to advertise and/or post a sign on the property within the designated time will result in the Hearing request being delayed. The delayed Hearing Case will be cycled to the end of pending case files and rescheduled in the order that it is received. Also, a \$250.00 rescheduling fee may be required after two failed advertisings and/or postings.

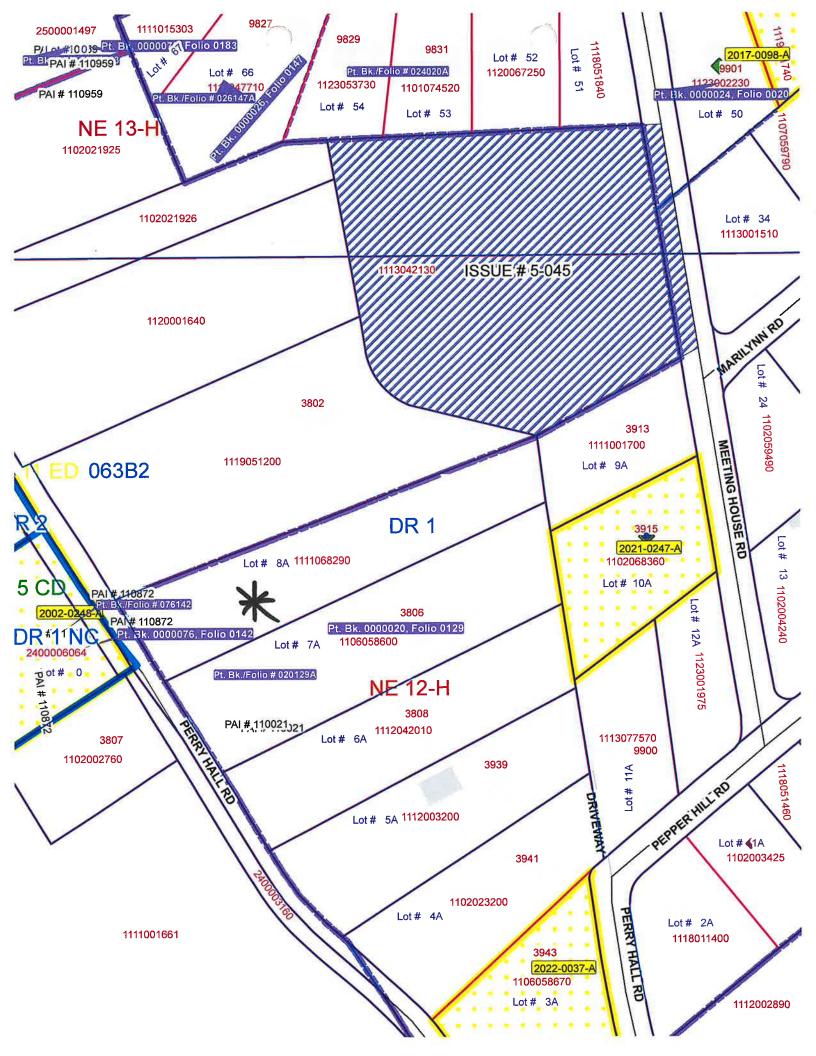
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Baltimore County Department of Permits, Approvals And Inspections

OFFICE HOURS 7:30 am - 3:30 pm

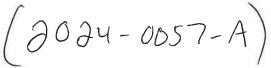
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Code Inspections and Enforcement County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

Plumbing Inspection: 410-887-3620 Electrical Inspection: 410-887-3960

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Department of Permits, Approvals & Inspections Complaint Report

Record Id: CB2300667

Record ID	Assigned To	Assigned Date	Received Date	<u>Status</u>	Compliance Date	Hearing Date
CB2300667	John James	10/09/2023	10/09/2023	Monitor	114	

<u>Complaint Description:</u> My neighbor has constructed a two story commercial metal building in his back yard. You can see the building from two streets away. It is extremely large and no variance signs were ever posted. It is right next to the Perry Hall Mansion and can be seen best from the access road going to the Mansion.

R23-0387 No inspection

Property

3804 PERRY HALL RD PERRY HALL, MD 21128-9742

Tax Id: 1111068290

Owner

RENT LEMUEL B 2ND 3804 PERRY HALL RD PERRY HALL, MD 21128-9742

Complainant

Marcy Chemelli 3915 Meeting Road Perry Hall MD, 21128 4435276159 marcy4139@yahoo.com

Complied On

Inspection Details

Inspector	<u>Date</u>	Service	Result	Action
John James	10/20/2023	Initial Inspection	Monitor	Monitor
John James	01/24/2024	Re-Inspection	Monitor	Monitor
John James	02/23/2024	Re-Inspection	Monitor	Monitor
John James		Re-Inspection	Scheduled	

Lien Information - No Lien

Comments Detail

10/20/2023: 10/12/23 Took pictures and will call the owner to get inspections. Also spoke to complainant and told her the same and let her know I will get back to her.

10/19/23 Spoke to the owner. He will be setting up inspections soon. ****BJ/lk

1/24/2024: 1/23/24 Posted and mailed correction notice. Owner has 30 days to apply for variance. R/C 2/22/24 BJ/DS

2/23/2024: 2/22/24 Owner has applied for a variance. R/C 3/21/24 ***BJ/lk

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Summary Main Address People Contractor DataGroup Workflow InspReq Condition Flags Rel Docs Fees

Payment Notes

▼ Type/Subtype: R-NEW - ACCSTRCT

Number: R23-03087

Status: ISSUEC

Main

Case Description: Residential New

Status Code: ISSUE

Subtype Desc: Accessory Structure

Location: 3804 PERRY HALL RD, PERRY HALL, MD, 21128

Tag:

Initiated By: benrentii@gmail.com 5/3/2023

Expiration: 9/18/2024

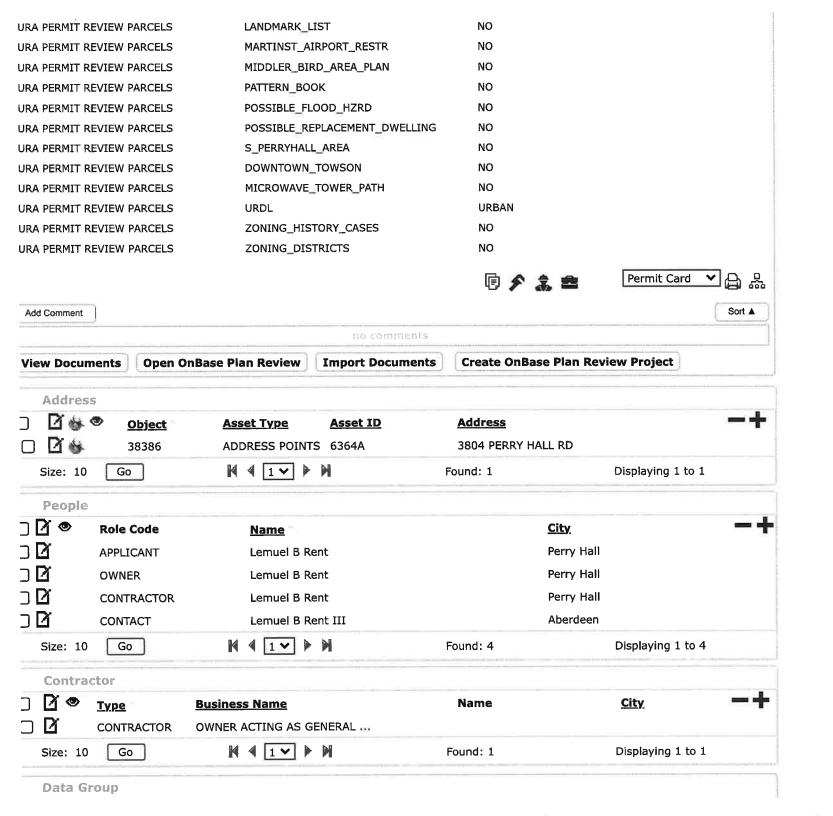
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* APPROVED
BUILDING
PERMIT,
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Grand Sum: 0

R-ACCSTRUC:

Residential Accessory Structure Info

Group Sum

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Describe Proposed Work

Comment:

Construct detached steel garage on rear property of sfd. 30'x25'x14'=750sf.

Accessory structure letter attached.

What is the existing use of the property?SFD

What is the proposed use?

SFD W/DETACHED GARAGE

Estimated Cost of Materials and Labor 3000.00

Is this permit application related to an existing permit? N

If the permit application is related, please provide the permit number(s).

Comment:

Type Of Structure

Garage

What is the Location of the Accessory Structure on the Property? Rear

What is the Size of the Accessory Structure (SQ FT)?750.00

Is there an Existing Principal Dwelling on the Property? $^{\mathsf{Y}}$

Is this Accessory Structure Enclosed?

Foundation Type

Concrete

Type Of Construction

Structural Steel

Type Of Heating Fuel

NA

Central Air

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Type Of Sewage Disposal for the PropertyPrivate

Is the Sewage Disposal Existing or Proposed? Existing

Type Of Water Supply for the PropertyPrivate Is the Water Supply Existing or Proposed? Existing Will the Accessory Structure be connected to water or sewer? N Is the Property Under Private or Public Ownership?Private What is the Ownership Use of the Property? Owner Occupied Ν **Corner Lot** Is this property a Baltimore County Landmark or within a Baltimore County Historic $\,^{
m N}$ District? Width: What is the width of the accessory structure from the widest point (FT)?30.00 Height: What is the highest point of the accessory structure (FT)?14.00 Depth: What is the depth of the accessory structure from front to back (FT)?25.00 Front Set Backs - Front: Provide the distance from the property line to the accessory 458.00structure (FT) 59.00 Left Side Set Backs: Provide the distance from the property line to the accessory structure (FT) Right Side Set Backs: Provide the distance from the property line to the accessory 15.00 structure (FT)

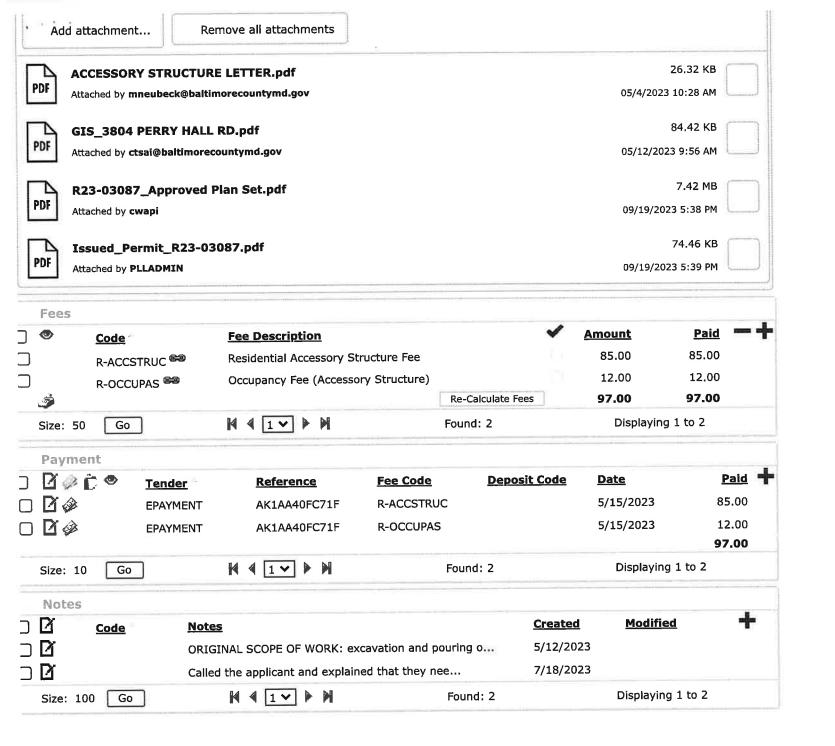
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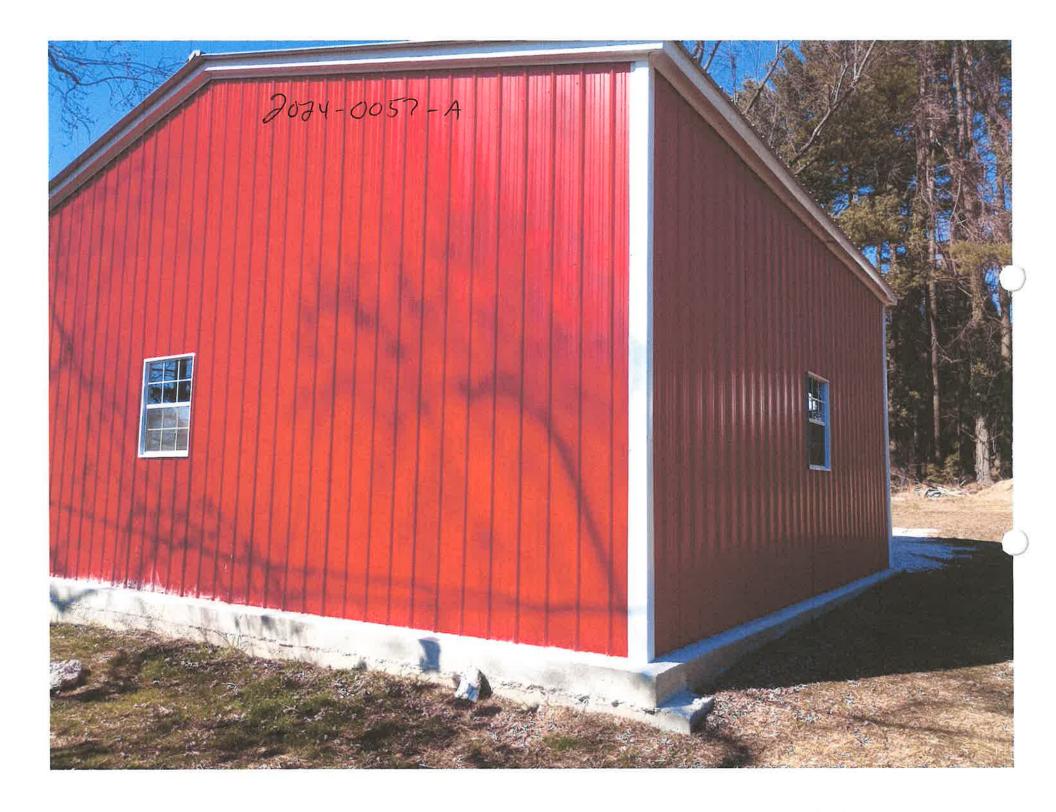
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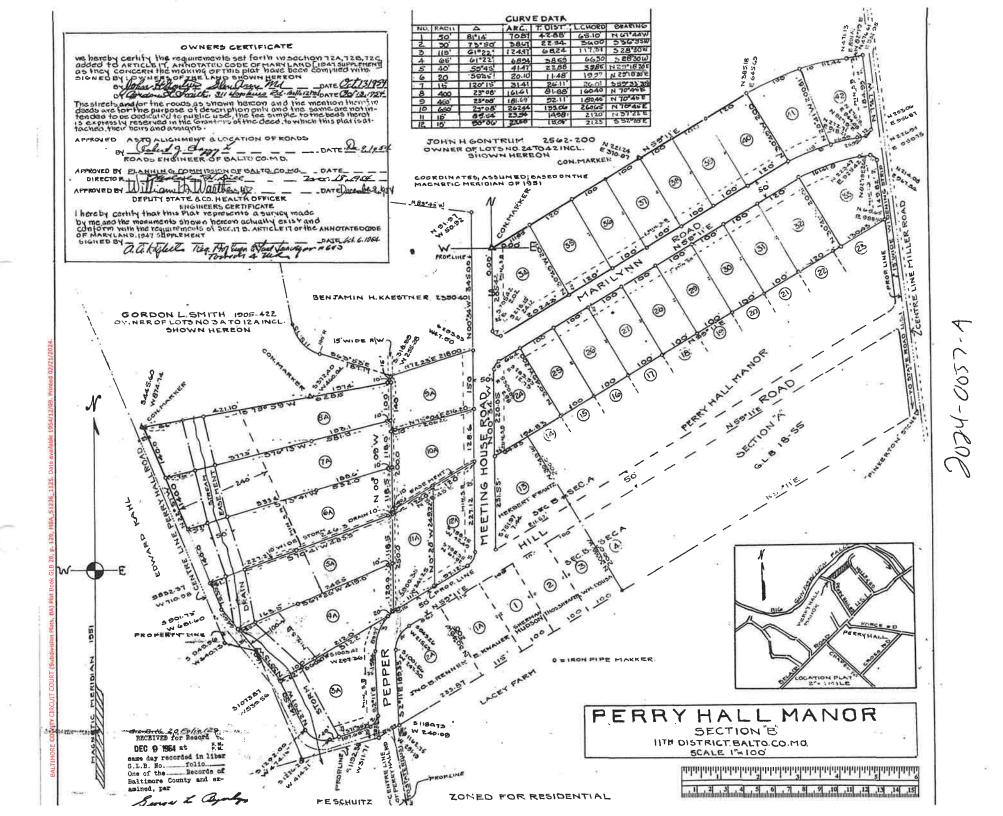












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2024-0057-A

IN RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE (3804 Perry Hall Road)

11th Election District 5th Council District Lemuel Benjamin Rent, II *Legal Owner* * BEFORE THE

* OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE

* HEARINGS OF

* BALTIMORE COUNTY

Petitioner * CASE NO. 2024-0057-A

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OPINION AND ORDER

This matter comes before the Office of Administrative Hearings ("OAH") as a Petition for Variance filed by Lemuel Benjamin Rent, II ("Petitioner") for the property located at 3804 Perry Hall Road, Perry Hall, Baltimore County, Maryland (the "Property"). Petitioner requests variance relief from Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("BCZR") § 400.3 to permit an existing accessory structure to have a height of 16 feet 4 inches in lieu of the maximum permitted height of 15 feet.

A public hearing was conducted on May 29, 2024, using the virtual platform WebEx in lieu of an in-person hearing. The Petition was properly advertised and posted. Petitioner appeared *pro se* with the assistance of his son, Lemuel Benjamin Rent, III, in support of the Petition. There were no Protestants or other interested persons who participated in the hearing.

The following exhibits were received from county agencies and admitted into the record:

(1) Zoning Advisory Committee ("ZAC") comments from the Department of Planning ("DOP");

(2) Department of Environmental Protection Sustainability ("DEPS") comments; and Development Plans Review ("DPR") comments. County reports do not indicate any objection to the requested relief.

Findings of Fact

On May 2, 2023, Mr. Rent applied for a building permit to construct a 14-foot tall accessory structure in the rear of his property. Permit No. R23-03087 was issued on September 18, 2023, to "construct detached steel garage on rear property of sfd 30'x25'x14'=750sf." The accessory structure was constructed according to approved specifications. At some point after construction was completed but before final inspections, Baltimore County Code Enforcement responded to a constituent complaint for an unpermitted "two-story commercial metal building." Upon investigation of the complaint, PAI determined that the accessory structure was built to a height of 16 feet 4 inches, 2 feet 4 inches in excess of the height proposed under the approved plans, and 1 foot 4 inches in excess of the maximum permitted height of an accessory structure in a residential zone. The building inspector on-site did not note any commercial use of the structure. Because the height of the accessory structure exceeded the height of 14 feet as stated in the plans, and because BCZR §400.3 prohibits accessory structures in residential zones to exceed 15 feet in height, Code Enforcement issued Citation Case No. CB2300667. The variance relief requested in this case is intended to cure the permit violation.

The Property is approximately 1.74 acres in land area and is zoned DR 1. The Property is sloped with the single-family home located in the mid-rise, and the rear yard is screened from neighboring lots by extensive mature tree cover. The Property is improved with a detached single-family dwelling and existing accessory structure. The Site is surrounded primarily by single-family detached dwellings of similar size and acreage. The Property enjoys substantial yard setbacks from adjacent lots and structures. The intended use of the accessory structure is for storage accessory to the single-family home.

Petitioner testified that the original plans called for a height of only 14 feet, but when it was determined that 10-foot tall doors were necessary to accommodate the storage of a tractor on site, the resulting roof elevation needed to be raised to accommodate the 10-foot tall doors, resulting in a total height of 16 feet 4 inches. Mr. Rent testified that he was not aware this modification violated the building permit or BCZR §400.3.

Conclusions of Law

The Petition requests variance relief from BCZR 400.3 to permit an accessory building (barn/garage) with a height of 16 feet 4 inches in lieu of the maximum permitted height of 15 ft. Pursuant to BCZR § 307.1, "...the [Administrative Law Judge] shall have ...the power to grant variances from height and area regulations, from off-street parking regulations, and from sign 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, off-street parking or sign regulations, and only in such manner as to grant relief without injury to public health, safety and general welfare..." 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).

The Property's sloped terrain, significant vegetative cover, and substantial setbacks on all sides make this property unique with respect to any adverse impacts from the existing accessory

structure's height, particularly in light of the minimal variance requested. For these reasons, I find that this property is unique and that special circumstances or conditions exist that are peculiar to this property where strict compliance with the Zoning Regulations for Baltimore County with respect to maximum accessory building height would result in practical difficulty, as the intended permitted use functionally requires the minimal variance requested. I also find that the requested variance relief can be granted in strict harmony with the spirit and intent of the BCZR and without injury to the health, safety or general welfare. The barn is sited in the rear yard away from neighboring residences and largely obscured from view from public roads and adjacent lots and will have no adverse impact on adjacent lots in strict harmony with the spirit and intent of the BCZR.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, this 7th day of June 2024, by the Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County, that the Petition for Variance pursuant to BCZR, § 400.3 to permit an existing accessory structure to have a height of 16 ft., 4 inches in lieu of the maximum permitted height of 15 ft., be and is hereby **GRANTED**.

The relief granted herein shall be subject to the following:

- 1. Petitioner may apply for necessary permits and/or licenses upon receipt of this Order. However, Petitioner is hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at 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, Petitioner would be required to return the subject property to its original condition;
- 2. Petitioner and subsequent owners shall not convert the accessory structure into a dwelling unit or apartment. The detached garage shall not contain any sleeping quarters, living area, bathroom facilities or kitchen facilities;
- 3. The detached accessory building shall not have a separate utility or electric connection, except as recommended or required by utility or electric providers for technical or safety reasons; and

4. The detached accessory structure shall not be used for commercial or industrial purposes.

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

DEREK J. BAUMGARDNER Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County

DJB/dlm

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

Inter-Office Correspondence



TO: Hon. Maureen E. Murphy; Chief Administrative Law Judge

Office of Administrative Hearings

FROM: Jeff Livingston, Department of Environmental Protection and

Sustainability (EPS) - Development Coordination

DATE: March 18, 2024

SUBJECT: DEPS Comment for Zoning Item # 2024-0057-A

Address: 3804 PERRY HALL RD Legal Owner: Lemuel Benjamin Rent

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of March 18, 2024.

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

Additional Comments:

Reviewer: Earl D Wrenn

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Peter Gutwald, Director DATE: March 14, 2024

Department of Permits, Approvals

FROM: Vishnu Desai, Supervisor

Bureau of Development Plans Review

SUBJECT: Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

Case 2024-0057-A

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

DPR: No comment

DPW-T: No Exception taken.

Landscaping: No comment.

Recreations & Parks: No Greenways affected.

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: C. Pete Gutwald DATE: 3/18/2024

Director, Department of Permits, Approvals and Inspections

FROM: Steve Lafferty

Director, Department of Planning

SUBJECT: ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Case Number: 2024-0057-A

INFORMATION:

Property Address: 3804 Perry Hall Road **Petitioner:** Lemuel Benjamin Rent III

Zoning: DR 1 **Requested Action:** Variance

The Department of Planning has reviewed the petition for the following:

Variance - From Section 400.3 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations to permit an existing accessory structure to have a height of 16' 4" in lieu of the maximum permitted height of 15'.

The subject site is an approximately 1.74 acre property in the Perry Hall area. It is improved with a single family detached dwelling, a stone drive, and a 25' by 30' accessory structure, which is the subject of this Zoning Variance request. Per County GIS software, the dwelling has a front yard setback of approximately 383'; per the site plan submitted with the Petition, the accessory structure is setback approximately 458' from the public right of way.

The site is primarily surrounded with single family detached dwellings. The nearby dwellings at 3802, 3806, 3808, 3839, and 3941 Perry Hall Road have deep front yard setbacks similar to that of the subject site. Northeast of the subject site is the Perry Hall Mansion, a Baltimore County Final Landmark. A nearby property (3915 Meeting House Road) was the subject of Zoning Case 2021-0247-A, which granted Variance relief to permit a proposed accessory structure (a pavilion) in the side yard in lieu of the required rear yard and to allow a height of 18' in lieu of the maximum permitted 15'.

The site is within the boundary of the Perry Hall Community Plan, adopted February 22nd, 2011. The Plan provides background information on the Perry Hall area, a vision plan for the area, and a variety of recommendations for within the Plan area boundary, but does not provide any guidance relevant to the petition at hand.

The accessory structure was the subject of Building Permit R23-03087 and two Code Complaints: CB2300660 and CB2300667. The Building Permit was for the construction of a detached steel garage on the rear of the property. The permit details list the size of the structure as 30' x 25' with a height of 14'. The permit was issued on September 19th, 2023. The Workflow on Cityworks shows that the accessory structure passed both the Building Footing Inspection and the Final Framing Inspection. The Final Building Inspection has yet to be resulted as of the date of these comments. Code Complaint CB2300660 was for the construction of an accessory structure over 15' in height and is marked as Closed on Citizen

Access. Code Complaint CB2300667 was for the construction of a large accessory structure without a Variance and is marked as a Monitor status on Citizen Access.

The Department of Planning contacted the Petitioner via email on March 12th, 2024 seeking information on the increased height from the time of permitting to the time of the Zoning Variance request. In a March 13th, 2024 reply, the Petitioner explained that the property belongs to his father and the accessory structure is a barn-type structure for tractor storage. The Petitioner explained that the barn door was originally proposed to be 9' tall, however, it was determined after a consultation with the manufacturer that the property owner would be better off with a 10' tall door to accommodate the 8.5' rollover protective structure (ROP) of the tractor; the property owner and Petitioner were not aware that increasing the door height would increase the overall height of the structure until after final payment.

The accessory structure is set back over 450' from the public right-of-way and allows for the property owner to properly store his tractor. This request is also not uncommon. For those reasons, the Department of Planning has no objections to the requested relief.

For further information concerning the matters stated herein, please contact Taylor Bensley at 410-887-3482.

Division Chief:

Prepared by:

Krystle Patchak

SL/JGN/KP

c: Lemuel Benjamin Rent III
Ainsley Pressl, Community Planner
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Office of Administrative Hearings
People's Counsel for Baltimore County

CERTIFICATION OF POSTING

	RE: Case No.	2024-0057-A
	Petitioner: Lem	nuel Benjamin Rent
	Hearing Date:	5/29/24
Baltimore County Department of		
Permits, Approvals and Inspections		
Room 111, County Office Building		
111 W. Chesapeake Ave.		
Towson, Md. 21204		
This letter is to confirm, under pena	lties of perjury, th	at the necessary sign(s)
were posted conspicuously on the p	roperty located at	:
3804 Perry Hall Rdfront of prop	erty, south side lo	oking SE (1 of 4)
3804 Perry Hall Rdfront of prop	erty, south side lo	oking NW (2 of 4)
3804 Perry Hall Rdfront of prop	erty, north side lo	oking SE (3 of 4)
3804 Perry Hall Rdfront of prop	erty, north side lo	oking NW (4 of 4)
on <u>5/8/24</u>		
Since	rely,	
Richa	ırd E. Hoffman (si	gned) 5/8/24
	904 Dellwood Dr	ive
	Fallston, Md. 210	047
	(443) 243-7360)

Certification of Posting

Case Number: 2024-0057-A

Sign Posting Date: <u>5/8/24</u>



3804 Perry Hall Road-front south side property-looking SE (1 of 4)

Richard E. Hoffman (signed) 5/8/24

Richard E. Hoffman

904 Dellwood Drive

Fallston, Md. 21047

443-243-7360

Zoning Hearing Plan for Variance for Special Heari	ing Mark Type Requested with (X)
Address 3804 YERRY HALL RD.	Owners(s) Name(s) LEMUEL B. RENT II / JR
Subdivision Name PERRY HALL MANCE	Lot # 8A Block # NA Section # B
Plat Book # 20 Folio # 129 10 Digit Tax # 1 1 1	1068290 Deed Reference# 13690100480

See ATT# 1 for to Scale

SITE PLAN

MAP IS NOT TO SCALE 06382 Zoning Map # Zoning Residential **Election District** Council District Lot Area Acreage 1.74 AC Lot Square Footage 75, 794.43F Historic (Yes or No) ______ CBCA (Yes or No) Flood Plain (Yes or No) NO Utilities - Mark with (X) Water is: Public ____ Private X Sewer is: Public ____ Private X Prior Hearing (Yes or No) NO If (Yes) list Case Number(s) and order result(s) below: Violation Case Number(s)

CB2300667

Site Vicinity Map

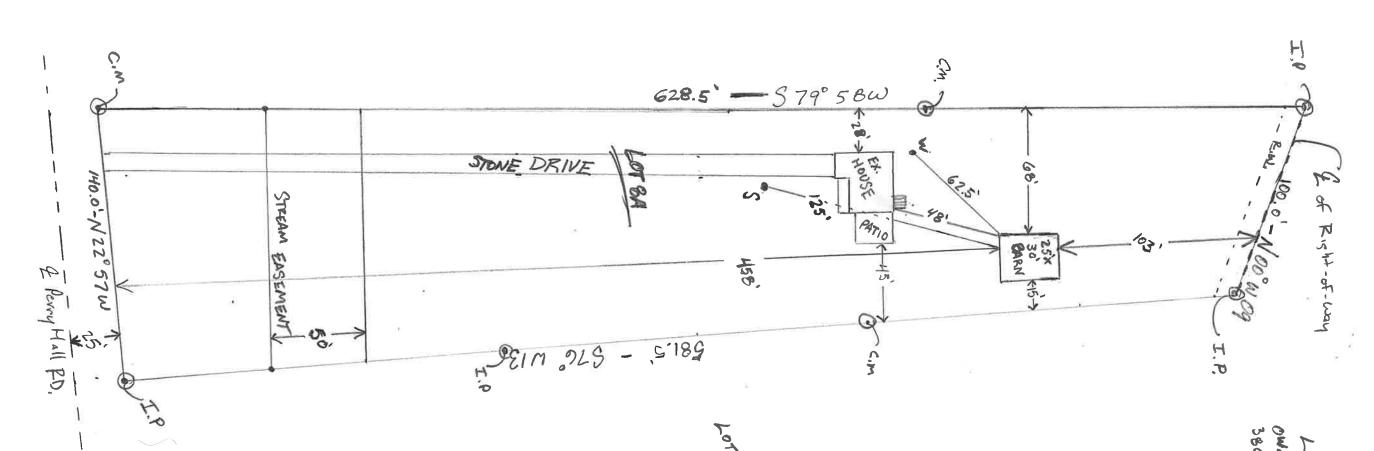
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Plan Drawn By L. Ben Rent III

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Date <u>Z/21/24</u> Scale: 1 inch = <u>50</u> Feet

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PERRY HALL MANOR
SECTION 'B'
LOT NO. BA ELB. 20/129
OWNER: LEMINEL B. RENT III
3804 PERRY HALL RD. 21126

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