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MAUREEN E. MURPHY
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Administrative Law Judge

November 6, 2024

Michael Paccione & Maryanne Paccione — <u>michael.paccione@sproutec.com</u> 2407 Beach Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21221

RE: Petition for Variance

Case No. 2024-0210-A

Property: 2407 Beach Avenue

Dear Petitioners:

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.

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MAUREEN E. MURPHY Chief Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County

MEM:dlm Enclosure

C: Brian Dietz – <u>brian@dietzsurveying.net</u>

Kevin McDonough kevinmcdonough@comcast.net

IN RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE
(2407 Beach Avenue)
15th Election District
7th Council District
Michael & Maryanne Paccione

Legal Owners

* BEFORE THE

* OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE

* HEARINGS OF

* BALTIMORE COUNTY

Petitioners * CASE NO. 2024-0210-A

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OPINION AND ORDER

This matter comes before the Office of Administrative Hearings ("OAH") as Petitions for Variance filed by the legal owners, Michael and Maryanne Paccione (the "Petitioners") for property located at 2407 Beach Avenue, Essex (the "Property"). The Petition for Variance seeks relief from the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("BCZR"), §1B01.2.C.1, and Zoning Commissioner's Policy ("ZCPM") Policy #S-22, to allow a replacement dwelling with a rear yard (street side) setback of 20 ft in lieu of the required 30 ft, and from BCZR, §400.1 and ZCPM Policy #S-7, to allow an accessory building (detached garage) to be located partially in the side yard, in lieu of the required rear yard only and to allow a rear yard (street side) setback of 5 ft. in lieu of the required 30 ft. (by policy).

A public WebEx hearing was conducted virtually in lieu of an in-person hearing was held on November 4, 2024. The Petition was properly advertised and posted. The Petitioners appeared at the hearing along with Jon Skarda, builder, and Brian Dietz, a registered property line surveyor, who prepared a site plan (the "Site Plan"). (Pet. Ex. 1).

Zoning Advisory Committee ("ZAC") comments were received from the Department of Planning ("DOP") which agency did not oppose the requested relief. Department of Environmental Protection and Sustainability ("DEPS") provided a ZAC comment that the Property

is located in the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area ("CBCA"), and specifically within a Limited Development Area ("LDA") and Modified Buffer Area ("MBA"). As such it is subject to lot coverage requirements. DEPS also noted that a CBCA Variance for a reduced principal structure setback from mean high tide in an MBA is pending review. Additionally, Development Plans Review ("DPR")/Department of Public Works and Transportation ("DPWT") provided the following comment:

DPWT: The property is within the Tidal Special Flood Hazard Area Zone AE (BFE=8.5) per panel FIRM 2400100435F dated 9/26/08. Must comply with Flood Plain Ordinance, See County Bill 40-15 (the latest edition of the Baltimore County Code) and Bill 42-15, and Section 32-4-414 of Article 32, Title 4 of the Baltimore County Code, 2003, as amended. The LiMWA is not on the property.

The Site Plan reveals that Property consists of Lots 21 and 22 which were created on the Plat of Turkey Point Farm recorded in the Land Records of Baltimore County on September 9, 1915 (Plat Book WPC 4, folio 171). The Property fronts on Sue Creek and measures 0.326 acres +/- (14,200 sf). It is improved with a 1-story dwelling located entirely on Lot 21, which dwelling is setback 19.3 ft. from Beach Avenue, and 6.9 ft. from the western Property line. Lot 22 is currently improved with a carport, garage and several sheds. The zoning is Density Residential (DR 3.5).

Petitioners propose to raze all of the existing improvements and to construct a 2-story replacement dwelling, along with a 320-sf detached garage on the street side as shown on the Site Plan. (Pet. Ex. 1). Petitioners testified that they have obtained letters of support from neighboring property owners. (Pet. Exs. 2). The proposed replacement dwelling will be situated farther from both the western side yard Property line and the rear Property line, than the existing dwelling.

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 is unique in that it consists of two (2) lots which are asymmetrical and otherwise irregularly shaped and sized. Those physical characteristics, combined with the waterfront location and CBCA requirements, limit the area on the Property where a replacement dwelling and detached garage can be located. Indeed, the proposed location of the replacement dwelling will be 20 ft. from the rear Property line and 10 ft. from the western side yard; both of which are farther from the Property lines than the existing dwelling. At the hearing, Mr. Dietz clarified that the Petition for Variance relief (for a 20 ft. rear yard setback in lieu of the required 30 ft.) should have been sought under BCZR, §1B02.3.C.1 (the "Small Lot Table"), and not BCZR, §1B01.2.C.1 as stated in the Petition. Accordingly, using the Small Lot Table, the only Bulk Regulation which the replacement dwelling cannot meet is the rear setback of 30 ft.

ZCPM Policy S-22 confirms that on waterfront property the portion of the lot adjacent to the water will be considered the front yard for purposes of determining orientation, and the portion of the property adjacent to the street or right-of-way will be considered the rear yard. While the Petition also seeks Variance relief under ZCPM Policy S-7 in regard to 'double frontage lots,' the only street bordering this Property is Beach Avenue; there are not two (2) public or parallel streets. Accordingly, I find that Policy S-7 does not apply and the proposed detached garage does <u>not</u> need to be 30 ft. from rear Property line; the setback from Property line for the garage is 2 ½ ft. In fact, the detached garage will be 5 ft. from the rear Property line and will be 15 ft. in height, both of

which meet BCZR, §400.1 and §400.3. However, due to the irregular shape and size of the Property, the proposed garage will need to be located partly in the side yard, rather than entirely in the rear yard. Consequently, I find the Petitioners would suffer a practical difficulty if that area Variance for the proposed garage was not granted. I find that the Petitioners would suffer a practical difficulty and unreasonable hardship if the proposed rear yard setback and area Variance were not granted because they would not be able to construct a replacement dwelling or a detached garage, which are both typical for this neighborhood. 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, particularly in light of the support of the adjoining property owners.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, this <u>6th</u> day of **November**, **2024**, by the Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County, that the Petition for Variance pursuant to BCZR, §1B02.3.C.1, and Policy #S-22 of the ZCPM, to allow a replacement dwelling with a rear yard (street side) setback of 20 ft. in lieu of the required 30 ft. be, and it is hereby, **GRANTED**; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Petition for Variance from BCZR, §400.1, to allow an accessory building (detached garage) to be located partially in the side yard, in lieu of the required rear yard only, be, and it is hereby, **GRANTED**; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Petition for Variance from Policy #S-7 of the ZCPM, to allow a rear yard (street side) setback of 5 ft, in lieu of the required 30 ft (by policy), be and it is hereby, **DISMISSED AS MOOT** and **IS NOT APPLICABLE**.

The relief granted herein shall be subject to the following:

1. 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. The Site Plan (Pet. Ex. 1) is attached hereto and incorporated herein.
- 3. Petitioners and all subsequent property owners must comply with the DEPS and DPR/DPWT ZAC comments, copies of which are attached hereto and made a part hereof.
- 4. The height of the detached garage shall not exceed 15 ft.
- 5. Petitioners and subsequent owners shall not convert the detached garage into a dwelling unit or apartment. The detached garage shall not contain any sleeping quarters, living area, bathroom facilities or kitchen facilities.
- 6. The detached garage shall not have a separate utility or electric connection and shall connect all electrical to the home.
- 7. The detached garage 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.

MAUREEN E. MURPHY

Chief Administrative Law Judge

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for Baltimore County

MEM/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 (DEPS) - Development Coordination

DATE:

September 27, 2024

SUBJECT:

DEPS Comment for Zoning Item

2024-0210-A

Address:

2407 BEACH AVENUE

Legal Owner: Michael & Maryanne Paccione

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of October 1, 2024.

The subject property is located within the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area. According to BCZR Section 500.14, no decision shall be rendered on any petition for special exception, zoning variance, or zoning special hearing for a property within the Critical Area until the Department of Environmental Protection and Sustainability (DEPS) has provided written recommendations describing how the proposed request would address for following requirements:

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3. Be consistent with established land use policies for development in the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area, which accommodate growth and also address the fact that, even if pollution is controlled, the number, movement and activities of persons in that area can create adverse environmental impacts.

By meeting all Critical Area lot coverage, Modified Buffer Area, and forest requirements, the development can be consistent with established land-use policies.

Reviewer: Paul Dennis, Environmental Impact Review

Baltimore COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Peter Gutwald, Director

DATE: September 24, 2024

Department of Permits, Approvals

FROM:

Vishnu Desai, Supervisor

Bureau of Development Plans Review

SUBJECT:

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

Case 2024-0210-A

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PETITION FOR ZONING HEARING(S)

To be filed with the Department of Permits, Approvals and Inspections

To the Office of Administrative Hearings for Baltimore County for the property located at:

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Dietz Surveying, Inc.

Land Surveying and Land Planning

8119 Oakleigh Road, Baltimore, MD 21237 Phone 410-661-3160 Fax 410-661-3163

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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: 2024-0210-A
Property Address: 2407 BEACH AVENUE
Legal Owners (Petitioners): MICHAEC & MARYANNE PACCIONE
Contract Purchaser/Lessee:
PLEASE FORWARD ADVERTISING BILL TO:
Name: Company/Firm (if applicable):
Address: 2407 BEACH AVENUE
BALTIMORE, MD 21221

^{*}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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Search Result for BALTIMORE COUNTY View GroundRent Redemption View GroundRent Registration View Map Special Tax Recapture: None District - 15 Account Number - 1508652571 Account Identifier: **Owner Information** PACCIONE MICHAEL RESIDENTIAL Owner Name: Principal Residence: PACCIONE MARYANNE YES Deed Reference: Mailing Address: 311 N 29 ST /43951/00169 RICHMOND VA 23223-**Location & Structure Information** 2407 BEACH AVE .326 AC LT 22 PTLT 23 Premises Address: Legal Description: BALTIMORE 21221-1807 Waterfront TURKEY POINT FARM Map: Grid: Parcel: Neighborhood: Subdivision: Section: Block: Lot: Assessment Year: Plat No: 0098 0015 0211 15080075.04 0000 22 2024 Plat Ref: 0004/0171 **Primary Structure Built** Above Grade Living Area Finished Basement Area Property Land Area **County Use** 820 SF 1929 14,200 SF 34 StoriesBasementType Exterior QualityFull/Half BathGarage Last Notice of Major Improvements STANDARD UNITASBESTOS SHINGLE/2 NO 1 full 1 Detached **Value Information** Base Value Value Phase-in Assessments As of As of As of 01/01/2024 07/01/2024 07/01/2025 397,200 Land: 203,000 Improvements 48,600 65,400 Total: 251,600 462,600 321,933 392,267 Preferential Land: 0 0 **Transfer Information** Seller: HOUSE EVA A Date: 01/19/2021 Price: \$395,000 Type: ARMS LENGTH IMPROVED Deed1: /43951/ 00169 Deed2: Seller: HOUSE SAMUEL W Date: 09/14/2017 Price: \$0 Type: NON-ARMS LENGTH OTHER Deed1: /39391/ 00434 Deed2: Seller: Date: Price: Deed1: Type: Deed2: **Exemption Information** Partial Exempt Assessments: Class 07/01/2024 07/01/2025 County: 000 0.00 State: 000 0.00 Municipal: 000 0.00|0.00 0.00|0.00 Special Tax Recapture: None **Homestead Application Information**

Homestead Application Status: No Application

Homeowners' Tax Credit Application Information

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CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

Corrected

	RE: Case No.:
	Petitioner/Developer:
	Michael & Maryanne Paccione
	November 4, 2024 Date of Hearing/Closing:
Baltimore County Department of Permits, Approvals and Inspections County Office Building, Room 111 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204	
Attn: Jeff Perlow:	
Ladies and Gentlemen:	
This letter is to certify under the pena posted conspicuously on the property	lities of perjury that the necessary sign(s) required by law were located at:
2407 Beach Avenue	SIGN 1A & 1B
The sign(s) were posted on	October 14, 2024
The sign(s) were posted on	(Month, Day, Year)



(Signature of Sign Poster) (Date)

SSG Robert Black

(Print Name)

1508 Leslie Road

(Address)

Dundalk, Maryland 21222

(City, State, Zip Code)

(410) 282-7940

(Telephone Number)

2024-0210-A

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 (DEPS) - Development Coordination

DATE: September 27, 2024

SUBJECT: DEPS Comment for Zoning Item # 2024-0210-A

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Reviewer: Paul Dennis, Environmental Impact Review

Baltimore COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Peter Gutwald, Director DATE: September 24, 2024

Department of Permits, Approvals

FROM: Vishnu Desai, Supervisor

Bureau of Development Plans Review

SUBJECT: Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: C. Pete Gutwald **DATE:** 10/2/2024

Director, Department of Permits, Approvals and Inspections

FROM: Steve Lafferty

Director, Department of Planning

SUBJECT: ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE COMMENTS

INFORMATION: Case Number: 2024-0210-A

Property Address: 2407 Beach Avenue **Petitioner:** Michael Paccione

Zoning: DR 3.5 **Requested Action:** Variance

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

Variance –

- 1. From Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR) Section 1B01.2.C.1 and Policy #S-22 of the Zoning Policy Manual, to permit a replacement dwelling with a rear (street side) setback of 20 feet, in lieu of the required 30 feet, and;
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- 3. From Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR) Section 400.1 and Policy S-7 of the Zoning Policy Manual, to allow an accessory building (detached garage) to allow a rear yard (street side) setback of 5 feet in lieu of the required 30 feet.

The subject site is an approximately 14,200 square foot parcel in the Essex area. Lot coverage for the site is limited to a maximum of 4,437 square feet. The front of the parcel is situated along Sue Creek and the back of the parcel, or street side, is situated along Beach Avenue. The site is currently improved with an existing one-story dwelling, car port, and two sheds. The existing structures are proposed to be razed and replaced with a two-story dwelling, and a one-story garage, according the site plan submitted with the variance request.

The subject site is within the boundary of the Greater Dundalk-Edgemere Community Conservation Plan, adopted February 22, 2000. The plan provides recommendations related to economic development, education, the environment, housing, human services, physical development, and public safety within the plan area boundary. The plan specifically mentions the need for homeownership retention, updating aging housing stock to help first time home buyers, and a concern for these homes to be converted into rental units (page 13). The plan also provides recommendations to strengthen Code Enforcement, educate residents about Zoning Regulations, and promote citizen compliance with the Baltimore County Code and Zoning Regulations (pages 37-38).

The Department of Planning has no objections to the requested relief. The layout and setbacks of the proposed dwelling and garage are comparable to the adjacent lots and compatible with those along Beach Avenue.

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

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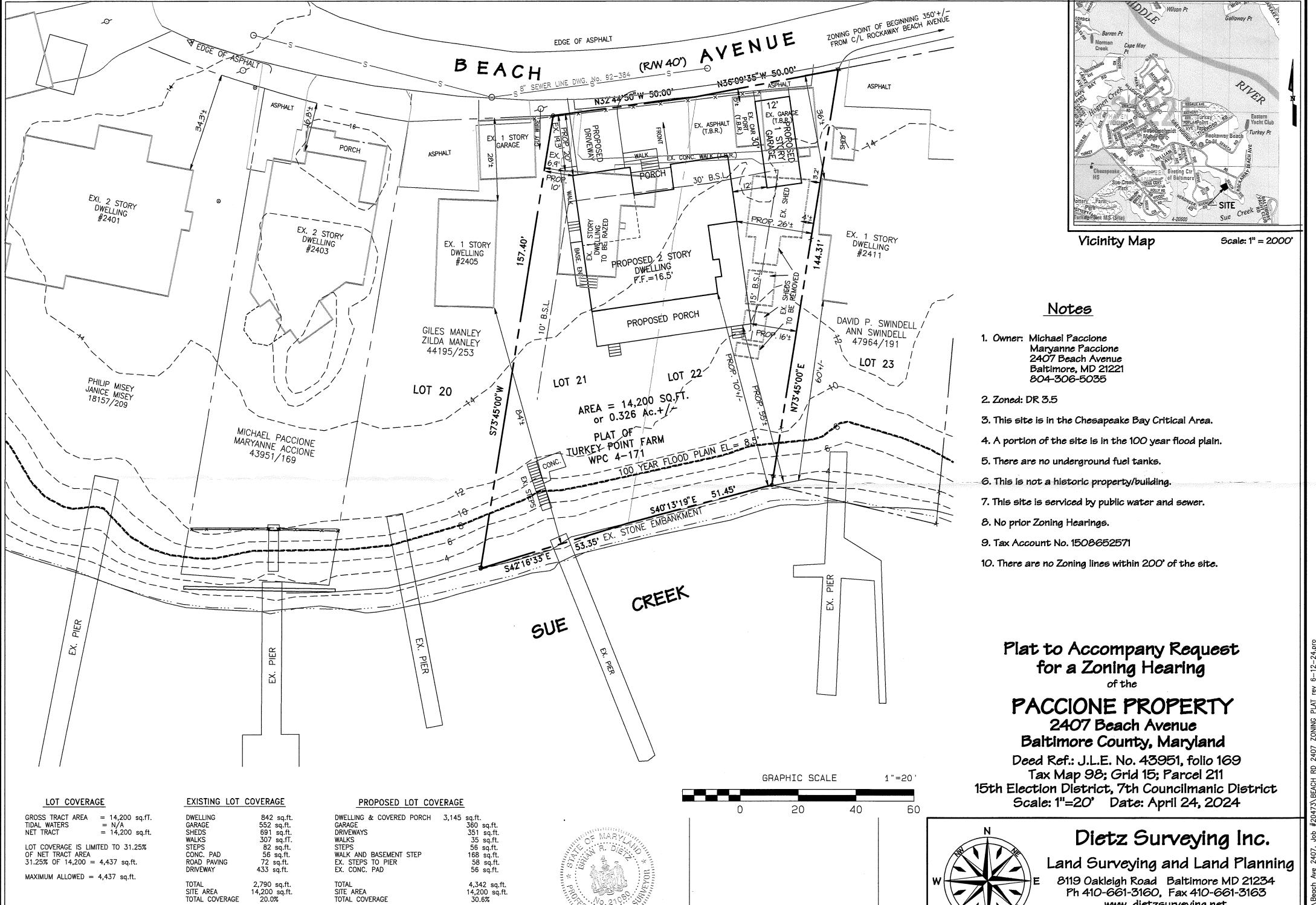
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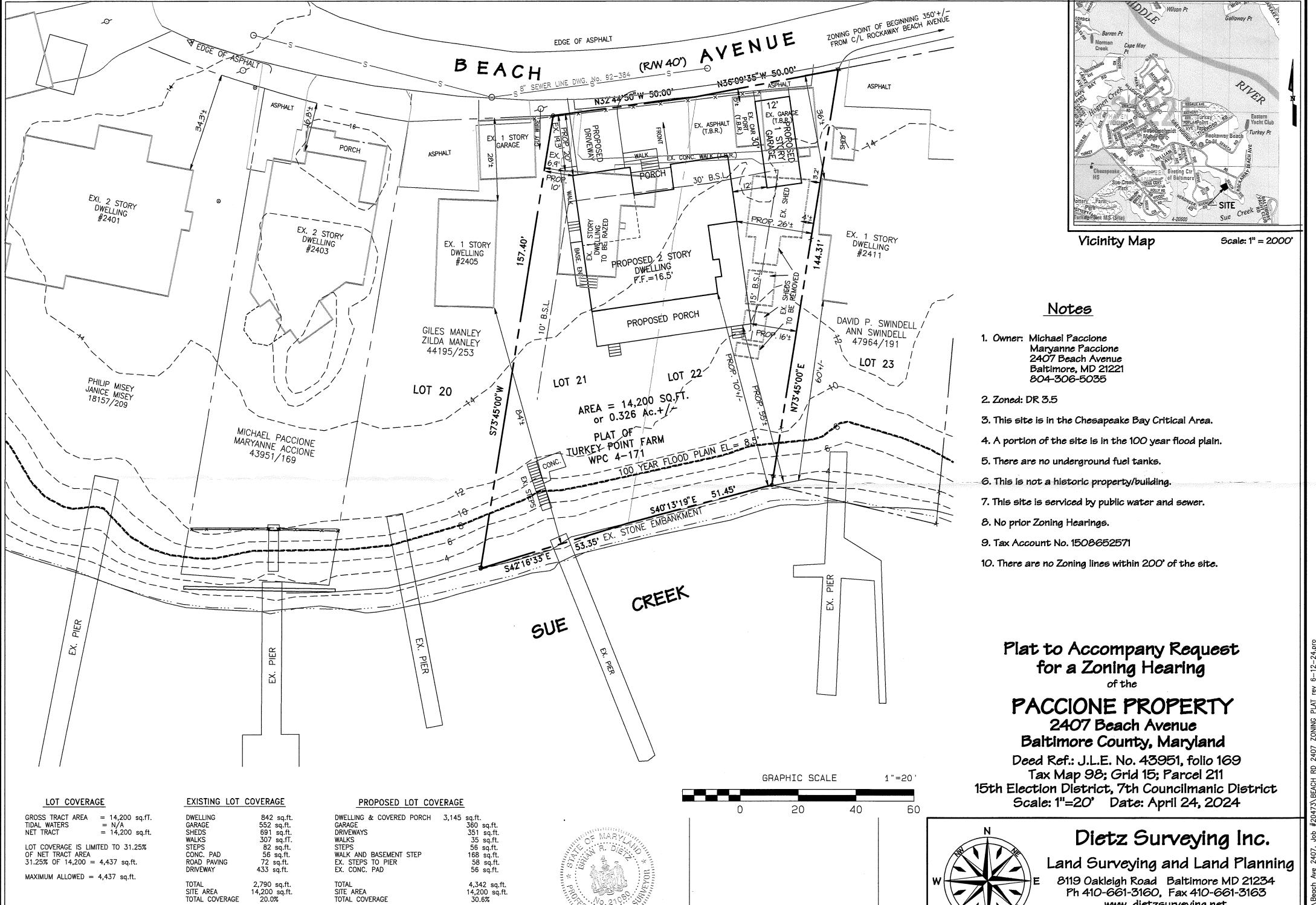
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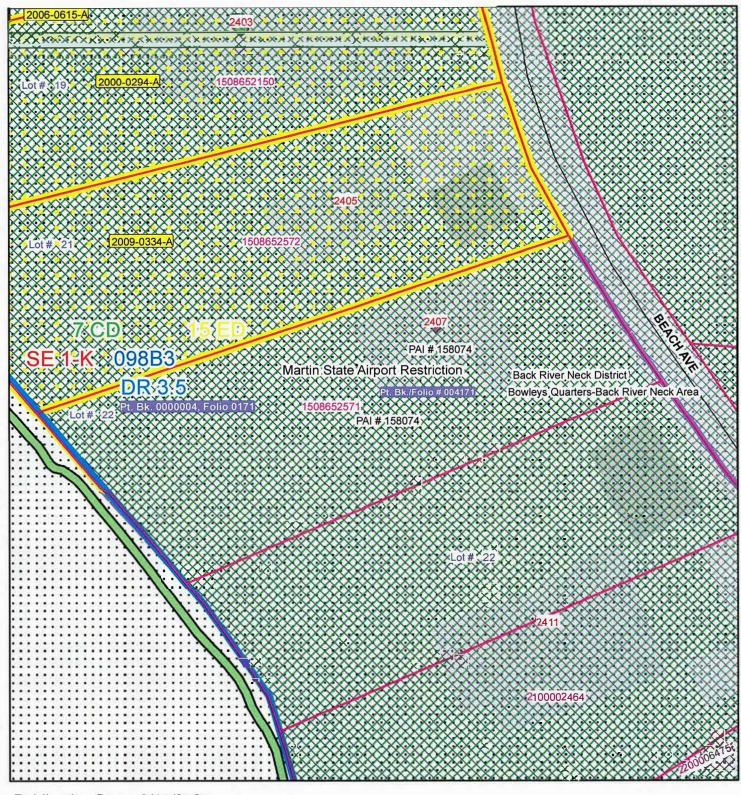
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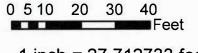


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