IN RE: PETITION FOR ADMIN. VARIANCE \* BEFORE THE

(3430 Philips Drive)

3<sup>rd</sup> Election District \* OFFICE OF

2<sup>nd</sup> Councilmanic District

Michael J. and Jayme M. Uhlfelder \* ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

Petitioners

\* FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

\* Case No. 2014-0096-A

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## **OPINION AND ORDER**

This matter comes before the Office of Administrative Hearings for Baltimore County as a Petition for Administrative Variance filed by the legal owners of the subject property, Michael J. and Jayme M. Uhlfelder. The variance request is from Section 400.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R."), to permit a proposed accessory structure (swimming pool) to be located in the third of lot closest to the street, on a corner lot, in lieu of the required in the third of the lot farthest removed from the street. The subject property and requested relief are more particularly described on Petitioners' Exhibit 1.

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC) comments were received and are made part of the record of this case. There were no adverse ZAC comments received from any of the County reviewing agencies.

The Petitioners having filed a Petition for Administrative Variance and the subject property having been posted on October 27, 2013, and there being no request for a public hearing, a decision shall be rendered based upon the documentation presented.

The Petitioners have filed the supporting affidavits as required by Section 32-3-303 of the Baltimore County Code. Based upon the information available, there is no evidence in the file to indicate that the requested variance would adversely affect the health, safety or general welfare

of the public and should therefore be granted. In the opinion of the Administrative Law Judge,

the information, photographs, and affidavits submitted provide sufficient facts that comply with

the requirements of Section 307.1 of the B.C.Z.R. Furthermore, strict compliance with the

B.C.Z.R. would result in practical difficulty and/or unreasonable hardship upon the Petitioners.

Pursuant to the posting of the property and the provisions of both the Baltimore County

Code and the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations, and for the reasons given above, the

requested variance should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, by the Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore

County, this <u>14<sup>th</sup></u> day of November, 2013, that a Variance from Section 400.1 of the Baltimore

County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R."), to permit a proposed accessory structure (swimming

pool) to be located in the third of lot closest to the street, on a corner lot, in lieu of the required in

the third of the lot farthest removed from the street, be and is hereby GRANTED, subject to the

following:

• Petitioners may apply for their appropriate permits and be granted same upon

receipt of this Order; however, Petitioners are hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at their own risk until such time as the 30-day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed,

Petitioners would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said

property to its original condition.

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

Order.

Signed\_\_\_\_

LAWRENCE M. STAHL

Managing Administrative Law Judge

for Baltimore County

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