IN RE: PETITION FOR ADMIN. VARIANCE * BEFORE THE

(9508 Dundawan Road)

11th Election District * OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE

5th Council District

Michael P. Stambaugh * HEARINGS FOR

Petitioner

* BALTIMORE COUNTY

* CASE NO. 2016-0213-A

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OPINION AND ORDER

This matter comes before the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) as a Petition for Administrative Variance filed by the legal owner of the property, Michael P. Stambaugh. The Petitioner is requesting Variance relief from § 400.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.), to permit a proposed detached carport located in the front yard in lieu of the required rear yard and to amend the Final Development Plan (FDP) for (Silvergate Village) Lot #19. The subject property and requested relief is more fully depicted on the site plan that was marked and accepted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

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 Petitioner having filed a Petition for Administrative Variance and the subject property having been posted on March 19, 2016, and there being no request for a public hearing, a decision shall be rendered based upon the documentation presented.

The Petitioner has filed the supporting affidavits as required by Section 32-3-303 of the Baltimore County Code (B.C.C.). 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 Petitioner.

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, this <u>11th</u> day of **April**, **2016**, by the Administrative Law

Judge for Baltimore County, that the Petition for Variance relief from § 400.1 of the Baltimore

County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.), to permit a proposed detached carport located in the front

yard in lieu of the required rear yard and to amend the Final Development Plan (FDP) for

(Silvergate Village) Lot #19, be and is hereby GRANTED.

The relief granted herein shall be subject to the following:

• Petitioner may apply for his appropriate permits and be granted same upon

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

Order is reversed, Petitioner would be required to return, and be responsible

for returning, said property to its original condition.

• Building materials for the carport addition shall be consistent with those of

the existing principal dwelling.

• The carport shall remain open on the three exposed sides and shall not be

enclosed at any time.

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

____Signed_ JOHN E. BEVERUNGEN Administrative Law Judge

for Baltimore County

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