IN RE: PETITION FOR ADMIN. VARIANCE * BEFORE THE

(929 Bardswell Road)

1st Election District * OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE

1st Council District

Vivaldi Q. Nguyen * HEARINGS FOR

Petitioner

* BALTIMORE COUNTY

* CASE NO. 2019-0019-A

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OPINION AND ORDER

This matter comes before the Office of Administrative Hearings ("OAH") for Baltimore County for consideration of a Petition for Administrative Variance filed by the legal owner of the property, Vivaldi Q. Nguyen ("Petitioner"). The Petitioner is requesting Variance relief pursuant to § 1B02.3.C.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("BCZR"), to permit an addition to a single family dwelling with a rear setback of 10 ft. in lieu of the required 30 ft. 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 submitted by any of the County reviewing agencies. However, it is to be noted that three (3) letters of support were received from neighbors who reside at 926, 927 and 931 Bardswell Road, indicating their support of Petitioner's zoning request.

The Petitioner having filed a Petition for Administrative Variance and the subject property having been posted on July 29, 2018, 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 § 32-3-303 of the Baltimore County Code ("BCC"). 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 § 307.1 of the BCZR. Furthermore, strict compliance with the

BCZR 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 BCC and the

BCZR, and for the reasons given above, the requested variance should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, this 17th day of August, 2018, by the Administrative

Law Judge for Baltimore County, that the Petition for Variance seeking relief from § 1B02.3.C.1

of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("BCZR"), to permit an addition to a single family

dwelling with a rear setback of 10 ft. in lieu of the required 30 ft., be and is hereby GRANTED.

The relief granted herein shall be subject to the following:

 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 his 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.

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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