IN RE: PETITION FOR ADMIN. VARIANCE * BEFORE THE

(2214 Tall Pines Court)

1st Election District * OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE

1st Council District

Joshua J. & Stephanie N. Fleckinger * HEARINGS FOR

Petitioners

* BALTIMORE COUNTY

* CASE NO. 2019-0321-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 owners of the property, Joshua J. and Stephanie N. Fleckinger ("Petitioners"). The Petitioners are requesting Variance relief from § 1B02.3.C.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("BCZR"), to approve an addition on rear of house with a setback of 16 ft. in lieu of the required 30 ft. setback and to approve an existing deck on rear of house with a 13 ft. setback in lieu of the required 22.5 ft. setback. The subject property and requested relief is more fully depicted on the site plan that was marked and accepted into evidence as 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 submitted by any of the County reviewing agencies.

The Petitioners having filed a Petition for Administrative Variance and the subject property having been posted on June 9, 2019, 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 § 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 Petitioners.

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 27th day of June, 2019, by the Administrative Law

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

Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("BCZR"), to approve an addition on rear of house with a

setback of 16 ft. in lieu of the required 30 ft. setback and to approve an existing deck on rear of

house with a 13 ft. setback in lieu of the required 22.5 ft. setback, be and is hereby GRANTED.

The relief granted herein shall be 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____ JOHN E. BEVERUNGEN

Administrative Law Judge

for Baltimore County

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