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Notice of Decision

Case # ZA-926
Permit # 05-1732

Variance Request: For a variance from the minimum setback from 12 feet to 10 feet for an attached garage at 2007 Old Westminster Pike, Finksburg, MD in Election District 04 by Rusty Becker.

Basis for Variance: § 223-89 and § 223-181 of the Carroll County Code of Public Local Laws and Ordinances.

Decision: Approved.

Basis for Decision:
It is the opinion of the Zoning Administrator that approval of the variance request will not:

- Adversely affect the public health, safety, security, morals, or general welfare.
- Result in dangerous traffic conditions or jeopardize the lives or property of people living in the neighborhood.

In making this determination, the Zoning Administrator cannot answer in the affirmative to the criteria provided in Section 223-191 of the Carroll County Code that:

- There would be a detrimental effect on the people working or residing in the area
- There would a negative impact on the orderly growth of the community
- There would be a detrimental effect on the peaceful enjoyment of people in their homes.
- That the use would have a negative effect on the conservation of property values.
- That there would be any effect from odors, dust, gas, smoke, fumes, vibrations, glare, and noise upon surrounding property values.

The applicant testified that the lot is smaller than one acre and the area for placing a garage is extremely limited by the well, septic field and configuration of the house on the lot. The garage will be used in association with the residence only. Mr. Becker had received a waiver from the drainage and utility easements on the property from Planning Director Steve Horn. There were no protestants to this variance present at the hearing.

22 June 2005

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Per Section 223-182 or the Carroll County Code of Public Local Laws and Ordinances, appeals of this decision must be made within 30 days of the date of the decision to the Board of Zoning Appeals pursuant to Section 223-188 of the Carroll County Code. Unless timely appealed, parties may not thereafter contest the Zoning Administrator's decision.