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Notice of Decision

Case # ZA-948
Permit # 05-2546

Variance Request: For a variance from the required minimum setback of 50 feet to 26 feet for the addition of a sunroom on the rear of the residence at 818 Velvet Run Drive, Westminster, MD in Election District 07 by William and Nancy Comegna

Basis for Variance: § 223-82 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 was accompanied by Mr. Darin Harbaugh from Patio Enclosures. The applicant stated that the sunroom was planned to be located atop an existing brick patio. The addition is a modest one of 12 by 16 feet but physically cannot be located elsewhere on the home. The property is further encumbered with a unique front yard setback of 140 feet. There was no correspondence protesting the variance and no one appeared at the hearing to question or oppose the variance; however several neighbors wrote letters in support.

18 October 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.