Tax Map/Block/Parcel No. 50-21-81

Building Permit/Zoning Certificate No. 91-0202

Case 3515

OFFICIAL DECISION
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND

APPLICANTS:

Philip H. Snader and Edie Ann Snader; and, Richard S. Snader and Trudy Jo H. Snader

2001 New Windsor Road

New Windsor, Maryland 21776

REQUEST:

A conditional use for a roadside stand for the

sale of farm produce in season

LOCATION:

2001 New Windsor Road (Md. Rt. 31) in Election

District 11

BASIS:

Article 6, Sections 6.3(t) and 6.7; Ordiance 1E

(The Carroll County Zoning Ordinance)

HEARING HELD:

March 26, 1991

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSION

The application, testimony and evidence comprising the record of this case are hereby included by reference in this decision. Based on the record, the Board hereby authorizes the conditional use as requested. The pertinent findings determining the Board's decision include the following facts:

The 117 acre property is zoned "A" Agricultural District as shown on zoning map 50A. The principal land uses of the property are farming and a home site. As proposed, the site of the roadside stand will be on New Windsor Road, near the northerly side property line.

Initially, a wagon will be used as a sales center with a maximum of 15 parking spaces. Landscaping will be established parallel to the northerly side property line. Depending on economic feasibility and the experience gained from operating the roadside stand using the wagon, a permanent building may be constructed within three to five years. Future plans also include two greenhouses, additional landscaping and parking facilities, and a double-faced business identification sign.

Driveway connections to New Windsor Road (Md. Rt. 31) are subject to the approval of the Division of Engineering Access Permits of the State Highway Administration. The locations of the driveway connections are intended to provide ample sight distance to allow drivers to enter and leave the premises safely.

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Tentatively, the roadside stand will be open seven days a week, from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., June 1 through November 30, or when local produce is in season. Produce, in season, offered for sale will be grown on the farm, and may be purchased locally and regionally, when supplies are limited, for resale.

The land use provisions of the Agricultural District are expressed in Article 6 of the zoning ordinance. Section 6.3, Conditional Uses (requiring Board authorization), paragraph (t) specifies:

Roadside stands with the sale of fresh fruits, vegetables and other farm produce in season.

The applicants also proposed to establish a garden supply center in conjunction with the roadside stand. (Case 3516.) The garden supply center, which will operate tenatively from March 1 through December 23, is intended to compliment operation of the roadside stand.

There is no indication that establishment of the roadside stand, as proposed, will unduly affect the residents of adjacent properties, or the values of those properties.

Accordingly, the Board finds that the conditional use for the roadside stand complies with the provisions of the zoning ordinance governing conditional uses.

Date/

JDN/bmh/c3515dec April 4, 1991 John Totura Chairman