Tax Map/Block/Parcel

No. 46-13-1371

**Building Permit/Zoning** Certificate No. 02-0455

Case 4665

OFFICIAL DECISION BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND

APPLICANT:

Carroll County Health Services Corporation

Carroll County Med-Services, Inc. Carroll County General Hospital

200 Memorial Avenue

Westminster, Maryland 21157

ATTORNEY:

Isaac Menasche

REQUEST:

A request to expand existing conditional use (authorized in Case 1006 - March 16, 1976); That is, hospital and doctors' office buildings to all property owned by the Affiliates of Carroll County

General Hospital bounded by Stoner Avenue, Gist Road,

Washington Road and Center Street.

LOCATION:

The site is located at 200 Memorial Avenue, Westminster, MD 21157, on property zoned "R-20,000" Residential District in

Election District 7.

BASIS:

Code of Public Local Laws and Ordinances, Chapter 223-79

HEARING HELD:

March 27, 2002

## FINDINGS AND CONCLUSION

On March 27, 2002, the Board of Zoning Appeals (the Board) convened to hear the request to expand existing conditional use (authorized in Case 1006 - March 16, 1976); That is, hospital and doctors' office buildings to all property owned by the Affiliates of Carroll County General Hospital bounded by Stoner Avenue, Gist Road, Washington Road and Center Street. The request is made to accommodate a planned expansion of the hospital. Based on the testimony and evidence presented, the Board makes the following Findings and Conclusion.

Carroll County General Hospital is planning an expansion and renovation of the existing facility. The growth of the County has necessitated the proposed expansion. Specifically, the Applicant proposes to: expand the emergency room from 11,800 sq. ft. to 28,000 sq. ft.; enlarge the parking areas to accommodate an additional 360 - 400 spaces; increase the number of employees from 1,200 to 1,600. Four floors will be added to the existing one floor, and private

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rooms will replace semi-private rooms. The expansion will also facilitate modernized diabetic care, a wound care center and cardiology services. Memorial Avenue, the current entrance to the hospital, will be re-routed and become a private road.

The Board finds that the proposed expansion is warranted and will greatly improve health care services to the County's residents. In addition, the Board can discern no harmful effects to the neighborhood from the proposal. The design is functional and attractive. Accordingly, the request for an expansion of the existing conditional use is granted as presented to the Board at this hearing.

Date

Karl V. Reichlin, Chairman

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