Tax Map/Block/Parcel

No. 2-21-6

Building Permit/Zoning Certificate No. 03-0991

Case 4801

OFFICIAL DECISION BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND

APPLICANT:

Susan Fitzpatrick

5040 Walnut Grove Road Taneytown, Maryland 21787

ATTORNEY:

N/A

REQUEST:

An application for a conditional use for a kennel for up to 24 dogs

and a variance to the distance requirements as needed.

LOCATION:

The site is located at 5040 Walnut Grove Road, Taneytown, MD

21787, on property zoned "A" Agricultural District in Election

District 1.

BASIS:

Code of Public Local Laws and Ordinances, Chapter 223-71 and

223-16

HEARING HELD:

May 28, 2003

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSION

On May 28, 2003, the Board of Zoning Appeals (the Board) convened to hear the request for a conditional use for a kennel for up to 24 dogs and a variance to the distance requirements as needed. Based on the testimony and evidence presented, the Board made the following findings and conclusion:

The applicant is proposing an unusual kennel to be located in a 30 ft x 40 ft, 2-story addition to the back of her house. The house is located in a fairly remote rural portion of the County. She is proposing 12 ft x 12 ft individual rooms with a bed, television, radio, computer monitors (for clients to view their pets while being boarded), daily dog massage and walks. The dogs will be kept inside almost all day, and this will eliminate noise problems.

Based on the testimony presented and the location of the property, the Board finds that the proposed use is acceptable and will not generate adverse effects above and beyond those normally associated with such a use. However, in this case, the Board proposes the following conditions:

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- 1. The dogs must be kept indoors in a structure attached to the existing house, with individual rooms for each dog.
- 2. The yard of the existing home (and future kennel) must be fenced to enclose the dogs.
- 3. The maximum number of dogs allowed at one time is 24.

6/12/03

Karl V. Reichlin, Chairman

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