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Notice of Decision

Case # ZA-929
Permit # 05-1797

Variance Request: For a variance from the minimum setback from 20 feet to 10 feet for a garage at 3107 Birdview Road, Westminster, MD in Election District 04 by Giuseppe A Fertitta.

Basis for Variance: § 223-75 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 be 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 he constructed an addition to his home five years ago for his parents to live in. He cannot locate the garage just anywhere on the lot because of the well and septic field locations. The garage will not be used for business purposes, only hobby projects and associated residential storage and / or vehicles. The applicant received a letter from the Director of Planning allowing them to construct the garage within the drainage and utility easement. There were no protestants to this variance present at the hearing.

22 July 2005

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Per Section 223-182 of 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.