FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ZONING ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

APPLICANT: Paul Coffin ASSESSMENT DISTRICT: 3rd

CASE NUMBER: 2024-0199-V COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT: 3rd

HEARING DATE: January 21, 2025 **PREPARED BY**: Donnie Dyott Jr.

Planner

REQUEST

The applicant is requesting a variance to allow dwelling additions with less setbacks and buffer than required on property located at 442 Park Creek Road in Pasadena.

LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF SITE

The subject site consists of 53,463 square feet of land and is identified as Lot 207 of Parcel 250 in Block 20 on Tax Map 25 in the North Shore subdivision. The subject property is zoned R2 - Residential District and is a waterfront property on Park Creek located within the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area with a designation of LDA - Limited Development Area. The site is not mapped within the BMA - Buffer Modification Area and is currently improved with a single family detached dwelling and associated facilities.

APPLICANT'S PROPOSAL

The applicant proposes several additions to the existing single family dwelling. The additions include a two story addition on the northwest corner, a new fireplace chimney on the west side and a cantilevered second story balcony on the south side of the dwelling. Also proposed is a concrete walk to connect the front entry walk to an existing concrete walk on the west side of the dwelling.

Also proposed but not requiring variances are a one story addition and entry porch on the front of the dwelling, a one story addition on the east side of the dwelling, a detached garage and new access walkways.

REQUESTED VARIANCES

§ 18-13-104(a) of the Code requires that there shall be a minimum 100-foot buffer landward from the mean high-water line of tidal waters, tributary streams and tidal wetlands. § 18-13-104 (b) provides for an expanded buffer where there are contiguous steep slopes of 15% or more and is to be expanded by the greater of four feet for every 1% of slope or to the top of the slope and shall include all land within 50 feet from the top of the slopes. § 17-8-301 of the Subdivision Code states that development on properties containing buffers shall meet the requirements of Title 27 of the State Code of Maryland (COMAR). § 27.01.01 (B) (8) (ii) of COMAR states a buffer exists "to protect a stream tidal wetland tidal waters or terrestrial environment from human disturbance." § 27.01.09 E. (1) (a) (ii) of COMAR authorizes disturbance to the buffer for a new development activity or redevelopment activity by variance. The proposed fireplace chimney, two story addition, cantilevered balcony and northwest access walkway are located within the expanded buffer, necessitating a variance to this provision.

Exact buffer disturbance will be determined at the time of permit.

No setback variances are required.

FINDINGS

The property is of adequate size and width for a lot in the R2 District. According to the site plan, the total lot coverage after development will be 9,812 square feet which appears to comply with the 10% reduction requirement. Exact lot coverage calculations will be determined at the time of permit.

The applicant describes that the initial plan was to demo the existing dwelling and construct a new dwelling. After several prefile meetings with OPZ, the applicant has revised the proposal to additions while keeping the existing dwelling. This has resulted in a reduction to the amount of disturbance proposed.

The **Health Department** commented that it has no objection to the variance request as long as a perc application and site plan are submitted and approved by the Health Department.

The **Development Division (Critical Area Team)** commented that provided the renovation occurs as an addition to the existing dwelling, they offer no objection to this application. If, however the plans indicate or field conditions necessitate the demolition of the existing structure, a new variance may be required.

The **Critical Area Commission** commented it appears that the applicant has reasonable and significant use of the entire parcel with the existing improvements. It does not appear that this request meets each and every one of the Critical Area variance standards including unwarranted hardship or that this variance would not adversely affect water quality and wildlife or plant habitat. The existing dwelling on this grandfathered lot is located on steep slopes and within the expanded Critical Area buffer. The project would result in 57 square feet of forest clearing within the buffer and 192 square feet of disturbance within the buffer. If this request were to be denied for the construction within the buffer, the applicant will still enjoy reasonable and significant use of the entire property and may continue with current plans for improvements outside of the buffer.

For the granting of a critical area variance, a determination must be made on the following:

Because of certain unique physical conditions, such as exceptional topographical conditions peculiar to and inherent in the particular lot or irregularity, narrowness, or shallowness of lot size and shape, strict implementation of the County's critical area program would result in an unwarranted hardship or practical difficulty. In this case the existing dwelling is located within the expanded buffer, making improvements difficult without variance relief. As such, some relief is warranted to allow the applicant to make modest improvements and avoid unwarranted hardship and practical difficulties.

A literal interpretation of the County's critical area program may deprive the applicant of rights that are commonly enjoyed by other properties in similar areas. The granting of the variance will not confer on the applicant a special privilege that would be denied by COMAR, Title 27. This request is not a result of actions by the applicant and does not arise from any condition relating to land or building use on any neighboring property. There is no evidence that the proposal will adversely affect water quality, impact fish, wildlife or plant habitat and the proposal is in harmony with the general spirit and intent of the County's critical area program. While the Critical Area Commission comments indicated that they did not agree that the applicant met these criteria, the OPZ Critical Area team offered no objection.

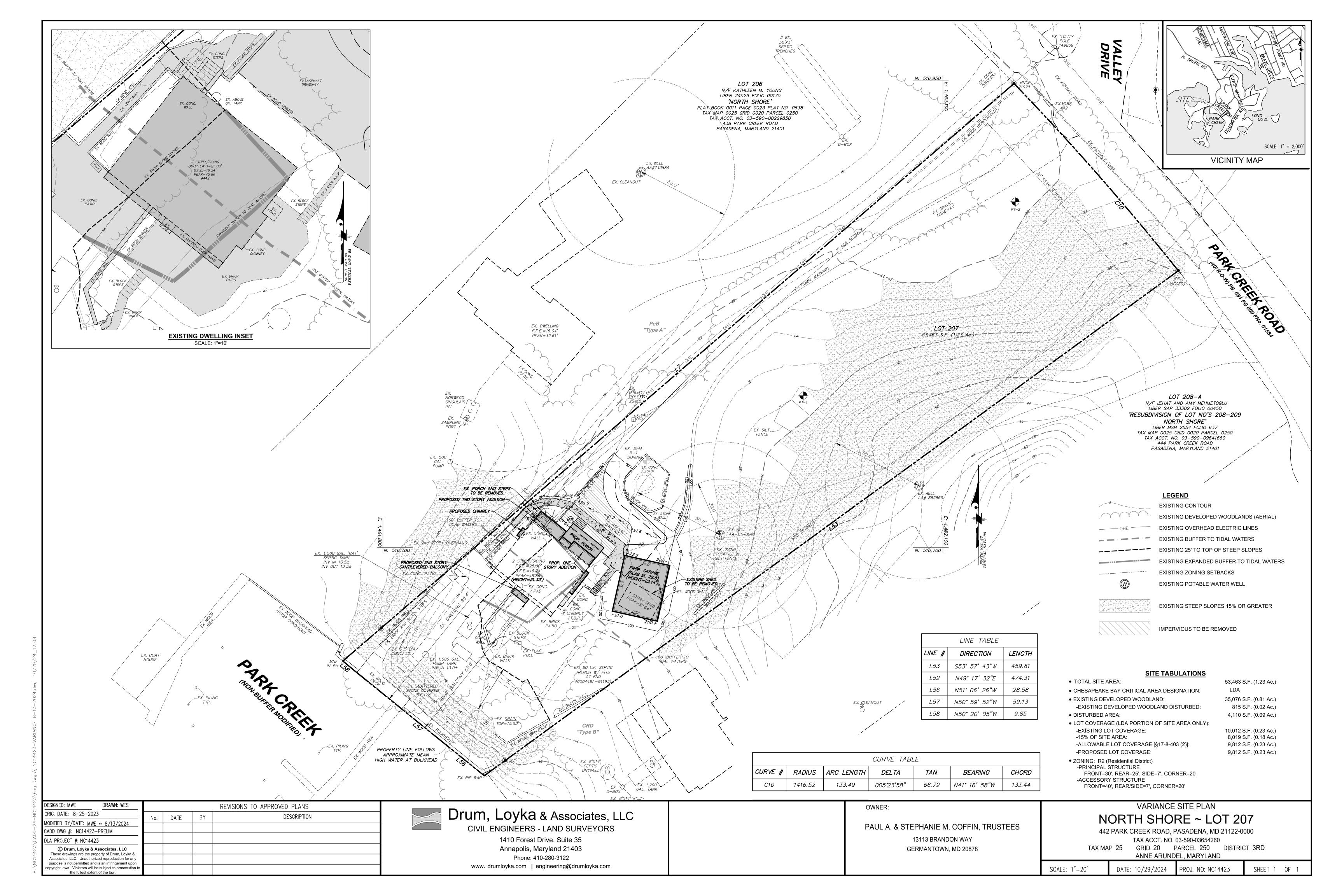
With regard to the requirements for all variances:

There is no evidence that the proposal will alter the essential character of the neighborhood, impair the appropriate use or development of adjacent property or be detrimental to the public welfare. Additionally, the proposal is considered to be the minimum necessary by this Office. The proposed improvements are estimated to result in 192 square feet of buffer disturbance and the applicant has located a large portion of the additions outside of the expanded buffer. Additionally, the applicant has reduced the proposal from the original design of a demo/rebuild.

RECOMMENDATION

Based upon the standards set forth in § 18-16-305 under which a variance may be granted, this Office recommends *approval* of the proposed variances for the construction of the dwelling additions as shown on the site plan.

DISCLAIMER: This recommendation does not constitute a building permit. In order for the applicant(s) to construct the structure(s) as proposed, the applicant(s) shall apply for and obtain the necessary building permits and obtain any other approvals required to perform the work described herein. This includes but is not limited to verifying the legal status of the lot, resolving adequacy of public facilities, and demonstrating compliance with environmental site design criteria.





October 29, 2024

Anne Arundel County Office of Planning and Zoning 2664 Riva Road, 3rd Floor Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: Variance Request – Buffer Disturbance

North Shore ~ Lot 207 442 Park Creek Road Pasadena, MD 21122 Tax Map 25, Grid 20, Parcel 250 Tax Account # 03-590-03654260

To whom it may concern,

On behalf of Mr. Paul A. Coffin & Stephanie M. Coffin, the owners of 442 Park Creek Road, please see the enclosed variance site plan dated October 18, 2024. Due to the delineation of the Buffer, the location of the existing improvements, and the presence of the steep slopes causing the buffer to expand, we hereby request a variance to Anne Arundel County code **Article 17**, **Section 8-301(b)** to allow development in the buffer. Specifically, to construct a two-story addition on the northwest corner, a new fireplace on the west side, and a new first floor cantilevered 2nd story balcony on the south side of the dwelling. A concrete walk is proposed to connect the front entry walk to an existing concrete walk of the west side of the house leading to the riparian access.

Property Description

The subject property is a grandfathered lot located in the subdivision of North Shore, in Pasadena, which was recorded in the land records of Anne Arundel County in 1940 plat book 11, page 23, plat number 638. The property is an irregular shaped waterfront property with shoreline along Park Creek and is designated as Non-Buffer Modified. The property is improved with a two-story single-family detached dwelling with a basement, shed, paved driveway, waterfront patios, and other associated improvements. The property has frontage and along the 40' right of way Park Creek Road from which the driveway is accessed. The property is approximately 53,462 square feet (1.23 Ac) in area, zoned R-2, and is entirely within the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area with mostly an LDA. Steep slopes are present on the southeast side of the property along the shoreline and a very large portion of the site is encumbered by steep slopes on the site from the south side of the driveway all the way to the south side property line. The buffer to tidal waters runs through the mid-section of the existing dwelling. The modestly sized existing 2,204 square foot aging dwelling was constructed in 1960 according to the Maryland State Department of Assessments and Taxation and appears to not have been improved or expanded from its original footprint nor does the site currently have stormwater management. The dwelling is served with private septic system located between the dwelling and steep slopes along the shoreline. The dwelling is served by a private well for potable water.

Proposed Development

The property owners propose to make renovations to the existing aging dwelling and construct an addition with a new main entry porch on the north side of the dwelling, a first story addition onto the east side of the house, a two-story addition on the northwest corner, a new fireplace and chimney on the west side, and a new cantilevered 2nd story balcony mostly overtop an existing patio on the waterfront side of the home is proposed. The cantilevered balcony construction access will be from within the existing dwelling. A new detached garage sited within the existing driveway parking area and overtop the existing shed footprint and is proposed outside the buffers to tidal waters. New walks are proposed for access around the house and areas of the existing asphalt driveway are to be removed. The proposed balcony, detached garage, and walks are proposed mostly overtop areas of existing lot coverage. As part of the permitting process stormwater management mitigation planting and buffer disturbance mitigation will be provided on-site to maximum extent practicable in accordance with code. In the proposed conditions, the sites lot coverage will be reduced by 200 square feet to be in conformance with the current Critical Area allowable lot coverage code requirements. The proposed height of the dwelling additions will be less than the maximum 35-ft for the R-2 zoning district, in the proposed conditions the dwelling height is 31.33-ft, and the proposed detached garage is 23.14-ft which is less than the height of the principal structure and no greater than 25-ft. The disturbance to the tidal water buffer is the minimum necessary to construct the proposed improvements, the 2nd story balcony is mostly over patio area of already permanently disturbed buffer. This design represents environmental site design and provides an overall reduction to the buffer disturbance from the previous designs proposed for pre-file review. The expanded buffer disturbance for the concrete walk, proposed fireplace chimney, and the two-story addition on the northwest corner of the house is also encumbered by the 25-ft buffer to the steep slopes. If necessary, a modification to Article 17, Section 6-404 for disturbance within the 25-ft buffer to steep slopes will be sought during the permitting process of the project, however this area is included within the same area which relief is being sought for the disturbance of the expanded buffer.

An initial variance prefile plan review was conducted in late 2023, comments were issued by the Office of Planning and Zoning on November 8, 2023 (see enclosed). That plan was to raze and rebuild the existing dwelling and construct a new dwelling in that footprint with a new entry porch addition, and detached garage. The Critical Area had no objection, the Zoning Administration had commented that the addition of the rear porch meant that the house is no longer considered in-kind I&P Engineering had no objection and commented that the site improvements, utilities and stormwater management would need sufficient clearance from the buffer and slopes. The property owners considered the pre-file comments and continued to work with their architect and engineer for an alternative design which would not require such a large amount of redevelopment as a result of demolishing the existing foundation and would also allow for the improvements to comply with a Limited Home Addition agreement for the existing septic system. That alternative design considerably reduced construction costs as well as the amount of site disturbance in the buffers. A second pre-file plan was submitted in August 2024, comments were issued by the Office of Planning & Zoning on August 22, 2024 (see enclosed). The Critical Area Team commented that the home is currently improved with suitable outdoor spaces for two levels of the existing home. The Zoning Administration commented that a buffer variance would be required, and that the 31x25 garage (outside the buffer) is larger than a typical 2-car garage, and the applicant must address variance requirements and that the proposed improvements are the

minimum necessary. The property owners once again considered the comments and worked with their architect to eliminate the deck on the waterside of the home and only have the 2nd story balcony on that side. The balcony is to be cantilevered thereby eliminating disturbance of the land. They added a fireplace chimney on the west side of the house (inside the both the steep slope and expanded buffer) and 1st story addition on the east (outside all buffers). The garage size is to allow vehicle protection and provide storage within the garage thereby eliminating the need for additional accessory structures (sheds) on the property, eliminating further lot coverage and disturbance within the property.

The owners have considered the sites sensitive environmental feature due to the unique topography, the irregular shape of the lot, the proximity of the existing dwelling to the tidal waters and steep slopes. They are proposing the minimum necessary to renovate and expand their home being very mindful of limiting the ground disturbance in the buffer, constructing mostly within areas already permanently disturbed, and ultimately reducing the sites lot coverage to be in conformance with the grandfathering code provisions. Since their home is mostly located within the expanded buffer nearly any improvements would require a variance. Thus, the need for the requested variance to **Article 17**, **Section 8-301(b)** to allow approximately 192 square feet of disturbance in the buffer to include 75 square feet of permanent disturbance for the improvements and 117 square feet of temporary disturbance for construction access.

We appreciate your consideration, and we remain available to provide any further considerations or requests you may have.

We believe that this request meets all the requirements for a Critical Area variance:

Code Article 18-16-305

(b) Requirements for Critical Area Variances.

- (1) Unwarranted Hardship- This is a modest sized house tightly encumbered by critical area buffers. Unique physical conditions including topography, the irregularly shaped lot, enveloping curved shoreline, the presence of steep slopes requiring the buffer expansion, coupled with the required dwelling and steep slope buffer, present significant constraints. The existing dwelling was constructed prior to the Critical Area code enactment and establishment of the non-buffer modification area, and is now mostly within the expanded buffer. A strict implementation of the regulations would deny a significant and reasonable use that is commonly enjoyed by homeowners. Additions and outdoor spaces such as balconies are not uncommon to other waterfront properties. The areas of proposed buffer disturbance are mostly overtopping existing impervious areas of already permanently disturbed buffer.
- (2) Rights commonly enjoyed the proposed improvements are in character with other dwellings in the neighborhood surrounding properties. An entry porch, garage, dwelling additions and balconies are features commonly found throughout the neighboring waterfront properties. To deny applicants the ability to have these modest improvements to a waterfront house deprives applicants of rights commonly enjoyed by other property owners in the area.
- (3) Will not confer special privilege granting this variance would not confer a special privilege to the applicants. Nearby properties enjoy improvements larger in scale and are

- greater than what is proposed for this project. The applicants have made extensive efforts to lay this proposed project out in a responsible manner that (i) considers surrounding environmental features, (ii) holds tight to the existing structure and associated disturbances, (iii) cuts back significantly from the scale of the development reflected in the prior pre-file plans, and further reduces lot coverage in the Critical Area.
- (4) Actions by Applicants and Neighbors- The variance is not based on conditions or circumstances that are the result of actions by the applicants or conditions or use on neighboring properties- conditions and circumstances are based on topography, the irregular shape of the site, the enveloping shoreline, the presence of steep slopes, and the existing dwellings proximity to the tidal waters, and that nearly the entire existing dwelling is located within the expanded buffer. The dwelling's construction in 1960 pre-dates the current Chesapeake Bay Critical Area code. It remains largely as originally constructed and unchanged since the applicants purchased the property in 2022.
- (5) Water Quality, Intent of the Critical Area Program. The requested variances will not adversely affect water quality, impact fish, wildlife or plant habitat and be in harmony with the critical area program. Disturbance is minimized to only what is necessary to complete the project. Mitigation will occur in accordance with county regulations at a 3:1 ratio for buffer disturbance and will be addressed during the permitting process via a Buffer Management Plan. Sediment and erosion controls will be utilized to ensure that construction and grading will not adversely affect the surrounding environmental features located within the Critical Area. The stormwater management will also be addressed per county and state regulations via mitigation plantings and drainage areas will remain relatively unchanged. These precautions will ensure that water quality, fish, wildlife, and plant habitat will not be adversely affected.
- (6) The applicant has taken into account natural features, and has met the requirements of § 17-9-208 of the Code. There are no bogs present on the subject property.
- (7) Presumption Sec 8-1808(d)(2)(ii) In light of all the factors discussed above, it is evident that the applicants have overcome the presumption that the use for variances were not in conformity with the purpose and intent of the Critical Area Program.
- (8) The applicant has evaluated and implemented site planning alternatives in accordance with § 18-16-201(c) as demonstrated with this alternative design from what was proposed on the previous pre-file plans.

(c) Requirements for all variances.

- 1. Minimum necessary to afford relief The proposed variances allow for modest uses that not only meets the "significant and reasonable standard" but also are the minimal necessary development to afford relief. The proposed northern side addition and entry porch expansion is further from the shoreline than the existing dwelling façade and sited mostly outside the expanded buffer. The waterfront balcony is also mostly overtop of the existing patio and does not cause ground disturbance. The proposed size of the additions and garage are far more modest than neighboring properties in the community. Disturbance to the buffer is the minimum necessary to construct the proposed improvements.
- 2. The granting of the variance will not:

- i. alter the essential character of the neighborhood, and all proposed development will be harmonious with the architectural styles and scale of the surrounding area.
- ii. substantially impair the appropriate use or development of adjacent properties.
- iii. reduce forest cover in the LDA. Vegetative clearing is reduced to the minimum necessary to construct the proposed improvements and will be mitigated appropriately during the permit process with a buffer management plan.
- iv. be contrary to acceptable clearing or replanting practices required for development of the Critical Area or Bog Protection Area. Clearing is minimal and only for what is necessary for construction and access, and the property is not located within a Bog Protection Area.
- v. be detrimental to the public welfare as constructing additions to an existing dwelling on a residentially zoned property will not impose harm to adjacent property owners or the public.

Denial of the requested variance and a strict implementation of the County's Critical Area Program would constitute an unwarranted hardship on the applicant and deprive them of the right to property maintenance and develop, and deny reasonable and significant use of the entire property. Reforestation and stormwater management mitigation will be provided on-site to the maximum extent practical.

We appreciate your consideration of the enclosed variance plan and we remain available to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

DRUM, LOYKA AND ASSOCIATES, LLC

Mark W. Evans

Principal

AFTER RECORDING, RETURN TO:

Attn: S22-21102 Eagle Title 181 Harry S. Truman Parkway Suite 200 Annapolis, MD 21401

Tax ID No.: 03-590-03654260

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DEED

THIS DEED, made this $\frac{19}{100}$ day of $\frac{19}{100}$, 2022, by and between FRANCES L. CAMPBELL, Personal Representative of the Estate of MARY PATRICIA AUSTIN, formerly known of record as Mary P. Campbell, Anne Arundel County, Maryland, Estate No. 105047, party of the first part, GRANTOR, and PAUL ANTHONY COFFIN and STEPHANIE MIKALAC COFFIN, parties of the second part, GRANTEES.

WITNESSETH, that for and in consideration of the sum of Nine Hundred Seventy Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$975,000.00), which includes the amount of any outstanding Mortgage or Deed of Trust, if any, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the said Grantor does grant and convey to the said PAUL ANTHONY COFFIN and STEPHANIE MIKALAC COFFIN, as tenants by the entireties, unto the survivor of them, his or her personal representatives, heirs and assigns, in fee simple, all that lot of ground situate in the County of Anne Arundel, State of Maryland and described as follows, that is to say:

BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED as Lot No. 207 as shown on the Plat of Part of North Shore, which said Plat is duly recorded among the Plat Records of Anne Arundel County in Plat Cabinet 1, Rod A-9 Plat 14, now Plat Book 11, folio 23.

The improvements thereon being known as 442 Park Creek Road.

BEING the same property which, by Deed dated June 07, 1972, and recorded among the Land Records of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, in Liber 2498, folio 121, was granted and conveyed by Charles C. D. McGill unto Mary P. Campbell, as sole owner. Mary P. Campbell, also known as Mary Patricia Austin, departed this life on or about November 20, 2021, thereby vesting title in Frances L. Campbell, Personal Representative of The Estate of Mary Patricia Austin, formerly known of record as Mary P. Campbell.

SUBJECT to all easements, covenants and restrictions of record.

TOGETHER with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, made or being; and all and every, the rights, alleys, ways, waters, privileges, appurtenances and advantages thereto belonging, or in anywise appertaining.

ACCT. 3590-0365-4160 ALL BEQUIRED LIENS ARE PAID AS ___ A.A. COUNTY

Instrument Type: Deed Recordation

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said tract of ground and premises above described and mentioned, and hereby intended to be conveyed, together with the rights, privileges, appurtenances and advantages thereto belonging or appertaining unto and to the proper use and benefit of the said PAUL ANTHONY COFFIN and STEPHANIE MIKALAC COFFIN, as tenants by the entireties, unto the survivor of them, his or her personal representatives, heirs and assigns, in fee simple.

AND the Grantor hereby covenants that she has not done or suffered to be done any act, matter or thing whatsoever, to encumber the property hereby conveyed; that she will warrant specially the property hereby granted; and that she will execute such further assurances of the same as may be requisite.

[SIGNATURES BEGIN ON NEXT PAGE]

WITNESS the hand and seal of said Grantor, the day and year first above written.

Witness:

FRANCES L. CAMPBELL, Personal
Representative of the Estate of MARY
PATRICIA AUSTIN, formerly known of
record as Mary P. Campbell, Anne Arundel
County, Maryland, Estate No. 105047

STATE OF Mayland, COUNTY OF Ame Annald, to wit:

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 17^{TL} day of May Public of the aforesaid State, personally appeared FRANCES L. CAMPBELL, who acknowledged herself to be the Personal Representative of the Estate of Mary Patricia Austin, formerly known of record as Mary P. Campbell, Anne Arundel County, Maryland, Estate No. 105047, and that she being authorized so to do, signed the foregoing Deed in her capacity as Personal Representative for the purposes therein contained, and in my presence signed and sealed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.



NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: 2/12/2023

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the within Deed was prepared by, or under the supervision of the undersigned, an Attorney duly admitted to practice before the Court of Appeals of Maryland.

Paul A. Skrickus, Esquire

MARYLAND FORM WH-AR

Certification of Exemption from Withholding Upon Disposition of Maryland Real Estate Affidavit of Residence or Principal Residence

2022

Based on the certification below, Transferor claims exemption from the tax withholding requirements of §10-912 of the Tax-General Article, Annotated Code of Maryland. Section 10-912 provides that certain tax payments must be withheld and paid when a deed or other instrument that effects a change

in ownership of real property is presented for recordation. The requirements of §10-912 do not apply when a transferor provides a certification of Maryland residence or certification that the transferred property is the transferor's principal residence.

1. Transferor Information	•					
Name of Transferor <u>The Estate o</u>	y Patricia Austin					
2. Description of Property (Street a	ess. If no address is available, include county, district, subdistrict and lot numbers).					
442 Park Creek Road, Pasadena, M	122					
3. Reasons for Exemption						
Resident Status As	ne date this form is signed, I, Transferor, am a resident of the State of Maryland.					
Transferor is a resident entity as defined in Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR)03.04.12.02B(11), I am an agent of Transferor, and I have authority to sign this document on Transferor's behalf.						
Principal Residence Although I am no longer a resident of the State of Maryland, the Property is my principal residence as defined in IRC 121 (principal residence for 2 (two) of the last 5 (five) years) and is currently recorded as such with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation.						
Under penalty of perjury, I cerknowledge, it is true, correct,	that I have examined this declaration and that, to the best of my complete.					
3a. Individual Transferors Witness	Frances L. Campbell, Personal Representative of The Estate of Mary Patricia Austin Name **Date **Date Signature					
3b. Entity Transferors	Name of Entity					
Witness/Attest	By					
	Name **Date					
	Title					

Note: Form is only valid if it was executed on the date the Property was transferred and is properly recorded with the Clerk of the Court.

To the Clerk of the Court: Only an un-altered Form WH-AR should be considered a valid certification for purposes of Section 10-912.

^{**} Form must be dated to be valid.

AFFIDAVIT OF GRANTEES PRIMARY RESIDENCE

THE UNDERSIGNED STATE UNDER OATH AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The undersigned are the Grantees of residentially improved real property located at 442 Park Creek Road in City of Pasadena.
- 2. The undersigned state that the above referenced property will be their principal residence which they will occupy.

Paul Anthony Coffin

Stephanie Mikalac Coffin

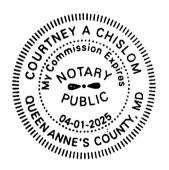
STATE OF MARYLAND COUNTY OF ANNE ARUNDEL, to wit:

Sworn to and subscribed before me by Paul Anthony Coffin and Stephanie Mikalac Coffin on this 18th day of May, 2022.

(SEAL)

Signature of Notary Public

My Commission Expires:



OWNER OCCUPANCY AFFIDAVIT

Paul Anthony Coffin and Stephanie Mikalac Coffin, the Grantees in the within Deed hereby certify under the penalties of perjury, as evidenced by the joinder herein, that the land conveyed in this Deed is residentially improved owner-occupied real property and that the residence will be occupied by us.

WITNESS:

Paul-Anthony Coffin

(SEAL)

(SEAL)

Stephanie Mikalac Coffin

STATE OF MARYLAND COUNTY OF ANNE ARUNDEL, to wit:

I hereby certify that on the 18th day of May, 2022, before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public of the State of Maryland, in and for the County aforesaid, personally appeared Paul Anthony Coffin and Stephanie Mikalac Coffin, known to me or satisfactorily proven to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and made oath in due form of law that the matters and facts set forth herein are true.

As witness, my hand and notarial seal.

Signature of Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

Owner Occupancy Affidavit

File No.: S22-21102

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442 Park Creek Road

Pasadena, MD 21122

THIS DEED

Made this 24 day of March, 2023, by and between, Paul Anthony Coffin and Stephanie Mikalac Coffin, husband and wife as tenants by the entireties, parties of the first part, and Paul A. Coffin, Trustee, and Stephanie M. Coffin, Trustee, of the Paul A. Coffin Living Trust - Restated, dated the 24 day of March, 2023, parties of the second part, and Stephanie M. Coffin, Trustee, and Paul A. Coffin, Trustee, of the Stephanie M. Coffin Living Trust - Restated, dated the 24 day of March, 2023, parties of the third part. This no consideration deed transfers an interest in real property to the grantors' revocable trusts in which grantors are primary beneficiaries.

WHEREAS, this deed transfers an interest in real property to revocable trust with the consideration other than an obligation under a mortgage or deed of trust encumbering the transferred property; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to MD Code Ann., Est. & Trusts § 14.50-1001(b) and WHOCOGE 60.00 Ann., Tax-Property § 12-108 (ee), this transfer is NOT subject to any transfer or recognition 60.00 taxes; and 04/14/2023 11:46 CC02-KG

WHEREAS, the above-described property has heretofore been held as tenants by thrandel entirety, and in making this conveyance, the grantors intend that the above-described with the entirety and any proceeds of the property shall enjoy the immunity from the claims of their separate creditors as set forth in Section 14.5-511 of the Estates and Trusts Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as may be amended, and any further provisions in effect which shall provide the greatest degree of immunity from the claims of said creditors.

WITNESSETH, that for estate planning purposes and for no consideration, the said parties of the first part do grant and convey unto the parties of the second part, a Fifty Percent (50%) undivided interest, and unto the parties of the third part, a Fifty Percent (50%) undivided interest, in fee simple and as tenants in common, as between the parties of the second part and the parties of the third part, the following described land and premises, with the improvements, easements, and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate, lying and being in Anne Arundel County, Maryland, namely:

Lot No. 207 as shown on the Plat of Part of North Shore, which said Plat is duly recorded among the Plat Records of Anne Arundel County in Plat Cabinet 1, Rod A-9 Plat 14, now Plat Book 11, folio 23.

BEING that same property described in Liber 39058 at folio 479

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AND the said parties of the first part covenant that they will warrant specially the property hereby conveyed, and that they will execute such further assurances of said land as may be requisite.

Subject to covenants and restrictions of record.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said parcel of land and premises above described and mentioned and hereby intended to be conveyed; together with the rights, privileges, appurtenances and advantages thereto belonging or appertaining unto and to the proper use and benefit of the Grantees herein as Trustee(s) of Paul A. Coffin Living Trust - Restated, dated the __ZY___ day of March, 2023, and as Trustee(s) of the Stephanie M. Coffin Living Trust - Restated, dated the __ZY__ day of March, 2023, the survivor of them, their successors and assigns in fee simple, with full power and authority to declare the trust, to protect, conserve, lease, encumber, manage, dispose of, distribute (according to the terms of their Trust), convey to their successors or otherwise deal with the real property described in this deed.

WITNESS our hands and seals the day and year hereinabove written.

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Paul Anthony Coffin

Stephanie Mikalac Coffin

The undersigned hereby certifies that he is an attorney admitted to practice before the Court of Appeals of Maryland and that the foregoing Deed was prepared under his supervision.

Marc S Levine

STATE OF MARYLAND : COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

: ss:

The undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the said State and County, does hereby certify that **Paul Anthony Coffin** and **Stephanie Mikalac Coffin**, parties to the above Deed, hereto annexed, personally appeared before me in said State and County, the said individuals being personally known to me (or satisfactorily proven) as the persons who executed the said Deed, and acknowledged the same to be their act and deed for the purposes therein contained.

Given under my hand and seal this 24 day of March, 2023.

JESSICA KESSELMAN
Notary Public - Maryland
Frederick County
My Commission Expires on
May 25, 2026

My Commission Expires: 5/25/2026

Jessica Kesselman, Notary Public

ADDRESS OF GRANTORS and GRANTEES:

13113 Brandon Way Road

Germantown, MD 20878

PLEASE RETURN TO:

Marc S. Levine, Esq.

HANDLER & LEVINE, LLC

4520 East West Highway, Suite 700

Bethesda, MD 20814

Re:

Grantors:

Paul Anthony Coffin

Stephanie Mikalac Coffin

Grantees:

Paul A. Coffin, Trustee and Stephanie M. Coffin, Trustee

Paul A. Coffin Living Trust - Restated, dated the _____ day of March, 2023

Stephanie M. Coffin, Trustee and Paul A. Coffin, Trustee

Stephanie M. Coffin Living Trust - Restated,

dated the 24 day of March, 2023

Property Address:

442 Park Creek Road

Pasadena, MD 21122

NO CONSIDERATION TRANSFER

This is a transfer without consideration: (EXPLAIN)

This no consideration deed transfers an interest in real property to the grantors' revocable trusts in which grantors are primary beneficiaries.

AFFIDAVIT OF CONSIDERATION

The undersigned hereby certifies under the penalties of perjury that the actual consideration paid or to be paid for the aforegoing conveyance, including the amount of any mortgage or deed of trust assumed by the grantee, is in the sum total of \$ -0-. No Grantor or Grantee is assuming liability for debt or being relieved of liability for debt in this transaction.

By: Marc S. Levine, Agent for Transferor and Transferee

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CRITICAL AREA COMMISSION FOR THE CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS 1804 WEST STREET, SUITE 100 ANNAPOLIS, MD 21401

PROJECT NOTIFICATION APPLICATION

GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION

Jurisdiction: Anne Arundel County	Date October 29, 2024
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Project Name (site name, subdivision name, or other) North Shore - Project location/Address 442 Park Creek Road	- Lot 207
City Pasadena Zip	21122
Local case number	
Applicant: Last name Coffin Firs	t name Paul A.
Company n/a	
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Building Permit X Variance X Buffer Management Plan Rezoning Conditional Use Site Plan X Consistency Report Special Exception Disturbance > 5,000 sq ft Grading Permit Other	
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SPECIFIC PROJECT INFORMATION

Describe Proposed use of project site:

To renovate existing single-family dwelling and construct 1st and 2nd floor additions, porch, balcony, walk	.,
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Intra-Family Transfer		Growth Allocation	
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SITE INVENTORY (Enter acres or square feet)

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	Acres	Sq Ft	Total Disturbed Area	0.09
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LDA Area	1.23		# of Lots Created	n/a
RCA Area	0.00			
Total Disturbed Area	0.00			

	Acres	Sq Ft		Acres	Sq Ft
Existing Forest/Woodland/Trees	0.81		Existing Lot Coverage	0.23	
Created Forest/Woodland/Trees	TBD		New Lot Coverage	0.04	
Removed Forest/Woodland/Trees	0.02		Removed Lot Coverage	0.04	
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VARIANCE INFORMATION (Check all that apply)

	Acres	Sq Ft		Acres	Sq Ft
Buffer Disturbance		193	Buffer Forest Clearing		57
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Buffer		Acc. Structure Addition		
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Steep Slopes		Gazebo		
Setback		Patio		
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		Shed		
		Other	Porch, Walk	

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Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Report

North Shore ~ Lot 207

Tax map 25, Grid 20, Parcel 250 Tax Account # 03-590-03654260

Property Address: 442 Park Creek Road, Pasadena, MD

Owner & Variance Applicant: Mr. Paul A. Coffin & Stephanie M. Coffin

Critical Area Designation: LDA Zoning: R-2 Lot Area: 1.23 Ac.

Site Description

The subject property is a grandfathered lot located in the subdivision of North Shore, in Pasadena, which was recorded in the land records of Anne Arundel County in 1940 plat book 11, page 23, plat number 638. The property is an irregular shaped waterfront property with shoreline along Park Creek and is designated as Non-Buffer Modified. The property is improved with a two-story single-family detached dwelling with a basement, shed, paved driveway, waterfront patios, and other associated improvements. The property has frontage and along the 40' right of way Park Creek Road from which the driveway is accessed. The property is approximately 53,462 square feet (1.23 Ac) in area, zoned R-2, and is entirely within the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area with mostly an LDA. Steep slopes are present on the southeast side of the property along the shoreline and a very large portion of the site is encumbered by steep slopes on the site from the south side of the driveway all the way to the south side property line. The buffer to tidal waters runs through the mid-section of the existing dwelling. The modestly sized existing 2,204 square foot aging dwelling was constructed in 1960 according to the Maryland State Department of Assessments and Taxation and appears to not have been improved or expanded from its original footprint nor does the site currently have stormwater management. The dwelling is served with private septic system located between the dwelling and steep slopes along the shoreline. The dwelling is served by a private well for potable water.

Proposed Conditions

The property owners propose to make renovations to the existing aging dwelling and construct an addition with a new main entry porch on the north side of the dwelling, a first story addition onto the east side of the house, a two-story addition on the northwest corner, a new fireplace and chimney on the west side, and a new cantilevered 2nd story balcony mostly overtop an existing patio on the waterfront side of the home is proposed. The cantilevered balcony construction access will be from within the existing dwelling. A new detached garage sited within the existing driveway parking area and overtop the existing shed footprint and is proposed outside the buffers to tidal waters. New walks are proposed for access around the house and areas of the existing asphalt driveway are to be removed. The proposed balcony, detached garage, and walks are proposed mostly overtop areas of existing lot coverage. As part of the permitting process stormwater management mitigation planting and buffer disturbance mitigation will be provided on-site to maximum extent practicable in accordance with code. In the proposed conditions, the sites lot coverage will be reduced by 200 square feet to be in conformance with the current Critical Area allowable lot coverage code requirements.

A buffer management plan will address mitigation requirements during the permitting. A copy of the Concept Stormwater Management Narrative and Computations is included with this submittal package. In the proposed conditions, the sites lot coverage will be reduced by 200 square feet to be in conformance with the current Critical Area allowable lot coverage code requirements.

Description and Purpose of Variance Request

On behalf of the owners, please see the enclosed variance site plan dated October 11, 2024. Due to the delineation of the Buffer, the location of the existing improvements, and the presence of the steep slopes causing the buffer to expand, we hereby request a variance to **Article 17**, **Section 8-301(b)** to allow development in the buffer. Specifically, to construct a two-story addition on the northwest corner, a new fireplace on the west side, and a new first floor cantilevered 2nd story balcony on the south side of the dwelling. A concrete walk is proposed to connect the front entry walk to an existing concrete walk of the west side of the house leading to the riparian access. Specifically, to allow relief of approximately 192 square feet of disturbance in the buffer to include 75 square feet of permanent disturbance for the improvements and 117 square feet of temporary disturbance for construction access.

The need for the requested Critical Area variance arises from the unique nature, topography, and existing constraints of the property. Specifically, the irregular shape of the lot and location of the existing dwelling relative to the shoreline and steep slopes.

Buffers

The shoreline is mapped entirely Non-Buffer Modified, steep slopes 15% or greater boarder the shoreline on the south side of the property and follow around on the adjacent property to the west, and running along the west property line. The 100-ft buffer to tidal waters runs through the mid-section of the existing dwelling and falls within the steep slopes on the west side. The buffer is expanded 50 feet from the crest of those steep slopes. Nearly the entire existing dwelling is located within the expanded buffer. Approximately 192 square feet of disturbance is proposed in the buffer, with only 75 s.f. of permanent for the proposed additions and walk, and 117 s.f. of temporary disturbance for construction access. A 25-foot buffer to the steep slopes is located within the area of the expanded buffer and encumbers a portion of the west side of the existing dwelling.

Vegetative Coverage

The property is mostly developed woodland with large mature hardwood trees and turf lawn beneath the canopy. Creeping ivy envelopes the existing dwelling and the steep slope areas are mostly stabilized with mature trees and ivy. The existing tree canopy area is approximately 35,076 s.f. (0.81 ac.). The developed woodland tree canopy area located within the limit of disturbance is approximately 815 s.f. (0.02 ac.). Developed woodland removal will be mitigated on-site with a Buffer Management Plan.

Lot Coverage

The site currently has approximately 10,074 s.f (0.23 Ac.) of lot coverage, all of which is within the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Limited Development Area (LDA). The proposed lot coverage is 9,812 s.f. (0.23 Ac.), equal to the allowable lot coverage of 9,812 s.f. (0.23 Ac). The proposed developed conditions result in an overall reduction of 262 square feet of lot coverage in

the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area to bring the property into current code conformance for a grandfathered lot in the LDA.

Steep Slopes (slopes > 15%)

Approximately 22% (13,558 s.f.) of the subject property is encumbered with steep slopes of 15% or greater. These steep slopes are mostly wooded, and extend up from the shoreline. As well as a large area of steep slopes adjacent to the septic reserve areas on the east side of the driveway to the east property line. There is no disturbance to the steep slopes proposed for the redevelopment. Portions of the western side of the existing dwelling and proposed additions are located within the 25 ft buffer to steeps slopes. Most of the slope buffer disturbance is within areas which are already developed.

Predominant Soils

The predominant soil types in the area are of Patapsco-Evesboro-Fort Mott complex, 0 to 5 percent slopes (PeB), and Collington and Annapolis soils, 10 to 15 percent slopes (CRD). These soils have type "A" and "B" hydrology classifications and are not considered hydric. CRD soils can be considered Highly Erodible when located in areas with slopes greater than 15%.

FEMA Floodplain

The subject property appears on FEMA Firm panel no. 24003C0178F. The property is located in floodplain Zone AE with a base flood elevation of 7.0-ft (NAVD88). No disturbance is proposed within the flood zone. The existing dwelling and proposed improvements are well above the flood elevation.

Drainage and Rainwater Control

There does not appear to be any existing stormwater management on site. Drainage areas and patterns will remain relatively unchanged. Stormwater management for the new impervious coverage will be addressed via mitigation plantings during the building permit process. Sediment and Erosion control is achieved through perimeter controls, which are adequate to handle the small drainage areas to them. The development will have no adverse effect on the sensitive environmental features of the site and surrounding areas and site disturbance and woodland clearing will be mitigated onsite per the Mitigation Planting and Buffer Management plan during the permitting process in order to meet Anne Arundel County and MDE design criteria.

Conclusions – Variance Standards

The applicant proposes to renovate their existing single-family dwelling and add a walk, cantilevered balcony, small 1st and 2nd floor additions and new porch in the buffer; resulting in approximately 192 square feet of disturbance in the buffer. The need for the requested Critical Area Variance arises from the existing unique nature and constraints of this property, specifically the irregular shape of the lot, and the location of the existing dwelling in relation to the shoreline and steep slopes causing majority of the property to be encumbered by buffers and slopes. It is not possible to complete this project without the proposed minimized disturbance to the buffer and expanded buffer. The proposed improvements are comparable in size and amenities as other homes in the community and therefore will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood, impair development of adjacent properties, or be detrimental to the public welfare. To deny the requested variance would deprive the applicant of rights commonly enjoyed by other properties in the immediate area. With the implementation of stormwater management planting mitigation, buffer mitigation, developed woodland disturbance mitigation, and sediment and erosion control

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Reference:

ADC: The Map People, 2002 Anne Arundel County, Maryland, Street Map Book

Anne Arundel County Office of Planning & Zoning, Critical Area Map

Anne Arundel County Office of Planning & Zoning, Buffer Exemption Map

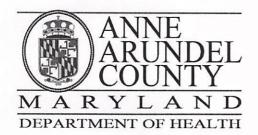
Anne Arundel County, Maryland; Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Mapping Program, Critical Area Map

Federal Emergency Management Agency, 2016. Flood Insurance Rate Map

First American Real Estate Solutions, 2002, Realty Atlas: Anne Arundel County Maryland

Drum, Loyka and Associates LLC, August 2024 Variance Plan

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Sadé Medina, Zoning Applications

Planning and Zoning Department, MS-6301

FROM: Brian Chew, Program Manager

Bureau of Environmental Health

DATE: November 6, 2024

RE: Paul Anthony Coffin, Trustee

442 Park Creek Road Pasadena, MD 21122

NUMBER: 2024-0199-V

SUBJECT: Variance/Special Exception/Rezoning

The Health Department has reviewed the above referenced variance to allow dwelling additions with less setbacks and buffer than required.

The Health Department does not have an approved plan for this project. The Health Department has no objection to the above referenced variance request as long as perc application and site plan are submitted and approved by the Health Department.

If you have further questions or comments, please contact Brian Chew at 410-222-7413.

cc: Sterling Seay

2024-0199-V

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Task Details OPZ Critical Area Team	
Assigned Date	Due Date
10/30/2024	11/20/2024
Assigned to	Assigned to Department
Kelly Krinetz	OPZ Critical Area
Current Status	Status Date
Complete w/ Comments	11/06/2024
Action By	Overtime
Kelly Krinetz	No
Comments	Start Time
Provided the renovation occurs as an addition to the existing dwelling, we offer	
no objection to this application. If, however the plans indicate or field conditions	
necessitate the demolition of the existing structure, a new variance request may be required.	
End Time	Hours Spent
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Billable	Action by Department
No	OPZ Critical Area
Time Tracking Start Date	Est. Completion Date
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Record Creator	
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Owner Owner	
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Review Notes

Reviewer Email

Reviewer Name

Expiration Date

Reviewer Phone Number



CAC Comments: 2024-0198-V; Brookwood Corporation (AA 0284-24), 2024-0199-V; Coffin (AA 0285-24), 2024-0200-V; O'Neill (AA 0293-24)

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Wed, Nov 20, 2024 at 8:43 AM

Good morning,

The Critical Area Commission has reviewed the following variances and we provide the following comments:

- 2024-0198-V; Brookwood Corporation (AA 0284-24): Appropriate mitigation required.
- 2024-0199-V; Coffin (AA 0285-24): It appears that the applicant has reasonable and significant use of the entire parcel with the existing improvements. It does not appear that this request meets each and every one of the Critical Area variance standards including unwarranted hardship or that this variance would not adversely affect water quality and wildlife or plant habitat. The existing dwelling on this grandfathered lot is located on steep slopes and within the expanded Critical Area Buffer. The project would result in 57 square feet of forest clearing within the Buffer and 192 square feet of disturbance within the Buffer. If this request were to be denied for the construction within the Buffer, the applicant will still enjoy reasonable and significant use of the entire property and may continue with current plans for improvements outside of the Buffer.
- 2024-0200-V; O'Neill (AA 0293-24): Appropriate mitigation required.

Best, Jamileh

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