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CASE: 2035-0034-V

DATE: 4/24/25

Date: April 7, 2025

To: Anne Arundel County Maryland Office of Administrative Hearings Attn: Douglas Clark Hollmann, Esq., Administrative Hearing Officer From: Jerry and Gwen Hoyt, 523 Palisades Blvd., Crownsville, MD 21032

Subj: LETTER IN OPPOSITION TO A VARIANCE REQUEST

VARIANCE TO ALLOW A PIER ADDITION, PLATFORM, AND BOAT LIFT PILINGS WITH LESS SETBACKS THAN REQUIRED AND WITH GREATER LENGTH THAN ALLOWED

For: Suprat Saely and Ronald John Maggio, Jr. - 2025-0034-V (AD 2, CD 6)

Tax ID: 2605-0306-9400

Property Address: 519 Palisades Boulevard, Crownsville, MD 21032

Date of Hearing: Thursday, April 24, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

The setbacks are there for a reason and the area between our pier and the adjacent pier at 519 Palisades Boulevard is already very limited, especially considering the depth of the water. This proposed 15' X 15' boat lift would put the outermost piling 9 feet into their 15' setback and close to the docking area at the side of my pier. Such a placement will considerably reduce the amount of maneuvering space for a vessel to safely dock on the docking side of our pier. Docking at our pier would be made even more difficult by the proposed extension to their existing pier by an additional 6 feet. They requested this pier extension to "accommodate for the overhang of the boat off the back of the lift allowing Mr. Maggio and his family to safely board the boat." This acknowledgement that their boat will extend beyond the end of their pier further complicates the safe docking procedure by a vessel at our pier.

At the very least, the width of the boat lift should not exceed the standard width of 10-12 feet. As for the length of the boat lift, the length of the boat, including the swim platform, should be considered. Moving the boat lift back so the swim platform does not extend into the setback would allow the boat to be boarded from their existing pier and allow a vessel to be safely docked at the east side of our pier. There is no access by water to the west side of our pier due to the shallow depth of the water there.

In summary, if the requested variances are granted, it would become much more difficult, if not impossible, to safely maneuver a vessel at our pier.

Jerry E. Hoyt, 523 Palisades Blvd.

Gwendolyn C. Hoyt, 523 Palisades Blue.

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TO:

Anne Arundel County Maryland Office of Administrative Hearings Arundel Center, P.O. Box 2700 Annapolis, MD 21404-2700

Attn: Holly Colby

FROM:

Christopher K. and Virginia S. White

509 Palisades Blvd. Crownsville, MD 21032

SUBJECT:

Variance Request 2025-0034-V (AD 2, CD 6)

For Suprat Saely and Ronald John Maggio, Jr. 519 Palisades Blvd, Crownsville, MD 21032

Variance to allow a pier addition, platform, and boat life pilings with less setbacks

than required and greater length than allowed

DATE OF

Thursday, April 24, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

**HEARING** 

We have several concerns about the granting of this variance. The cove in question is shallow and a popular spot for fishing and crabbing from transient small craft. There is already limited maneuverability for boats in the cove, due to both the size of the cove and the fact that the water quickly becomes shallower the farther into the cove one ventures. The situation has not changed since the property at 519 Palisades Blvd. was sold to the current owners — no variances have been granted and no new pier construction has occurred.

A major factor in the need for a variance seems to be that the boat lift in question is larger than the standard width, indicating that a large boat is to be accommodated. From the information supplied by the request for variance, it appears that not only the pier extension but also the swim platform of the large boat will extend beyond the limits permitted by the point of cove regulations. Is the size of the boat even appropriate to the size of the cove?

Granting this variance will reduce the already limited maneuverability in the cove, both for docking at the neighboring pier at 523 Palisades Boulevard and also for transient watercraft entering and leaving the cove. Perhaps placing a standard size boat lift closer to shore could be done without the need for variances and without impinging on the public's use of and enjoyment of the cove.

Christopher K. White

Virginia S. White