



Agenda for Meeting 01-2021
CITY OF ROCKVILLE BOARD OF APPEALS

Alan Frankle, Chair
Roy Deitchman
Nicholas Kutchak, Alternate

**Thursday, January 14, 2021 at
7:00 p.m.**

**Virtual Meeting via WebEx–
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Jim Wasilak, Chief of Zoning
Marlaine White, Senior Assistant City Attorney

I. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. **[Variance Application VAR2021-00089](#)**: Ira Fisch, owner of 8301 Hectic Hill Lane – the applicant requests zoning variances to allow for the construction of an accessory building in the front yard and to allow for an accessory building to exceed the 500 square foot maximum square footage requirement in the R-150 Zone. The variance is being sought so the applicant can demolish the existing accessory building and reconstruct an accessory building in the front yard that is approximately 1,040 square feet in area. The property is located in the R-150 zone, Single Unit Detached Residential Zone. Planner: Brian Wilson: 240-314-8227.

II. COMMISSION ITEMS

- A. OLD BUSINESS**
B. NEW BUSINESS
C. MINUTES
D. ADJOURNMENT

ONLINE MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING PROCEDURE

I. Meeting Platform: WebEx

- A. Applicant Access: Provided by PDS/IT
- B. Access for Oral Testimony and Comment: Provided by PDS/IT
- C. If during the hearing a party wishes to make additional comment or to specifically request the opportunity to engage in cross-examination following specific testimony, the party must contact the Host by email at jwasilak@rockvillemd.gov or by text at (202) 839-0305 with the specific request. The Host will inform the Board. The Board, in its sole discretion, will determine if the party may be heard.

II. Pre-Meeting Preparations/Requirements:

A. Written Testimony and Exhibits –

Written testimony and exhibits may be submitted by email to Jim Wasilak, Staff Liaison to the Board of Appeals, at jwasilak@rockvillemd.gov, or by mail, and must be received no later than eight (8) days in advance of the hearing.

B. WebEx Orientation for Applicants –

Applicants must contact the planning case manager assigned to the Application no later than five (5) days in advance of the hearing in order to schedule WebEx orientation, which must be completed prior to the hearing.

C. Oral Testimony –

- i. Applicants – Applicants must provide to Planning and Development Services (“PDS”) Staff a list of presenters and witnesses who will testify on behalf of the Application. The list must be provided to PDS Staff no later than five (5) days prior to the date of the hearing.
- ii. Testimony/Comment in favor of an Application – Any member of the public who wishes to comment in favor of an Application must submit their name to PDS Staff no later than two (2) days in advance of the hearing to be placed on the testimony list. If a member of the public is unable to meet the deadline to be placed on the testimony list, they can submit written testimony to the Staff Liaison to the Board of Appeals, at jwasilak@rockvillemd.gov by 12:00 p.m. on the date of the hearing.
- iii. Testimony/Comment opposing an Application – Any member of the public who wishes to comment in opposition to an Application must submit their name to PDS Staff no later than two (2) days in advance of the hearing to be placed on the testimony list. If a member of the public is unable to meet the deadline to be placed on the testimony list, they can submit written testimony to the Staff Liaison to the Board of Appeals, at jwasilak@rockvillemd.gov by 12:00 p.m. on the date of the hearing.

III. Conduct of Online Meeting and Public Hearing:

The Meeting and Public Hearing will be held in accord with the Board of Appeals Rules of Procedure.

The Board of Appeals, at its discretion, reserves the right to continue the hearing until another date.

A. Public Hearing

- i. Staff presentation or report and recommendation.
- ii. Testimony of representative of other Board or Commission, if any – limited to ten (10) minutes each.
- iii. Applicant presentation in support of the Application – limited to fifteen (15) minutes.
- iv. Testimony in favor of the Application – The Board will sequentially recognize each person on the support testimony list and ask the host to allow the speaker to speak. Each speaker must wait to be specifically recognized by the Board before speaking. Testimony is limited to three (3) minutes for each individual and limited to five (5) minutes for each civic association.
- v. Testimony in opposition to the Application – The Board will sequentially recognize each person on the opposition testimony list and ask the host to allow the speaker to speak. Each speaker must wait to be specifically recognized by the Board before speaking. Testimony is limited to three (3) minutes for each individual and limited to five (5) minutes for each civic association.
- vi. Rebuttal testimony of the Applicant – limited to ten (10) minutes.
- vii. Additional comment, if any, on the Application – The Board will ask if there is any further comment. Any participant seeking to provide additional comment may ask to speak at this time and must do so by either emailing the Host at jwasilak@rockvillemd.gov or texting at (202) 839-0305. The Host will inform the Board if there are previous participants who wish to provide additional comment and list each speaker by name. The Board will sequentially recognize each speaker and ask the Host to allow the speaker to speak. Each speaker must wait to be specifically recognized by the Board before speaking. Additional comment is limited to three (3) minutes each.
- viii. Applicant closing argument, if any – limited to five (5) minutes each.
- ix. Board Discussion and Decision

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HELPFUL INFORMATION FOR STAKEHOLDERS AND APPLICANTS

I. FUTURE MEETING DATES

- February 11, 2021
- March 11, 2021
- April 8, 2021
- May 13, 2021
- June 10, 2021
- July 8, 2021
- September 9, 2021
- October 14, 2021
- November 18, 2021
- December 9, 2021

II. NEW DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

For a complete list of all applications on file, visit: www.rockvillemd.gov/DevelopmentWatch

Maryland law and the Board of Appeals' Rules of Procedure regarding ex parte (extra record) communication require all discussion, review, and consideration of this matter take place only during the Board's consideration of the item at a scheduled meeting. Telephone calls and meetings with Board members in advance of the meeting are not permitted. Written communication will be directed to appropriate staff members for response and included in briefing materials for all members of the Board.