

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT



Application No. 15269 of the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America, pursuant to 11 DCMR 3107.2, for a variance to allow the enlargement of a structure devoted to a nonconforming use (Sub-section 2002.5) for an addition and expansion of parking and a garden of an existing nonconforming museum in an R-1-B District at premises 2715 Q Street, N.W., (Square 1285, Lots 801, 803, and 814).

HEARING DATE: April 11, 1990
DECISION DATE: April 11, 1990 (Bench Decision)

SUMMARY ORDER

The Board duly provided timely notice of public hearing on this application, by publication in the D.C. Register, and by mail to ANC 2E and to owners of property within 200 feet of the site.

The site of the application is located in Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC") 2E. ANC 2E, which is automatically a party to the application, by letter dated March 22, 1990, supported the granting of the application, with conditions.

As directed by 11 DCMR 3324.2, the Board has required the applicant to satisfy the burden of proving the elements which are necessary to establish the case for a variance from the strict application of the requirements of 11 DCMR 2002.5. No person or entity appeared at the hearing or otherwise requested to participate as a party in this proceeding. Accordingly, a decision by the Board to grant this application would not be adverse to any party.

Based upon the record before the Board, the Board concludes that the applicant has met the burden of proof, pursuant to 11 DCMR 3107, and that the requested relief can be granted without substantial detriment to the public good and without substantially impairing the intent, purpose, and integrity of the zone plan as embodied in the Zoning Regulations and maps. It is therefore ORDERED that the application is GRANTED, subject to the following CONDITIONS:

1. The service road and adjoining parking area shall be screened from the adjacent Oak Hill Cemetery by a five-foot high brick wall topped with a three

foot high metal fence similar to existing walls around the property.

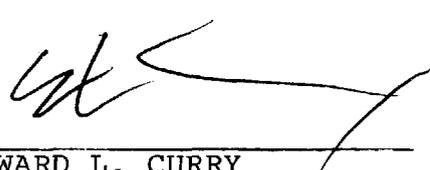
2. The landscaping design of the garden shall be subject to design review by the ANC and appropriate reviewing bodies.

Pursuant to 11 DCMR 3301.1, the Board has determined to waive the requirement of 11 DCMR 3331.3 that the order of the Board be accompanied by findings of fact and conclusions of law. The waiver will not prejudice the rights of any party, and is not prohibited by law.

VOTE: 3-0 (Paula L. Jewell, William F. McIntosh and Carrie L. Thornhill to grant, Charles R. Norris not present, not voting).

BY ORDER OF THE D.C. BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT

ATTESTED BY:



EDWARD L. CURRY
Executive Director

FINAL DATE OF ORDER: MAY 7 1990

PURSUANT TO D.C. CODE SEC. 1-2531 (1987), SECTION 267 OF D.C. LAW 2-38, THE HUMAN RIGHTS ACT OF 1977, THE APPLICANT IS REQUIRED TO COMPLY FULLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF D.C. LAW 2-38, AS AMENDED, CODIFIED AS D.C. CODE, TITLE 1, CHAPTER 25 (1987), AND THIS ORDER IS CONDITIONED UPON FULL COMPLIANCE WITH THOSE PROVISIONS. THE FAILURE OR REFUSAL OF APPLICANT TO COMPLY WITH ANY PROVISIONS OF D.C. LAW 2-38, AS AMENDED, SHALL BE A PROPER BASIS FOR THE REVOCATION OF THIS ORDER.

UNDER 11 DCMR 3103.1, "NO DECISION OR ORDER OF THE BOARD SHALL TAKE EFFECT UNTIL TEN DAYS AFTER HAVING BECOME FINAL PURSUANT TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL RULES OF PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE BEFORE THE BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT."

THIS ORDER OF THE BOARD IS VALID FOR A PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDER, UNLESS WITHIN SUCH PERIOD AN APPLICATION FOR A BUILDING PERMIT OR CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY IS FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS.

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As Executive Director of the Board of Zoning Adjustment, I hereby certify and attest to the fact that a letter has been mailed to all parties, dated MAY 7 1990, and mailed postage prepaid to each party who appeared and participated in the public hearing concerning this matter, and who is listed below:

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. L. Curry", written over a horizontal line.

EDWARD L. CURRY
Executive Director

DATE: MAY 7 1990