

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Board of Zoning Adjustment



Office of Zoning

Application No. 16617 of Peter Bell and Sharon Workim Bell, pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3103.2, for variances from § 402, 403, 404 and 2001.3 for relief from the floor area ratio, the percentage of lot occupancy, rear yard set back requirements and increasing the nonconforming aspects of the structure to permit an addition to an existing single-family dwelling in an R-5-B District at premises 1726 18th Street, N.W. (Square 133, Lot 133).

HEARING DATE: November 14, 2000
DECISION DATE: November 14, 2000 (Bench Decision)

SUMMARY ORDER

The zoning relief requested in this case is self-certified, pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3113.2.

The Board provided proper and timely notice of the public hearing on this application by publication in the D.C. Register, by mail to Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2B, and to owners of property within 200 feet of the site.

The site of this application is located within the jurisdiction of ANC 2B. ANC 2B, which is automatically a party to this application, did not provide a statement.

As directed by 11 DCMR § 3119.2, the Board required the applicant to satisfy the burden of proving the elements that are necessary to establish the case for a variance from the strict application of the requirements of 11 DCMR § 3103.2, 402, 403, 404 and 2001.3. No person or entity appearing as a party to this case testified in opposition to the application. 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 § 3103.2, that there exists an exceptional or extraordinary situation or condition related to the property which creates a practical difficulty for the owner in complying with the Zoning Regulations, 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 Map. It is therefore **ORDERED** that this application be **GRANTED**.

Pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3101.6, the Board determined to waive the requirement of 11 DCMR § 3125.3 that findings of fact and conclusions of law accompany the order of the Board. The waiver will not prejudice the rights of any party, and is appropriate in this case.

VOTE: 4-0 (Robert Sockwell, Anne Renshaw, Sheila Cross Reid and Anthony Hood to approve).

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

ATTESTED BY: 
JERRILY R. KRESS, FAIA
Director

FINAL DATE OF ORDER: DEC 22 2000

PURSUANT TO D.C. CODE SEC. 1-2531 (1999), 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 3125.9, “NO ORDER OF THE BOARD SHALL TAKE EFFECT UNTIL TEN (10) DAYS AFTER HAVING BECOME FINAL PURSUANT TO § 3125.6.”

THIS ORDER OF THE BOARD IS VALID FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS 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 Director of the Office of Zoning, I hereby certify and attest that on DEC 22 2000 a copy of the order entered on that date in this matter was mailed first class, postage prepaid, to each party who appeared and participated in the public hearing concerning the matter, and who is listed below:

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