

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT



Application No. 16697 of Edward J. and Patricia Yates, pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3104.1 for a special exception under section 223 to allow a deck addition to a single-family dwelling not meeting the lot occupancy requirements under section 403 in an R-4 District at premises 1631 Harvard Street, N.W. (Square 2591, Lot 1056).

NOTE: The Board at the public hearing, amended the application to also require area variance relief from subsections 3103.2 and 2001.3.

HEARING DATE: May 8, 2001

DECISION DATE: June 5, 2001

SUMMARY ORDER

SELF-CERTIFIED

The zoning relief requested in this case was 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, and by mail to the Applicant, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 1E, and to owners of all property within 200 feet of the property that is the subject of this application. The application was also referred to the Office of Planning (OP) for review and report.

The subject property is located within the jurisdiction of ANC 1E. ANC 1E, which is automatically a party to this application, submitted a letter in support of the application (Exhibit No. 32). The OP offered a verbal report recommending approval of the application.

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 a case for special exception under § 3104 .1 and an area variance under § 3103.2. No person or entity appeared at the public hearing in opposition to this 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 and having given great weight to the ANC's statement filed in this case, the Board concludes that the applicant has met the burden of proof, under 11 DCMR §§ 3104 .1 and 223 that the requested relief will be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the Zoning Regulations and Map and will not tend to affect adversely the use of neighboring property in accordance with the Zoning Regulations and Zoning Map. The Board also concludes that the Applicant has met the burden of proof under 11 DCMR §§ 3103.2 and 2001.3 that there exists an exceptional or extraordinary situation or condition related to the property that 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 the application be **GRANTED**.

Pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3101.6, the Board has determined to waive the requirement of 11 DCMR § 3125.3 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 appropriate in this case.

VOTE: 4 – 0 – 1: (Sheila Cross Reid, Anne M. Renshaw, Susan M. Hinton, and Carol J. Mitten, to approve; Geoffrey H. Griffis not voting, not having participated in the case).

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

Each concurring member approved the issuance of this Order.

ATTESTED BY:


JERRILY R. KRESS, FAIA
Director, Office of Zoning

Final Date of Order: JUL 25 2001

PURSUANT TO 11 DCMR § 3125.6, THIS ORDER WILL BECOME FINAL UPON ITS FILING IN THE RECORD AND SERVICE UPON THE PARTIES. UNDER 11 DCMR § 3125.9, THIS ORDER WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE TEN DAYS AFTER IT BECOMES FINAL.

PURSUANT TO 11 DCMR § 3130, THIS ORDER SHALL NOT BE VALID FOR MORE THAN TWO YEARS AFTER IT BECOMES EFFECTIVE UNLESS, WITHIN SUCH TWO-YEAR PERIOD, THE APPLICANT FILES PLANS FOR THE PROPOSED STRUCTURE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS FOR THE PURPOSES OF SECURING A BUILDING PERMIT.

THE APPLICANT SHALL COMPLY FULLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS ACT OF 1977, D.C. LAW 2-38, AS AMENDED, CODIFIED AS CHAPTER 25 IN TITLE 1 OF THE D.C. CODE. SEE D.C. CODE § 1-2531 (1999). THIS ORDER IS CONDITIONED UPON FULL COMPLIANCE WITH THE HUMAN RIGHTS ACT. THE FAILURE OR REFUSAL OF THE APPLICANT TO COMPLY SHALL BE A PROPER BASIS FOR THE REVOCATION OF THIS ORDER.

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As the Director of the Office of Zoning, I hereby certify and attest that on JUL 25 2001, a copy of the order entered on that date in this matter was mailed first class, postage prepaid or delivered via inter-agency mail, to each party who appeared and participated in the public hearing concerning the matter, and who is listed below.

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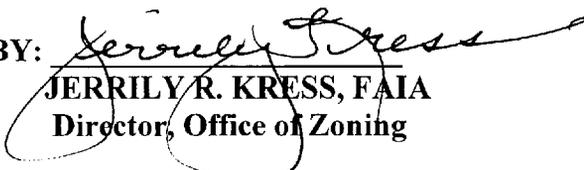
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