

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT



Application No. 16734 of Thomas B. Grooms, pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3103.2 for a variance from subsection 2001.3 to allow a rear addition to a nonconforming structure devoted to a conforming use (single family dwelling) in the CAP/R-4 District at premises 500 D Street, N.E. (Square 836, Lot 821).

HEARING DATE: July 24, 2001

DECISION DATE: July 24, 2001 (Bench Decision)

SUMMARY ORDER

REVIEWED BY THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

The zoning relief requested in this case is by a zoning memorandum dated February 8 2001, from the Zoning Administrator's Office that specifies the zoning relief required by the Applicant.

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) 6A 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 site of this application is located within the jurisdiction of ANC 6A. ANC 6A, which is automatically a party to this application, did not submit a written statement as a whole; however, the Zoning and License sub-committee of the commission submitted a letter in support of the application.

As directed by 11 DCMR § 3119.2, the Board required the Applicant to satisfy the burden of proving the elements which are necessary to establish the case for a variance 11 DCMR §§ 3103.2 and 2001.3. No person or entity appeared at the public hearing 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 and 2001.3, 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 zoning 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 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: 5-0-0 (Geoffrey H. Griffis, Anne Mohnkern Renshaw, David W. Levy, John G. Parsons and Sheila Cross Reid to approve).

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

Each concurring member has approved the issuance of this Order.

ATTESTED BY:


JERRILY R. KRESS, FAIA
Director

FINAL DATE OF ORDER: AUG 22 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 Director of the Office of Zoning, I hereby certify and attest that on AUG 22 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 this matter, and who is listed below:

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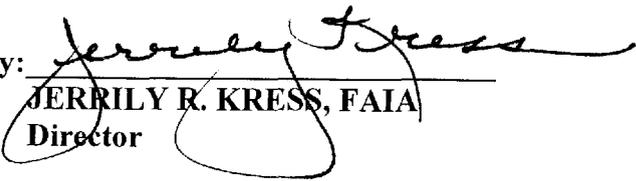
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