

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**  
**Board of Zoning Adjustment**



**Application No. 19755 of Dale Denton and Morgan Washburn**, as amended<sup>1</sup>, pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle X, Chapter 9, for special exceptions under Subtitle C § 1504 from the penthouse setback requirements of Subtitle C § 1502.1(b) and (c), under Subtitle E §§ 5007 and 5201 from the accessory structure rear setback requirements of Subtitle E § 5004.3, and under Subtitle E § 5201 from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1 and the rear yard requirements of Subtitle E § 306.1, to construct a rear deck and a rear roof deck addition and convert the existing residential care facility to a flat in the RF-1 Zone at premises 1208 T Street N.W. (Square 275, Lot 47).

**HEARING DATE:** June 6, 2018  
**DECISION DATE:** June 27, 2018

**SUMMARY ORDER**

**SELF-CERTIFIED**

The zoning relief requested in this case was self-certified, pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle Y § 300.6. (Exhibits 4 and 13 (original), 31 (revised), and 44 (final). In granting the certified relief, the Board of Zoning Adjustment ("Board" or "BZA") made no finding that the relief is either necessary or sufficient. Instead, the Board expects the Zoning Administrator to undertake a thorough and independent review of the building permit and certificate of occupancy applications filed for this project and to deny any application for which additional or different zoning relief is needed.

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 Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC") 1B and to owners of property located within 200 feet of the site. The site of this application is located within the jurisdiction of ANC 1B, which is automatically a party to this application. The ANC submitted a timely report in support of the application. The ANC report indicated that

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<sup>1</sup> The original application also included a special exception for alley line setback and a variance for lot occupancy. (See, Exhibits 4 and 13.) Before the application was advertised, the Applicant withdrew the request for alley line setback. (See, Exhibit 31.) The Applicant subsequently revised its plans to reduce the lot occupancy (Exhibit 46) to what is allowable by special exception and amended the relief accordingly (Exhibit 44). The caption has been changed to reflect the amended relief.

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at a duly noticed and scheduled public meeting on May 3, 2018, at which a quorum was present, the ANC voted 11-0-0 in support of the application. (Exhibit 34.) The Chair of ANC 1B confirmed support for the revised plans. (Exhibit 47.)

The Office of Planning (“OP”) submitted two reports in this case. In its original report, dated May 30, 2018, OP recommended approval of special exceptions requested, but recommended denial of the request for a variance for lot occupancy under Subtitle E § 304. (Exhibit 40.) OP subsequently submitted a supplemental report dated June 20, 2018 in which it recommended approval of the application, as amended. In that supplemental report OP noted that after the hearing on June 6, 2018, the Applicant revised the architectural drawings to reduce lot occupancy to that which is permitted by special exception. Also, OP noted that while in its original report it stated that relief for a parking space under Subtitle C § 712.3 might be needed, that relief was no longer necessary. (Exhibit 48.)

The District Department of Transportation (“DDOT”) submitted a timely report indicating that it had no objection to the grant of the application with one condition. (Exhibit 37.)

Five letters of support from neighbors were submitted to the record. (Exhibit 10.)

As directed by 11 DCMR Subtitle X § 901.3, the Board has required the Applicant to satisfy the burden of proving the elements that are necessary to establish the case pursuant to Subtitle X § 901.2, for special exceptions under Subtitle C § 1504 from the penthouse setback requirements of Subtitle C § 1502.1(b) and (c), under Subtitle E §§ 5007 and 5201 from the accessory structure rear setback requirements of Subtitle E § 5004.3, and under Subtitle E § 5201 from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1 and the rear yard requirements of Subtitle E § 306.1, to construct a rear deck and a rear roof deck addition and convert the existing residential care facility to a flat in the RF-1 Zone. No parties 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 and OP reports, the Board concludes that the Applicant has met the burden of proof, pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle X § 901.2, Subtitle C §§ 1502.1(b) and (c) and 1504, and Subtitle E §§ 304.1, 306.1, 5004.3, 5007, and 5201, that the requested relief can be granted as being in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the Zoning Regulations and Map. The Board further concludes that granting the requested relief will not tend to affect adversely the use of neighboring property in accordance with the Zoning Regulations and Map.

Pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle Y § 101.9, the Board has determined to waive the requirement of 11 DCMR Subtitle Y § 604.3, 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.

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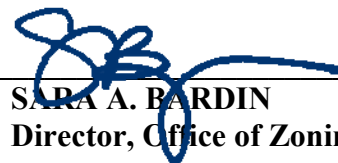
It is therefore **ORDERED** that this application is hereby **GRANTED AND, PURSUANT TO SUBTITLE Y § 604.10, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVED REVISED PLANS AT EXHIBIT 46.**

**VOTE:**           **5-0-0** (Carlton E. Hart, Lesylleé M. White, Lorna L. John, Frederick L. Hill (by absentee ballot), and Robert E. Miller to APPROVE.)

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

A majority of the Board members approved the issuance of this order.

**ATTESTED BY:**

  
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**SARA A. BARDIN**  
**Director, Office of Zoning**

**FINAL DATE OF ORDER:** June 28, 2018

PURSUANT TO 11 DCMR SUBTITLE Y § 604.11, NO ORDER OF THE BOARD SHALL TAKE EFFECT UNTIL TEN (10) DAYS AFTER IT BECOMES FINAL PURSUANT TO SUBTITLE Y § 604.7.

PURSUANT TO 11 DCMR SUBTITLE Y § 702.1, 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 PURPOSE OF SECURING A BUILDING PERMIT, OR THE APPLICANT FILES A REQUEST FOR A TIME EXTENSION PURSUANT TO SUBTITLE Y § 705 PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION OF THE TWO-YEAR PERIOD AND THE REQUEST IS GRANTED. PURSUANT TO SUBTITLE Y § 703.14, NO OTHER ACTION, INCLUDING THE FILING OR GRANTING OF AN APPLICATION FOR A MODIFICATION PURSUANT TO SUBTITLE Y §§ 703 OR 704, SHALL TOLL OR EXTEND THE TIME PERIOD.

PURSUANT TO 11 DCMR SUBTITLE Y § 604, APPROVAL OF AN APPLICATION SHALL INCLUDE APPROVAL OF THE PLANS SUBMITTED WITH THE APPLICATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A BUILDING OR STRUCTURE (OR ADDITION THERETO) OR THE RENOVATION OR ALTERATION OF AN EXISTING BUILDING OR STRUCTURE. AN APPLICANT SHALL CARRY OUT THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, OR ALTERATION ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLANS APPROVED BY THE BOARD AS THE SAME MAY BE AMENDED AND/OR MODIFIED FROM TIME TO TIME BY THE BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE D.C. HUMAN RIGHTS ACT OF 1977, AS AMENDED, D.C. OFFICIAL CODE § 2-1401.01 *ET SEQ.* (ACT), THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE ON THE BASIS OF ACTUAL OR PERCEIVED: RACE, COLOR,

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RELIGION, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEX, AGE, MARITAL STATUS, PERSONAL APPEARANCE, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY OR EXPRESSION, FAMILIAL STATUS, FAMILY RESPONSIBILITIES, MATRICULATION, POLITICAL AFFILIATION, GENETIC INFORMATION, DISABILITY, SOURCE OF INCOME, OR PLACE OF RESIDENCE OR BUSINESS. SEXUAL HARASSMENT IS A FORM OF SEX DISCRIMINATION WHICH IS PROHIBITED BY THE ACT. IN ADDITION, HARASSMENT BASED ON ANY OF THE ABOVE PROTECTED CATEGORIES IS PROHIBITED BY THE ACT. DISCRIMINATION IN VIOLATION OF THE ACT WILL NOT BE TOLERATED. VIOLATORS WILL BE SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION.