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Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW, Suite 210
Washington, DC 20001

Re: Lot 0120; Sq 0193

Ms. Beverly Bailey:

Attached is

(1) An amended statement explaining in full my request for an expedited hearing
(2) A copy of my December 8, 2000 cover letter accompanying my application
(3) A copy of the list of document submitted with my application.
(4) Copies of my architechtural plan reduced as close as I could get to 11 ½" x 17". The sheet size is larger but the image is approximately 11 ½" x 17".

I have enclosed five (5) copies of each "just in case."

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lucia Edmonds

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Board of Zoning Adjustment
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December 18, 2000

Board of Zoning Adjustment
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**Re: Lot 0120; Sq 0193**
**Request for an Expedited Hearing**

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing this letter to explain in detail my request for an expedited hearing. This letter is in addition to the one I submitted with my application December 8, 2000. I have laid this statement out under headings to make it easier to follow.

***June 5: Application Submitted for Construction Permits to Enclose Existing Deck and Add Closet to Third Floor Bedroom. This was in addition to other work done on the house.***
On June 5, Mr. Charles Bunn, acting for my contractor Sandy Taylor of Taylor Construction Associates, submitted an application for construction permits to 1) enclose an existing deck and 2) to add a closet to a third floor room. My contractor, Sandy Taylor, was on site at my home at 1610 15th St., NW. from June 2000 until November 2000. During that time, he installed thermal windows throughout the building, refaced the building front, and updated a kitchen.

***In November, Sandy Taylor, Contractor, Left the Construction Site***, stating that ***without permits for the deck and closet he could go no further***. He said that ***he would subtract out $18,625.75 to cover the cost of the undone deck enclosure and closet addition***. I knew that figure grossly underestimated the cost of those two jobs. The benefit to Sandy of underestimating the undone portion of the work was that it increased the payout for the work he had completed.

***Contractor Commits to Return at Specified Price, But Only if Permits are Secured Within Six Months***
In the final analysis, I agreed to Sandy Taylor's figure but only on the condition that he commit to return and finish the unfinished work (the deck and closet) for the $18,625.75 he had specified. He stated that he could not do that because it would take him additional money to restart the job. I agreed to an additional $7,000 to cover the cost of startup. That brings the agreed upon price for the two tasks to $25,625.75.

***The caveat. Mr. Taylor has stated that in order for him to hold to this agreement, I would have to have the permits within six months. That means that I have to have approvals for the deck and closet by March 10, 2001.*** It is for this reason that I am asking the Board to expedite the hearing of my case.

I would appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,

Lucia Edmonds

Lucia Edmonds, Owner

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December 8, 2000

Board of Zoning Adjustment
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Washington, DC 20001

Re: Lot 0120; Sq 0193

Dear Sir or Madam:

As you will see from the attached cover sheet, my application for a permit to enclose an existing deck and to add a closet to a room on the third floor of my home was initiated December 2, 1999 with a Plat for a Building Permit. The application for construction permits began June 5, 2000 and as nearly as I can determine, the process was signed off on July 1, 2000 with a referral to BZA. No further action was taken until October 25, 2000 when we were able to get a letter to the Board of Zoning Adjustment from Michael Johnson, Zoning Administrator.

This long delay has left me in a very difficult situation. My contractor, Taylor Construction, has left the job site. They finished as much work as they could (reconstructed the front bay, installed new thermal pane windows)but could not stay longer because there was no indication of if and when permits would be granted for the proposed additions.

I am left in a terrible situation. My contractor, Sandy Taylor, says that he will charge me an extra $10,000 to return to the site. He asserts increased cost due to passage of time and the cost of a new start-up. In addition, Mr. Taylor charged me $3,975.00 to secure all permits. He claims that he paid Mr. Charles Bunn, who lists himself as a builder, for the time Mr. Bunn spent trying to secure the permits, and that he, Sandy Taylor spent numerous days on the effort.

I am hope that you will be able to help me. I am willing to work with you in any way I can.

Sincerely,

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Re: Lot 0120; Sq 0193

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed please find:

- **Memorandum to BZA** from Michael D. Johnson, dated **Oct 25, 2000**, re: proposed repair of existing rear deck and additional closet room
- Completed Application, signed by Lucia Edmonds and dated December 7,2000
- Two sets of 3 photographs **as required** by application number 4C
  - 1 view of site for proposed closet addition to third floor room
  - 2 view of existing deck for which enclosure is proposed
- The name and mailing address of owners of all property within 200 feet in all directions from all boundaries of the property in application, **as required**

- **12/2/99:** District of Columbia Government Office of the Surveyor: Plat for building permit of Square 193, Lot 120, says "furnished to Lucia Edmonds" (not received by Lucia Edmonds, owner)
- 6/4/2000: **From Bunns Builders/Taylor Construction** - Addressed to Lucia Edmonds (property owner)- description of work to be done on rear deck and cost. (This description. with cost, was never submitted to me, owner.)
- **Application for construction permits**
  - **6/5/2000** Application made by agent Bunn (Builder)
  - **6/14/00** signed by Keith Lambert, Construction Insp. Branch (Field Check);
  - **6/15/00** signed by Keith Lambert as "OK to process;"
  - **6/20/00** Initialed by Information Counter;
  - **7/1/00** initialed by the DPW Permit and Records Division/Deposit

  **BZA printed in large letters at bottom.** Date of last signature on Application sheet= **7/1/00**
- 6/30/2000: Receipt of filing fee received from Charles Bunn
- 6/30/2000: Permit Center: Building Permit Control Batch Sheet

Lucia Edmonds