Case No. S-2758

PETITION OF MICHAEL AND RENE SHIHADI

OPINION OF THE BOARD
(Opinion Adopted March 10, 2010)
(Effective Date of Opinion: April 2, 2010)

Case No. S-2758 is an application for a special exception, pursuant to section 59-G-2.00 of the Zoning Ordinance, to permit an accessory apartment. The Hearing Examiner for Montgomery County held a hearing on the application on January 14, 2010 and on February 16, 2010 issued a Report and Recommendation for approval of the special exception.

The subject property is Lot 3; Block S, located at 17624 Wheat Fall Drive, Derwood, Maryland, 20850, in the R-200 Zone.

Decision of the Board: Special Exception Granted Subject to
The Conditions Enumerated Below.

The Board of Appeals considered the Hearing Examiner’s Report and Recommendation at its Worksession on March 10, 2010. After careful consideration and review of the record in the case, the Board adopts the Report and Recommendation and grants the special exception subject to the following conditions:

1. Petitioner is bound by his testimony and exhibits of record to the extent that such testimony and evidence are identified in the Hearing Examiner’s Report and Recommendation and in the Opinion of the Board.

2. The accessory apartment may be inhabited by no more than two unrelated persons, or a family of no more than three persons.
3. Per Code § 59-G-2.00(b)(1), Petitioner must occupy one of the dwelling units on the subject property.

4. Per Code § 59-G-2.00(b)(3), Petitioner must not receive compensation for more than one dwelling unit on the subject property.

5. Petitioner must obtain and satisfy the requirements of all licenses and permits, including but not limited to building permits or use-and-occupancy permit, necessary to implement the special exception as granted herein. Petitioner shall at all times ensure that the special exception use and facility comply with all applicable codes (including but not limited to building, life safety and handicapped accessibility requirements), regulations, directives and other governmental requirements.

On a motion by David K. Perdue, Vice-Chair, seconded by Carolyn J. Shawaker, with Stanley B. Boyd and Catherine G. Titus, Chair, in agreement, and Walter S. Booth necessarily absent, the Board adopted the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Appeals for Montgomery County, Maryland that the opinion stated above is adopted as the Resolution required by law as its decision on the above-entitled petition.

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Catherine G. Titus
Chair, Montgomery County Board of Appeals

Entered in the Opinion Book of the Board of Appeals for Montgomery County, Maryland this 2nd day of April, 2010.

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Katherine Freeman
Executive Director

NOTE:

Any request for rehearing or reconsideration must be filed within fifteen (15) days after the date the Opinion is mailed and entered in the Opinion Book (See Section 59-A-4.63 of the County Code). Please see the Board's Rules of Procedure for specific instructions for requesting reconsideration.
Any decision by the County Board of Appeals may, within thirty (30) days after the decision is rendered, be appealed by any person aggrieved by the decision of the Board and a party to the proceeding before it, to the Circuit Court for Montgomery County, in accordance with the Maryland Rules of Procedure. It is each party’s responsibility to participate in the Circuit Court action to protect their respective interests. In short, as a party you have a right to protect your interests in this matter by participating in the Circuit Court proceedings, and this right is unaffected by any participation by the County.

See Section 59-A-4.53 of the Zoning Ordinance regarding the twenty-four months’ period within which the special exception granted by the Board must be exercised.