BOARD OF APPEALS

December 10, 2025

County Administration Building, 100 W. Washington St., Meeting Room 2000, Hagerstown, at 6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

AP2025-025: Sharpsburg Pike Holding LLC is charging administrative error of the Zoning Administer stating the interpretation of Section 22.23(e) regarding "Use on the Premises Signs" is incorrect for installation of a freestanding sign that would advertise the uses(s) or tenant(s) on adjacent parcels. An appeal was also filed for a variance from the requirement of a property to have a lot frontage of at least 40 ft. in width to be reduced to 25 ft. and a variance from the 25 ft. setback for the sign support structure from the road right-of-way to 10 ft. for proposed freestanding sign on the property owned by the appellant and located at 10440 Vida Drive, Hagerstown, Zoned Highway Interchange District.

AP2025-029: An appeal was filed by 9738 Downsville Pike LLC for a special exception to establish a resident business for an accounting office in accessory structure on property owned by the appellant and located at 9738 Downsville Pike, Hagerstown, Zoned Agricultural Rural District.

Pursuant to the Maryland Open Meetings Law, notice is hereby given that the deliberations of the Board of Zoning Appeals are open to the public. Furthermore, the Board, at its discretion, may render a decision as to some or all of the cases at the hearing described above or at a subsequent hearing, the date and time of which will be announced prior to the conclusion of the public hearing. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Katie Rathvon at 240-313-2464 Voice, 240-313-2130 Voice/TDD no later than December 1, 2025. Any person desiring a stenographic transcript shall be responsible for supplying a competent stenographer.

The Board of Appeals reserves the right to vary the order in which the cases are called. Please take note of the Amended Rules of Procedure (Adopted July 5, 2006), Public Hearing, Section 4(d) which states:

Applicants shall have ten (10) minutes in which to present their request and may, upon request to and permission of the Board, receive an additional twenty (20) minutes for their presentation. Following the Applicant's case in chief, other individuals may receive three (3) minutes to testify, except in the circumstance where an individual is representing a group, in which case said individual shall be given eight (8) minutes to testify.

Those Applicants requesting the additional twenty (20) minutes shall have their case automatically moved to the end of the docket.

For extraordinary cause, the Board may extend any time period set forth herein, or otherwise modify or suspend these Rules, to uphold the spirit of the Ordinance and to do substantial justice.

Tracie Felker, Chairman

Board of Zoning Appeals



WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

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ZONING APPEAL

Property Owner:

Sharpsburg Pike Holding LLC

Docket No:

AP2025-025

1741 Dual Highway

Tax ID No:

10066000

Suite B

Hagerstown MD 21740

Zoning:

HI

Appellant:

Sharpsburg Pike Holding

1741 Dual Highway

RB Overlay:

Zoning Overlay:

No

Suite B

Filed Date:

10/02/2025

Hagerstown MD 21740

Hearing Date:

10/29/2025

Property Location:

10440 Vida Drive

Hagerstown, MD 21740

Description Of Appeal:

Charging administrative error of the Zoning Administer stating the interpretation of Section 22.23(e)

regarding "Use on the Premises Signs" is incorrect for installation of a freestanding sign that would

advertise the use(s) or tenant(s) on adjacent parcels.

Variance from the requirement for a property to have a lot frontage of at least 40 ft. in width to be reduced down to 25 ft. and a variance from the 25 ft. setback for the sign support structure from the

road right-of-way to 10 ft. for proposed freestanding sign.

Appellant's Legal Interest In Above Property:

Owner: Yes

Contract to

No

No

Rent/Lease: Contract to

Lessee:

Purchase:

No

Other:

Previous Petition/Appeal Docket No(s):

Applicable Ordinance Sections:

Washington County Zoning Ordinance Section: 22.23 (3)

Reason For Hardship:

See justification statement

If Appeal of Ruling, Date Of Ruling:

Ruling Official/Agency:

Existing Use:

Commercial Lot

Proposed Use:

Freestanding Sign

Previous Use Ceased For At Least 6 Months:

Date Ceased:

Area Devoted To Non-Conforming Use -

Existing:

Proposed:

I hearby affirm that all of the statements and information contained in or filed with this appeal are true and correct.

Appellant Signature

State Of Maryland, Washington County to-wit:

Sworn and subscribed before me this

Kathryn B Rathvon MY COMMISSION EXPIRES NOVEMBER 07, 2025

AFFIDAVIT IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 25.51(C)

Docket No: AP2025-025

State of Maryland Washington County, To Wit:

On 10/2/2025, before me the subscriber, a Notary of the public of the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Frederick Seibert & Associates Inc and made oath in due form of law as follows:

Frederick Seibert & Associates Inc will post the zoning notice sign(s) given to me by the Zoning Administrator in accordance with Section 25.51(c) of the Washington County Zoning Ordinance for the above captioned Board of Appeals case, scheduled for public hearing on 10/29/2025, and that said sign(s) will be erected on the subject property in accordance with the required distances and positioning as set out in the attached posting instructions.

Sign(s) will be posted on 10/14/2025 and will remain until after the above hearing date.

Frederick Seibert & Associates Inc

Sworn and subscribed before me the day and year first above written.

Kathryn B Rathvon NOTARY PUBLIC WASHINGTON COUNTY

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES NOVEMBER 07, 2025

My Commission Expires

Notary Public

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ATTENTION!

Posting Instructions

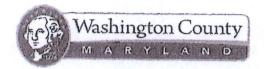
The premises MUST be posted in accordance with the following rules:

- 1. The sign must be posted a minimum of fourteen (14) days prior to the public hearing Section 25.51(c) Property upon which the application or appeal is concerned shall be posted conspicuously by a zoning notice no less in size than twenty-two (22) inches by twenty-eight (28) inches at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the hearing.
- 2. The sign must be placed on the property within ten (10) feet of the property line which abuts the most traveled public road.
- 3. The sign must be posted in a conspicuous manner not over six (6) feet above the ground level, and affixed to a sturdy frame where it will be clearly visible and legible to the public.
- 4. The sign shall be maintained at all times by the applicant until after the public hearing. If a new sign is needed or required, please contact the Plan Review Department at 240-313-2460.
- 5. An affidavit certifying the property will be posted for the minimum of fourteen (14) days prior to the public hearing date.

Proper posting of the sign will be spot checked by the Zoning Inspector. IF SIGN IS NOT IN COMPLIANCE, IT MAY

Kathiya B Rath DNIARY PUBLIC NOTARY PUBLIC WASHINGTON COUNTY

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES NOVEMBER 07, 2025



OWNER REPRESENTATIVE AFFIDAVIT

This is to certify that ED SEHRETBER	
is authorized to file an appeal with the Washington County Board of Appeals for ADMINISTRATIVE ETROR AND VARIANCES OF LOCATED VIDADR, HACESTOWN MD 21740 The said work is authorized by SHARDSBURG File Holding, 126 the property owner in fee.	n property
ADAM SHACOL ASHACOL@WASHEDEVELOPMENTS Com City, State, Zip Code 240-527-9014 PROPERTY OWNER SHAPPSBURG PIKE HOLDING, LLC Name 1741 DUAY HIGHWAY STE B Address HABBESTOWN MD 21740 City, State, Zip Code Owner's Signature	
Sworn and subscribed before me this 36 day of September, 2035 Clipabett 1 with Notary Public	_
AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE Elizabeth Trotter NOTARY PUBLIC Washington County MARYLAND MY COMMISSION EXPIRES August 1, 2027 Address HASTON MD 21740 City, State, Zip Code	-
Authorized Representative's Signature Sworm and subscribed before me this 29 day of Scoton bev, 2025. NOTARY D Notary Public My Commission Expires: High 2028 80 West Balanco estreet Hagerstown, MD 21740 P: 240.313.2460 P: 240.313.2461 Hearing In	- mpaired: 7-1-1

Ed J. Schreiber

From: Baker, Jill <JBaker@washco-md.net>

Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2025 11:37 AM

To: Ed J. Schreiber

Cc: Trevor M. Frederick; Rathvon, Kathryn B.

Subject: RE: 10440 Vida Drive, Shops at Sharpsburg, FSA 5563

Attachments: 5563 Sign BZA.pdf

9/10 EMAIL From PLANVING DIRECTOR ZONING ADMIN. I have reviewed your request and offer the following opinion.

As you eluded to in your request for review, the ordinance says that, "Individual businesses or industrial establishments may erect a free-standing business sign, provided the lot frontage is at least 40 ft." (Section 22.23(e)). This regulation pertains to "Use on the Premises Signs". Because the sign being proposed will be on a separate premises from where the use(s) is/are taking place, it would be considered an 'Outdoor Advertising Sign' and the regulations in Section 22.24 will apply. I also need to point out that the tenant of Lot 2 already has one freestanding sign advertising their business. You also state that the sign being proposed will function in the same manner as a pylon sign in a shopping center. There is no regulatory language to allow for functionally similar signage. Either it is on-premises, or it is off-premises.

It is clear from the location on the exhibit you provided (attached), that the sign would be located on a separate premises from the other lots in the commercial subdivision that you wish to advertise. It is my opinion that this sign meets the definition of an Outdoor Advertising Sign and must therefore conform to the regulations for that use.

Please consider this a formal written opinion in response to your request for review. This opinion may be appealed to the Board of Zoning Appeals charging Administrative Error within 30 days of the sent date of this email. If you have any further questions or concerns, please let me know.

Jill



Jill Baker, AICP
Director/Zoning Administrator

747 Northern Avenue Hagerstown, MD 21742 Phone: (240) 313-2433

E-mail: <u>jbaker@washco-md.net</u> Website: <u>www.washco-md.net</u>

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From: Ed J. Schreiber < ESchreiber@fsa-inc.com>

Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2025 9:32 AM **To:** Baker, Jill <JBaker@washco-md.net>

Cc: Trevor M. Frederick <TFrederick@fsa-inc.com>; Rathvon, Kathryn B. <krathvon@washco-md.net>

Subject: 10440 Vida Drive, Shops at Sharpsburg, FSA 5563

8/14/25 EMAIL FROM APPLICANT

WARNING!! This message originated from an **External Source**. Please use proper judgment and caution when opening attachments, clicking links, or responding to this email.

Any claims of being a County official or employee should be disregarded.

Jill,

Please accept this email as a request for your determination to allow the Board of Zoning Appeals hear a request for a freestanding sign to serve as an outdoor advertising sign. Section 22.23(e) of the Washington County Zoning Ordinance states that individual businesses are permitted a freestanding sign to advertise the use or tenant on the same lot as the freestanding sign. We have a project that several commercial lots have been created and each are proposed to be occupied by individual businesses. Four (4) of the six (6) lots created have panhandles that are approximately 250 feet in length or the main body of the lot is 300 feet from the main road frontage. These lots are range is size from .69 acres to 7.84 acres give the appearance of a small shopping center of smaller individual buildings and occupants. This enclave of lots/buildings gives the appearance of a shopping center and it is the desire to construct an individual sign to advertise for all four (4) lots, not unlike a shopping center. What is proposed is nothing like a true "Outdoor Advertising" that would be seen along an interstate.

An attempt was made to file for a Board of Zoning Appeals variance to allow 1 freestanding sign advertise the businesses on 4 individual lots, reduce the front yard setback from 25' to 10' and reduce the 40' lot frontage requirement to 25' which is the width of the panhandle. At the time I was advised that a variance of this nature would not be entertained by the Board and that if I disagreed I would need to file for Administrative Error. This is my request for a written decision explaining why this variance will not be entertained by the Board so I may move forward with filing for Administrative error. I have included a sketch of the subject properties for a better understanding of the site.

Project Name: Shops of Sharpsburg Pike

Owner/Applicant: Sharpsburg Pike Holding LLC

Project Address: 10305 Ezra Dr, Hagerstown, MD 21740

Tax Map__57__ Grid__10__ Parcel__644__ Lot 4

Account # 10009707

Zoning: HI

Variance request: From section 22.23(e) "Use on the Premises" signs. As stated in the Washington County Zoning Ordinance individual businesses are permitted a freestanding sign to advertise the use or tenant on the <u>same lot</u> as the freestanding sign. Also mentioned is that the sign must be 25' from the ROW. The applicant is requesting relief from the 25' setback requirement to 10', reduced lot width from 40' to 25' and that the freestanding sign may only advertise for the use on the lot that the sign would be constructed on and allow advertising for lots 2,6,7 & 8

In an effort to combine the advertising for 4 lots onto one sign the applicant is seeking to do the following:

 Reduce clutter and confusion as to the tenants of each building and where to exit Sharpsburg Pike to get to said buildings.

 Combining the signs of lots 2,6,7 & 8 is requested similar to the design of the private road that provides access to each lot. One access off of Sharpsburg Pike has been provided for several lots.

3. Reduction of the 25' setback is requested due to the odd configuration of the ROW in that area.

Undo burden is being placed on the applicant to provide individual freestanding signs not to mention the increased amount of clutter and confusion that is caused by multiple signs along the road.

Additional testimony will be provided at the hearing to support the applicants desire for combining signs and reducing the lot frontage requirement.

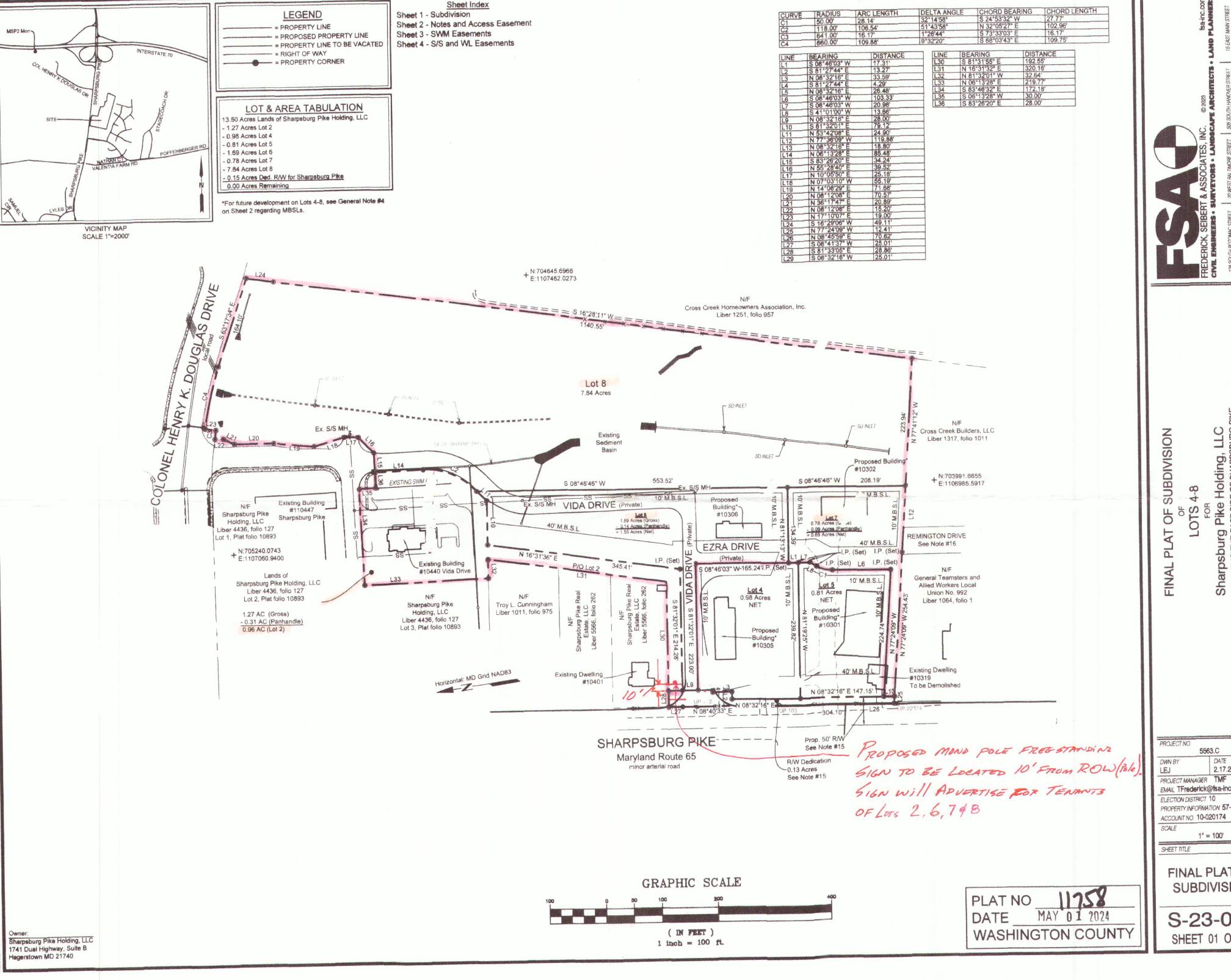


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Appeal Charging Error In Administrative Ruling or Action

Property Location: 10440 VIDA DR, HAGERSTOWN MD
Appellant's present legal interest in above property: (Check One)
Owner (Including Joint Ownership) Lessee Contract to rent/lease
Contract to PurchaseOther
Official or agency from whose ruling or action this appeal is made: RANNING & ZONING DEFT
PLANNING DIRECTOR / ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
Date of ruling or action: $9/10/2025$
On attached sheet please provide:
 Brief description of ruling or action from which this appeal is made. (Attach copy of ruling or document indicating such action) SEE Email From 9/10 Brief description of what, in Appellant's view, the ruling or action should have been. SEE Email From 8/10 Section/subsection of the Zoning Ordinance which Appellant contends was misinterpreted see Email 8/14 Error in fact, if any, involved in the ruling or action from which this appeal is made Error of law, if any, involved in the ruling or action from which this appeal is made Questions of fact, if any, presented to the Board of this appeal State of Appellant's interest, i.e. manner in which Appellant is aggrieved by the ruling or action complained of (as property owner or otherwise):
I hereby certify that I have, to the best of my knowledge, accurately supplied the information required for the above referenced appeal.
SEE AFFIDAVIT GEE AFFIDAVIT
Signature of Appellant Address of Appellant
GET AFFIDAVIT Email of Appellant SET AFFIDAVIT Phone Number of Appellant

This appeal form is to be used to assist the customer in gathering the information necessary to submit an application. However, the application shall be processed in person.



OF

LOTS 4-8

FOR

FOR

Sharpsburg Pike Holding, LLC

ITUATE ALONG THE EAST SIDE OF SHARPSBURG PIK

WASHIGNTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

2.17.2023 PROJECT MANAGER TMF EMAIL TFrederick@fsa-inc.com ELECTION DISTRICT 10 PROPERTY INFORMATION 57-10-160

1" = 100"

FINAL PLAT OF SUBDIVISION

S-23-020 SHEET 01 OF 04

Project Name:

Resident Business for 9738 Downsville Pike LLC

Owner/Applicant: 9738 Downsville Pike LLC

Project Address: 9738 Downsville Pike, Hagerstown, MD 21740

Tax Map 56

Grid 23

Parcel 869

Account #

02-008386

Zoning:

A(R)

Special Exception for a Resident Business

As outlined in Table 3.3(1) of the Washington County Zoning Ordinance, the proposed Resident Business Use requires a public hearing and approval by the Board of Zoning Appeals. The business will be operated by members of the family residing on the property, with no more than two (2) non-resident employees, as permitted by the ordinance.

The proposed resident business is an accounting office serving an existing Tri-State area business owned and operated by the owners of the land and will be located within an accessory building on the 123-acre farm. The existing dwelling on the property will be demolished and replaced with a new single-family residence to be occupied by the owners of the land.

The business will remain incidental and subordinate to the primary residential use of the property and complies with the following applicable criteria:

The use does not exceed more than five thousand (5,000) SF of the floor space of the dwelling or an accessory structure. The applicant is proposing a 5,000 SF building.

- A. The use will not generate vehicular parking that would exceed spaces for the employee & equipment. Six (6) parking spaces are proposed.
- B. Freight and delivery traffic shall not be to a greater extent than would normally result from a residential occupancy unless otherwise approved by the Board. One or two UPS deliveries per day is anticipated.
- C. Other non-residential vehicular traffic resulting from patronage will not exceed five (5) peak hour trips. Very few additional trips are anticipated. The proposed use is to be an accounting office for

an existing business, very little walk in traffic is currently experienced nor anticipated.

D. Outside storage of materials will not exceed ten (10) percent of the lot area, but not exceed 5,000. No outside storage is proposed nor anticipated.

E. Signage for the business is limited to one (1) sign not more than ten (10) SF in total sign area. Applicant will abide by the sign design standards.

F. Hours of operation for the business are to be approved as a part of the special exception by the Board. The applicant intends to keep office hours of 8:00 AM-4:30 PM Monday-Friday.

G. The use has no other evidence of being visible, audible or abnormally odoriferous from the outside of the dwelling or accessory building to indicate it being used for anything other than residential purposes. The proposed accessory building for the resident business will be taking the place of the original farmhouse located on this property which is located with the following setbacks:

Front- 1,450 feet Rear- 1,990 feet R Side- 392 feet L Side- 1080 feet

As an accounting office for an existing business there will be no noise, dumpster and very little lighting.

H. Upon approval of the special exception a minor site plan shall be submitted and approved by the Planning Commission. If the Special Exception is approved a site plan shall be submitted to the Planning Department.

Having met or affirmatively answered all the criteria listed above the applicant hereby request the Board review the information provided and issue a favorable opinion.

Frederick Seibert & Associates, Inc.

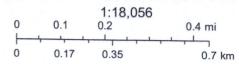


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FSA Boundary Resolution Parcels Washington County



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View Map

No Ground Rent Redemption on File

No Ground Rent Registration on File

Special Tax Recapture: AGRICULTURAL TRANSFER TAX **Account Number:**

District - 02 Account Identifier - 008386

Owner Information

Owner Name:

9738 DOWNSVILLE PIKE LLC Use:

AGRICULTURAL

Mailing Address:

1825 HOWELL RD SUITE 4

Principal Residence: NO /07431/00171

Deed Reference:

HAGERSTOWN MD 21740-

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address:

9738 DOWNSVILLE PIKE **HAGERSTOWN 21740-0000**

Legal Description: 123.84 ACRES

9738 DOWNSVILLE PIKE Map: Grid: Parcel: Neighborhood: Subdivision: Section: Block: Lot: Assessment Year: Plat No: M 1103

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2024

Plat Ref:

Town: None

Primary Structure Built Above Grade Living Area Finished Basement Area Property Land Area County Use

1900

StoriesBasementType

Exterior QualityFull/Half BathGarageLast Notice of Major Improvements

STANDARD UNITSTUCCO/3 YES

4 full/ 1 half

SIDING

Value Information

	Base Value	Value	Phase-in Asses	ssments
		As of 01/01/2024	As of 07/01/2025	As of 07/01/2026
Land:	117,900	117,900		0770172020
Improvements	231,200	432,500		
Total:	349,100	550,400	483.900	550.400
Preferential Land:	42,900	42,900	400,000	330,400

Transfer Information

Seller: LEHMAN NELSON R ET AL	Date: 04/05/2024	Price: \$1,850,000
Type: ARMS LENGTH IMPROVED	Deed1: /07431/ 00171	Deed2:
Seller: LEHMAN IRENE R	Date: 01/13/2015	Price: \$0
Type: NON-ARMS LENGTH OTHER	Deed1: /04891/ 00258	Deed2:
Seller: SHANK EARL R	Date:	Price: \$0
Type: NON-ARMS LENGTH OTHER	Deed1: /00589/ 00816	Deed2:

Exemption Information

Partial Exempt Assessments:	Class	07/01/2025	07/01/2026
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Special Tax Recapture: AGRICULTURAL TRANSFER TAX

Homestead Application Information

Homestead Application Status: No Application

Homeowners' Tax Credit Application Information

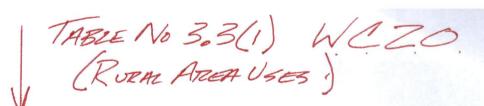
Homeowners' Tax Credit Application Status: No Application Date:



OWNER REPRESENTATIVE AFFIDAVIT

This is to certify that ED SCHTRE IBE	2
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the property owner in fee.	IKE, LLC e/o TOOD SNOOK
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1738 Do	WNER PIKE, LLC
Name	SNOOK
1825 Howa Address	RE ROAD, SUITE 4
HAGERSTO	WN, MD 21740
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LAND USES	A(R)	EC	Р	RV	RB	IM	Intensity of Use
Nursing/Convalescent Homes.	N	N	N	N	P	N	MODERATE
Transitional or Sheltered Care Facility, not to include Assisted Living Facilities.	N	N	N	N	P	N	MODERATE
J. Housing					 		
Dwelling unit in conjunction with a principal non-residential use	SE	SE	SE	SE	P	N	1.0\\
Dwellings, semi-detached	SE	SE	SE	P	N	N	LOW
Dwellings, single family	P	P	P	P	N	N	N/A
Dwellings, two-family	P	P	P	P	N	N	N/A
Home, occupation	A	A	A	A	N	N	N/A
Home, resident business	SE	SE	SE	SE	N	N	N/A
Mobile Homes	P	P	P	N	N		N/A
Model Homes	P	P	P	P	N	N	N/A
Temporary residential sales office	P	P	P	P	N	N	N/A
K. Manufacturing ¹⁰				-	IN	N	N/A
Abattoirs, slaughterhouses, stockyards	N	N	N	N	P	N1	111011
Brewery, Farm with a valid Class 8 manufacturing license	P	P	P	P	P	N	HIGH
Brewery, Commercial with a valid Class 5 manufacturing license	SE	SE	SE	SE	P	N	MODERATE
Carpentry or woodworking shops	SE	SE	SE	SE	P	N	MODERATE
Concrete and ceramic products manufacture, including ready-mixed concrete plants	N	N	N	N	P	N P	HIGH HIGH
Flour mill, grain milling or drying	N	N	N	N	Р	N	HIGH
Food processing and packing plants; provided such use shall be located two (2) times the distance requirements specified in Section 4.9	SE	SE	SE	N	P	N	HIGH HIGH
Grain elevators, grain bins, and feed mills, primarily for wholesale use.	Р	SE	SE	N	Р	N	MODERATE
Machine Shops	SE	SE	SE	SE	P	N	MODERATE
Recycling facilities	N	N	N	N	P	N	
Sawmills & Lumber Drying	SE	SE	SE	N	P	N	HIGH
Sawmills, Temporary	Р	Р	P	N	N	P	MODERATE
Vind mill farms	SE	SE	SE	SE	N	N	HIGH
Vineries, Farm with a valid Class 4 manufacturing license	P	P	P	P	P	N	N/A
Vineries, Commercial with a valid Class 3 manufacturing license	SE	SE	SE	SE	P	N	MODERATE MODERATE

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Revision 17 Table 3.3(1)K. amended 4/23/13 (RZ-12-002/ORD-2013-13)

APTICLE 28A DEFINITIONS WCZO

manufacturing, industrial operations or pilot plant involving machines or operations normally associated with production or assembly lines or the production of goods in quantity above that needed for product testing and evaluation.

Research Institution:245

A non-profit or for-profit organization, establishment, or other entity engaged in conducting original investigation on a systematic basis to gain new knowledge, and/or the application of research findings or other scientific knowledge for the creation of new or significantly improved products or processes.

A research institution typically conducts its research, experimental development, and analyses in a defined field, such as physical, engineering, life or social sciences, or the humanities. The use includes the necessary laboratory and pilot production areas required to conduct the research.

Resident Business: 246

A special exception use of a dwelling or accessory structure, as approved by the Board of Appeals, conducted solely by a member or members of the family residing therein and not more than two (2) non-resident employees, which is incidental or subordinate to the main use of the building for dwelling purposes and meets the following criteria:

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Property Owner:	9738 Downsville Pike LL 1825 Howell Road Suite 4	.C		Docket No: Tax ID No:	AP2025-029 02008386
Appellant:	Hagerstown MD 21740 9738 Downsville Pike LL 1825 Howell Road			Zoning: RB Overlay: Zoning Overlay:	A(R) No
	Suite 4 Hagerstown MD 21740			Filed Date: Hearing Date:	11/19/2025 12/10/2025
Property Location:	9738 DOWNSVILLE Pike Hagerstown, MD 21740				
Description Of Appeal:	Special exception to estab	lish a reside	ent busines	s for an accounting o	office in accessory structure.
Appellant's Legal Interes	t In Above Property:	Owner:	Yes	Contract to Rent/Lease:	No
		Lessee:	No	Contract to Purchase:	No
		Other:			
Previous Petition/Appea	I Docket No(s):				
Applicable Ordinance Se	ctions:	Washing	ton County	y Zoning Ordinance	e Table No. 3.3 (1) J
Reason For Hardship:					
If Appeal of Ruling, Date	Of Ruling:				
Ruling Official/Agency:					
Existing Use: Resid	dential	Proposed	d Use:	Resident Busines	S
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Notary Public

AFFIDAVIT IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 25.51(C)

Docket No: AP2025-029

State of Maryland Washington County, To Wit:

On 11/19/2025, before me the subscriber, a Notary of the public of the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Frederick Seibert and Assocaties and made oath in due form of law as follows:

Frederick Seibert and Assocaties will post the zoning notice sign(s) given to me by the Zoning Administrator in accordance with Section 25.51(c) of the Washington County Zoning Ordinance for the above captioned Board of Appeals case, scheduled for public hearing on 12/10/2025, and that said sign(s) will be erected on the subject property in accordance with the required distances and positioning as set out in the attached posting instructions.

Sign(s) will be posted on 11/25/2025 and will remain until after the above hearing date.

Frederick Seibert and Assocaties

Sworn and subscribed before me the day and year first above written.

Notary Public

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ATTENTION!

Posting Instructions

The premises MUST be posted in accordance with the following rules:

- 1. The sign must be posted a minimum of fourteen (14) days prior to the public hearing Section 25.51(c) Property upon which the application or appeal is concerned shall be posted conspicuously by a zoning notice no less in size than twenty-two (22) inches by twenty-eight (28) inches at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the hearing.
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Proper posting of the sign will be spot checked by the Zoning Inspector. <u>IF SIGN IS NOT IN COMPLIANCE, IT MAY</u> RESULT IN RESCHEDULING OF THE HEARING.

Project Name:

Resident Business for 9738 Downsville Pike LLC

Owner/Applicant: 9738 Downsville Pike LLC

Project Address: 9738 Downsville Pike, Hagerstown, MD 21740

Tax Map 56

Grid 23

Parcel 869

Account #

02-008386

Zoning:

A(R)

Special Exception for a Resident Business

As outlined in Table 3.3(1) of the Washington County Zoning Ordinance, the proposed Resident Business Use requires a public hearing and approval by the Board of Zoning Appeals. The business will be operated by members of the family residing on the property, with no more than two (2) non-resident employees, as permitted by the ordinance.

The proposed resident business is an accounting office serving an existing Tri-State area business owned and operated by the owners of the land and will be located within an accessory building on the 123-acre farm. The existing dwelling on the property will be demolished and replaced with a new single-family residence to be occupied by the owners of the land.

The business will remain incidental and subordinate to the primary residential use of the property and complies with the following applicable criteria:

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- C. Other non-residential vehicular traffic resulting from patronage will not exceed five (5) peak hour trips. Very few additional trips are anticipated. The proposed use is to be an accounting office for

an existing business, very little walk in traffic is currently experienced nor anticipated.

D. Outside storage of materials will not exceed ten (10) percent of the lot area, but not exceed 5,000. No outside storage is proposed nor anticipated.

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F. Hours of operation for the business are to be approved as a part of the special exception by the Board. The applicant intends to keep office hours of 8:00 AM-4:30 PM Monday-Friday.

G. The use has no other evidence of being visible, audible or abnormally odoriferous from the outside of the dwelling or accessory building to indicate it being used for anything other than residential purposes. The proposed accessory building for the resident business will be taking the place of the original farmhouse located on this property which is located with the following setbacks:

Front- 1,450 feet Rear- 1,990 feet R Side- 392 feet L Side- 1080 feet

As an accounting office for an existing business there will be no noise, dumpster and very little lighting.

H. Upon approval of the special exception a minor site plan shall be submitted and approved by the Planning Commission. If the Special Exception is approved a site plan shall be submitted to the Planning Department.

Having met or affirmatively answered all the criteria listed above the applicant hereby request the Board review the information provided and issue a favorable opinion.

Frederick Seibert & Associates, Inc.

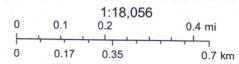


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FSA Boundary Resolution Parcels Washington County



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No Ground Rent Redemption on File

No Ground Rent Registration on File

Special Tax Recapture: AGRICULTURAL TRANSFER TAX **Account Number:**

District - 02 Account Identifier - 008386

Owner Information

Owner Name:

9738 DOWNSVILLE PIKE LLC Use:

AGRICULTURAL

Mailing Address:

1825 HOWELL RD SUITE 4

Principal Residence: NO /07431/00171

Deed Reference:

HAGERSTOWN MD 21740-

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address:

9738 DOWNSVILLE PIKE **HAGERSTOWN 21740-0000**

Legal Description: 123.84 ACRES

9738 DOWNSVILLE PIKE Map: Grid: Parcel: Neighborhood: Subdivision: Section: Block: Lot: Assessment Year: Plat No: M 1103

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2024

Plat Ref:

Town: None

Primary Structure Built Above Grade Living Area Finished Basement Area Property Land Area County Use

1900

StoriesBasementType

Exterior QualityFull/Half BathGarageLast Notice of Major Improvements

STANDARD UNITSTUCCO/3 YES

4 full/ 1 half

SIDING

Value Information

	Base Value	Value	Phase-in Asses	ssments
		As of 01/01/2024	As of 07/01/2025	As of 07/01/2026
Land:	117,900	117,900		0770172020
Improvements	231,200	432,500		
Total:	349,100	550,400	483.900	550.400
Preferential Land:	42,900	42,900	400,000	330,400

Transfer Information

Seller: LEHMAN NELSON R ET AL	Date: 04/05/2024	Price: \$1,850,000
Type: ARMS LENGTH IMPROVED	Deed1: /07431/ 00171	Deed2:
Seller: LEHMAN IRENE R	Date: 01/13/2015	Price: \$0
Type: NON-ARMS LENGTH OTHER	Deed1: /04891/ 00258	Deed2:
Seller: SHANK EARL R	Date:	Price: \$0
Type: NON-ARMS LENGTH OTHER	Deed1: /00589/ 00816	Deed2:

Exemption Information

Partial Exempt Assessments:	Class	07/01/2025	07/01/2026
County:	000	0.00	07/01/2020
State:	000	0.00	
Municipal:	000	0.00 0.00	0.0010.00
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Homestead Application Information

Homestead Application Status: No Application

Homeowners' Tax Credit Application Information

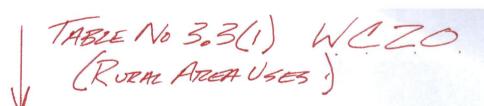
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OWNER REPRESENTATIVE AFFIDAVIT

This is to certify that ED SCHTRE IBE	2
is authorized to file an appeal with the Washington County	
The said work is authorized by 9728 Downs ville to	S Town MD 21740 on property
the property owner in fee.	IKE, LLC e/o TOOD SNOOK
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1738 Do	WNER PIKE, LLC
Name	SNOOK
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LAND USES	A(R)	EC	Р	RV	RB	IM	Intensity of Use
Nursing/Convalescent Homes.	N	N	N	N	P	N	MODERATE
Transitional or Sheltered Care Facility, not to include Assisted Living Facilities.	N	N	N	N	P	N	MODERATE
J. Housing					 		
Dwelling unit in conjunction with a principal non-residential use	SE	SE	SE	SE	P	N	1.0\\
Dwellings, semi-detached	SE	SE	SE	P	N	N	LOW
Dwellings, single family	P	P	P	P	N	N	N/A
Dwellings, two-family	P	P	P	P	N	N	N/A
Home, occupation	A	A	A	A	N	N	N/A
Home, resident business	SE	SE	SE	SE	N	N	N/A
Mobile Homes	P	P	P	N	N		N/A
Model Homes	P	P	P	P	N	N	N/A
Temporary residential sales office	P	P	P	P	N	N	N/A
K. Manufacturing ¹⁰			 		IN	N	N/A
Abattoirs, slaughterhouses, stockyards	N	N	N	N	P	NI.	111011
Brewery, Farm with a valid Class 8 manufacturing license	P	P	P	P	P	N	HIGH
Brewery, Commercial with a valid Class 5 manufacturing license	SE	SE	SE	SE	P		MODERATE
Carpentry or woodworking shops	SE	SE	SE	SE	P	N	MODERATE
Concrete and ceramic products manufacture, including ready-mixed concrete plants	N	N	N	N	P	P	HIGH HIGH
Flour mill, grain milling or drying	N	N	N	N	Р	N	HIGH
Food processing and packing plants; provided such use shall be located two (2) times the distance requirements specified in Section 4.9	SE	SE	SE	N	P	N	HIGH HIGH
Grain elevators, grain bins, and feed mills, primarily for wholesale use.	Р	SE	SE	N	Р	N	MODERATE
Machine Shops	SE	SE	SE	SE	P	N	MODERATE
Recycling facilities	N	N	N	N	P	N	
Sawmills & Lumber Drying	SE	SE	SE	N	P	N	HIGH
Sawmills, Temporary	Р	Р	P	N	N	P	MODERATE
Vind mill farms	SE	SE	SE	SE	N	N	HIGH
Vineries, Farm with a valid Class 4 manufacturing license	P	P	P	P	P	N	N/A
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manufacturing, industrial operations or pilot plant involving machines or operations normally associated with production or assembly lines or the production of goods in quantity above that needed for product testing and evaluation.

Research Institution:245

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