IN THE MATTER OF GREENSPRING JOPPA FALLS, LLC LEGAL OWNER AND PETITIONER FOR SPECIAL VARIANCE ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2310 WEST JOPPA ROAD (Greenspring Manor)

8th Election District 3rd Council District

* BEFORE THE

BOARD OF APPEALS

* OF

BALTIMORE COUNTY

* Case No.: 21-250-ASA

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RULING

This matter comes to the Board of Appeals of Baltimore County (the "Board") on appeal of the Amended Combined Development Plan and Zoning Opinion and Order After Motion for Reconsideration Hearing ("the Amended Order") dated April 17, 2024, by Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") Maureen E. Murphy.

Owner and Developer of Greenspring Manor Development, Greenspring Joppa Falls, LLC, is represented by Adam M. Rosenblatt, Esquire and Christopher D. Mudd, Esquire of Venable LLP. Appellants and Protestants Valleys Planning Council, Inc., Falls Road Community Association, Inc., Heatherfield Community Association, Seminary Ridge Owners Association, Boxwood Homeowners Association, Jim Gary and Dan Radebaugh and the Meadows of Greenspring Homeowners Association, Inc., are all represented by Michael R. McCann, Esquire. Michael T. Wyatt, Esquire appeared *pro se* on behalf of himself and Courtney C. Wyatt. Deputy People's Counsel for Baltimore County, Carole S. Demilio also participated.

The Board heard the Development Plan (CBA-24-030) portion of this matter on June 11, 2024, at which time the parties agreed that the Board could bifurcate the case, and rule on the Development Plan and related issues, then separately consider the zoning Petition for Special Variance. At the conclusion of the Development Plan case, the Board commenced the hearing on

the Special Variance, hearing testimony from two witnesses; one employed by Baltimore County,

the other employed by State Highways Administration. The Board publicly deliberated the

Development Plan case on July 30, 2024. The Board's Opinion and Order denying the

Development Plan was issued on August 14, 2024. Additional hearing dates on the Special

Variance were scheduled before the Board on August 21, 2024 and August 28, 2024.

After public deliberation on the Development Plan, Counsel contacted the Board by email

regarding whether the Special Variance case would be proceeding as scheduled. The Board

requested Motions from Counsel with their respective stances. Mr. Wyatt and Mr. McCann filed

Motions to Dismiss the Special Variance. While Mr. Rosenblatt and Ms. Demilio filed Motions to

Postpone the Special Variance.

The Board convened for argument on the Motions on August 21, 2024 and held a public

deliberation immediately thereafter.

After hearing argument, the Board determined that a postponement is in the interest of

judicial economy and will not prejudice any party. The Board unanimously agreed to postpone the

Petition for Special Variance pending the final outcome of the Development Plan in case number

CBA-24-030, at which time this matter will be set in for a hearing on the merits, if necessary, and a

final opinion issued thereupon.

ORDER

THEREFORE, IT IS THIS 10th day of September, 2024, by the Board of Appeals of

Baltimore County,

ORDERED that the Motions to Dismiss are hereby DENIED; and it is further

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ORDERED that the continuation of the hearing on Petition for Special Variance shall be **POSTPONED** pending a final determination of the Development Plan in case number CBA-24-030.

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RE:

In the Matter of: *Greenspring Joppa Falls, LLC - Legal Owner/Developer*

(Greenspring Manor)

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Dear Counsel:

Enclosed please find a copy of the Ruling issued this date by the Board of Appeals of Baltimore County in the above subject matter.

Pursuant to the enclosed, this Ruling is not a final decision of the Board of Appeals for Baltimore County and does not constitute an appealable event at this time. This matter will be held open on the Board's docket until such time as a final opinion can be issued.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,

Krysundra "Sunny" Cannington

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Executive Secretary

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c: See Distribution List following

In the matter of: Greenspring Joppa Falls, LLC – Legal Owner/Developer (Greenspring Manor)

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Renee Hamidi, Executive Director/Valleys Planning Council, Inc.

Harold Burns/Falls Road Community Association, Inc.

Karen McGraw/The Meadows of Greenspring HOA

Dean Merritt/Heatherfield Community Association

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Jay Weiss/Boxwood Homeowners Association

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