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RE: BA 823-D Joint Request to Place Case on Inactive Docket

Ms. Berg,

On July 17, 2025, Petitioners appealed the Howard County Department of Planning and Zoning's ("DPZ") approval of a request for alternative compliance (WP-25-076) by the Maryland International School ("Applicant") in association with DPZ's review of SDP-24-024. The appeal was assigned Case No. BA 823-D and is scheduled for a hearing before the Howard County Hearing Examiner on October 29, 2025.


On September 2, 2025, the Circuit Court for Howard County vacated the Board of Appeals' approval of a variance for the Maryland International School in BA Case No. 22-023C&V. The Circuit Court also vacated the Board's determination that the proposed development satisfies the setback requirements under the Howard County Zoning Regulations ("HCZR"). The Circuit Court remanded the case back to the Board of Appeals for further proceedings.

The decision of the Board of Appeals on remand may impact DPZ's review of SDP-24-024 and may void DPZ's approval of the alternative compliance request (WP-25-076). The parties in this case cannot determine how the Circuit Court's remand order will impact SDP-24-024 or the associated alternative compliance request (WP-25-076) until after the Board of Appeals issues its decision on remand. Additionally, the Applicant has requested a 6-month extension for resubmitting documents related to SDP-24-024 in order to provide time for the Board of Appeals to issue its decision on remand before review continues.

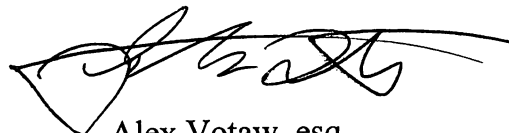
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Accordingly, Petitioners and the Applicant jointly request that BA 823-D be placed on the inactive docket pursuant to HCZR Section 100.0(I)(1)(b) to provide time for the Board of Appeals to issue its decision on remand.

Respectfully Submitted,



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