

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 08-0044
(First Reader)**

Introduced by: Councilmembers Kraft, Cole, Henry, Holton, Clarke, Reisinger, Middleton

Introduced and read first time:

Assigned to: Land Use and Transportation Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals, Planning Commission, Department of Housing and Community Development

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Zoning Variances – Information Required**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring certain additional information to accompany an application for a
4 zoning variance; and generally relating to the procedures for obtaining a variance.

5 BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

6 Article - Zoning

7 Section(s) 15-301(c)

8 Baltimore City Revised Code

9 (Edition 2000)

10 **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE**, That the
11 Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:

12 **Baltimore City Revised Code**

13 **Article – Zoning**

14 **Title 15. Variances**

15 ***Subtitle 3. Procedures***

16 **§ 15-301. Applications – for Board approval.**

17 (c) *Contents.*

18 The application must BE ACCOMPANIED BY:

- 19 (1) [be accompanied by the] SIGNED AND SEALED plans [and information that the
20 Board requires by general rule] THAT SHOW ELEVATIONS AND SETBACKS OF
21 EXISTING STRUCTURES ON THE SAME SQUARE BLOCK AND ANY CHANGES IN
22 ELEVATIONS AND SETBACKS OF THE PROPOSED NEW STRUCTURE; [and]

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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- 1 (2) AN AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF THE PROPERTY FOR WHICH THE VARIANCE IS SOUGHT
- 2 AND OF NEIGHBORING PROPERTIES;
- 3 (3) PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE FRONT, REAR, AND, WHEN APPLICABLE, SIDES OF THE
- 4 PROPERTY FOR WHICH THE VARIANCE IS SOUGHT;
- 5 (4) [(2) include] a written statement by the applicant, with adequate supporting
- 6 evidence, showing how the proposed variance will conform to the standards set
- 7 forth in Subtitle 2 of this title; AND
- 8 (5) ANY OTHER INFORMATION THAT THE BOARD REQUIRES BY GENERAL RULE.

9 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance
10 are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior
11 Ordinance.

12 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30th day
13 after the date it is enacted.