AGENDA

AMBLER BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION

I.	CALL TO ORDER	July 25, 2024 (7:00 PM)
II.	ROLL CALL	
III.	APPROVAL OF: May 23, 2023 Minutes	
IV.	NEW BUSINESS: 1. Review the 162 E. Park Avenue & 215 Mattison line adjustment between the two tax parcels.	n Avenue subdivision proposing a lot
v.	ADJOURNMENT	

APPLICATION FOR SUBDIVISION & LAND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOROUGH OF AMBLER

131 Rosemary Avenue Ambler, PA 19002 (215) 646-1000 FAX (215) 641-1355



Development Name: DEANE PROPERTY					
Site Location: 162 E PARK AVE & 215 MATTISON AVE					
Legal Property Owner Name: JOHN P. DEANE & DIANE M. DEANE					
Address: 162 E PARK AVE & 215 MATTISON AVE					
Phone: 215-756-5955 Fax:					
E-Mail Address: DEANE.215@GMAIL.COM					
Contact Person (to whom all correspondence will be sent):					
Name: JOHN P. DEANE & DIANE M. DEANE					
Address: 215 MATTISON AVE					
Phone: 215-756-5955 Fax:					
E-Mail Address: DEANE. 215@GMAIL. COM deane. 215@gmail. com					
E-Mail Address: DEANE. 215@GMAIL. COM deane. 215 Ggmail. Com Interest of applicant is: (30wner ()Equitable Owner ()Other-explain					
Zoning Information:					
District R-1-A					
Tax Parcel Number 01-00 -02983-00-4 & 01-00-03604-00-4					
Block 7 Unit 22 & 34					
Permitted Density MINIMUM LOT SIZE 7,500 SQ FT					
Total Area					
Type of Review Requested:					
Type of Plan:					
☐ Sketch ☐ Preliminary ☐ Final					
Type of Submission:					
Type of Submission: Revised Prior Submission Revised Prior Submission					

Land Use/Proposed	Number of Lots/Units	Intended Us	e(s):				
	2	RESIDENTIA	AL				
☐ Commercial							
\square Industrial							
☐ Office							
☐ Other							
Please complete the following items which are applicable to your project: Attorney's Name: George J. Ozorowski, Esquire + Ozorowski LLP							
Attorney's Name:	George J. C	zorow	ski, Esq	uire/+Ozorowski ILP			
Address: 1250 (sermantown Pik	e, Suite à	205, Plymo	with Meeting, PA 19462			
Phone: 484-8	05-007	Fax:(o]	0-279-9	390			
E-Mail: 9109hkolaw.com							
Engineer's Name: ASH ASSOCIATES INC.							
Address: 765 TENNIS AVE, AMBLER, PA							
Phone: 215-367-5261 Fax:							
E-Mail: LWOODWARD	@ASHASSOCIATES.NET						
I certify that the plans submitted comply with the requirements of Chapter 22 of the Ambler Borough Code of Ordinances.							
Plan submitted by: _	ASH ASSOCIATES IN	TC.		(please print)			
Applicant's Signature: The Done & Viane Deene							
Application Fee: \$_	190.00	☐Attached	□Under sepa	rate cover			
Escrow Amount: \$		☐Attached	☐Under sepa	rate cover			
Ambler Borough Fee Schedule (non-refundable) Checks should be made payable to "Ambler Borough"							
RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT: Application Fee							
Preliminary Pla Final Plans			lot or each addit lot or each addit				
NON-RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT: Application Fee							
Preliminary Plans \$150.00 plus \$20.00 per unit/lot or each additional 1,000 S.F. Final Plans \$150.00 plus \$20.00 per unit/lot or each additional 1,000 S.F.							
ESCROW FUND: Established based on the following calculations							
	sions/Land Developmen sions/Land Development			AT COST AT COST			

CONDITIONAL USE HEARING (Council): Residential \$500.00; Non-Residential \$1000.00 plus costs.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

July 12, 2023

Mr. Glenn Kucher, Zoning Officer & Planning Coordinator Ambler Borough 131 Rosemary Avenue Ambler, Pennsylvania 19002

Re: MCPC #23-0115-001 Plan Name: Deane Property (2 lots comprising 0.64 acres)

Situate: Mattison Avenue at Park Avenue

Ambler Borough

Dear Mr. Kucher:

We have reviewed the above-referenced subdivision in accordance with Section 502 of Act 247, "The Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code," as you requested on June 14, 2023. We forward this letter as a report of our review.

BACKGROUND

The applicants, John P. and Diane M. Deane, wish to transfer a portion of one parcel to an adjacent parcel. A parcel at the corner of Mattison Avenue and Park Avenue in Ambler (Parcel #01-00-03604-00-4) is proposed to be reduced in size from 11,350 square feet to 7,500 square feet. A portion of this parcel is proposed to be transferred to a neighboring parcel on Mattison Avenue (Parcel #01-00-0283-00-4). No development is proposed. Both properties are in the R-1-A Residential District and currently contain a detached home. According to Montgomery County's property records, the home on the corner parcel contains two dwelling units. The portion of land proposed to be transferred contains a garage and a driveway.

RECOMMENDATION

The Montgomery County Planning Commission (MCPC) generally supports the applicant's proposal; however, in the course of our review we have identified the following issues that the applicant and Ambler Borough may wish to consider prior to final plan approval. Our comments are as follows:

REVIEW COMMENTS

OFF-STREET PARKING

A. <u>Garage Area Transfer</u>. Ambler Borough's zoning code requires two off-street parking spaces per dwelling unit. Therefore the Mattison Avenue property would require two off-street parking spaces and the corner property would require four parking spaces. It appears that the applicant proposes to adjust the lot line, but continue to allow the corner property to use the driveway and park vehicles on a portion of land that currently contains the driveway and parking, but is proposed to become part of the Mattison Avenue parcel. We defer to the borough zoning officer as to whether this is adequate to meet the off-street parking requirement of §27-2102.

USES

A. <u>Dwelling Units per Building</u>. In the R-1-A zoning district, a two-family detached home (duplex) is not permitted. While the two units in the corner property may be an existing non-conformity, it may not make sense to reduce the lot area to the minimum required for this district, as that minimum was intended for a single dwelling unit. We suggest the additional lot area may assist the non-conforming use in better fitting in to this zoning district, which is the lowest density district in Ambler Borough.

YARD DESIGNATIONS

- A. <u>Front Yards on Corner Lots</u>. Ambler Borough's code of ordinance states that corner lots have two front yards (§22-202. "Lot, Corner"). Currently, the zoning table on the plan sheet lists one front yard of the corner lot as the existing condition and the other as the proposed condition. In the case of this corner property, the size of the two front yards will not be impacted by the lot line change. Therefore, the zoning table should list the size of both front yards and indicate that they will be the same after the lot line change. The size of the front yards are both smaller than is required by zoning; however, this is an existing non-conformity.
- B. <u>Side Yards on Mattison Avenue Lot</u>. For the lot facing Mattison Avenue, the zoning table should be update to show the increase in aggregate side yard area. It currently states that there will be "no change," however, the one of the side lot lines is proposed to be moved.

CONCLUSION

We wish to reiterate that MCPC generally supports the applicant's proposal but suggest that the applicant and the borough consider our suggestions prior to approval.

Please note that the review comments and recommendations contained in this report are advisory to the municipality and final disposition for the approval of any proposal will be made by the municipality.

Should the governing body approve a final plat of this proposal, the applicant must present the plan to our office for seal and signature prior to recording with the Recorder of Deeds office. Please print the assigned MCPC number (#23-0115-001) on any plans submitted for final recording.

Sincerely,

Chloe M. Mohr, AICP, Senior Community Planner

chloe.mohr@montgomerycountypa.gov - (610) 278-3739

c: John Dean, Applicant

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Mary Aversa, Manager, Ambler Borough Robert Lagreca, Chair, Ambler Borough Planning Commission

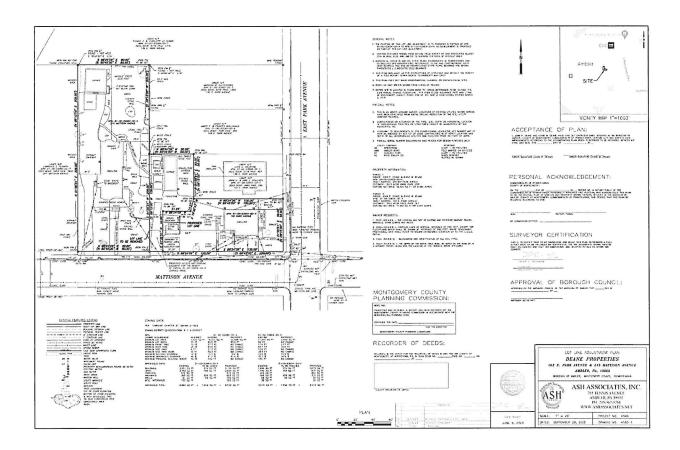
James P. Dougherty, P.E., Borough Engineer

Attachment A: Aerial Image of Site

Attachment B: Reduced Copy of Applicant's Proposed Site Plan



Deane Property MCPC#2230115001 Montgomery 0 50 100 200 Feet County
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July 11, 2023

File No. 2023-06042

Mary Aversa, Manager Ambler Borough 131 Rosemary Avenue Ambler, PA 19002-4476

Reference:

Minor Subdivision Application

Deane - 162 E Park Avenue and 215 Mattison Avenue

Tax Parcel #01-00-03604-00-4; Tax Parcel #01-00-02983-00-4

Dear Mary:

As requested, Gilmore & Associates, Inc. has reviewed the information below regarding the minor land development plan application referenced above.

A. Lot Line Adjustment Plan - Deane Properties (1 sheet), prepared for, by ASH Associates, Inc., dated September 29, 2022.

The subject lots are within the R-1-A Residential District, are adjacent, and each contains a single-family detached dwelling. The applicant owns both lots and proposes to adjust the lot lines such that approximately 3,048 sf will be removed from the E Park Avenue lot and added to the Mattison Avenue lot. No improvements are proposed with this application. Parking for the E Park Avenue lot will be accommodated by an access easement from Mattison Avenue.

Zoning Comments

1. The plan appears to be compliant with the Borough Zoning Ordinance.

Subdivision and Land Development Comments

2. The applicant has listed several waiver requests on the plans. The waivers requested reference the preliminary plan requirements (§22-305). This plan appears to qualify as a minor plan (§22-304), in which case the waivers would not be needed.

General Comments

- 3. If Council approves the plan, we recommend that the applicant install lot pins as noted on the plans prior to recording the plane to avoid the need for an agreement and financial security.
- 4. Legal descriptions of the new lots and the access easement shall be provided to the Borough for review.
- 5. The Applicant should obtain all required approvals, permits, declarations of restrictions and covenants, etc. (e.g., PADEP, PennDOT, MCPC, Montgomery County Conservation District, Fire Marshal, etc.). Copies of these approvals and permits should be submitted to the Borough and our office.

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If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

James P. Dougherty, P.E. Senior Project Manager Gilmore & Associates, Inc.

JPD/sl

cc: Glenn Kucher, Code Enforcement Officer – Ambler Borough Joe Bresnan, Esq. - Solicitor John P. & Diane M. Deane – Owner/Applicant George J. Ozorowski, Esq. – Hughes, Kalkbrenner & Ozorowski, LLP Landon Woodward, PLS – ASH Associates, Inc.

