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Baltimore County Design Review Panel  
June 14, 2023  
**Approved**

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**Call to order**

Design Review Panel (DRP) Chair Joe Ucciferro, called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Baltimore County DRP to order at 6:01 p.m. At the beginning of the meeting, Ms. Jenifer Nugent, Chief of the Development Review Division, Department of Planning, welcomed incoming DRP Chair, Mr. Joe Ucciferro. She then presented Baltimore County Executive’s Citation to Ms. Cecily Bedwell, outgoing DRP Chair, in recognition for her service for the past seven years as both a member and Chair of the DRP.

The following panel members were:

**Present**

Mr. Matt Renauld  
Mr. Raj Sharma  
Mr. Donald Kann  
Mr. Joseph Ucciferro  
Ms. Julie Soss  
Mr. James Stevens

**Not Present**

Ms. Kelly Ennis

Residential Reviewer present: Mr. Fran Anderson  
County Staff present: Jenifer G. Nugent and Marta Kulchytska

**Minutes of the March 8, 2023 Meeting**

Mr. Donald Kann moved the acceptance of the March 8, 2023 draft minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Matt Renauld and passed by acclamation at 6:06 p.m.

The approved minutes are filed as Appendix B.

## **ITEM 1**

**PROJECT NAME:** 1710 Ruxton Road

**DRP PROJECT #:** 659

**PROJECT TYPE:** RRLRAIA Residential Review

### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

The presentation was given by Mr. Jim Shetler, Architect of Trace Architects.

The project proposes an addition to the existing residential house located at 1710 Ruxton Road. The addition includes a study, a billiard room, a home gym, a wine room, car storage, and a terrace and outdoor dining area. Exterior materials selected from the palette of the current dwelling include stained cedar siding, stucco, travertine stone, prefinished aluminum trim and panels, aluminum clad windows, and polymeric slate tile roof.

### **SPEAKERS:**

There were no registered speakers from the public.

### **DESIGN REVIEW PANEL COMMENTS:**

Mr. Joe Ucciferro opened the floor to panel members for discussion.

Mr. Fran Anderson complimented the proposed design and inquired about the community meeting and if it was held and if there are any issues that need to be resolved.

Mr. Jim Shetler stated that all materials were provided to the Ruxton-Riderwood-Lake Roland Area Improvement Association for review. No one from the community expressed interest in holding a community meeting nor any comments and/or concerns were expressed.

Mr. Anderson suggested that the proposed landscaping should soften the massing of the proposed addition at the corner of the garage.

Mr. Donald Kann indicated that the overall design is pretty successful. He echoed Mr. Anderson's comment on importance of the landscape screening. Mr. Kann appreciated the decision to use the same materials as the existing house for the proposed addition.

Mr. Matt Renauld asked to clarify the proposed landscape plan. He stated that the landscape plan does not coordinate well with the site plan. Mr. Renauld reinforced Mr. Anderson's comment regarding adding more landscaping to soften the corner of the proposed garage.

Mr. Raj Sharma had no additional comments.

Ms. Julie Soss recommended adding more native plants around the stream area. She also suggested to add a few more canopy shade trees that would help to soften the impact of the proposed addition and provide a visual break for the neighbor from the east.

Both Ms. Soss and Mr. Stevens concurred with Mr. Renauld's comment regarding the need for better coordination between the civil plan and the landscape plan.

Mr. Stevens suggested that the cedar siding replace the stone veneer on the second level of West Elevation to accommodate a better transition to garage.

Mr. Joe Ucciferro appreciated the proposed architectural design and had no further comments beyond what was already discussed. He mentioned that the landscape plan would have to be submitted to the County Landscape Architect for review and approval.

**DISPOSITION:**

Mr. Fran Anderson made a motion to approve the project on the condition that the landscape plan is updated and properly coordinated with the civil plan. The project does not need to come back to the Design Review Panel and to the Planning Staff for another review, since it will be reviewed by the County Landscape Architect.

The motion was seconded by Mr. James Stevens and approved by acclamation at 6:40 pm.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Donald Kann and was seconded by Ms. Julie Soss. The meeting adjourned at 6:41 pm.