

Department of Permitting Services Fire Department Access and Water Supply Comments

DATE: 18-Aug-16

TO: Aaron Smith
A Morton Thomas

FROM: Marie LaBaw

RE: Washington Episcoapl Day School

820150080

PLAN APPROVED

1. Review based only upon information contained on the plan submitted 18-Aug-16. Review and approval does not cover unsatisfactory installation resulting from errors, omissions, or failure to clearly indicate conditions on this plan.

2. Correction of unsatisfactory installation will be required upon inspection and service of notice of violation to a party responsible for the property.



DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Isiah Leggett County Executive

Clarence J. Snuggs *Director*

April 18, 2016

Mr. Matthew Folden Area 1 Division Montgomery County Planning Department 8787 Georgia Avenue Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Re:

Washington Episcopal Day School, Inc.

Preliminary Plan No. 120150160

Site Plan No. 820150080

Dear Mr. Folden:

The Montgomery County Department of Housing and Community Affairs (DHCA) has reviewed the revisions to the above referenced Preliminary Plan and Site Plan and recommends Approval of the plans. Please note that the applicant must execute an agreement with DHCA that satisfies the requirements of Chapter 25A of the County Code before any residential building permits will be issued.

Sincerely,

Lisa S. Schwartz

Senior Planning Specialist

cc: Aaron Smith, A. Morton Thomas & Associates, Inc.

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May 17, 2016

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Mr. Matthew Folden Montgomery County Planning Department The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission 8787 Georgia Avenue, Area 1 Silver Spring MD 20910

RE: Montgomery County

MD 190

Washington Episcopal School (WES) SHA Tracking No. 15APMO022XX

Mile Point: 15.02

Dear Mr. Folden:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the revised Traffic Impact Study (TIS) and Traffic Signal Warrant Analysis (TSWA) prepared by Symmetra Design, LLC, for the proposed Washington Episcopal School expansion in Montgomery County, Maryland. The State Highway Administration (SHA) review is complete and we are pleased to respond.

- Proposed access to the 600-student school and 121-unit independent senior living facility is via the site's existing access along Little Falls Parkway (for general use) and the existing access along Landy Lane (gated access for faculty/staff). Both Little Falls Parkway and Landy Lane are municipal roadways.
- The following intersections were analyzed under existing, background and future conditions:
 - o MD 190 intersection with Springfield Road
 - o MD 190 intersection with Ridgefield Road/Brookside Drive
 - o MD 190 intersection with Landy Lane
 - o MD 190 intersection with Little Falls Parkway
 - o MD 190 intersection with Willard Avenue
 - o MD 396 intersection with Little Falls Parkway
 - o MD 355 intersection with Dorset Avenue
 - o Little Falls Parkway intersection with Dorset Avenue
 - o Little Falls Parkway intersection with Hillandale Road
 - Little Falls Parkway intersection with Site Access

Mr. Matthew Folden

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• The report concludes that the study intersections will continue to operate at acceptable levels of service under future conditions.

Based on the information provided, the SHA offers the following comments:

- 1. The SHA concurs with the findings/methodology of the revised TIS report and finds the applicant's point-by-point response to be satisfactory. However, signalization of the MD 190 (River Road) intersection with Landy Lane is not supported at this time. The SHA does not support installation of a traffic signal until a signal warrant study shows that warrants are met by prevailing traffic. The "open gate" scenario is based on forecast traffic, which may or may not be realized. The SHA recommends that Signal Warrant Studies be performed at 50% and 100% occupancies.
- 2. The SHA recommends frontage improvements, including, but not limited to the following: drainage structures, sidewalks, curb and gutter, signage, ramps and the access point on the MD 190.

The SHA concurs with the report findings for this project as currently proposed and will not require the submission of any additional traffic analyses. However, an access permit will be required for all construction within the SHA right of way. Please submit two (2) hard copies and one (1) electronic copy of the design plans to Mr. Brian Young at 9300 Kenilworth Avenue, Greenbelt, MD 20770, attention of Mr. Pranoy Choudhury. This plan submittal must include a signing and pavement marking plan along with maintenance of traffic plans (as applicable). Please reference the SHA tracking number on any future submissions. Please keep in mind that you can view the reviewer and project status via SHA Access Management Division web page at http://www.roads.maryland.gov/pages/amd.aspx. If you have any questions, or require additional information, please contact Mr. Pranoy Choudhury at 301-513-7325 or via email at pchoudhury@sha.state.md.us.

Sincerely,

Brian W. Young District Engineer

BWY/kw

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Ms. Samantha Biddle, SHA – RIPD

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Mr. Jack Goode, SHA - District 3 Traffic

Mr. Matthew Folden

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Ms. Elisa Mitchell, SHA – DSED

Mr. David Murnan, SHA – District 3 Traffic

Mr. Eric Waltman, SHA – TDSD

Ms. Nicole White, Symmetra Design, LLC



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August 26, 2016

Ms. Marnie Shaul Somerset Council Vice President Town of Somerset 4510 Cumberland Avenue Chevy Chase MD 20815

Dear Ms. Shaul:

Thank you for your interest regarding the operations of MD 190 (River Road) at Landy Lane. Your concerns in addressing safety in Somerset are appreciated.

Maryland Department of Transportation's State Highway Administration (SHA) has reviewed the signal warrants prepared for Washington Episcopal School in March 2016. The conclusion of the study was that no signal warrants were met under existing conditions. Our examination of current volumes from Landy Lane also indicates that intersection traffic volumes are currently less than what we normally require for a safe and efficient signal operation.

SHA is open to revisiting this issue in the future. New development and changing traffic patterns may change the results of future traffic signal warrant studies. As the area undergoes changes, SHA will continue to monitor the situation and perform additional engineering studies as needed to determine the appropriate traffic control devices.

Thank you again for you concerns. If you have any further questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact Steven M. Rochon, P.E., Chief, Traffic Development and Support Division (TDSD), SHA at 410-787-5860, toll-free 1-888-963-0307, or via email at srochon@sha.state.md.us.

Sincerely,

Cedric Ward, P.E., Director Office of Traffic and Safety

cc: Steven M. Rochon, P.E., Chief, TDSD, SHA

Ms. Marnie Shaul Page Two

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From: Leck, Gregory

To: Folden, Matthew

Cc: Kronenberg, Robert; Hisel-McCoy, Elza; william.whelan; Roshdieh, Al; Conklin, Christopher; Erenrich, Gary; "Jody

Kline"; "aaron.smith@amtengineering.com"; "Frank Bossong"

Subject: RE: Washington Episcopal School - Landy Lane - AMENDMENT email

Date: Friday, September 16, 2016 10:43:28 AM

Importance: High

Good morning Matt,

Thank you for taking the time yesterday afternoon to discuss the Planning Department's concerns regarding the terminus of Landy Lane contemplated under this project.

As we discussed, this email is to AMEND our plan review our August 30, 2016 letter to be consistent with the current positions of our respective agencies regarding public and private streets:

- o MCDOT supports the dedication and construction of the Landy Lane cul-de-sac as a closed section public secondary residential street. Due to right-of-way limitations on the north side of the cul-de-sac, we support Planning Board approval of a reduced width right-of-way (50' within the tangent section, to be engineered in the vicinity of the bulb).
- If the terminus of Landy Lane is dedicated and constructed as a public street, comment no. 1 in our August 30th letter (regarding the need to execute and record a new/replacement Public Access Easement document) is unnecessary and may be deleted.
- We also support Planning Board approval to not require construction of a sidewalk on the north side of the cul-de-sac.
- Prior to approval of the Certified Preliminary Plan, the applicant's consultant will need to either widen the cul-de-sac pavement to comply with standard MC-222.01 ("Cul-de-Sac, Curb and Gutter Roads") or provide truck turning templates that satisfactorily demonstrate the proposed pavement will be adequate to accommodate anticipated vehicle turning movements.
- The conceptual improvements for the public cul-de-sac should be reflected on the Certified Preliminary Plan.
- The details for the improvements within the Landy Lane right-of-way will be finalized and approved at the permit stage, as part of the review of the Storm Drain and Paving Plans by the Department of Permitting Services/Right-of-Way Plan Review Section.

All other comments in our comments in our August 30th letter remain applicable.

Please share these comments with others as necessary and appropriate. Should you

have any questions or have a different understanding from our call, please contact either Mr. Billy Whelan or me at your earliest convenience.

Thank you to you and your colleagues for your cooperation and insights.

Sincerely,

Greg

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From: Folden, Matthew [mailto:matthew.folden@montgomeryplanning.org]

Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2016 11:39 AM

To: Leck, Gregory < Gregory.Leck@montgomerycountymd.gov>

Cc: Kronenberg, Robert <robert.kronenberg@montgomeryplanning.org>; Hisel-McCoy, Elza

<elza.hisel-mccoy@montgomeryplanning.org>; Whelan, William

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Subject: Washington Episcopal School - Landy Lane

Greg,

The extension of Landy Lane associated with the Washington Episcopal Day School is currently identified as a private street extension, as per coordination with your office last fall. This e-mail is a follow-up to our conversation this morning regarding recent coordination on the public/ private designation of streets through the development review process. I would like your confirmation that the following approach is consistent with that recent coordination:

Landy Lane should be improved as a 26-foot wide public street within a reduced width public right-of-way measuring 50'.

This staff report needs to be posted by 12pm on Friday in order to meet the noticing requirements for the upcoming 9.29 hearing.

For reference, the 1982 Westbard Sector Plan is silent on both the classification and minimum right-of-way recommended for Landy Lane. Additionally, the 2016 Westbard Sector Plan does not recommend extending Landy Lane along this alignment and instead recommends extending the roadway along the west side (front) of the WES school property if that campus ever ceases to be used as a school and redevelops.

Matthew Folden, AICP | Planner Coordinator Montgomery County Planning Department | Planning Area 1 8787 Georgia Avenue | Silver Spring, MD 20910 301.495.4539 | matthew.folden@montgomeryplanning.org



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Isiah Leggett County Executive

Al R. Roshdieh Director

August 30, 2016

Mr. Matthew Folden, Planner Coordinator Area 1 Planning Division The Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission 8787 Georgia Avenue Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3760

RE:

Preliminary Plan No. 120150160

Washington Episcopal Day School

Dear Mr. Folden:

We have completed our review of the revised preliminary plan submitted July 26, 2016. An earlier version of this plan was reviewed by the Development Review Committee at its meeting on June 22, 2015. We recommend approval of the revised plan subject to the following comments:

All Planning Board Opinions relating to this plan or any subsequent revision, project plans or site plans should be submitted to the Department of Permitting Services in the package for record plats, storm drain, grading or paving plans, or application for access permit. Include this letter and all other correspondence from this department.

- 1. This site is subject to the terms and conditions of a "Declaration and Grant of Public Access Easement" document that is recorded in the Land Records of Montgomery County in liber 20877 at folio 313. This Public Access Easement allows the general public to turn around in the existing parking lot. Since that parking lot will be removed and replaced with a private cul-de-sac, constructed within a private parcel, that document will need to be extinguished and replaced with either a new Public Access Easement document or a restrictive covenant document that provides similar permissions. Prior to approval of the record plat, this new document will need Executive Branch and Planning Department text approvals. The new document will need to be recorded and referenced on the record plat.
- 2. MCDOT defers to MNCP&PC for access and improvements for private streets (including alignment, profile, typical section, drainage, maintenance and liability, etc.).
- 3. Private streets are to be built to tertiary roadway structural standards.
- 4. Access and improvements to Little Falls Parkway as required by MNCP&PC.

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- 5. The applicant shall coordinate with MSHA District 3 Office of Engineering Systems Team (EST) on Project MO0815177, currently in design, which proposes safety and resurfacing along River Road between MD 614 (Goldsboro Road) and the Washington, DC line.
- 6. The applicant shall also coordinate with MSHA for issues concerning access, improvements and storm drain connections to River Road.
- 7. The storm drainage study is acceptable. The applicant will not be required to make improvements to the downstream county-maintained storm drain system for this plan. We defer to MSHA for any necessary improvements to the MD Route 190 (River Road) storm drain system.
- 8. MCDOT recommends the Planning Board require the applicant to construct the offsite sidewalk extension (minimum six (6) foot width if adjacent to the sidewalk, or minimum five (5) foot width with a one (1) foot wide lawn panel between the curb and sidewalk) in the Landy Lane right-of-way to MD Route 190 (River Road). Label and dimension the sidewalk and lawn panel prior to Certified Preliminary Plan.
- 9. At the existing Bikeshare station on Landy Lane, in the location of the proposed sidewalk extension, provide a minimum seven (7) foot clearance between the back of the bikes and the back of the curb. Change the label from "Bike Rack" to "Existing Bikeshare Station" prior to Certified Preliminary Plan. Coordinate with Ms. Anne Root regarding any necessary modifications to the existing Bikeshare station. Ms. Root can be reached at 240-777-7192 or anne.root@montgomerycountymd.gov.
- 10. The Traffic Impact Study (TIS) was approved by MCDOT on May 5, 2016.
- 11. The Transportation Policy Area Review ("TPAR") test under the *Subdivision Staging Policy* must be satisfied by paying the "transportation impact tax" that equals 50% of the development impact tax for a site located in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Policy Area.
- 12. At or before the permit stage, the applicant will need to coordinate with Ms. Stacy Coletta of our Division of Transit Services regarding the potential need for improvements to RideOn bus facilities in the vicinity of this project. Ms. Coletta may be contacted at 240-777-5800.
- 13. At or before the permit stage, the applicant will need to coordinate with Mr. Kyle Liang regarding the proposed crosswalk to access the Capital Crescent Trail (CCT). Mr. Liang may be contacted at 240-777-2180 or kyle.liang@montgomerycountymd.gov.
- 14. The owner will be required to submit a recorded covenant for the operation and maintenance of private streets, storm drain systems, and/or open space areas prior to MCDPS approval of the record plat. The deed reference for this document is to be provided on the record plat.
- 15. The sight distance study has been accepted. A copy of the accepted Sight Distance Evaluation certification form is enclosed for your information and reference.

- 16. Relocation of utilities along existing roads to accommodate the required roadway improvements shall be the responsibility of the applicant.
- 17. If the proposed development will alter any existing street lights, signing, and/or pavement markings, please contact Mr. Dan Sanayi of our Traffic Engineering Design and Operations Section at (240) 777-2190 for proper executing procedures. All costs associated with such relocations shall be the responsibility of the applicant.
- 18. If the proposed development will alter or impact any existing County maintained transportation system management component (i.e., traffic signals, signal poles, handboxes, surveillance cameras, etc.) or communication component (i.e., traffic signal interconnect, fiber optic lines, etc.), please contact Mr. Kamal Hamud of our Transportation Systems Engineering Team at (240) 777-2190 for proper executing procedures. All costs associated with such relocations shall be the responsibility of the applicant.
- 19. Permit and bond will be required as a prerequisite to DPS approval of the record plat. The permit will include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following modifications:
 - A. If required by the Planning Board as a condition of approval, construct a concrete sidewalk in the Landy Lane right-of-way to MD Route 190 (River Road) as described above in comment no. 8.
 - B. Permanent monuments and property line markers, as required by Section 50-24(e) of the Subdivision Regulations.
 - C. Erosion and sediment control measures as required by Section 50-35(j) and on-site stormwater management where applicable shall be provided by the Developer (at no cost to the County) at such locations deemed necessary by the Department of Permitting Services (DPS) and will comply with their specifications. Erosion and sediment control measures are to be built prior to construction of streets, houses and/or site grading and are to remain in operation (including maintenance) as long as deemed necessary by the DPS.
 - D. Developer shall provide street lights in accordance with the specifications, requirements, and standards prescribed by the MCDOT Division of Traffic Engineering and Operations.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this amended preliminary plan. If you have any questions or comments regarding this letter, please contact William Whelan, our Development Review Area Engineer for this project, at (240) 777-2170 or at william.whelan@montgomerycountymd.gov.

Sincerely.

Gregory M. Leck, Manager Development Review Office of Transportation Policy

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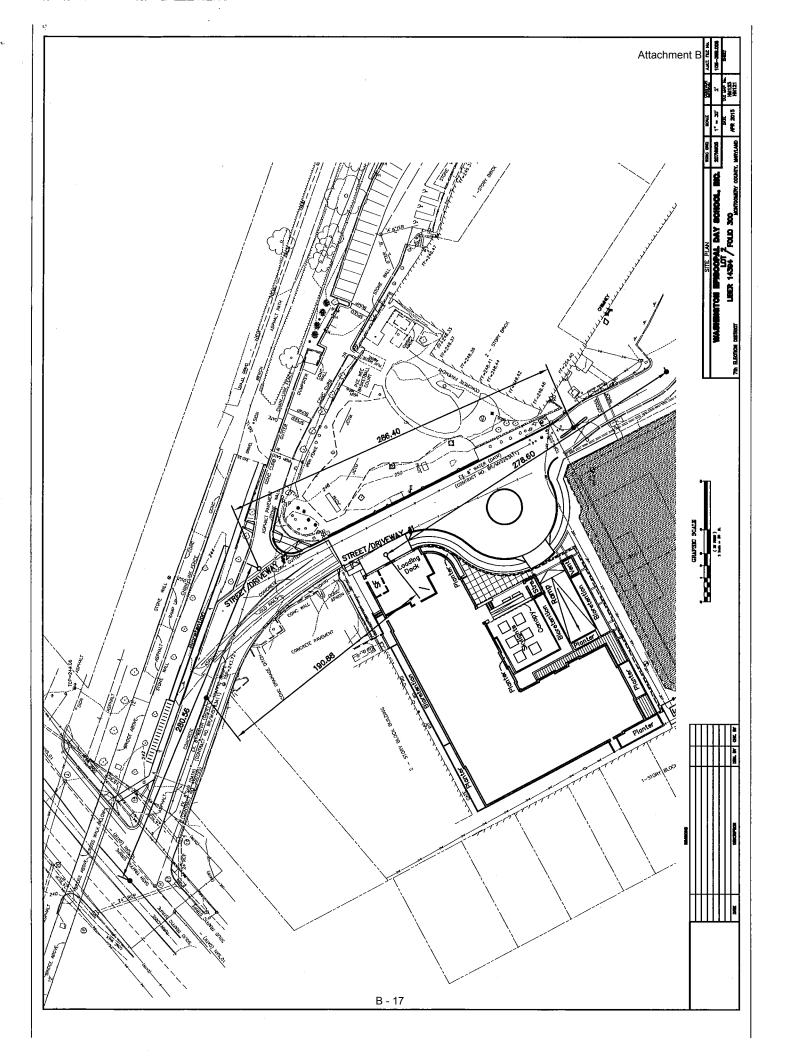
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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION
DEPARTMENT OF PERMITTING SERVICES

SIGHT DISTANCE EVALUATION

	Facility/Subdivision Name: Washington Episcopal Duy School Preliminary Plan Number: 1-20 150 160				
	Street Name: Landy Lane	Master Plan Road Classification: Secondary			
	Posted Speed Limit: 30 mph	,			
*	Street/Driveway #1 (Proposed Loading Dock) Street	eet/Driveway #2 (Ex. School Entr./Exit)			
	Sight Distance (feet) Right 278.60 Left 190.98	Sight Distance (feet) OK? Right			
_	Left: eyesighty blocked partially - L	eft: sight ends at school gate ght: sight extends to main road			
GUIDELINES					
ļ	Classification or Posted Speed	Sight distance is measured from an eye height of 3.5' at a point on the centerline of the driveway (or side street) 6' back from the face of curb or edge of traveled way of the intersecting roadway where a point 2.75' above the road surface is visible. (See attached drawing)			
	ENGINEER/ SURVEYOR CERTIFICATE I hereby certify that this information is accurate an was collected in accordance with these guidelines OF MAR Signature 31146 PLS/P.E. MD Reg. No.	d Approved 🔾			

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MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION
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Street/Driveway #1 (DRIVEWAY	1	Street/Drive	way #2 ()
Sight Distance (feet) Right <u>645</u> Left 1050	OK? Yes Yes	Rigi	t Distance (feet) OK?
Comments	<u> </u>	Comments:	
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ENGINEER/ SURVEYOR I hereby certify that this informat was collected in accordance with signature 6872 PLS/P.E. MD Reg. No.	lion is accur	te and	Montgomery County Review: Approved: Disapproved: By: Www. Date: 64/14/1/6 Form. Reformatted: Merch; 2000



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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November 19, 2015

Mr. Matthew Folden, Planner/Coordinator Area 2 Planning Division The Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission 8787 Georgia Avenue Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3760

RE:

Preliminary Plan No. 120150160

Washington Episcopal School Traffic Impact Study Review

MAII .

Dear Mr Folden:

We have completed our review of the revised Local Area Transportation Review and Transportation Policy Area Review dated June 15, 2015, and prepared by Nicole White of Symmetra Design. Total development evaluated by the analysis includes:

- 21,282 SF future expansion of existing school (increasing student population by 300 and teachers by 35)
- an 8 story, 121 unit age-restricted independent senior residential apartment building

We offer the following comments:

Local Area Transportation Review (LATR)

1. The CLV values at the three intersections studied are less than the applicable congestion threshold standards. We accept the consultant's conclusions.

Transportation Policy Area Review (TPAR)

1. The Transportation Policy Area Review test under the *Subdivision Staging Policy* must be satisfied by paying the "transportation impact tax' that equals 50% of the development impact tax for a site located in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Policy Area.

Pedestrian and Bicycle Impact Statement (PBIS)

1. We accept the consultant's inventory of existing facilities.

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2. Page 52 of the report proffers applicant construction of a new section of sidewalk along the west side of Landy Lane and on the east side of Landy Lane fronting the entrance of the new apartment building; the limits of these improvements are unclear. However, we do not see where these improvements are proposed on pages 27-28. We support the implementation of the applicant's proffers.

SUMMARY

- 1. The findings of the LATR have been accepted.
- 2. The applicant will need to pay a transportation impact tax equal to 50% of the development impact tax.
- 3. We support requiring the applicant to construct the proffered sidewalk improvements; the limits of these improvements should be clearly detailed in the document.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this report. If you have any questions or comments regarding this letter, please contact Mr. William Whelan, our Development Review Area Engineer for this project, at william.whelan@montgomerycountymd.gov.

Sincerely,

For Gregory M. Leck, Manager

Development Review Team
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Mr. Matthew Folden Preliminary Plan No. 120150160 November 19, 2015 Page 3

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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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September 2, 2016

Casey Anderson, Chair Montgomery County Planning Board Maryland National Capital Park & Planning Commission 8787 Georgia Avenue Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

RE: Washington Episcopal Day School, ePlan 120150160/820150080, NRI/FSD application accepted on 10/10/2013

Dear Mr. Anderson:

All applications for a variance from the requirements of Chapter 22A of the County Code submitted after October 1, 2009 are subject to Section 22A-12(b)(3). Accordingly, given that the application for the above referenced request was submitted after that date and must comply with Chapter 22A, and that the Montgomery County Planning Department ("Planning Department") has completed all other reviews required under applicable law, I am providing the following recommendation pertaining to this request for a variance.

Section 22A-21(d) of the Forest Conservation Law states that a variance must not be granted if granting the request:

- 1. Will confer on the applicant a special privilege that would be denied to other applicants;
- 2. Is based on conditions or circumstances which are the result of the actions by the applicant;
- 3. Arises from a condition relating to land or building use, either permitted or nonconforming, on a neighboring property; or
- 4. Will violate State water quality standards or cause measurable degradation in water quality.

Applying the above conditions to the plan submitted by the applicant, I make the following findings as the result of my review:

- 1. The granting of a variance in this case would confer a special privilege on this applicant that would be denied other applicants as long as the same criteria are applied in each case. Therefore, the variance <u>cannot be granted</u> under this criterion.
- 2. Based on a discussion on March 19, 2010 between representatives of the County, the Planning Department, and the Maryland Department of Natural Resources Forest Service, the disturbance of trees, or other vegetation, as a result of development activity is not, in and of itself, interpreted as a condition or circumstance that is the result of the actions by the applicant. Therefore, the



Casey Anderson September 2, 2016 Page 2

variance <u>can be granted</u> under this criterion, as long as appropriate mitigation is provided for the resources disturbed.

- 3. The disturbance of trees, or other vegetation, by the applicant does not arise from a condition relating to land or building use, either permitted or nonconforming, on a neighboring property. Therefore, the variance can be granted under this criterion.
- 4. The disturbance of trees, or other vegetation, by the applicant will not result in a violation of State water quality standards or cause measurable degradation in water quality. Therefore, the variance can be granted under this criterion.

Therefore, I recommend a finding by the Planning Board that this applicant does not qualify for a variance. Based on careful consideration of the documents provided with the application in ePlans, the applicant has failed to provide information consistent with other applications subject to the variance provisions. For example, the variance letter requests permission to disturb trees # 17 and 19 as part of the proposed Phase 1 and shows proposed limits of disturbance (LOD) on Exhibit 1B of the letter, yet this LOD is not shown on the forest conservation plan (08-FCP-120150160-LF101). All other applicants are required to show accurate LODs on forest conservation plans. Further, the variance requests disturbance to more than 39% of the CRZ of tree # 28 and more than 40% of the critical root zones (CRZ) of trees #21, 22, and 26. Typically, additional details are required for retaining trees with disturbance in more than a third of the CRZ, as well as on-site oversight by a qualified arborist rather than reliance on Planning staff as stated in the variance request. Additionally, the applicant failed to provide reasons why alternative designs or other methods of managing stormwater are not viable in order to retain tree #41 and reduce impacts to trees #21 and 22.

As shown by these examples, the information included in the request for a variance is inconsistent with nearly all other plans. Granting this request would grant special privileges denied to other similarly-situated applicants for impacts to trees subject to the variance provisions. Therefore, I do not recommend that the Washington Episcopal Day School project be granted a variance from the requirements of Chapter 22A of the Montgomery County Code.

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

Sincerely,

Laura Miller County Arborist

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cc: Marco Fuster, Senior Planner



DEPARTMENT OF PERMITTING SERVICES

Isiah Leggett
County Executive

Diane R. Schwartz Jones *Director*

September 8, 2016

Mr. Evan Smith A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc. 800 King Farm Boulevard, 4th Floor Rockville, MD 20850

Re: SITE DEVELOPMENT STORMWATER

MANAGEMENT PLAN Request for Washington

Episcopal School / WES Senior Residences

Project Phase(s): 1 & 2

Preliminary Plan #: 120150160

SM File #: 261216

Tract Size/Zone: 11.45 Ac. Total Concept Area: 3.25 Ac.

Parcel(s): A & Unit 1

Watershed: Little Falls Branch

Dear Mr. Smith:

Based on a review by the Department of Permitting Services Review Staff, the Site Development Stormwater Management Plan for the above mentioned site is **acceptable**. The plan proposes to meet required stormwater management goals via ESD to the MEP with the use of green roof, microbioretention structures/planter boxes, and a rain garden. The remaining volume will be treated by three structural proprietary filtration practices.

The following **items** will need to be addressed **during** the final stormwater management design plan stage:

- 1. A detailed review of the stormwater management computations will occur at the time of detailed plan review.
- 2. An engineered sediment control plan must be submitted for this development.
- 3. All filtration media for manufactured best management practices, whether for new development or redevelopment, must consist of MDE approved material.
- 4. Landscaping shown on the approved Landscape Plan as part of the approved Site Plan are for illustrative purpose only and may be changed at the time of detailed plan review of the Sediment Control/Storm Water Management plans by the Mont. Co. Department of Permitting Services, Water Resources Section.
- 5. The structural filter must have an external flow splitter.
- 6. At design if infiltration tests are satisfactory micro-bioretention #7, 8, and 10 may be built as landscape infiltration.

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- 7. Provide easements and covenants for all ESD and stormwater structures (including the green roof).
- 8. The green roof is to be designed by a professional with green roof experience. The green roof is to be a minimum of 6 inches thick and cover a minimum of 13,895 square feet of roof. At design try to increase the thickness of the green roof.
- 9. Provide a copy of the mechanical drawings to show that the roof drains are going to the stormwater structures where required.
- 10. Use the latest MCDPS design requirements for the stormwater management structures at time of plan submittal.
- 11. Additional micro-bioretention treatment is being required by MNCPPC for stream valley buffer mitigation. These are not necessary for compliance with DPS stormwater management requirements and therefore will not be considered as such. At time of design plan submittal these structures are to be clearly labeled as "Non Stormwater Management MNCPPC Enhancements". They are not to be covered by stormwater management easement/covenant. They will not be reviewed for stormwater management compliance. DPS will review them for conformance with requirements for erosion and sediment control, and safe conveyance of the ten-year storm only.

This list may not be all-inclusive and may change based on available information at the time.

Payment of a stormwater management contribution in accordance with Section 2 of the Stormwater Management Regulation 4-90 is not required.

This letter must appear on the final stormwater management design plan at its initial submittal. The concept approval is based on all stormwater management structures being located outside of the Public Utility Easement, the Public Improvement Easement, and the Public Right of Way unless specifically approved on the concept plan. Any divergence from the information provided to this office; or additional information received during the development process; or a change in an applicable Executive Regulation may constitute grounds to rescind or amend any approval actions taken, and to reevaluate the site for additional or amended stormwater management requirements. If there are subsequent additions or modifications to the development, a separate concept request shall be required.

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If you have any questions regarding these actions, please feel free to contact David Kuykendall at 240-777-6322.

Sincerely,

Mark C. Ethenidge, Manager Water Resources Section

Division of Land Development Services

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ESD Acres: STRUCTURAL Acres: WAIVED Acres:

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September 19, 2016

MEMORANDUM

TO: Matthew Folden, AICP, Planner Coordinator

Area 1 Planning Division

FROM: Dominic Quattrocchi, AICP, Park Planner

Department of Parks

SUBJECT: Washington Episcopal Day School

Preliminary Plan 120150160 and Site Plan 820150080

Westbard Sector Plan Area

- Prior to issuance of any building permit for Phase 1 of this project, the Applicant shall make a
 Park Amenity Payment in the amount of \$70,000 payable to M-NCPPC. The correspondence
 regarding the payment shall be addressed to the attention of the Park Development Division
 Chief. The payment will be applied to the appropriate fund in the Capital Improvements
 Program.
- 2. At the time of Park Construction Permit review, the final design of any and all aspects of the project affecting Parkland including, but not limited to, encroachments, grading, stream valley buffer mitigation, stormwater management, tree removal and/or planting, trails, parking, limits of disturbance and storm drainage, must be approved by Department of Parks staff. No work on Parkland shall commence prior to issuance of a Park Construction Permit.
- 3. The Department of Parks recommend that the Planning Department allow that minor changes may be made to location and construction details of amenities and plantings to be located on Parkland during the Park Construction Permit process without the need to amend the Site Plan.
- 4. All required work on Parkland must be completed prior to issuance of a building permit for Phase I of this project, unless otherwise approved by Department of Parks staff.
- No construction access to the site (equipment, personnel or materials) is to occur via Little Falls
 Parkway or the Capital Crescent Trail, except as needed to fulfill Park Construction Permit
 requirements and as specified in the Park Construction Permit.
- 6. As part of the mitigation for the Stream Valley Buffer Encroachment, the concept of creating an enhanced stormwater outfall along the concrete channel removal area between Structure 23 and Structure 24 is acceptable to Parks. The creation of an enhanced stormwater outfall below Structure 28 should be extended down to existing Structure 41 on the downstream end, with the option for a polygonal stormwater management system between Structure 29 and Structure 41.

- 7. A full tree survey (6" DBH and greater) shall be completed for areas of Parkland anticipated to be within 30' of the anticipated LOD. In coordination with a Parks arborist, tree protection measures where specified and replacement for impacted park trees will be required.
- 8. Parks will require the applicant to pursue SWM retrofits for the existing entrance area as part of the Park Permit. The existing Little Falls Parkway entrance creates ongoing park impacts due to the untreated impervious area, crossover, acceleration and deceleration lanes. Montgomery Parks holds a NPDES MS4 Permit from MDE that requires the pursuit of SWM retrofits for all existing impervious areas on Parkland.
- 9. Parks will not review details associated with the regenerative conveyance channel design until a detailed survey of the area is completed and the concept plan updated based on that survey. This review can occur during the Technical Review Park Construction Permit process.