



MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD
THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

**APPROVED
MINUTES**

The Montgomery County Planning Board met in regular session on Thursday, October 18, 2012, at 9:06 a.m. in the Montgomery Regional Office in Silver Spring, Maryland, and adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Present were Chair Françoise M. Carrier, Vice Chair Marye Wells-Harley, and Commissioners Casey Anderson, Norman Dreyfuss, and Amy Presley.

Items 1 through 3 and 7 are reported on the attached agenda. At approximately 1:00 p.m., the Board recessed Item 3 to take up Item 7, and the Board returned to Item 3 at approximately 1:15 p.m.

The Board recessed at 1:41 p.m. for lunch and reconvened in the auditorium at 2:25 p.m.

Items 4 and 5 were discussed together and are reported on the attached agenda.

Item 6, Chevy Chase Lake Sector Plan Public Hearing, is reported on the attached agenda and a verbatim transcript is on file.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Planning Board will be held Thursday, October 25, 2012, in the Montgomery Regional Office in Silver Spring, Maryland.

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Montgomery County Planning Board Meeting
Thursday, October 18, 2012
8787 Georgia Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20910-3760
301-495-46

1. Consent Agenda

***A. Adoption of Resolutions**

1. Yetley Property, Lot 46 Preliminary Plan 12002073A - MCPB No. 12-113

BOARD ACTION

Motion: PRESLEY/WELLS-HARLEY

Vote:

Yea: 5-0

Nay:

Other:

Action: Adopted the Resolution as stated above.

B. Record Plats

BOARD ACTION

Motion:

Vote:

Yea:

Nay:

Other:

Action: There were no Record Plats submitted for approval.

C. Other Consent Items

BOARD ACTION

Motion:

Vote:

Yea:

Nay:

Other:

Action: **There were no Other Consent Items submitted for approval.**

D. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of September 20, 2012

BOARD ACTION

Motion: **WELLS-HARLEY/DREYFUSS**

Vote:

Yea: **5-0**

Nay:

Other:

Action: **Approved the Minutes of September 20, 2012, as presented.**

2. Worksession on Zoning Ordinance Rewrite

Agricultural and Rural Zones

BOARD ACTION

Motion:

Vote:

Yea:

Nay:

Other:

Action: Discussed and provided guidance to staff in the continuation of the worksession on the Agricultural and Rural Residential Zones in the draft Zoning Ordinance Rewrite.

3. Budget

FY14 Budget Planning Discussion for the Planning Department, Commissioner's Office, and CAS Departments

BOARD ACTION

Motion:

Vote:

Yea:

Nay:

Other:

Action: Approved in concept the approach to preparing the FY14 operating budgets, providing guidance to staff and requesting additional information as needed.

Following an overview by Budget Manager Darin Conforti of the "essential needs" approach to the budget this year, Executive Director Patti Barney presented the draft budgets for the Central Administrative Services Departments, excluding the Legal Department, and the Merit Board, and Acting Planning Director Rose Krasnow presented the draft budget for the Planning Department, including several proposed new initiatives, as detailed in the respective staff memorandums. The Commissioners' Office budget will be taken up at a later date.

Due to time constraints, the Board recessed this item to take up Item 7, and then returned to this Item to receive briefings on the Internal Audit Division and the Finance Department preliminary budgets.

7. Request for FY13 Special Appropriation to the Planning Department Operating Budget

Work Program associated with the Clarksburg Master Plan Amendment for the Ten Mile Creek Watershed

BOARD ACTION

Motion: WELLS-HARLEY/DREYFUSS

Vote:

Yea: 4-0-1

Nay:

Other: PRESLEY RECUSED

Action: Approved transmittal of the proposed FY13 Special Appropriation Request to the County Council.

Planning Department staff presented a request to submit to the County Council an FY13 Special Appropriation for \$250,000 for consultant services associated with the Clarksburg Master Plan Amendment for the Ten Mile Creek Watershed, as detailed in the staff report. The Master Plan Amendment was approved by the County Council on October 9, 2012.

Budget Manager Darin Conforti provided information about the budget process for this special appropriation.

There followed some discussion of the proposed economic analysis and transportation analysis included in the work program to be funded.

4. Mandatory Referral: NIH Bethesda Campus Draft 2013 Comprehensive Master Plan MR 2013005 including Transportation Management Plan

Review of the draft comprehensive master plan including the Transportation Management Plan; Bethesda Chevy-Chase Master Plan

Staff Recommendation: Transmit Comments to NCPC

BOARD ACTION

Motion: DREYFUSS/ANDERSON

Vote:

Yea: 5-0

Nay:

Other:

Action: Approved staff recommendation to transmit comments to the National Capital Planning Commission Chair, for consideration at the November 1, 2012 public hearing, as stated in the attached transmittal letter.

Items 4 and 5 were discussed together.

Planning Department staff discussed the mandatory referral request for the National Institutes of Health (NIH) campus in Bethesda regarding the draft 2013 Comprehensive Master Plan, including a transportation management plan. Staff also discussed three mandatory referral requests for the Naval Support Activity (NSA) Bethesda Installation Master Plan Final Draft, the Medical Facilities Development and University Expansion Draft Environmental Impact (EIS), and the Transportation Management Plan. Staff noted that this is a federal facility located on Wisconsin Avenue. It is the largest employer in Montgomery County with 20,262 of its employees located at this site, and NIH plans to add 3,000 more employees during the timeframe of this new plan. The campus is 310 acres located in the R-60 zone within the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Master Plan area and consists of the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences and a host of other tenants, such as the Naval Medical Research Center. The Planning Board is being asked to provide advisory comments to NIH, via the National Capital Planning Commission, on the proposed 2013 master plan, the EIS, and the transportation management plan.

Mr. Phil Alperson, Coordinator for the Montgomery County Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Committee at the County Executive office, offered comments.

Messrs. Ricardo Herring and Phillip Neuberg of NIH Facilities Planning; Mr. Jeff Miller of the Department of Navy Transportation Program; and Messrs. Burr Vogel and William Sadlon of the Navy Department offered comments.

Ms. Debbie Michaels representing the Glenbrook Village Homeowners Association offered testimony.

There followed extensive Board discussion with questions to staff and the speakers.

5. Three Mandatory Referrals: NSA Bethesda Installation Master Plan Final Draft, MR 2013007, Medical Facilities Development and University Expansion Draft Environmental Impact Statement MR 2013009, and Transportation Management Plan MR 2012035

Review of the draft comprehensive master plan and draft environmental impact study for the Medical Facilities and University expansion projects, and of the Transportation Management Plan ; Bethesda Chevy-Chase Master Plan

Staff Recommendation: Transmit Comments to NCPC

BOARD ACTION

Motion: DREYFUSS/ANDERSON

Vote:

Yea: 5-0

Nay:

Other:

Action: Approved staff recommendation to transmit comments to the National Capital Planning Commission Chair, as stated in the attached transmittal letter.

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6. Chevy Chase Lake Sector Plan Public Hearing

BOARD ACTION

Motion:

Vote:

Yea:

Nay:

Other:

Action: Received testimony.

**A VERBATIM TRANSCRIPT FOR THIS ITEM IS ON FILE IN THE RECORDS
MANAGEMENT OFFICE IN SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND.**