



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

**APPROVED
MINUTES**

The Montgomery County Planning Board met in regular session on Monday, December 13, 2010, at 6:05 p.m. in the Montgomery Regional Office in Silver Spring, Maryland, and adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

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

Items 1 and 2 are reported on the attached agenda.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Planning Board will be held Thursday, December 16, 2010, in the Montgomery Regional Office in Silver Spring, Maryland.

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Montgomery County Planning Board Meeting
Monday, December 13, 2010, 6:00 P.M.
8787 Georgia Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20910-3760

**1. Worksession #2 and Action on Amendment to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation:
Upper Patuxent Area Resources**

Staff Recommendation: Recommend to County Council the designation of two historic districts and 13 individual sites to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation. Add two and remove 16 resources from the Locational Atlas and Index of Historic Sites.

BOARD ACTION

Motion: (1) ALFANDRE
(2) WELLS-HARLEY/ALFANDRE
(3) ALFANDRE/PRESLEY
(4) ALFANDRE
(5) DREYFUSS/WELLS-HARLEY
(6) ALFANDRE/DREYFUSS

Vote:

Yea: (2) 3-2
(3) 4-0
(5) 3-2
(6) 5-0

Nay: (2) DREYFUSS, PRESLEY
(5) ALFANDRE, PRESLEY

Other: (3) DREYFUSS TEMPORARILY ABSENT

Action: (1) Motion to approve the staff recommendation to designate the 44-parcel Clagettsville Historic District. **FAILED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.**

(2) Approved the staff recommendation to designate the Clagettsville Historic District, modified to exclude the resources above Moxley Road and, specifically, the resources at 28230, 28218, and 28130 Kempton Road. Further, directed staff to prepare design guidelines for inclusion in the master plan amendment.

(3) Approved removal of the excluded properties from the *Locational Atlas and Index of Historic Sites*.

(4) Motion to approve the staff recommendation to create the 18-parcel Etchison Historic District. **FAILED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.**

(5) Approved creation of the 5-parcel Etchison Historic District, as recommended by the Historic Preservation Commission, to include the parcels at 6920, 7000, 7004, and 7010 Damascus Road and 24220 and 24221 Laytonsville Road.

(6) Approved removal of the excluded properties from the *Locational Atlas and Index of Historic Sites*.

1. Worksession #2 and Action on Amendment to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation: Upper Patuxent Area Resources

Historic Preservation staff presented general information about designation of historic districts on the *Master Plan for Historic Preservation* and discussed rural communities in Montgomery County and how such communities are assessed in terms of historic significance. As detailed in the staff report, staff recommends designation of two historic districts in the Upper Patuxent Area: the Clagettsville Historic District, consisting of 44 parcels, and the Etchison Historic District, consisting of 18 parcels. Staff reviewed the proposed Clagettsville Historic District and the recommended 44 parcels, as detailed in the staff report, noting that the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) recommended designation of five individual sites rather than designation of the District.

There followed considerable discussion of the proposed Clagettsville Historic District and the 44 parcels, including the ramifications of designation of a District on the properties and the reasons the HPC does not support the District.

Ms. Donna Isaacs, owner of resource #15/8-6, the Ollie and Leila Moxley House at 28515 Ridge Road, and Ms. Carrie Posner, the contract purchaser, spoke in opposition to designation of that resource.

Historic Preservation staff then presented the proposed 18-parcel Etchison Historic District, as detailed in the staff report, noting that the HPC recommends an alternate 5-parcel District.

There followed some discussion of the resources identified by staff and the reasons the HPC recommends excluding a number of resources from the District.

2. Review of Parks and Recreation Transition Plan

M-NCPPC Department of Parks, Montgomery County Recreation Department, and Office of Community Use of Public Facilities (CUPF) developed a joint transition plan to transfer certain facility programming to CUPF, as required by County Council Budget Resolution.

Staff Recommendation: Approve for final transmittal to County Council

BOARD ACTION

Motion: DREYFUSS/WELLS-HARLEY

Vote:

Yea: 5-0

Nay:

Other:

Action: Endorsed the report for transmittal to the County Council.

Director of Parks Mary Bradford briefed the Board on the status of the work of the Department of Parks and the County Department of Recreation and Office of Community Use of Public Facilities to consolidate certain activities, streamline services, and gain efficiencies, in order to improve customer service and reduce costs, and presented the Joint Workgroup Report and Transition Plan Recommendations. Ms. Bradford noted that one of the challenges will be enabling the different computer systems to talk to each other.