## EXPEDITED HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Address: 16501 Noorwood Rd. Meeting Date: 1/25/17

**Resource:** Woodlawn **Report Date:** 1/18/17

**Master Plan Site** 

**Review:** HAWP **Public Notice:** 1/1/17

Case Number: 28/14-17A Tax Credit: None

**Applicant:** MNCPPC – Mont. Co. Parks **Staff:** Dan Bruechert

**Proposal:** Fence Installation

**Recommendation:** Approve

#### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

SIGNIFICANCE: Individually Listed Master Plan Site

STYLE: Federal DATE: c.1806-1919

#### **PROPOSAL:**

At the edge of the historic site and the adjacent Park Police compound, the applicant is proposing the installation of a four foot (4') automatic gate. The gate is constructed of two panels that would swing into the police compound. The gate design has a simple, mostly transparent appearance which will be operated using a pad on a pole installed adjacent to the gate.

The project will have no effect on any of the historic resources at Woodlawn and will only be visible to those entering the police compound.



### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

XApproval Approval with conditions.	
Approval is based on the following criteria from Chapter 24A of the Montgomery 8(b): The commission shall instruct the director to issue a permit, or issue a permit conditions as are found to be necessary to insure conformity with the purposes and chapter, if it finds that:	t subject to such
x1. The proposal will not substantially alter the exterior features of a historic resource within an historic district; or	ın historic site, or
_x_2. The proposal is compatible in character and nature with the historicarchitectural or cultural features of the historic site, or the historic district resource is located and would not be detrimental thereto or to the achievement this chapter; or	in which an historic
3. The proposal would enhance or aid in the protection, preservation utilization of the historic site, or historic resource located within an historic compatible with the historical, archeological, architectural or cultural value historic district in which an historic resource is located, or	ic district, in a manner
x4. The proposal is necessary in order that unsafe conditions or heal or	th hazards be remedied;
5. The proposal is necessary in order that the owner of the subject property of reasonable use of the property or suffer undue hardship; or	property not be deprived
6. In balancing the interests of the public in preserving the historic located within an historic district, with the interests of the public from the alternative proposal, the general public welfare is better served by grantin	use and benefit of the





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#### 1. WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT:

a. Description of existing structural and environmental setting, including historic features and significance. The 105-acre historic environmental setting of the Woodlawn Cultural Special Park includes a historic core group of buildings, a modern grouping of structures which support the Park Police, open fields, and woods. The historic portion of the property carries a period of significance from c. 1806-1919, per the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties form. The grounds immediately around the manor house include significant mature trees and a mid-20<sup>th</sup> century boxwood garden, a 1950s three-car garage, a 2010 tent-pad, and the historic entry driveway from Norwood Road. There are several non-contributing sheds, small storage buildings, and parking lots within the environmental setting.

East of and down slope from the historic core are modern buildings belonging to the Montgomery County Park Police Special Operations Division and the Montgomery County Aviation Division. This non-historic core includes a one-story park police office building, concrete block stable, a large pre-fabricated metal storage building, several small metal storage buildings, an outdoor riding ring, prefabricated wooden run-in sheds in the fields, hay storage facility, and multiple parking areas along driveways adjacent to buildings. Further to the east, near the woods, is a large two-story Butler building and helicopter pad.

Today the historic house and grounds are managed through the Cultural Resources Stewardship Section (CRSS), the Parks Enterprise Division, and the Northern Region. The grounds surrounding the house are used seasonally for weddings and special events. CRSS manages the new Woodlawn Barn Visitors Center located in the historic stone barn and carriage house, and interpretative hikes on the Underground Railroad Experience Trail that originate on the property. The police facilities are occupied and used daily.

b. General description of project and its effect on the historic resources and environmental setting. Since the opening of the Woodlawn Visitors Center in June 2016, visitor-ship at this property has increased significantly. Despite signage that directs visitors away from the Park Police compound, both pedestrians and vehicular traffic coming up the driveway from the Ednor Road enter the area regularly, creating multiple daily disruptions for the staff and putting visitors and Park Police horses in dangerous situations. To discourage park users from entering the compound, Park Police would like to install an automatic gate directly in front of the entrance to their compound. The proposed design (attached) is the Aberdeen double swing style AD-1 (highlighted on the attached page). This style was selected for its simple design, relatively transparent appearance, and low height. The gate is composed of two 4-foot-high panels that would swing into the compound after being electronically activated. A small pole with an activation pad would be installed immediately outside the gate at car-window height.

The project will have no adverse effect on the historic resources at Woodlawn. The undertaking will not diminish the integrity of design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling or association. There will be no loss of integrity or damage to trees and their root systems. The addition of the gate will allow the police staff and horses to not be disturbed by the increased tourist activity at the site.

2. SITE PLAN: see attached

3. PLANS AND ELEVATIONS: see attached

#### 4. MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS:

The swing gate frames are galvanized steel tubing. ASTM A78, of structural steel having a 45,000 psi (310 MPa) tensile strength and a G90 [0.9 oz./ft2 zinc coating. Members welded with stainless steel rods, forming a rigid one piece unit. Vertical upright members 2"-square 13ga. metal thickness. For the gate leaves, the horizontal rails are "U" channels, formed of hot rolled, structural steel 13/8" wide by 1½" high, 11 gauge [0.120"] metal thicknesses. Hinges have a load capacity of 1,000 pounds and allow gate leaf to swing 180 degrees. The posts are 3" square.

5. PHOTOGRAPHS: see attached

6. TREE SURVEY: N/A

#### 7. ADDRESS OF ADJACENT AND CONFRONTING PROPERTY OWNERS

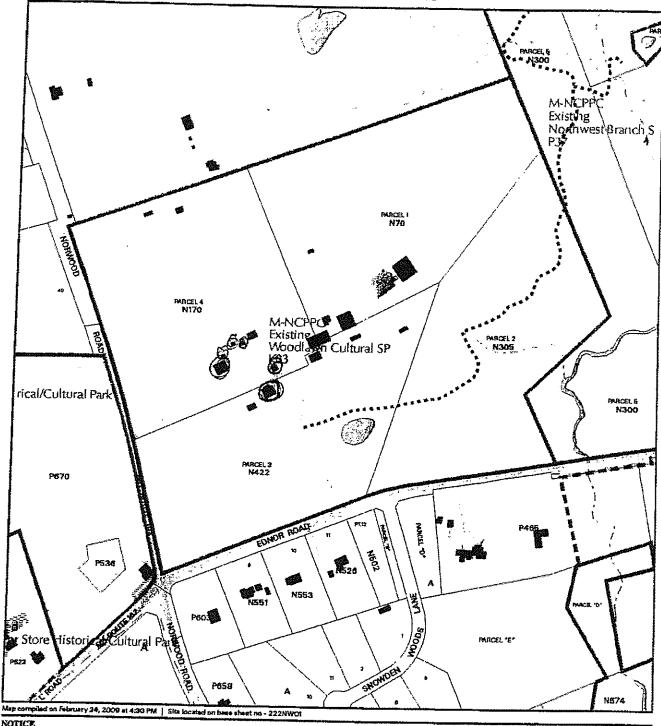
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## WOODLAWN CULTURAL SPECIAL PARK



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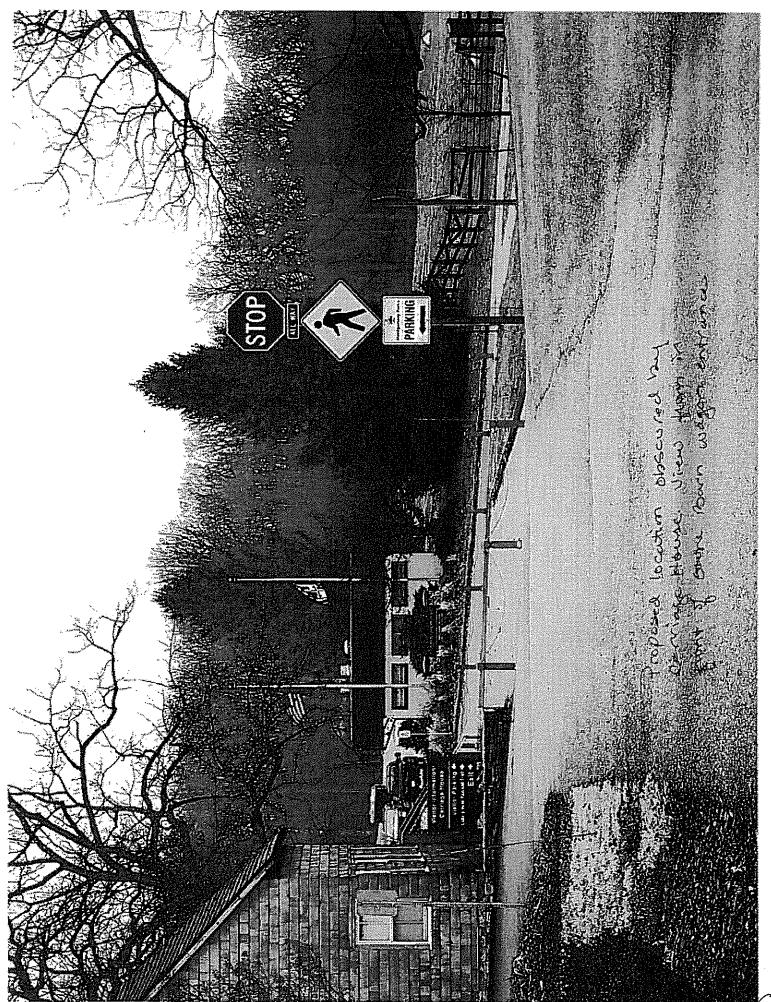




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