MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
STAFF REPORT

Address: 8075 Newell St., Silver Spring  
Meeting Date: 11/14/2018

Resource: Silver Spring/Acorn Park  
Report Date: 11/7/2018

Master Plan Site # 36/05

Applicant: Montgomery Co. Parks  
Public Notice: 10/31/2018

(Ching-Fang Chen, Agent)

Review: HAWP  
Tax Credit: N/A

Case Number: 36/05-18A  
Staff: Michael Kyne

PROPOSAL: Hardscape, landscape, and site alterations

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the HPC approve the HAWP application.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

SIGNIFICANCE: Master Plan Site
DATE: c. Mid-1800s

Excerpt from Places from the Past:

36/05 Acorn Park and the Silver Spring

This tiny urban park is the site of the original spring that gave name to the town of Silver Spring. According to tradition, Francis Preston Blair discovered in 1840 the spring that once bubbled up through shiny mica sand. Blair was a powerful newspaper publisher and a friend of President Andrew Jackson. Upon discovering the delightful spring, Blair became so enamored by the beauty of the area that he and his wife Eliza established, in 1842, a 300-acre summer estate here that he called Silver Spring. The residence, located on Eastern Avenue, was demolished in 1955. His winter house, Blair House, is now the President’s official guest house in Washington, D.C.

Blair built the Acorn gazebo on his Silver Spring estate. It is a good example of rustic garden structures and furniture popular in the mid-1800s. The acorn motif is said to have had sentimental meaning for the Blairs. According to tradition, Francis proposed to Eliza under an oak tree. The gazebo was moved from elsewhere on the estate to its present site in 1955. A public-private partnership forged in 1994 led to the revitalization of Acorn Park and construction of the adjacent building featuring murals depicting scenes from Silver Spring’s history by artist Mame Cohalan.
BACKGROUND

The applicants appeared before the Commission at the June 13, 2018 HPC meeting for a preliminary consultation.

PROPOSAL

The applicant proposes hardscape, landscape, and site alterations at the subject property.

APPLICABLE GUIDELINES

In accordance with Section 1.5 of the Historic Preservation Commission Rules, Guidelines, and Procedures (Regulation No. 27-97) (“Regulations”), in developing its decision when reviewing a Historic Area Work Permit application for an undertaking at a Master Plan site the Commission uses Section 24A-8 of the Montgomery County Code (“Chapter 24A”), the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards and Guidelines for Rehabilitation (“Standards”), and pertinent guidance in applicable master plans. [Note: where guidance in an applicable master plan is inconsistent with the Standards, the master plan guidance shall take precedence (Section 1.5(b) of the Regulations).] The pertinent information in these documents, incorporated in their entirety by reference herein, is outlined below.

*Sec. 24A-8. Same-Criteria for issuance.*

(b) The commission shall instruct the director to issue a permit, or issue a permit subject to such conditions as are found to be necessary to insure conformity with the purposes and requirements of this chapter, if it finds that:

(1) The proposal will not substantially alter the exterior features of an historic site or historic resource within an historic district; or
(2) The proposal is compatible in character and nature with the historical, archeological, architectural or cultural features of the historic site or the historic district in which an historic resource is located and would not be detrimental thereto or to the achievement of the purposes of this chapter; or

(3) The proposal would enhance or aid in the protection, preservation and public or private utilization of the historic site or historic resource located within an historic district in a manner compatible with the historical, archeological, architectural or cultural value of the historic site or historic district in which an historic resource is located; or

(4) The proposal is necessary in order that unsafe conditions or health hazards be remedied; or

(5) The proposal is necessary in order that the owner of the subject property not be deprived of reasonable use of the property or suffer undue hardship; [emphasis added] or

(6) In balancing the interests of the public in preserving the historic site or historic resource located within an historic district, with the interests of the public from the use and benefit of the alternative proposal, the general public welfare is better served by granting the permit.

(c) It is not the intent of this chapter to limit new construction, alteration or repairs to any 1 period or architectural style.

**Secretary of Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation**

The Secretary of the Interior defines rehabilitation as “the act or process of making possible a compatible use for a property through repair, alterations, and additions while preserving those portions or features, which convey its historical, cultural, or architectural values.” Because the property is a Master Plan Site, the Commission’s focus in reviewing the proposal should be the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation. The Standards are as follows:

2. The historic character of a property shall be retained and preserved. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize a property shall be avoided.

9. New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction shall not destroy historic materials that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and shall be compatible with the massing, size, scale, and architectural features to protect the historic integrity of the property and its environment.

10. New additions and adjacent or related new construction shall be undertaken in such a manner that if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.

**STAFF DISCUSSION**

The applicants previously appeared before the Commission at the June 13, 2018 HPC meeting. The Commission expressed support for the proposal, but did caution the applicant that too many new features could detract from the park’s existing character. The Commission recommended renderings to determine how all of the proposed new features and alterations will affect the park. Overall, however, the Commission determined that this was not a historic preservation concern and that the proposal would not detract from the extant historic features in the park (spring and acorn gazebo). The applicants have
provided additional renderings, per the Commission’s suggestion.

With regard to the historic features, the applicants propose to restore/repair in-kind the stone walls and mortar of the spring, where necessary. The applicants have indicated that the repairs will adhere to the Standards, and mortar samples will be taken to find the appropriate mixture. Additionally, the amount of impervious surface will be reduced and permanent bioretention will be installed to address issues of standing water in the spring and ensure its long-term preservation. No alterations or repairs are currently planned for the acorn gazebo, as it is stable. At the preliminary consultation, there was some concern about the installation of a lighting fixture within the acorn gazebo to provide illumination and enhanced security, but the applicants stated that the illumination would be achieved via external globe lights located nearby.

While ADA accessible ramps and boardwalks are proposed adjacent to the spring and acorn gazebo, there will be no direct impact. The existing stone steps at the spring will be replaced with treads and risers that have consistent dimensions, but these steps are non-historic.

Staff fully support the applicants’ proposal, finding that the proposal will not detract from or remove historic character-defining features of the park, in accordance with Standard #2. The proposed alterations and new construction will not destroy historic materials that characterize the park, and they can be removed in the future without impairing the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment, in accordance with Standards #9 and #10.

After full and fair consideration of the applicant’s submission staff finds the proposal as being consistent with the Criteria for Issuance in Chapter 24A-(b) 1 and 2, having found the proposal is consistent with the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation outlined above.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the Commission **approve** the HAWP application under the Criteria for Issuance in Chapter 24A-(b), (1), (2) & (d) having found that the proposal will not substantially alter the exterior features of the historic resource and is compatible in character with the district and the purposes of Chapter 24A;

and with the **Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation #2, #9, and #10**;

and with the general condition that the applicant shall present the **3 permit sets of drawings, if applicable to Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) staff for review and stamping** prior to submission for the Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services (DPS) building permits;

and with the general condition that final project design details, not specifically delineated by the Commission, shall be approved by HPC staff or brought back to the Commission as a revised HAWP application at staff’s discretion;

and with the general condition that the applicant shall notify the Historic Preservation Staff if they propose to make **any alterations** to the approved plans.

Once the work is completed the applicant will **contact the staff person** assigned to this application at 301-563-3400 or michael.kyne@montgomeryplanning.org to schedule a follow-up site visit.
APPLICATION FOR
HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT

Ching-Fang.Chen@montgomeryparks.org

Date: 301.495.2557
Daytime Phone No.: 301.495.4610 M-NCPPC

Contact: Ching-Fang Chen

Tax Account No.: 03100243

Name of Property Owner: M-NCPPC

Address: 9500 Brunnett Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20901
Street Number: City: State: Zip Code:

Construction: To be determined

Contractor Registration No.:__

Agent for Owner: ________________

Daytime Phone No.: ________________

The project consists two parcels. A letter from the other property owner, The

Brick Companies, is attached.

House Number: 8075
Street: Newell Street

Town/City: Silver Spring
Nearest Cross Street: East West Highway and Kennett Street

Lot: 14771 Block: C Subdivision: 8075
Parcel: 0531

PART ONE: TYPE OF PERMIT ACTION AND USE

1A. CHECK ALL APPLICABLE: CHECK ALL APPLICABLE:

☐ Construct ☐ Extent ☐ Alter/Reuse ☐ A/C ☐ Slab ☐ Room Addition ☐ Porch ☐ Deck ☐ Shed
☐ Move ☐ Install ☐ Wreck/Reuse ☐ Solar ☐ Fireplace ☐ Woodburning Stove ☐ Single Family
☐ Revision ☐ Repair ☐ Revacuate ☐ Fence/Wall (complete Sections a) ☐ Other: park renovation

1B. Construction cost estimate: $ 1.5 M

1C. If this is a revision of a previously approved active permit, see Permit: No

PART TWO: CHARTED EXCAVATION, INFILL, EROSION, EMBRAKEMENT

2A. Type of sewage disposal: 01 ☐ WSSC 02 ☐ Septic 03 ☐ Other:

2B. Type of water supply: 01 ☐ WSSC 02 ☐ Well 03 ☐ Other:

PART THREE: PERMIT FOR CONSTRUCTION WALL

3A. Height ______ feet ______ inches

3B. Indicate whether the fence or retaining wall is to be constructed on one of the following locations:

☐ On party line/property line ☐ Entirely on land of owner ☐ On public right of way/ easement

I hereby certify that I have the authority to make the foregoing application, that the application is correct, and that the construction will comply with plans approved by all agencies listed and I hereby acknowledge and accept that to be a condition for the issuance of this permit.

Ching-Fang Chen

Date: 10-23-18

Signature of owner or authorized agent

Approve: ___________________________ For Chairperson, Historic Preservation Commission

Disapprove: ___________________________ Signature: ___________________________ Date:

Application/Permit No.: 856 313 Data Filed: ___________________________ Date Issued: ___________________________

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR INSTRUCTIONS
May 17, 2018

M-NCPPC Montgomery County Department of Parks
The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission
Park Development Division
9500 Brunett Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20901

To Whom it May Concern:

The Brick Companies supports the proposed renovation of Acorn Urban Park located at 8075 Newell Street in Silver Spring, Maryland. The project intends to restore historic features, improve and activate the park to better serve nearby communities while providing accessibility and stormwater management.

The project involves The Brick Companies’ owned property as part of the park - Parcel 969, Lot 4, Block C, Subdivision 0001, Liber 24587, Folio 0775. The area is approximately 32 feet wide and 200 feet long northwest of the building addressed at 8045 Kennett Street, Silver Spring, MD.

The Brick Companies has been included in the development of the overall park throughout the planning process. The plan recommends converting the existing paved walkway within our property into green open space with reconfigured walkways, terraces, infrastructure and other site amenities. We support the plan that has been developed up to this point and are aware of the anticipated work involved on our property. We understand on-going coordination with the M-NCPPC will be needed to obtain regulatory approvals and the Historic Area Work permit for the project. An easement will also be required for a portion of the stormwater management facilities within our property.

The Brick Companies agrees to the renovation of Acorn Urban Park and to making our property an integral part of the park design. We will continue to partner with the M-NCPPC to facilitate the project and to ensure that the project will be successful.

Very truly yours,

Arthur A. Birney, Jr.
Chief Executive Officer
#1 WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

a. Description of existing structure(s) and environmental setting, including their historical features and significance:

The approx. 0.3-acre triangular shaped park is surrounded by high density mix-use development. The historic environmental setting includes all of M-NCPPC-owned property. However, the entire park includes private property as well which creates the park’s southern boundary (see map). The southern edge of the park is defined by the privately-owned office building on which there are six murals facing the park. The eastern edge is the sidewalk for East-West Highway. The northern edge is Newell Street.

The park contains walkways, mature specimen trees and significant historic resources, notably the original “Silver Spring” for which the town is named, and the Acorn Gazebo. Between 1842-1845, Francis Preston Blair and his wife Eliza established a 300-acre summer estate called Silver Spring after his discovery of a mica flecked spring. The Acorn gazebo was built 1850 to commemorate their marriage proposal under an oak tree. The gazebo was moved to its current location from across the street in 1955 when the public park was established. The historic spring is set in a recessed grotto with a carved stone hood delineating its location. The grotto dates to before 1861 and was modified in mid 20th century.

The park was listed on the Montgomery County Master Plan for Historic Preservation in 1985. Since that time, the landscape and features have been maintained on an ongoing basis. However, erosion due to frequent flooding has caused problems that need to be resolved.

General description of project and its effect on the historic resource(s), the environmental setting, and where applicable, the historic district.

The proposed project is designed to provide improved access and use of the park in this densely populated area. The design includes both hardscape and landscape elements. This project will enhance the visitor experience at this park and will have no adverse effect on the historic resource.

**Hardscape**: (refer to Site Plan and key on page 3)

A. Historic Spring/Grotto (existing) - retain and restore the historic spring/Grotto

B. Acorn Gazebo (existing) - retain and restore the gazebo

C. Community Open Space - create a consolidated interior lawn as community open space for flexible activities

D. Acorn Platform - build a wooden platform for seating and gathering. The elevated platform is to protect the tree roots and make efficient use of the space.

E. Overlook Terrace – provide an ADA accessible entrance from Newell Street with seating to welcome people to the park. The terrace serves as an overlook for the historic spring area and an overflow space for the Acorn Gazebo, allowing people in wheelchairs better access to the historic features.
F. Boardwalk – provide a wooden boardwalk as part of the ADA accessible route. The boardwalk protects the existing tree roots, transitional steep slope, and bioretention facilities.

G. Accessible Walk – provide a curved stone walkway as part of the ADA accessible route.

H. Play Area – provide boulders, low visual impact play elements that complement the oak tree setting.

I. West Terrace – provide a multi-use terrace that transitions into the Kennet Street sidewalk and existing building exit.

J. Bioretention – integrate bioretention facilities with the boardwalk to treat stormwater runoff.

1. Curb/Edging – divert offsite runoff and create separation between different materials.

2. Special Paving – draw visual connection from the privately owned green open space and streetscape

3. Stone Runnel – convey offsite runoff during large storm events.

4. Seat Wall – provide seating opportunity and separation from street activities

5. Retaining Wall – divert street runoff

6. Stairs – rehabilitate existing stairs (built 1955 and 1990s) leading to the historic spring area to meet code. They currently do not have uniform riser heights and tread widths. Build new stone stairs from the Newell Street entrance to match existing.

7. Ramp – provide accessible ramp as part of the boardwalk, including, a non-intrusive ADA ramp and landing for the Acorn Gazebo. Provide handrails and guardrails as needed.

8. Crosswalk – provide safe street crossing

9. Interpretation – provide opportunities to interpret the history of the park

10. Boulder – provide visual connection or seating opportunities

11. Bench – provide seating opportunities

12. Bike Rack (existing) – retain existing bike racks

13. Light – relocate existing light fixtures to the street to enhance the park. Install ground level, recessed, and/or other similar spot lights to highlight the historic features and provide safe passage along the walks.

**Planting:** (refer to Landscape Plan and key on page 4)

Existing significant trees, Tree #15 (35” dia. white oak) and Tree #16 (40” dia. white oak) are to be preserved and mitigated for long term health.

1. Transplanted Oak – transplant tree #14 (5” white oak) if feasible or plant a matching new oak.
2. Shrubs – consolidate existing evergreen shrubs at the base of the adjacent office building to create a consistent green backdrop for the community open space.

3. Groundcovers – establish low-growing, low-maintenance groundcovers to prevent soil erosion. The groundcover planting to provide aesthetic environmental setting for the historic features and buffer the historic features from the busy street activities. The groundcovers are to be planted in plug size to minimize impact to the tree roots.

4. Bioretention Planting – install bioretention planting to treat stormwater to enhance the environmental setting for the park.

5. Lawn – establish shade tolerant turf for the community open space.

Demolition: (refer to Demolition Plan and key on page 5)

1. Remove the following non-historic walkways:
   - in front of the building (built after 1994) to create green open space.
   - From Newell to the walkway in front of the building
   - From grotto to walkway from Newell Street
2. Demolish river rock swale (recently installed interim measure to mitigate stormwater impact)
3. Remove obsolete concrete light fixture stands.

#2 SITE PLAN

See attachment.

#3 PLANS AND ELEVATIONS

See attachment.

#4 MATERIALS SPECIFICATIONS

See attachment.

#5 PHOTOGRAPHS

See attachment.

#6 SITE SURVEY

See attachment.

#7 MAILING ADDRESSES OF ADJACENT AND CONFRONTING PROPERTY OWNERS

Owner’s mailing address:

The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission
Montgomery County Department of Parks
9500 Brunett Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20901

The Brick Companies
3168 Braverton Street, 4th Floor
Edgewater, MD 21037

Owner’s Agent’s mailing address:
Ching-Fang Chen
The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission
Montgomery County Department of Parks
9500 Brunett Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20901

Adjacent and confronting Property Owners mailing address:

Argent Apartments
1200 Blair Mill Road
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Mica Condominium
1220 Blair Mill Road
Silver Spring, MD 20910

The Brick Companies
3168 Braverton Street, 4th Floor
Edgewater, MD 21037

Silver Spring Metro A Condominium
8045 Newell Street
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Washington Metro Area Transit Authority
950 S Lenfant Plaza SW
Washington, DC 20026

The Veridian Apartments
1139 East West Highway
Silver Spring, MD 20910

1133 East West Highway
Silver Spring, MD 20910

1191 Blair Mill Road
Silver Spring, MD 20910

1201 East West Highway
Silver Spring, MD 20910
Acorn Urban Park Renovation – Site Plan (Aerial Map)

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Acorn Urban Park Renovation – Site Plan (Existing)

Historic Acorn Gazebo

Non-historic Walkway

River Rock Swale

Historic Spring
Acorn Urban Park Renovation – Site Plan (Property Ownership)

M-NCPPC (0.12 AC)

Historic Spring

Historic Acorn Gazebo

DOT Right of Way

Private (The Brick Companies)

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Acorn Urban Park Renovation – Landscape Plan

1. Oak Tree
2. Shrubs
3. Groundcovers
4. Bioretention Planting
5. Lawn

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Landscape Improvements
Acorn Urban Park Renovation – View from East West Highway Sidewalk (Proposed)

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Acorn Urban Park Renovation – View from the East West Highway Sidewalk (Proposed)
Existing Non-historic Features

1. Walkway
2. River Rock Swale
3. Concrete Lamp Post Base
Acorn Urban Park Renovation – Stormwater Management Concept

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A. At Grade Impervious Paving
B. Raised Impervious Decking
C. Playground Infiltration
D. Micro Bioretention
E. Proposed Storm Drain Pipe
F. Existing Storm Drain Pipe
G. Trench Drain
H. Perforated Underdrain
I. Runnel
J. Dry Well

SECTION - Bioretention

Keys

C. Playground Infiltration
D. Micro Bioretention
E. Proposed Storm Drain Pipe
F. Existing Storm Drain Pipe
G. Trench Drain
H. Perforated Underdrain
I. Runnel
J. Dry Well
Acorn Urban Park Renovation – Schematic Layout Plan

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Acorn Urban Park Renovation – ADA Accessibility

Accessible Route
Landing
Ramp
Acorn Urban Park Renovation – Section A
Acorn Urban Park Renovation – Section B

Historic Acorn

23" DBH
White Oak

Wood bench,
6'Ht, 16"W

Groundcover Planting

Wood Platform

Community Open Space/Lawn

Shrub Planting

Discovery Building

Section B

SCALE: 1" = 1'-0"
Section C

Acorn Urban Park Renovation – Section C
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Acorn Urban Park Renovation – Section D

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Wood boardwalk, 3/4 x 6 Black locust
Flush with platform
Joint to sit on brick step

Existing brick stair tread
Landing: 1% Slope
Ramp up to wood deck: 0.3°

Stainless Steel Toe Kick
2 x 6 joists
Double box beam
Hilical picr

Section D
Section E

Acorn Urban Park Renovation – Section E

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Section F

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Section G

Acorn Urban Park Renovation – Section G

Light Pole

Walk/Landing

Wall curves with walk

Play Area

Stone Seat Wall

+TVY 320.73

Transplanted 6” DBH Oak

Lighting in wall

Existing hydrant

Flexible Paved Area w/ Seating Boulders at edge

Brick Sidewalk

Kendall Street

Discovery Building w/Murals

Light Pole

Relocated Bike racks

Revelers

Planting

+318.272
Wooden Platform and Boardwalk

- Decking: Black Locust
- Framing: Cold-formed steel
- Foundation: Helical Pier
Guardrail, Handrail and Edge Protection

Code Requirements:

- **Handrails** shall be provided on both sides of ramps. Exterior stairs with four or more risers must have a handrail (between 34 and 38 inches) on at least one side.

- **Guardrails** are required when the difference in elevation between the upper and lower surfaces is 30” or greater. Height must be a minimum of 42” above the leading edge of the tread or walking surface. A 4” diameter sphere shall not pass through any opening up to a height of 34 inches.

- Handrails and guardrails shall extend at least 12” beyond the top and bottom riser and ramps

- **Edge protection** shall be provided on each side of ramps and landings.
Guardrail
- Stainless Steel with Cable or
- Aluminum with Cable

Handrail
- Stainless Steel or
- Aluminum
Paving
- Bluestone
- Granite
- Brick (sidewalk)

18" X 60" X 2" THICK STONE PAVING WITH HAND TIGHT, SAND SWEPT JOINTS

FLEXIBLE BRICK EDGE

UNDISTURBED SOIL/PLANTING FILL
2" STONEDUST ON 2" COMPACTED STONE BASE
98% COMPACTED SUBGRADE

Wall

SEMI-DRY LAID STONE, RAKE MORTAR JOINTS FOR DRY-LAID APPEARANCE

FINISHED GRADE

COMPACTED SUBGRADE
Acorn Urban Park Renovation – Suggested Materials Concept

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Play Components

- Natural Boulders
- Acorn Seat/Spinner
- Log Balance Beam
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Dedication of Acorn Park, 1955

Existing

Image c. 1917

Restore Water Feature

- Marble Nymph
- Recirculating Fountain
Potential Locations for Interpretation

★ Primary (for Historic Spring & Acorn Gazebo)
★ Secondary (for Artwork & Park History)
★ Others (TBD)
Context

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Acorn Urban Park Renovation – Photographs

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Historic Spring and Acorn Gazebo

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Historic Spring
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Historic Spring - Wall Enclosure

Acorn Urban Park Renovation – Photographs
Acorn Urban Park Renovation – Photographs

Historic Spring-Stairway

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Acorn Urban Park Renovation – Photographs

Historic Spring-Stairway
View from Argent Apartments
View from East West Highway at Blair Mill Road
Acorn Urban Park Renovation – Photographs

View from East West Highway

View from Westbound Sidewalk

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Drainage Problems and Interim Solutions

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April 22, 2017

Stone swale

Filter Socks

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Historic Photographs

This stereopair shows the building that once stood next to the spring (lower right corner of photo).

Extant stone laid at base of spring; 1872

constructed ca. 1842-45; demolished 1950s

constructed ca. 1842-45; demolished 1950s
Historic Photographs

Image of 1850 Acorn c.1900

Image c.1917

Dedication of Acorn Park, 1955

Image c. 1917

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