EXPEDITED
MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
STAFF REPORT

Address: 13 Grafton Street, Chevy Chase

Meeting Date: 12/18/2019

Resource: Contributing Resource

Report Date: 12/11/2019

(Chevy Chase Village Historic District)

Public Notice: 12/4/2019

Applicant: Diogo Coelho

Tax Credit: N/A

Review: HAWP

Staff: Michael Kyne

Case Number: 35/13-19UU

PROPOSAL: Fence installation

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

☑ Approve
☐ Approve with conditions

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

SIGNIFICANCE: Contributing Resource within the Chevy Chase Village Historic District

STYLE: Prairie

DATE: c. 1892-1916

Fig. 1: Subject property.
PROPOSAL:
The applicant proposes to install a 4’ high wooden fence with gate at the east (right) and west (left) sides of the historic house. The length of proposed fence of the east side is 10’ and on the west side is 14’.

APPLICABLE GUIDELINES:
IV. The Expedited Staff Report format may be used on the following type of cases:

10. Construction of fences that are compatible with historic site or district in terms of material, height, location, and design. Requests for fences higher than 48” to be located in the front yard of a property will not be reviewed using an Expedited Staff Report.

Montgomery County Code; Chapter 24A-8

(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; 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.

(d) In the case of an application for work on an historic resource located within an historic district, the commission shall be lenient in its judgment of plans for structures of little historical or design significance or for plans involving new construction, unless such plans would seriously impair the historic or architectural value of surrounding historic resources or would impair the character of the historic district. (Ord. No. 9-4, § 1; Ord. No. 11-59.)

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.” 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.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Commission **approve** the HAWP application under the Criteria for Issuance in Chapter 24A-8(b), (1), (2) & (d) having found that the proposal is consistent with the *Chevy Chase Village Historic District Guidelines*, and therefore 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 and #9*;

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
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
301.563.3400

APPLICANT:
Name: Diogo Coelho
Address: 13 Grafton St
Daytime Phone: 202 579 7035
E-mail: diogocoelho@icloud.com
City: Chevy Chase
Zip: 20815

AGENT/CONTACT (if applicable):
Name: __________________________
Address: __________________________
Daytime Phone: __________________________
E-mail: __________________________
City: __________________________ Zip: __________________________
Contractor Registration No.: __________________________

LOCATION OF BUILDING/PREMISE: MIHP # of Historic Property: 35/13
Is the Property Located within an Historic District? Yes/District Name: Chevy Chase Village Historic District
No/Individual Site Name: __________________________
Is there an Historic Preservation/Land Trust/Environmental Easement on the Property? If YES, include a map of the easement, and documentation from the Easement Holder supporting this application.
Are other Planning and/or Hearing Examiner Approvals /Reviews Required as part of this Application? (Conditional Use, Variance, Record Plat, etc.)? If YES, include information on these reviews as supplemental information.

Building Number: 13 Street: Grafton St
Town/City: Chevy Chase Nearest Cross Street: Cedar Parkway
Lot: _______ Block: _______ Subdivision: _______ Parcel: _______

TYPE OF WORK PROPOSED: See the checklist on Page 4 to verify that all supporting items for proposed work are submitted with this application. Incomplete Applications will not be accepted for review. Check all that apply:

☐ New Construction ☐ Shed/Garage/Accessory Structure
☐ Addition ☐ Solar
☐ Demolition ☐ Tree removal/planting
☐ Grading/Excavation ☐ Hardscape/Landscape
☐ Deck/Porch ☐ Window/Door
☐ Fence ☐ Other: __________________________
☐ Roof

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

Signature of owner or authorized agent Date: Nov 8, 2019
Description of Property: Please describe the building and surrounding environment. Include information on significant structures, landscape features, or other significant features of the property:

13 Grafton St is a 4-bedroom family home built in 1908 with a front & side porch. There are steps leading from the street up to the lawn and from the lawn up to the front door. There are some trees surrounding the house.

Description of Work Proposed: Please give an overview of the work to be undertaken:

We propose to install additional panels to an existing fence. The total length of the proposed fence will be approximately 10’ on the East side and 14' on the West side of the house. There will be two (2) new gates along the fenceline, centered with the fence on each side. No trees will be impacted by the proposed project. This work will complete the existing fence (which has 3 sides) and allow for the backyard to be enclosed by fencing for the safety of the 3 young children living in the home.
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Municipality Letter for
Proposed Construction Project

Subject Property: 13 Grafton Street, Chevy Chase, MD 20815
Property Owner: Norah Coelho
Project Manager/Contractor: Owner
Proposed Work: Construct fence on private property

11/7/2019

Diane R. Schwartz Jones, Director
Department of Permitting Services of Montgomery County
255 Rockville Pike, 2nd floor
Rockville, MD 20850

Dear Ms. Jones,

This letter is to inform your department that the above homeowner/contractor has notified Chevy Chase Village that he or she plans to apply for both county and municipal permits for the above summarized construction project. Chevy Chase Village will not issue any municipal building permit(s) for this proposed project until Montgomery County has issued all necessary county permits and the applicant has provided Chevy Chase Village with copies of county-approved and stamped plans. We have advised the homeowner/contractor that a permit from Montgomery County does not guarantee a permit from this municipality unless the project complies with all our municipal rules and regulations.

If this homeowner/contractor later applies for an amended county permit, please do not approve that application until you have received a Municipality Letter from us indicating that the homeowner/contractor has notified us of that proposed amendment to the permit.

If you have any questions about this proposed project and the municipal regulation of it by Chevy Chase Village, do not hesitate to have your staff contact my office. The Village Permitting Coordinator can be reached by phone at 301-654-7300 or by e-mail at ccvpermitting@montgomerycountymd.gov.

Sincerely,

Shana R. Davis-Cook
Chevy Chase Village Manager
FENCE APPLICATION
Application Date: 10/3/2019

Permit No: 891800
AP Type: FENCE

Comments
The total length of the proposed fence will be approximately 10’ on the East side and 14’ on the West side of the house. There will be two (2) new gates along the fenceline, centered with the fence on each side. No trees will be impacted by the proposed project.

Affidavit Acknowledgement
The Homeowner is the Primary applicant
This application does not violate any covenants and deed restrictions

Primary Applicant Information
Address 13 Grafton ST
Chevy Chase, MD 20815
Othercontact Coelho (Primary)

Fence Permit Details
Use Code FENCE
Work Type CONST
Height Feet 4
Owners Land Y
Type of Water Supply WSSC
Sewage Disposal WSSC
Scope of Work Fence installed in the middle of the property for safety reasons.
Comments
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Primary Applicant Information
Address 13 GRAFTON ST
CHEVY CHASE, MD 20815
Homeowner Coelho (Primary)

Historic Area Work Permit Details
Work Type ADD
Scope of Work Panels added to existing installed fence to enclose the back yard for safety reasons (3 very young children living in the home).
Material of the fence parts: Pressure Treated Timber for ground contact

applicant
Norah & Diogo Coelho

location
13 GRAFTON ST
CHEVY CHASE
MD 20815

FENCE DETAILS
13 Grafton St, Chevy Chase, MD 20815
Norah & Diogo Coelho
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