## EXPEDITED
MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
STAFF REPORT

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<td>Permit Number:</td>
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**PROPOSAL:** New fence

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### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

☑ Approve  
☐ Approve with conditions

### ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

SIGNIFICANCE: Contributing Resource within the Chevy Chase Village Historic District  
STYLE: Bungalow-Craftsman  
DATE: c. 1920-25

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*Fig. 1: Subject property.*
PROPOSAL:

The applicants propose to install a 6’ high wooden board-on-board fence at the northeast (rear/left, as viewed from the public right-of-way of Willow Avenue) and east (rear) sides of the subject property.

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 will not destroy historic materials, features, and spatial relationships that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and will be compatible with the historic materials, features, size, scale and proportion, and massing to protect the 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 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 *Takoma Park 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, #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
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
301.563.3400

APPLICANT:

Name: Potomac Fences
Address: 12411 washington ave
Daytime Phone: 301-254-2602

E-mail: potomacfence@aol.com
City: rockville Zip: 20852
Tax Account No.: 52-1371545

AGENT/CONTACT (if applicable):

Name: cayce werts
Address: ____________________________________________
Daytime Phone: ___________________________

E-mail: potomacfence@aol.com
City: ____________________ Zip:___________
Contractor Registration No.: _______________

LOCATION OF BUILDING/PREMISE:

Building Number: ________________ Street: ______________________________________________
Town/City: __________________________ Nearest Cross Street: __________________________________
Lot: ____________ Block: ___________ Subdivision: _______ Parcel: _____

TYPE OF WORK PROPOSED:

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

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

Potomac Fences potomacfence@aol.com 1/6/2021
Description of Property: Please describe the building and surrounding environment. Include information on significant structures, landscape features, or other significant features of the property:

To install a 6 foot tall wood fence along the left side of the property and along the rear property line as well.

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

To install a 6 foot tall wood fence along the left side of the property and along the rear property line as well.
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LOCATION DRAWING
LOT 14, BLOCK 8
LIPSCOMB AND EARNEST TRUSTEES ADDITION TO TAKOMA PARK
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND
03-04-2020  SCALE 1"=30'

Fence # 937-941
Install 19" tall wood fence
on owners land

PLEASE NOTE
This House Location Drawing is for informational purposes only. Per
Maryland State Code it may not be relied upon to determine property
boundaries and may not be used
for building permits or construction.

GRAPHIC SCALE (In Feet)
1 inch = 30' ft.
ACCURACY=1'±
alternating board wood fence style
MUNICIPALITY LETTER
January 5, 2021

To: Pablo Wolfe / 646-228-3110 / pwolfe1@gmail.com
7301 Willow Ave,
Takoma Park, MD 20912

To: Department of Permitting Services
255 Rockville Pike, 2nd Floor
Rockville, Maryland 20850-4166 Fax 240-777-6398; 240-777-6262; 240-777-6223

From: Planning and Development Services Division

THIS IS NOT A PERMIT – For Informational Purposes Only

VALID FOR ONE YEAR FROM DATE OF ISSUE

The property owner is responsible for obtaining all required permits from
Montgomery County and the City of Takoma Park. If this property is in the Takoma Park
Historic District, it is subject to Montgomery County Historic Preservation requirements.

Representative/email: Steve Lunn or Steve Cayce / potomacfence@aol.com / 301-468-1228
Location of Project: 7301 Willow Ave, Takoma Park, MD; 20912
Proposed Scope of Work: Installing a cedar fence along both the left and rearmost sides of our backyard
property.

The purpose of this municipality letter is to inform you that the City of Takoma Park has regulations and
city permit requirements that may apply to your project. This municipality letter serves as notification
that, in addition to all Montgomery County requirements, you are required to comply with all City
permitting requirements, including:

- Tree Impact Assessment/Tree Protection Plan
- Stormwater management
- City Right of Way

Failure to comply with these requirements could result in the issuance of a Stop Work Order and other
administrative actions within the provisions of the law. Details of Takoma Park’s permit requirements are
attached on page 2.

The issuance of this letter does not indicate approval of the project nor does it authorize the property
owner to proceed with the project. The City retains the right to review and comment on project plans
during the Montgomery County review process.