EXPEDITED MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Address: 7110 Sycamore Avenue, Takoma Park Meeting Date: 3/24/2021

Resource: Contributing Resource **Report Date:** 3/10/2021

(Takoma Park Historic District)

Public Notice: 3/3/2021

Applicant: Trevor Chaloux

HAWP

Tax Credit: No

Staff: Michael Kyne

Permit Number: 943152

Review:

PROPOSAL: Fence

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:



Approve with conditions

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

SIGNIFICANCE: Contributing Resource within the Chevy Chase Village Historic District

STYLE: Bungalow DATE: c. 1910-25



Fig. 1: Subject property.

PROPOSAL:

The applicant proposes to install a 6' high wooden solid board privacy fence at the rear and rear/sides of the subject property. On the south side (left, as viewed from the public right-of-way of Sycamore Avenue), the fence will return the rear corner of an existing rear addition. On the north side (right) the fence will return near to the existing rear addition, approximately 5' forward of the rear plane.

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 <u>approve</u> the HAWP application under the Criteria for Issuance in Chapter 24A-8(b), (1), (2) & (d), having found that the proposal, as modified by the condition, 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 an electronic set 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.



DATE ASSIGNED___ **APPLICATION FOR** HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION 301.563.3400

APPLICANT:

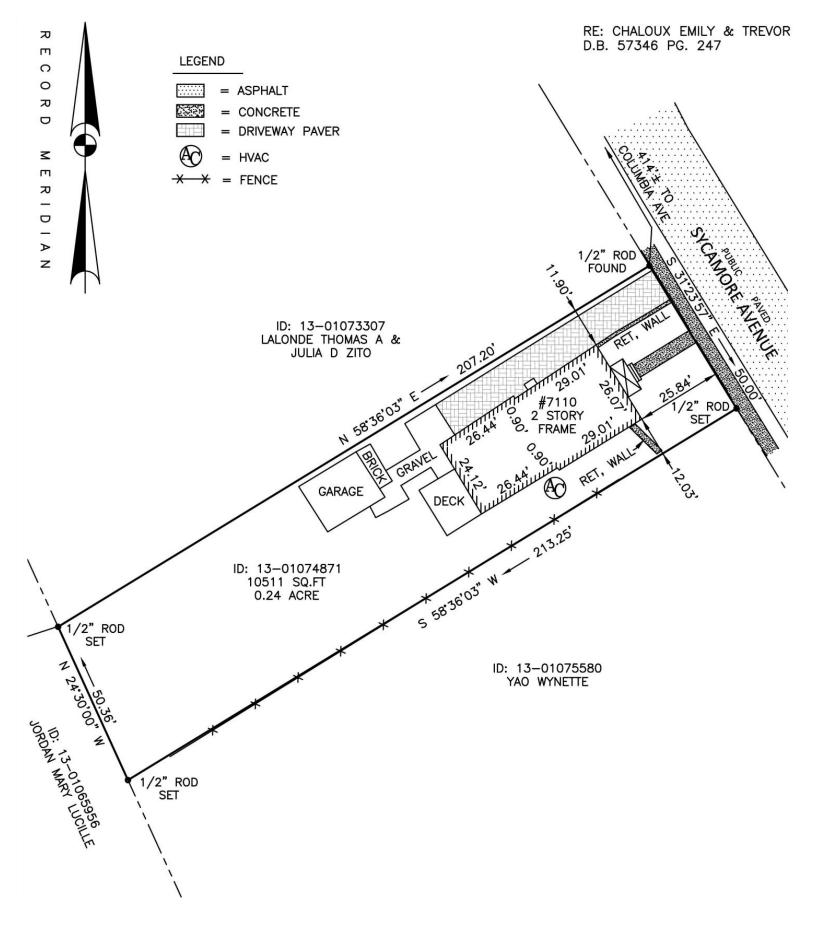
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LOCATION OF BUILDING/PR	EMISE: MIHP # of Historic Property	у			
map of the easement, and do	cumentation from the Easement Ho aring Examiner Approvals / Reviews cord Plat, etc.?) If YES, include info	s Required as part of this Application?			
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Description of Property: Please describe the building and surrounding environment. Include information on significant structure landscape features, or other significant features of the property:	res,
Description of Work Proposed: Please give an overview of the work to be undertaken:	

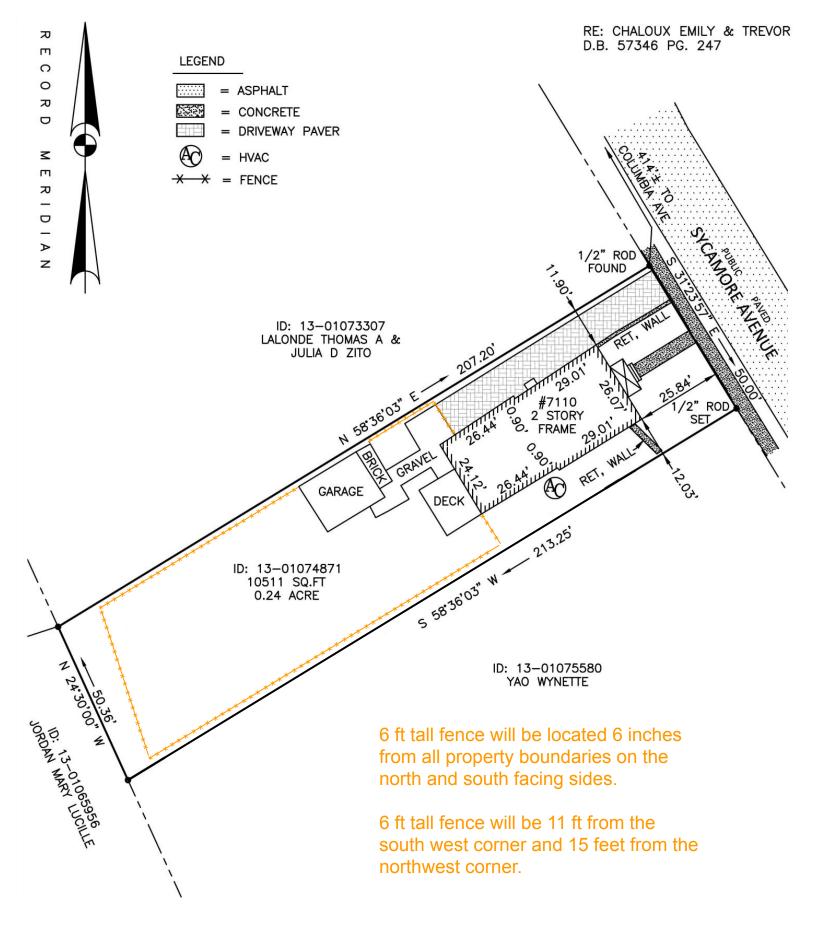
Work Item 1:	
Description of Current Condition:	Proposed Work:
Work Item 2:	
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Work Item 3:	
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HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT CHECKLIST OF APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

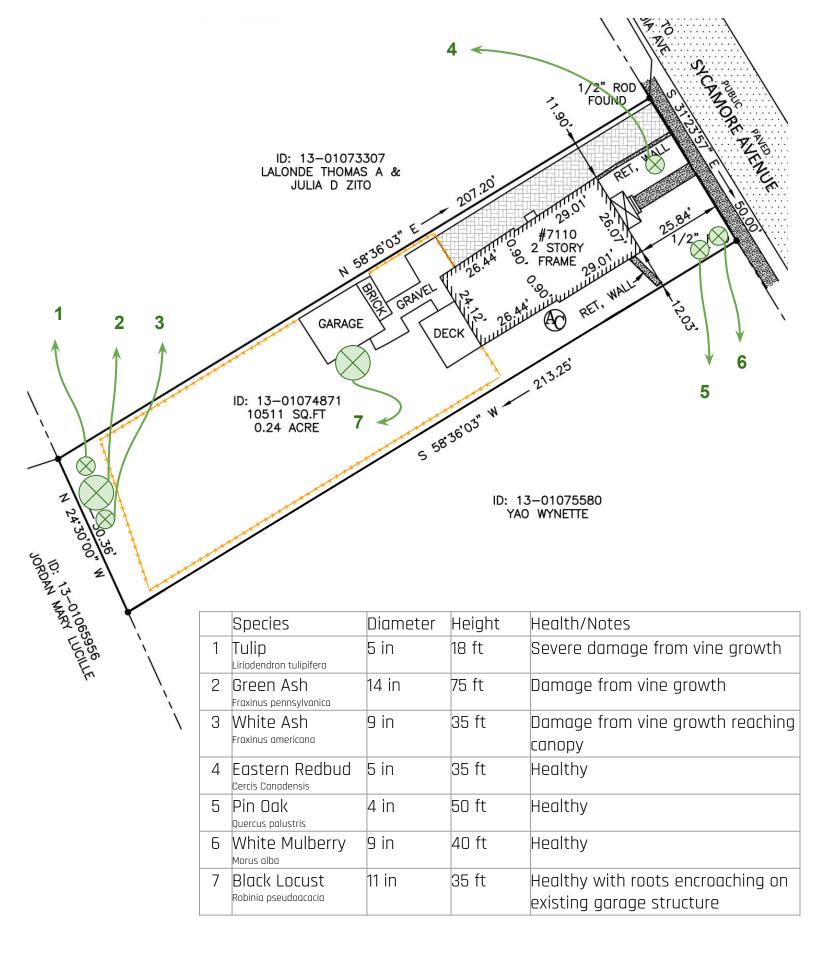
	Required Attachments						
Proposed Work	I. Written Description	2. Site Plan	3. Plans/ Elevations	4. Material Specifications	5. Photographs	6. Tree Survey	7. Property Owner Addresses
New Construction	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Additions/ Alterations	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Demolition	*	*	*		*		*
Deck/Porch	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Fence/Wall	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Driveway/ Parking Area	*	*		*	*	*	*
Grading/Exc avation/Land scaing	*	*		*	*	*	*
Tree Removal	*	*		*	*	*	*
Siding/ Roof Changes	*	*	*	*	*		*
Window/ Door Changes	*	*	*	*	*		*
Masonry Repair/ Repoint	*	*	*	*	*		*
Signs	*	*	*	*	*		*



SITE PLANS



FENCE INSTALLATION PLANS



TREE SURVEY

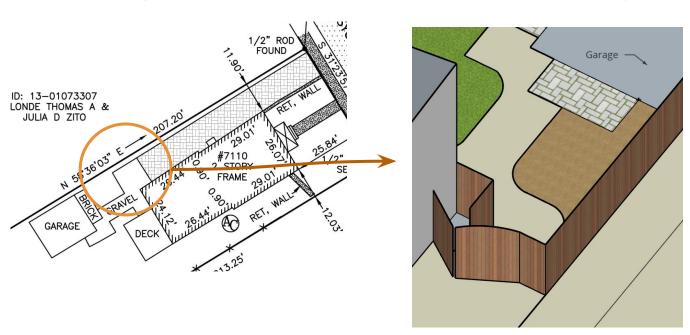
Material:

Fence will be constructed from pine lumber with galvanized nails

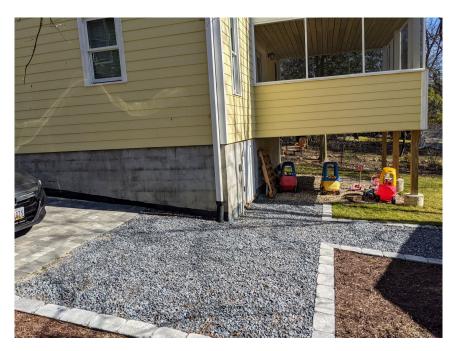
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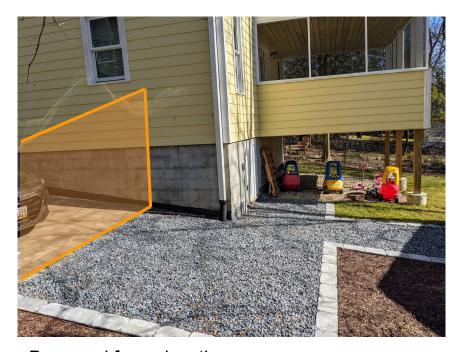
Close up of gate details. Gate will be located at the end of the driveway.



PHOTOGRAPHS



North west corner detail



Proposed fence location

PHOTOGRAPHS



Marc Elrich
County Executive

Mitra Pedoeem

Director

HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT APPLICATION

Application Date: 2/24/2021

Application No: 943152

AP Type: HISTORIC Customer No: 1388647

Comments

A wooden fence to be installed consistent with historical fence design of the period of the house.

Affidavit Acknowledgement

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

Primary Applicant Information

Address 7110 SYCAMORE AVE TAKOMA PARK, MD 20912

Homeowner Chaloux (Primary)

Historic Area Work Permit Details

Work Type ADD

Scope of Work Install wooden fence in the rear of the property.