MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Address: 10012 Capitol View Ave., Silver Spring Meeting Date: 10/12/2022

Resource: 1870 - 1916 **Report Date:** 10/5/2022

Capitol View Park Historic District

Applicant: Eric Eicher **Public Notice:** 9/28/2022

Review: HAWP Staff: Dan Bruechert

Case No.: 1006956 Tax Credit: n/a

Proposal: Fence Installation

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the HPC **approve** the HAWP application.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

SIGNIFICANCE: 1870 – 1916 Resource in the Capitol View Historic District

STYLE: 1888

DATE: Queen Anne



Figure 1: The subject property is located at the intersection of Capitol View Ave. and Stoneybrook Dr.

PROPOSAL

The applicant proposes to construct a fence along the public right-of-way.

APPLICABLE GUIDELINES

Capitol View Park Historic District

When reviewing alterations and new construction within the Capitol View Park Historic District several documents are to be utilized as guidelines to assist the Commission in developing their decision. These documents include the *Approved & Adopted Sector Plan for Capitol View & Vicinity (Sector Plan)*, *Montgomery County Code Chapter 24A (Chapter 24A)*, and the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation (Standards)*. The pertinent information in these documents is outlined below.

<u>Spatial Resources</u>: Spatial resources are unimproved parcels of land which visually and aesthetically contribute to the setting of the historic district, and which can be regarded as extensions of the environmental settings of the significant historic resources.

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 ensure 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
 - (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
- (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 the 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.

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 subject property is located at the intersection of Capitol View Ave. and Stoneybrook Dr. There is a section of stone wall along Capitol View Ave. The applicant proposes enclosing the front of the property with a wood paddock style fence along both Capitol View Ave. and Stoneybrook. The proposed fence will be painted wood with 4' (four foot) tall horizontal board fence with 5' (five foot tall) posts with pyramidal tops.

Staff finds the proposed wood fence is a compatible material with the surrounding district and its horizontal board design has a mostly open character which is also desirable in the historic district. The HPC typically limits fences in front of historic houses to no more than 48" (forty-eight inches). Staff recognizes that the proposed posts exceed that height, but believes that restriction is intended to limit the visual impact the fence will have on the sense of openness found throughout the district. Because the overwhelming majority of this fence is limited to 4', Staff finds the proposed fence will preserve the sense of openness in the district and recommends the HPC approve the HAWP.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Commission <u>approve</u> the HAWP application under the Criteria for Issuance in Chapter 24A-8(b)(2), and (d), having found that the proposal 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 <u>contact the staff person</u> assigned to this application at 301-563-3400 or <u>dan.bruechert@montgomeryplanning.org</u> to schedule a follow-up site visit.



APPLICATION FOR HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT

HAWP#_1006956 DATE ASSIGNED___

FOR STAFF ONLY:

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION 301.563.3400

APPLICANT:	
Name: Eric Eicher	E-mail: ericeicher76@gmail.com
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Daytime Phone: 240-305-0989	City: Silver Spring Zip: 20910 Tax Account No.: 01874235
AGENT/CONTACT (if applicable):	
Name:	E-mail:
Address:	City: Zip:
Daytime Phone:	Contractor Registration No.:
LOCATION OF BUILDING/PREMISE: MIHP # of Histor	ic Property 31/07
Is there an Historic Preservation/Land Trust/Environment map of the easement, and documentation from the Easement of the Easeme	No/Individual Site Nameental Easement on the Property? If YES, include a seement Holder supporting this application. S/Reviews Required as part of this Application? Include information on these reviews as
Building Number: Street:	
Town/City: Nearest Cros	ss Street:
Lot: Block: Subdivision:	Parcel:
TYPE OF WORK PROPOSED: See the checklist on P for proposed work are submitted with this applicable accepted for review. Check all that apply: New Construction Deck/Porch Addition Fence Demolition Hardscape/Lands Grading/Excavation Roof I hereby certify that I have/the authority to make the feand accurate and that the construction will comply with agencies and hereby acknowledge and accept this to	Shed/Garage/Accessory Structure Solar Tree removal/planting scape Window/Door Other: Move driveway foregoing application, that the application is correction to the correction of the correctio

HAWP APPLICATION: MAILING ADDRESSES FOR NOTIFING [Owner, Owner's Agent, Adjacent and Confronting Property Owners]

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Owner's mailing address 10012 Capitol View Ave. Silver Spring, MD 20910	Owner's Agent's mailing address
Adjacent and confronting Property Owners mailing addresses	
Melissa Colbert 10013 Stonevbrook Dr. Kensington, MD 20895	10046 Pratt Place Silver Spring, MD 20910
10044 Pratt Place Silver Spring, MD 20910	10112 Stoneybrook Drive Silver Spring, MD 20912
10106 Day Avenue Silver Spring, MD 20910	10108 Day Avenue Silver Spring, MD 20910

Description of Property: Please describe the building and surrounding environment. Include information on significant structures, landscape features, or other significant features of the property:

1888 stone and shingle 3-story house with an additional hobby house and garage. Also located on the property is a stone/cement pond and a stone wall around a portion of the property.

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

Install a paddock style fence running from the driveway on Stoneybrook Dr. to the end of the property line down Stoneybrook Dr. and along Capitol View Ave connecting to the existing stone wall and ending at the property line. The fence will consist of 6"x6" pressure treated pine posts approximately 5' tall spaced at 8' intervals. The rails will cedar (2"x6"x8') and will be spaced evenly on the posts with the top rail at approx. 4' height.

Work Item 1:		
Description of Current Condition: There is no current fence in this area and it is primarily weeds along and some landscaping along the side of the road.	Proposed Work: Install a paddock style fence running from the driveway on Stoneybrook Dr. to the end of the property line down Stoneybrook Dr. and along Capitol View Ave connecting to the existing stone wall and ending at the property line. The fence will consist of 6"x6" pressure treated pine posts approximately 5' tall spaced at 8' intervals. The rails will cedar (2"x6"x8') and will be spaced evenly on the posts with the top rail at approx. 4' height.	
Work Item 2:		
Description of Current Condition:	Droposed Work:	
Work Item 3:		
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Fence Composition, Length, etc.

- We will install approximately 250 linear ft of three rail fence with long gothic posts as pictured:
- All the posts are to be pressure treated 6x6's and are to be set in 30-36 inches of secured dry pack cement
- We are to use 2x6x8 horizontal rails and the same top rail as in picture:
- All rails to be cedar and posts to be pressure treated pine
- Posts need to be custom milled to shape and routed where 2x6's will attach into each post







capital View Ave.