



**Chevy Chase Village  
Board of Managers**

**Executive Session-6:15 p.m.**

The Chevy Chase Village Board of Managers will convene in closed session in the Chevy Chase Village Hall, 5906 Connecticut Avenue, Chevy Chase, MD 20815, pursuant to Section 3-305(b) (7) and (8) of the General Provisions Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, to consult with Counsel to obtain legal advice on legal and zoning matters and potential litigation.

1. Meeting Called To Order  
Mr. Michael L. Denger, Chair
2. Approval Of Minutes From The Previous Board Of Managers' Meetings  
Regular Monthly Meeting - July 11, 2016  
Special Meeting - August 1, 2016
3. Variance And Special Permit Requests
  - 3.I. A-7018 (A-C) Variance And Special Permit Applications  
A-7018 (A-C) Variance and Special Permit Applications: Mr. Joel Price and Ms. Elizabeth Humphrey Price, 106 Primrose Street: Construct: a) Two (2) brick piers measuring eighteen (18) inches in both width and depth, each with a stone cap measuring nineteen (19) inches in width and depth, located along either side of the front walkway. Each pier would have an attached lantern for a maximum height of six (6) feet when measured from the ground to the top of the lantern; b) the proposed piers would be located both on private property and in the public right-of-way and would be located a minimum of two (2) inches from the public sidewalk; and c) install a fence in the Primrose Street public right-of-way, measuring a maximum of four (4) feet in height, extending from each pier running parallel with the front lot line terminating at a point in alignment with the east and west side property lines of the property. The proposed fence would be located five and one-half (5 1/2) inches from the public sidewalk.

Documents:

[A-7018 A-C VARIANCE AND SPECIAL PERMIT APPLICATIONS.PDF](#)

4. Treasurer's Report  
Mr. Gary Crockett, Board Treasurer

Documents:

[TREASURER REPORT JULYSEPTEMBER.PDF](#)

5. Committee Matters

**Environment & Energy Committee**

- Discussion RE: Committee's Proposals to Control the Use of Leaf Blowers

Dr. Marea Hatzios Grant & Dr. Marilyn Bracken, Committee Co-Chairs

Documents:

[REDUCING POLLUTION FROM LEAF BLOWERS.PDF](#)

6. Police Report

- Board Ratification of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Village Police Department and the Montgomery County Department of Police outlining the mutually agreed upon responsibilities and authorities of each department

Mr. Adventino Dasilva, Police Lieutenant

Documents:

[MOU MOCO POLICE AND CCV POLICE.PDF](#)  
[AUGUST 2016 POLICE REPORT.PDF](#)

7. Board Chair's Report

- Report on Planning Board's decision regarding The Collection Chevy Chase (formerly referred to as Chevy Chase Center)
- Special Event Consideration and Authorization

Mr. Michael L. Denger, Chair

8. Manager's Report

- Building and Tree Permits and Code Enforcement Report
- Capital and Infrastructure Upgrade Projects Report
- Village Hall Activity Report
- Legal Counsel Report

Documents:

[BUILDING AND TREE REMOVAL PERMITS AND ACTIVITY- JULY.PDF](#)  
[BUILDING AND TREE REMOVAL PERMITS AND ACTIVITY- AUGUST.PDF](#)  
[CAPITAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADE PROJECTS.PDF](#)  
[VILLAGE HALL USE.PDF](#)

**A-7018 (A-C)**  
**Variance and Special Permit Applications**

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- b) The proposed piers would be located both on private property and in the public right-of-way and would be located a minimum of two (2) inches from the public sidewalk; and
- c) Install a fence in the Primrose Street public right-of-way, measuring a maximum of four (4) feet in height, extending from each pier running parallel with the front lot line terminating at a point in alignment with the east and west side lot lines of the property. The proposed fence would be located five and one-half (5½) inches from the public sidewalk.

Mr. Joel Price &  
Ms. Elizabeth Humphrey Price  
106 Primrose Street

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**CHEVY CHASE VILLAGE  
BOARD OF MANAGERS  
SEPTEMBER 12, 2016 MEETING**

**STAFF INFORMATION REPORT**

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**TO:** BOARD OF MANAGERS  
**FROM:** ELLEN SANDS, PERMITTING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR  
**DATE:** 9/9/2016  
**SUBJECT:** HEARING OF CASE NO. A-7018 (A-C) VARIANCE AND SPECIAL PERMIT APPLICATIONS  
MR. JOEL PRICE AND MS. ELIZABETH HUMPHREY PRICE; 106 PRIMROSE STREET CONSTRUCT:

- A) TWO (2) BRICK PIERS MEASURING EIGHTEEN (18) INCHES IN BOTH WIDTH AND DEPTH, EACH WITH A STONE CAP MEASURING NINETEEN (19) INCHES IN WIDTH AND DEPTH, LOCATED ALONG EITHER SIDE OF THE FRONT WALKWAY. EACH PIER WOULD HAVE AN ATTACHED LANTERN FOR A MAXIMUM HEIGHT OF SIX (6) FEET WHEN MEASURED FROM THE GROUND TO THE TOP OF THE LANTERN;
- B) THE PROPOSED PIERS WOULD BE LOCATED BOTH ON PRIVATE PROPERTY AND IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY AND WOULD BE LOCATED A MINIMUM OF TWO (2) INCHES FROM THE PUBLIC SIDEWALK; AND
- C) INSTALL A FENCE IN THE PRIMROSE STREET PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY, MEASURING A MAXIMUM OF FOUR (4) FEET IN HEIGHT, EXTENDING FROM EACH PIER RUNNING PARALLEL WITH THE FRONT LOT LINE TERMINATING AT A POINT IN ALIGNMENT WITH THE EAST AND WEST SIDE LOT LINES OF THE PROPERTY. THE PROPOSED FENCE WOULD BE LOCATED FIVE AND ONE-HALF (5 ½) INCHES FROM THE PUBLIC SIDEWALK.

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**NOTICE REQUIREMENTS:** Abutting Owners; Public Notice

**APPLICABLE CHEVY CHASE BUILDING REGULATION:**

A variance is required for the portion of the proposed piers with a single lantern on top of each pier which are located on private property would exceed four (4) feet in height located closer than three (3) feet to the public sidewalk:

**The Chevy Chase Village Code Sec. 8-21 (e) states:**

No person shall construct any fence or wall which exceeds forty-eight (48) inches in height at any location between the front lot line and the front building restriction line.

**The Chevy Chase Village Code Sec. 8-21 (a) states:**

No person shall install any tree trunk, hedge, shrubbery, fence, wall, lamp post or hand rail on private property within three (3) feet of a public sidewalk, or if there is no public sidewalk in the public right-of-way abutting the private property, within six (6) feet of the curb, or if there is no public sidewalk and no curb, within six (6) feet of the nearest edge of the street or alley.

A Special Permit is required for the portion of the proposed piers with a single lantern on top of each pier which are located within the Primrose Street public right-of-way which exceed four (4) feet in height and which are located closer than three (3) feet to the public sidewalk, as well as the entire proposed fence which would be located five and one-half (5 ½) inches from the public sidewalk, require a Special Permit:

**Sec. Sec. 25-6 (1) states:**

No fence, wall or hedge shall exceed 48 inches in height.

**Sec. Sec. 25-6 (2) states:**

All fences, lamp posts, trees, hedges, shrubbery and other growth shall be installed at least three (3) feet from the public sidewalk, or if there is no public sidewalk in the public right-of-way abutting the applicant's property, six (6) feet from the curb, or if there is no public sidewalk and no curb, six (6) feet from the nearest edge of the paved edge of the street.

**APPLICABLE COVENANTS:**

Not applicable; verification of compliance with the property's covenants is not required for variance and Special Permit applications authorized by Sections 8-21 [fences], 8-26 [driveways] or Chapter 25 [Public Rights-of-Way] of the Village Code.

**FACTUAL AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The Property is located on the south side of Primrose Street. It is not located within the Chevy Chase Village Historic District.

A hedge, located in the same approximate location as the proposed piers and fence (depicted in the photographs submitted by the Applicants), has been removed.



Figure 1: View of 106 Primrose Street

The proposed piers with attached fencing are eighteen (18) inches in depth and width, three and one-half (3 ½) inches of which are located on private property. The remainder is located in the Primrose Street public right-of-way. (There is also a stone cap which overhangs the pier by one-half (½) inch on each face for a total size of 19 x 19 inches.)

The proposed height of the piers, including the stone cap, is fifty-three and one-half (53 ½) inches. A proposed lantern, attached to the top of each pier, would result in a total height of six (6) feet.

The proposed fence would be mounted to each pier and would extend parallel to and five and one-half (5 ½) inches from the sidewalk towards a point aligning with the side property lines.

There is a minor inconsistency in the submitted application materials. The proposed fence is attached to the pier, in accordance with the submitted drawings. There is no additional metal post adjacent to the pier, as depicted in the color rendering.

The applicants contend that the lanterns are necessary due to the heavy shade created by street trees located between the street lights to the east and west of the subject property. A diagram indicating the location of the lights and trees follows this staff report.

Regarding the examples that the applicants submitted for fences, piers and lanterns, based on staff research many of the examples pre-date permitting requirements or were not installed pursuant to any Chevy Chase Village Building Permit (3 Oxford Street, 5903 Connecticut Avenue--wall and piers on East Lenox Street, 6 Hesketh Street); however two piers with lanterns were constructed pursuant to a Board-approved Special Permit at 19 West Irving Street and others were cases where the Board subsequently approved modifications or maintenance of non-compliant features (101 East Melrose Street piers with lanterns and 102 East Kirke Street piers close to the sidewalk).

A ten-inch diameter Dogwood tree, which was dead, was removed in July 2016 from a location adjacent to the existing front walkway in the vicinity of the proposed piers pursuant to Permit #2250.

To date, no correspondence has been received either in support of or in opposition to the applications.

The Village Arborist has assessed the property. No trees are proposed for removal. Construction of the piers and fence can be accommodated through a Tree Protection Plan.

Applicable Fees: Building Permit Application: \$30; Appeal Fee: \$300. Total: \$330.00

**RELEVANT PRIOR CASES:**

**VARIANCE: FOR THE THREE (3) INCHES OF EACH PIER THAT ARE PROPOSED TO EXTEND ONTO PRIVATE PROPERTY:**

Because the proposed piers are attached to the fence, functioning as posts, and are not an independent element, the precedents listed below are for fences, piers and pillars in the public right-of-way:

**SPECIAL PERMIT: FENCE AND PIER LOCATION IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY.**  
**(Pursuant to Sec. 25-6 of the Village Code, "for the purposes of this section, masonry piers and pillars shall be considered to be walls")**

*Note: Prior to 1999, installation of any structure in the public right-of-way required approval from the Board of Managers. The most comparable cases are:*

In April 1989 Mr. & Mrs. C. Benjamin Crisman of 20 West Kirke Street were granted a special exception to construct a fence measuring five (5) feet in height located in the West Kirke Street and Magnolia Parkway public rights-of-ways. The wood fence replaced a chain link fence in the same location. The application does not reference the distance to the sidewalk, however as installed it measures approximately two (2) feet. In November 1993, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Corby were granted permission to install four stone pillars, among other items, in the West Newlands Street public right-of-way. In December 1993, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Murphy were granted a request to install two brick piers, a retaining wall and steps in the Newlands Street public right-of-way. In 1996 Mr. Phillip Day of 5800 Connecticut Avenue was granted permission to install a fence measuring four (4) feet in height and located twelve (12) inches from the public sidewalk. In 1996 Mr. Daniel Korengold and Ms. Martha Lyn Dippell of 101 East Melrose Street were granted a Special Permit to replace the original electric lights on the top of two stone piers in the East Melrose Street right-of-way with two gas lanterns in the same location. The total height of the assembly is eight feet, one inch (8'-1"). Note that the application does not address the location of the piers to the curb, however they are located approximately two inches from the curb. In October 1998 Mr. and Mrs. Peter Asmuth of 5810 Cedar Parkway were granted a Special Permit to construct a masonry wall and pillars measuring three (3) feet in height in the Cedar Parkway right-of-way. In October 1998 Mr. and Mrs. John Grant of 16 West Irving Street were granted Special Permits to construct two masonry piers with attached light fixtures measuring a maximum of four feet in height and located one foot from the public sidewalk in the West Irving Street right-of-way. In July 2008 Mr.

Thad Kemp of 4000 Oliver Street was granted a Special Permit to install twelve masonry piers of various heights (a maximum of eight feet, three inches (8'-3") in height) along an existing retaining wall in the Oliver Street and Montgomery Street public rights-of-ways. The wall is located approximately twelve (12) inches from the public sidewalk. In July 2010 Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Adelfio of 102 East Kirke Street were granted a Special Permit to re-construct three stone pillars measuring four (4) feet in height and located eight (8) inches from the Brookville Road public sidewalk. The pillars are connected by a wrought iron fence and gate measuring four (4) feet in height and located two (2) feet from the public sidewalk. In June 2003 Ms. Megan Rupp and Mr. Dane Butswinkas of 3 Newlands Street were granted a Special Permit to construct a fence in the Newlands Street public right-of-way, which would flank existing masonry piers on either side of the front walkway of the property. The piers are approximately four inches from the public sidewalk. Portions of the fences would be located as close as eighteen (18) inches to the public sidewalk, which according to the applicants was necessary in order to align the proposed fences with the piers. (The fencing was either never installed or has since been removed; there is currently a hedge in that location.) In November 2009, Ms. Megan Rupp and Mr. Dane Butswinkas of 7 West Kirke Street were granted a Special Permit to replace a picket fence in the Laurel Parkway public right-of-way. In April 2011 Dr. and Mrs. Lawrence Heilman were granted a Special Permit to replace a stockade fence measuring six (6) feet in height that was located twenty-one (21) inches from the public sidewalk with a wood flatboard fence in the same location and at the same height. In June 2012 Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Shuren of 108 Hesketh Street were granted permission to construct a new pair of cheekwalls alongside reconstructed steps in the Hesketh Street public right-of-way. The walls terminate twelve (12) inches from the public sidewalk. In February 2013 Mr. and Mrs. Alex Sternhell of 27 Primrose Street were granted permission to construct a new pair of cheekwalls alongside new steps in the Primrose Street public right-of-way which terminate twelve (12) inches from the public sidewalk. (Note for these two precedents that the Code has since been revised so that cheekwalls associated with steps are not subject to regulation as walls, but rather are considered part of the steps). In June 2015 Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dann of 27 West Kirke Street were granted a Special Permit to construct two fence panels flanking two existing posts located two (2) feet from the public sidewalk. In April 2016 Mr. and Mrs. John Campanella of

5910 Cedar Parkway were granted permission to maintain a wall which had been constructed and which ran perpendicular to the public sidewalk, terminating ten (10) inches from that sidewalk.

**FINDINGS REQUIRED (VARIANCE):**

1. The proposed variance is required because special conditions exist whereby the enforcement of the requirements of [the Village Building Code] would result in an unwarranted hardship and injustice to the owner;
2. The proposed variance will most nearly accomplish the intent and purpose of the requirements of the Village Building Code; and
3. Except for variances from the requirements of Sections 8-21 [fences], 8-26 [driveways] or Chapter 25 [public rights-of-way] of the Village Regulations, the structure authorized by the proposed variance would not violate any covenant applicable to the property.

**FINDINGS REQUIRED (SPECIAL PERMIT):**

1. The proposed Special Permit would not adversely affect the public health, safety or welfare, nor the reasonable use of adjoining properties;
  2. The proposed Special Permit can be granted without substantial impairment of the intent and purpose of this chapter; and
  3. For all Special Permits, except for Special Permits authorized by Sections 8-21 [fences], 8-26 [driveways] or Chapter 25 [public rights-of-ways] of the Village Code, the structure authorized by the proposed Special Permit would not violate any covenant applicable to the property.
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**Draft Motion**

I move to APPROVE/DENY the variance and Special Permit application in Case A-7018(a) on the basis that the evidence presented, including the Staff Report and Case Synopsis, demonstrates that the applicable requirements for approval of the Special Permit HAVE/HAVE NOT been met. Staff is directed to draft a decision based on this evidence, including findings of fact and conclusions, APPROVING/DENYING the variance and Special Permit application.

I move to APPROVE/DENY the variance and Special Permit application in Case A-7018(b) on the basis that the evidence presented, including the Staff Report and Case Synopsis, demonstrates that the applicable requirements for approval of the Special Permit HAVE/HAVE NOT been met. Staff is directed to draft a decision based on this evidence, including findings of fact and conclusions, APPROVING/DENYING the variance and Special Permit application.

I move to APPROVE/DENY the Special Permit application in Case A-7018(c) on the basis that the evidence presented, including the Staff Report and Case Synopsis, demonstrates that the applicable requirements for approval of the Special Permit HAVE/HAVE NOT been met. Staff is directed to draft a decision based on this evidence, including findings of fact and conclusions, APPROVING/DENYING the Special Permit application.

**CHEVY CHASE VILLAGE  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

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Please take notice that the Chevy Chase Village Board of Managers will hold a public hearing on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. The hearing will be held at the Chevy Chase Village Hall at 5906 Connecticut Avenue in Chevy Chase, Maryland.

**APPEAL NUMBER A-7018 (A-C)  
MR. JOEL F. PRICE AND MS. ELIZABETH HUMPHREY PRICE  
106 PRIMROSE STREET  
CHEVY CHASE, MARYLAND 20815**

The applicants seek a variance and Special Permit from the Board of Managers pursuant to Sec. 8-9 of the Chevy Chase Village Building Code to construct:

- a) Two (2) brick piers measuring eighteen (18) inches in both width and depth, each with a stone cap measuring nineteen (19) inches in width and depth, located along either side of the front walkway. Each pier would have an attached lantern for a maximum height of six (6) feet when measured from the ground to the top of the lantern;
- b) The proposed piers would be located both on private property and in the public right-of-way and would be located a minimum of two (2) inches from the public sidewalk; and
- c) Install a fence in the Primrose Street public right-of-way, measuring a maximum of four (4) feet in height, extending from each pier running parallel with the front lot line terminating at a point in alignment with the east and west side lot lines of the property. The proposed fence would be located five and one-half (5 ½) inches from the public sidewalk.

The portions of the proposed piers with lanterns that are located on private property that exceed four (4) feet in height and are located closer than three (3) feet to the public sidewalk require a variance pursuant to:

**Chevy Chase Village Code Sec. 8-21 (a):**

No person shall install any tree trunk, hedge, shrubbery, fence, wall, lamp post or hand rail on private property within three (3) feet of a public sidewalk, or if there is no public sidewalk in the public right-of-way abutting the private property, within six (6) feet of the curb, or if there is no public sidewalk and no curb, within six (6) feet of the nearest edge of the street or alley.

**Chevy Chase Village Code Sec. 8-21 (e):**

No person shall construct any fence or wall which exceeds forty-eight (48) inches in height at any location between the front lot line and the front building restriction line.

The portions of the piers which exceed four (4) feet in height that are proposed to be located within the Primrose Street public right-of-way and the piers and fence, which are proposed to be located closer than three (3) feet to the public sidewalk, require a Special Permit pursuant to:

**Sec. 25-6 (b)(1):**

No fence, wall or hedge shall exceed 48 inches in height.

**Sec. 25-6 (b)(2) :**

All fences, lamp posts, trees, hedges, shrubbery and other growth shall be installed at least three (3) feet from the public sidewalk, or if there is no public sidewalk in the public right-of-way abutting the applicant's property, six (6) feet from the curb, or if there is no public sidewalk and no curb, six (6) feet from the nearest edge of the paved edge of the street.

**Sec. 25-6 (c):**

Except as provided in Sec. 25-6 (b), no structures, fence, wall, lamp post, hand rail, tree, hedge or shrubbery, or any other growth shall be permitted on public property devoted to private use without a Special Permit from the Board of Managers.

Additional information regarding this application may be obtained at the Chevy Chase Village Office between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, may be viewed on the Village website at [www.chevychasevillagemd.gov](http://www.chevychasevillagemd.gov) or you may contact the office for this information to be mailed to you.

This notice was mailed (and emailed where possible) and to abutting and confronting property owners on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

**Chevy Chase Village Office  
5906 Connecticut Avenue  
Chevy Chase, Maryland 20815  
301-654-7300**



September 1, 2016

Mr. & Mrs. Joel Price  
106 Primrose Street  
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Price:

Please note that your request for a variance and Special Permit to install the piers, lanterns and fencing at your property and in the Primrose Street public right-of-way abutting it are scheduled before the Board of Managers on Monday, September 12, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.

Either you or another representative must be in attendance to present your case. At that time, additional documents may be introduced and testimony can be provided in support of the request.

For your convenience, enclosed please find copies of the Public Hearing Notice and mailing list. Please contact the Village office in advance if you are unable to attend.

Sincerely,

Ellen Sands  
Permitting and Code Enforcement  
Chevy Chase Village

Enclosures

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**MAILING LIST FOR APPEAL A-7018**

**MR. & MRS. JOEL PRICE  
106 PRIMROSE STREET  
CHEVY CHASE, MD 20815**

<b>Adjoining and confronting property owners</b>	
Mr. & Mrs. Roland Miller Or Current Resident 105 Primrose Street Chevy Chase, MD 20815	Ms. Susan G. Bollendorf & Mr. Robert D. Broeksmit Or Current Resident 107 Primrose Street Chevy Chase, MD 20815
Mr. & Mrs. Craig Ulman Or Current Resident 104 Primrose Street Chevy Chase, MD 20815	Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Rosenthal Or Current Resident 108 Primrose Street Chevy Chase, MD 20815
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Ms. Elizabeth Lauck & Mr. Joel Vengrin Or Current Resident 111 Oxford Street Chevy Chase, MD 20815	



I hereby certify that a public notice was mailed (and emailed where possible) to the  
aforementioned property owners on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

**Ellen Sands  
Permitting and Code Enforcement Coordinator  
Chevy Chase Village  
5906 Connecticut Avenue  
Chevy Chase, MD 20815**

# Chevy Chase Village Building Permit Application for Fences & Walls

Permit No: A-7018

**Property Address:**

106 PRIMROSE STREET, CHEVY CHASE, MD 20815-3325

**Resident Name:** JOEL & ELIZABETH PRICE

Daytime telephone: 301-656-1867 (h/wk)

Cell phone: 301-518-0113

After-hours telephone: 301-656-6937 (h/wk)

E-mail: pricejfo@aol.com

**Primary Contact for Project:**

Resident

Architect

Project Manager

Contractor\*

\*MHIC/MD Contractor's License No. (required):

**Primary Contact Information:**

Name: JOEL (& ELIZABETH) PRICE

Daytime telephone: 301-656-1867

After-hours telephone: 301-656-6937

E-mail: pricejfo@aol.com

**Description of Fence or Wall Project:**



TWO MATCHING MIXED BRICK/GRANITE POSTS AT END OF REPLACED WALKWAY WITH TUDOR STYLE ELECTRIC LANTERNS. WREIGHT IRON OR ALUMINUM 4 FOOT TALL BLACK FENCE WILL EXTEND STRAIGHT OUT IN BOTH OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS - TOTAL DISTANCE EXPANDED IS 70 FEET. CURRENTLY, THERE ARE HEDGLES TO BE REMOVED IN ADVANCE OF FENCE INSTALLATION.

**Check appropriate box:**

Fence or wall to be constructed is: (1) new, (2) an enlargement of an existing fence or wall, or (3) replacing an existing fence or wall with one of a different kind.

Fence or wall to be constructed is replacing an existing fence or wall with the same kind and in the same location.

**Parking Compliance:**

Is adequate on-site parking available for the construction crews?

Yes

No

If no, please attach a parking plan which minimizes inconvenience to neighboring residents, and indicate if the property is in a permit parking area.

Will road closings be required due to deliveries, equipment or other reasons?

Yes

No

**To be completed by Village staff:**

Is this property within the historic district?

Yes

No

Staff Initials: ES

Date application filed with Village: 6/30/16

Date permit issued: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Guidelines for Building, Replacing and Maintaining Fences and Walls

Sec. 8-21 of the Village Code regulates fences and walls. To repair or maintain an existing fence or wall, the Village does not require a building permit. To install or replace a fence or wall, however, residents will need a Village building permit. (A building permit may also be required from Montgomery County, including the Historic Preservation Commission, if the property is within the Historic District). Village Code allows fences and walls to be installed on a resident's property lines, inside the property lines on private property, and sometimes in the public right-of-way.

When placed on the property lines or on private property, the Village Code regulates fence and wall heights in two ways:

- \* 1. Fences and walls installed on private property anywhere between the property line and the front building restriction line may not exceed four (4) feet in height. ~ WHAT ABOUT ELECTRIC LIGHT HEIGHT ABOVE FENCES?
2. Fences and walls installed to the rear of the front building restriction line (that is, along the side and rear property lines or in the side and rear yards) may not exceed six and one-half (6 ½) feet in height.

When measuring the height of a fence or wall, the Village Code provides that the "measurement shall be made from the surface of the ground of the lower yard next to the fence or wall" **to the highest point of the fence or wall** (such as the top of the posts, caps, decorative lattice, finials, etc.). For example, if a fence post is 6 ½ feet high, then a cap on that post would exceed the height limit.

Walls can sometimes change the flow of water on a property. In such cases, residents or contractors will need to include a drainage plan with the building application.

When installing a fence or wall in the Village's public right-of-way, in addition to obtaining a Village Building Permit, residents must sign a **License to Use the Public Right-of-Way**, which may be recorded with your deed (please contact the Village office for more information). Fences and walls installed in the Village's rights-of-way may not exceed four (4) feet in height.

\* Fences and walls must be installed at least three (3) feet from the public sidewalk, or where there is no sidewalk, at least six (6) feet from the curb or nearest edge of the street or alley.

Special height limits apply to fences near an intersection on corner lots. The Village office will not be issue permits for any fences or walls that block necessary sight lines at intersections or otherwise create a dangerous condition.

**For complete Village Code requirements, please see Chapters 8 & 25.**

**Building Permit Application for Fences and/or Walls:  
Filing Requirements**

*Application will not be reviewed until the application is complete*

- Copy of stamped drawings approved by Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services (DPS) and the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC), if required. Every page of drawings must be clearly stamped.
- This application form, signed by resident.
- Boundary Survey
- Site Plan (see: Village Site Plan Checklist to ensure completeness)
- Building plans and specifications
- Tree Preservation Plan requested of Village arborist (see: Village Tree Inspection Request form). All required tree protections must be fully installed before any work begins.
- Filing Fee (due at time of application).
- Damage deposit or performance bond (due when permit is issued). Amount will be set by Village Manager.

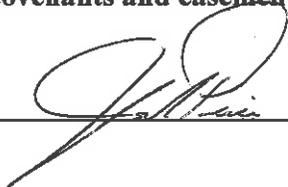
*Once this permit application is complete, the Village Manager will review the application and accompanying documents and, under most circumstances, act on the application within 5 to 10 working days.*

*If the Montgomery County permit is suspended, revoked or lapsed, the Village permit is automatically suspended, revoked or lapsed.*

*No signs advertising any service provider may be posted on the work site.*

**I hereby certify that I have the authority to make the foregoing application, that the application is correct, that I have read and understood all requirements and that the construction will conform to the regulations of the Montgomery County Zoning Code, the Village Code including Urban Forest code, and any covenants and easements on the subject property.**

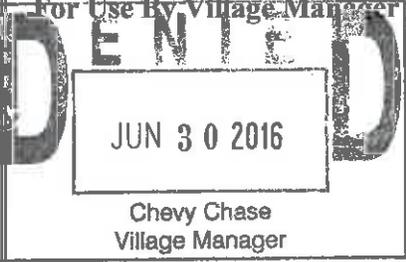
**Applicant's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_



**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

8/29/16

<b>For Use By Village Manager</b>	<b>Application approved with the following conditions:</b>

<b>For Use By Village Manager</b>  JUN 30 2016 Chevy Chase Village Manager	<b>Application denied for the following reasons:</b>
	<i>Does not</i>
	<i>The proposed piers exceed the maximum allowed height</i>
	<i>and both the piers and fencing do not comply with the setback from the public sidewalk.</i>

<b>Filing Fees</b> (due when application submitted)	<b>Checks Payable to:</b> Chevy Chase Village 5906 Connecticut Ave. Chevy Chase, MD 20815
<b>Permit Application Fee:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$30.00 (if fence or wall is new, enlarged or replaced with different kind) <input type="checkbox"/> \$15.00 (if fence or wall is being replaced in-kind and in the same location) <input type="checkbox"/> \$50.00 (if construction is in the Public Right-of-way)	Date: <i>6/30/16</i> Staff Signature: <i>[Signature]</i>
<b>Tree Preservation Plan Fee:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> \$250.00 <i>TBD</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Not required for this project	
<b>TOTAL Fees:</b> <i>\$30.00 check # 133</i>	
<b>Damage Deposit/Performance Bond</b> <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Waived by Village Manager	Date: _____ Village Manager Signature: _____

*For Village Staff use:*

Field file for inspections by Code Enforcement Officer has been created:  Yes (Date: \_\_\_\_\_)

# Chevy Chase Village

## Application for a Variance

A variance is permission granted by the Board of Managers pursuant to, and subject to, the conditions of Sec. 8-9(c) of Chapter 8 to construct, install, remove or alter a structure or planting, or take any other action that does not otherwise meet the requirements of the Chapter. Except as provided in Sec. 8-11 a variance can be granted only by the Board of Managers.

<b>Subject Property:</b> 106 PRIMROSE STREET, CHEVY CHASE, MD 20815-3325	
<b>Describe the Proposed Project:</b> REPLACE FRONT YARD HEDGES WITH TWO BRICK POSTS WITH ELECTRIC LANTERNS AND 4 FOOT BLACK METAL FENCE (WROUGHT IRON OR ALUMINUM).	
<b>Applicant Name(s) (List all property owners):</b> JOEL & ELIZABETH PRICE	
<b>Daytime telephone:</b> 301-656-1867	<b>Cell:</b> 301-518-0113
<b>E-mail:</b> pricej@mol.com	
<b>Address (if different from property address):</b>	
<i>For Village staff use:</i>	
<b>Date this form received:</b> 6/30/16	<b>Variance No:</b> A-7018

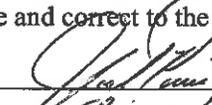
### Filing Requirements:

Applications will be reviewed for satisfaction of all requirements and are not considered complete until approved as such by staff.

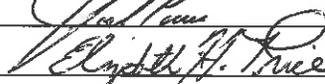
- Completed Chevy Chase Village Application for a Variance (this form)
- Completed Chevy Chase Village Building Permit Application
- Completed Chevy Chase Village Website Posting Notice
- A boundary survey or plat diagram with a margin of error of one tenth of a foot or less showing all existing structures, projections and impervious surfaces.
- Surveys, plats, engineering reports, construction plans/specifications or other accurate drawings showing boundaries, dimensions, and area of the property, as well as the location and dimensions of all structures/fences/walls/etc., existing and proposed to be erected, and the distances of such structures/fences/walls/etc., from the nearest property lines. These drawings shall incorporate and display reference dimensions from the boundary survey or plat diagram required above.
- Copy of Covenants applicable to the property except for variances from Secs. 8-21 or 8-26 of Chapter 8 (Building Regulations) or Chapter 25 (Public Rights-of-Way) of the Chevy Chase Village Code.
- Variance fee (See fee schedule listed in Chapter 6 of the Village Code).

### Affidavit

I hereby certify that I have the authority to submit the foregoing application, that all owners of the property have signed below, that I have read and understand all requirements and that I or an authorized representative will appear at the scheduled public hearing in this matter. I hereby authorize the Village Manager, or the Manager's designee, and/or the Board of Managers to enter onto the subject property for the purposes of assessing the site in relation to this variance request. I hereby declare and affirm, under penalty of perjury, that all matters and facts set forth in the foregoing application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Applicant's Signature: 

Date: 6/30/16

Applicant's Signature: 

Date: 06/30/16

**Describe the basis for the variance request** (Applicants should become familiar with the pertinent sections of the Village Code. Attach additional pages as needed):

Describe the special conditions of the property (e.g., odd shape, small size, sloping topography, abuts state highway, etc.) and how the property compares to other properties in the Village:

(PLEASE REFERENCE ATTACHMENTS)

Describe how enforcement of the building regulations would result in an unwarranted hardship and injustice because of the special condition(s) described above (i.e., describe (i) the unwarranted hardship and injustice that you claim exists and (ii) how the special conditions cause that unwarranted hardship and injustice):

(PLEASE REFERENCE ATTACHMENTS)

Describe how the proposed variance most nearly accomplishes the intent and purpose of the requirements of Chapter 8 of the Chevy Chase Village Code, entitled *Buildings and Building Regulations*:

(PLEASE REFERENCE ATTACHMENTS)

*In exercising its powers in connection with a variance request, the Chevy Chase Village Board of Managers may reverse or affirm, wholly or partly, or may modify the requirement, decision or determination as it deems appropriate.*

<b>Variance Filing Fee</b>	<b>Checks Payable To: Chevy Chase Village 5906 Connecticut Ave. Chevy Chase, MD 20815</b>
<p><i>Per Village Code Sec. 6-2(a)(24):</i></p> <input type="checkbox"/> \$300.00 for new construction. <input type="checkbox"/> \$150.00 for replacing existing non-conformities. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$300.00 for fences, walls, play equipment, trees, hedges, shrubbery in the public right-of-way. <input type="checkbox"/> Other: \$ _____	<p><b>Date Paid:</b> 6/30/16</p> <p><b>Staff Signature:</b> <i>Ellen James</i></p>
<p><b>Fee Paid:</b> \$300<sup>00</sup> check #134</p>	<p><b>Approved to Issue Building Permit per Signed Board Decision.</b></p> <p><b>Signature:</b> _____  <b>Village Manager</b></p> <p><b>Date:</b> _____</p>

Chevy Chase Village

Application for a Variance

106 Primrose Street

Joel & Elizabeth Price

Attachments

**Describe the basis for the variance request**

Describe the special conditions of the property (e.g., odd shape, small size, sloping topography, abuts state highway, etc.) and how the property compares to other properties in the Village:

- A) *Similar to immediate neighbors on the same and nearby blocks, as well as other homes in the Chevy Chase Village (reference pictures attached), our request is for a variance to permit the new matching two brick posts, located at the end of the replaced front yard stone walkway, and the straight two part extending, 4 foot tall, black wrought iron fence be located adjacent to the public sidewalk – as opposed to meeting the minimum 3 feet installation requirement from the public sidewalk in Sec. 8-21 of the Village Code.*
- B) *In addition, similar to other homes in the Chevy Chase Village with electric lanterns, our request is for a variance to permit that those two electric lanterns on top of those same brick end posts at the end of the stone walkway to be taller than the 4 foot posts and fence (assume maximum of 6 feet) – as opposed to meeting the maximum 4 feet height requirement of the front building restriction line in the Sec. 8-21 of the Village Code.*

Describe how enforcement of the building regulations would result in an unwarranted hardship and injustice because of special condition(s) described above (i.e., describe (i) the unwarranted hardship and injustice that you claim exists and (ii) how the special conditions cause the unwarranted hardship and injustice):

- A) *The home's current front yard is currently very shallow (less than 25 feet from front of house to public sidewalk), and even less to public right-of-way, if considering the 3 feet minimum distance requirement. The enforcement of the building regulations would unnecessarily minimize the useful front yard space. Numerous other homes in the Chevy Chase Village also do not abide by the same building regulation (reference pictures attached) without concern to pedestrians using the public sidewalk. Furthermore, the current wide hedge rows to be replaced by the two posts and fence are currently adjacent to the public sidewalk, so there is no new perceived loss of space for pedestrians whatsoever. Finally, the 3 feet of space between the new proposed posts and fence would not be usable, and only a narrow strip that would need to be maintained – even though without a real purpose. Note that region is within the home owners private property line.*  
*3/3? same is r.o.w.*
- B) *Given the 4 foot fence height, the two brick end posts would need to be the same or slightly above for proper attachment – any electric lantern on the top of that would need to be taller*

*than the 4 feet posts/fence heights. The lighting is important for the safety of all people walking on the front stone curved walkway between the home's front door, public sidewalk and roadside curb. There is also a very large Chevy Chase Village owned tree with tremendous foliage covering that area that does not permit in other street lamp lighting, making it especially dark at night. Other homes in the Chevy Chase Village utilize electric lanterns either on brick or stone posts and lamp posts close to the public sidewalk for the same purpose (reference pictures attached).*

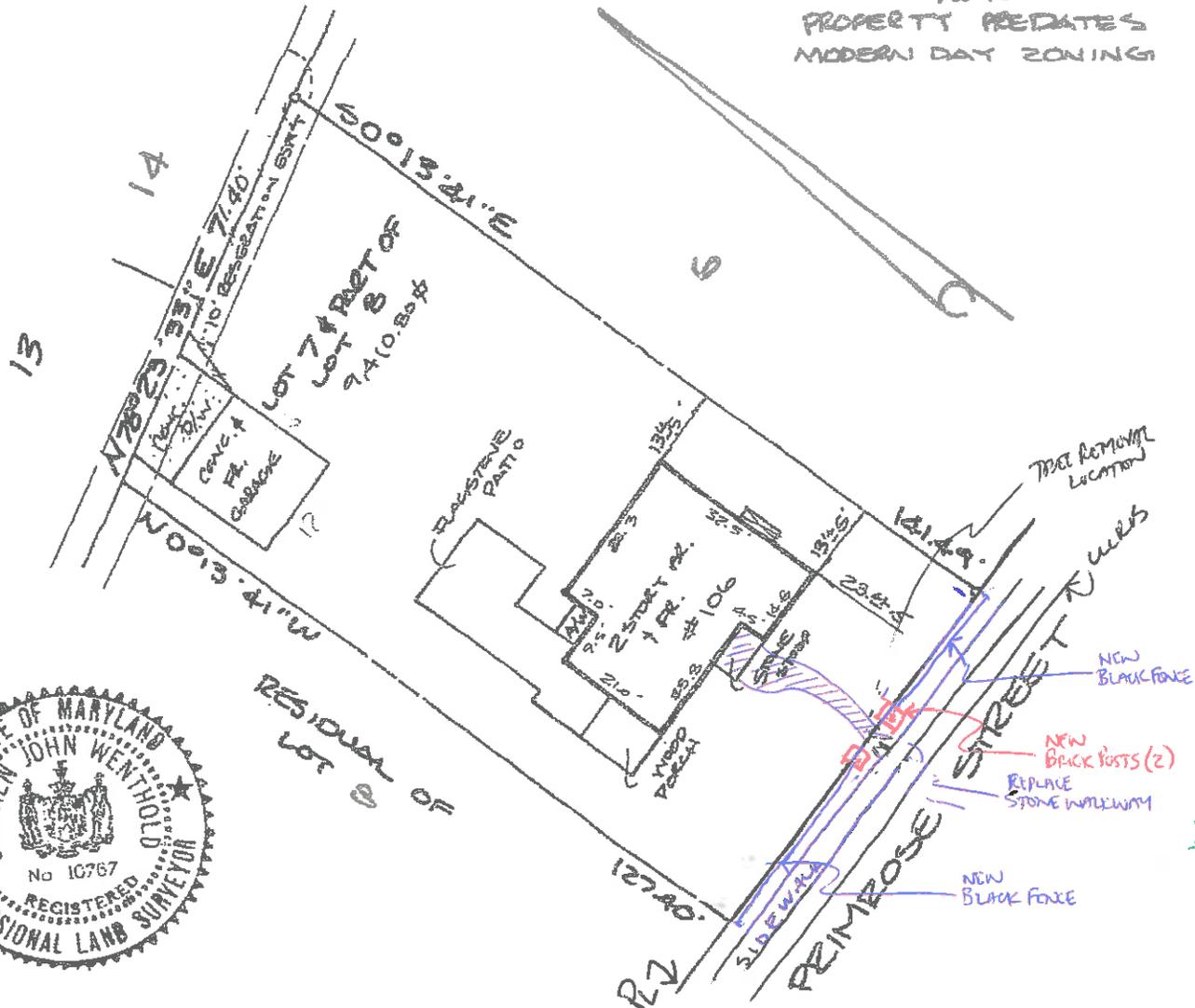
Describe how the proposed variance most nearly accomplishes the intent and purpose of the requirements of the Chapter 8 of the Chevy Chase Village Code, entitled *Buildings and Building Regulations*:

- A) *The proposed front yard walkway, two brick end posts and fence will enhance the character of the property. The brick/stone end posts will match the brick/stone of the main home. The granite end cap of the posts will match both the replaced granite curved front walkway and the home main structure that is old style brick with random granite stones interspersed. The new posts and ~~fence~~ wrought iron fence will not block any vistas at all, especially as compared to the current hedge rows, and only enhance the view of the home and general air circulation. The placement of the fence adjacent to the public sidewalk will actually increase the green space in the home's front yard without any loss of current space – since the current hedge rows limit any use of that space to the sidewalk. There is also no negative effect upon any neighbors or pedestrians on the public sidewalk.*
- B) *The electric lanterns on top of the end posts will be selected to match the tudor style of the home and its current front porch lantern and enhance the home's character. Low brightness lighting will be selected, but any additional light in that region only adds to people's safety at night in the use of the home's front walkway and public sidewalk.*

NOTE:  
PROPERTY PREDATES  
MODERN DAY ZONING



LOCATION DRAWING  
LOT 7 & PART OF LOT 8 BLOCK E  
SECTION No. 6  
CHEVY CHASE



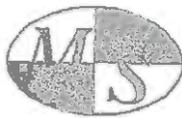
Surveyor's Certification

I hereby certify that the survey shown hereon is correct to the best of my knowledge and that, unless noted otherwise, it has been prepared utilizing description of record. This survey is not a boundary survey and the location or existence of property corners is neither guaranteed nor implied. Fence lines, if shown, are approximate in location. This property does not lie within a 100 year flood plain according to FEMA insurance maps unless otherwise shown hereon. Building restriction lines shown as per available information.

*Stephen J. Wenthold*  
Stephen J. Wenthold, Maryland RLS Reg. No. 10767

NOTE: This plat is of benefit to a consumer only insofar as it is required by a lender or a title insurance company or its agent in connection with contemplated transfer, financing or refinancing. This plat is not to be relied upon for the establishment or location of fences, garages, buildings, or other existing or future improvements. This plat does not provide for the accurate identification of property boundary lines, but such identification may not be required for the transfer of title or securing financing or refinancing.

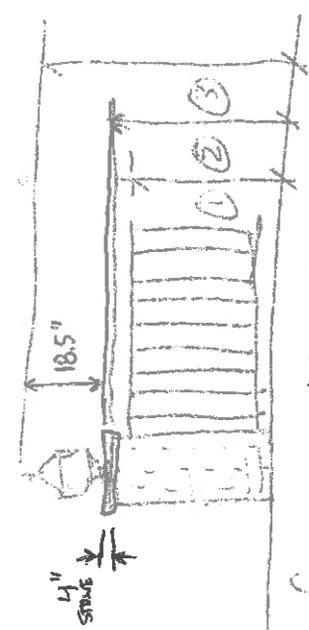
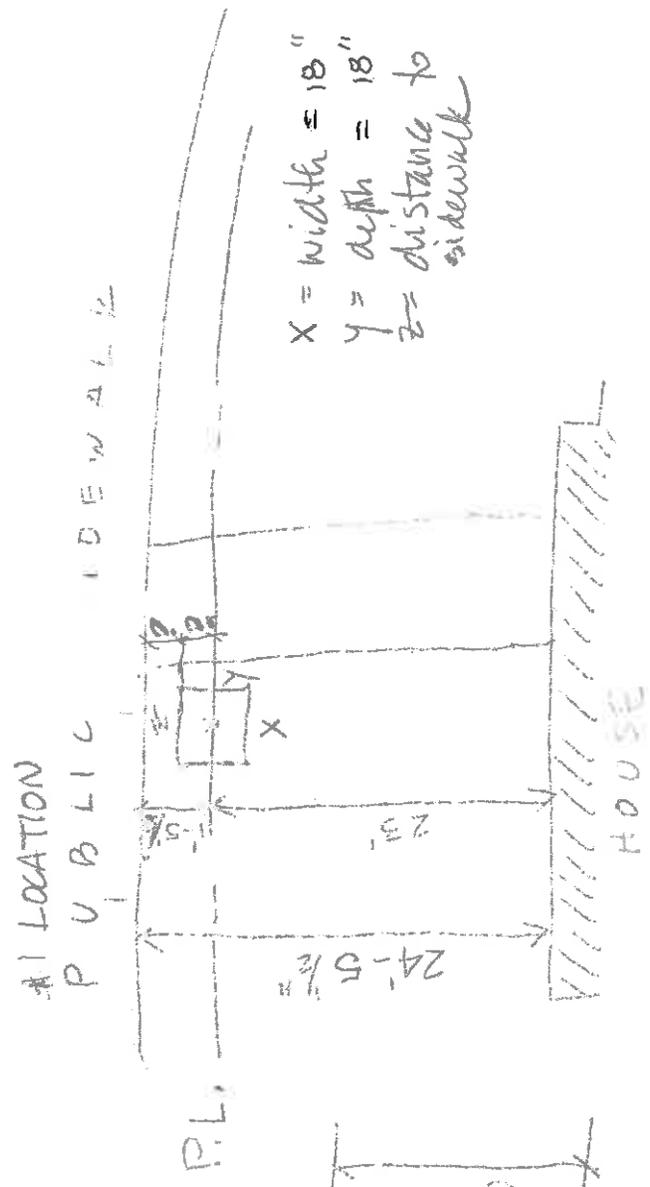
Date: 5-15-97  
Scale: 1"=30'  
Plat Book: 3  
Plat No.: 258  
Work Order: 97-1008



Meridian Surveys, Inc.  
2401 Research Boulevard  
Rockville, MD 20850  
301.810.0115

Address: 106 PRIMROSE STREET  
District: 7  
Jurisdiction: MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MD

NO TITLE REPORT FURNISHED



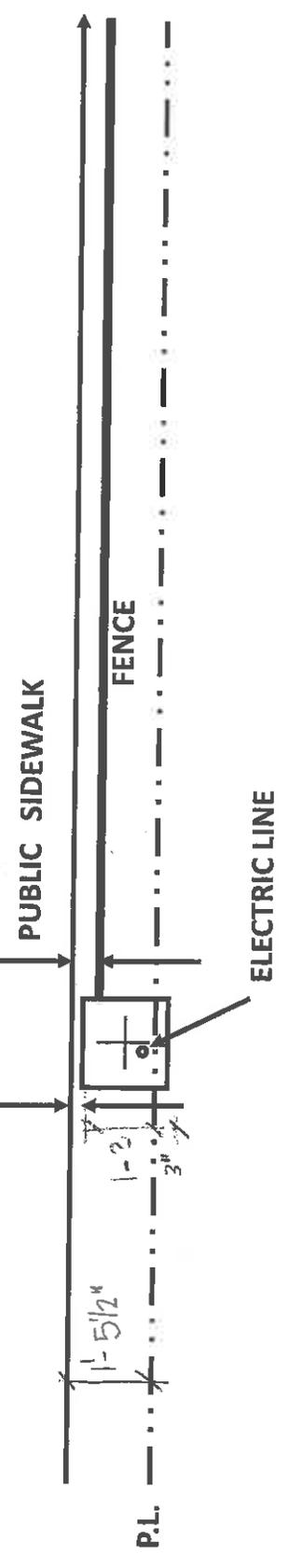
# 2 Heights:

- ① top of fence 48" (4' fence)
- ② top of pier 53.5"
- ③ top of lantern 72"

JAP 8/22/16

ALTERNATE PROPOSAL

5.5" (As Opposed to Current Proposed 17.5": Gain of 12" of Unused Space)



# CURRENT 106 PRIMROSE STREET

Front Hedges Removal

Front Hedges Removal

Tree Removal

Existing Brick Sidewalk



# PROPOSED 106 PRIMROSE STREET

Wrought Iron Fence

Wrought Iron Fence

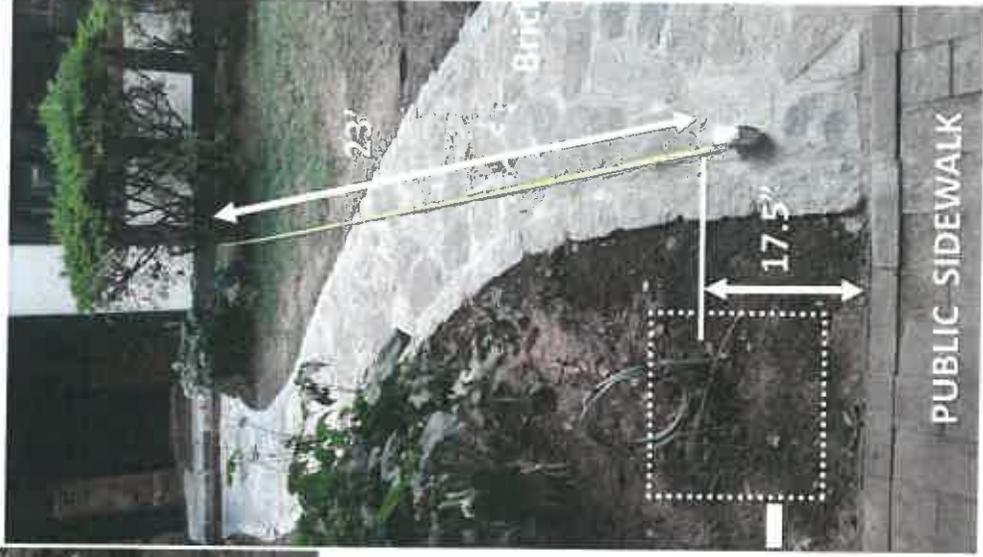
Walkway Brick Posts with Lanterns

Existing Brick Sidewalk

delete post per applicant's email



**Current Readiness on 106 Primrose Street  
for Brick Posts with Wrought Iron Fence and Electric Lanterns**





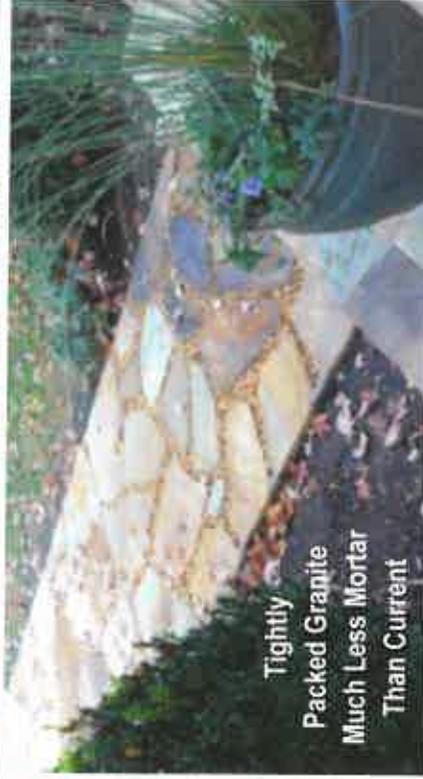
Similar Wrought Iron Fence



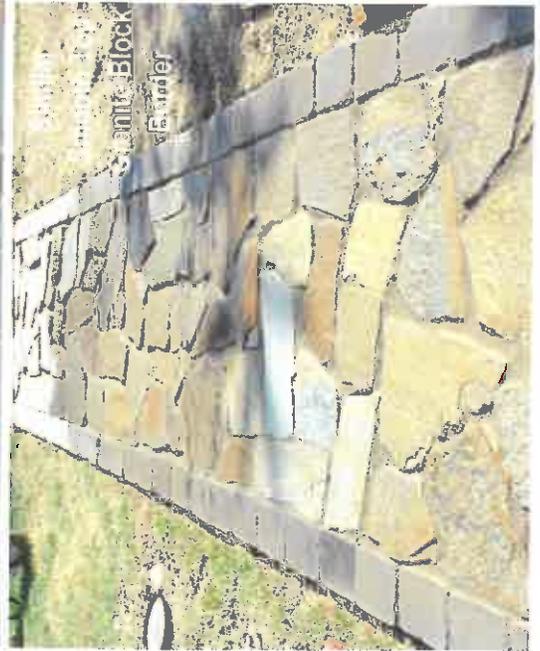
Walkway Posts Wired For Lanterns



Walkway End-Posts Matching Older Brick / Granite Style



Tightly Packed Granite Much Less Mortar Than Current



Unit Block Border



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101 E. Melrose

102 E. Nerke



# CHEVY CHASE VILLAGE EXAMPLES OF PILLARS CLOSE TO SIDEWALK

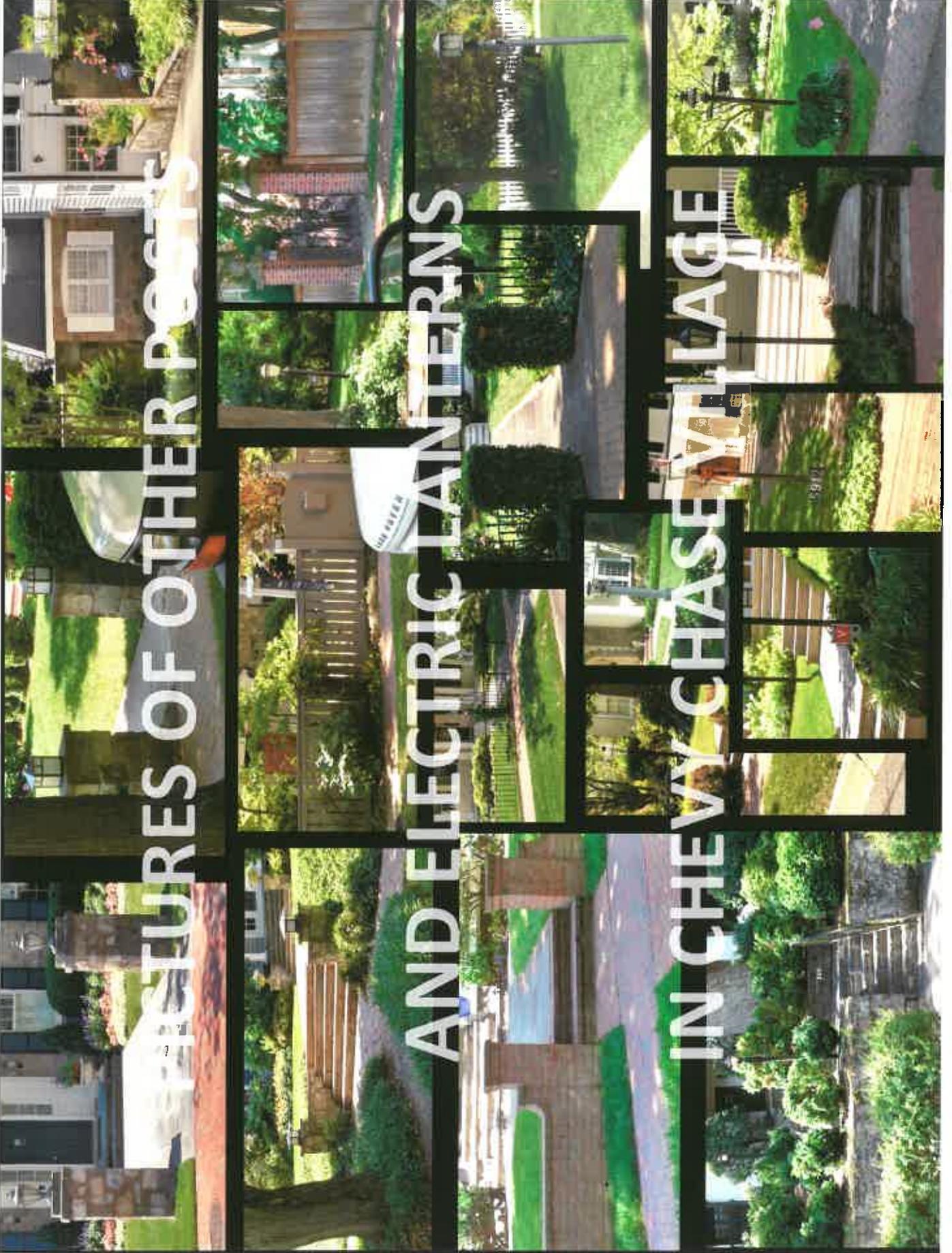


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6 Hobbs

5903 CT.





BROOKVILLE RD.

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PRIMROSE ST.  
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trees

street light

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subject prop.

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(prepared by Staff)

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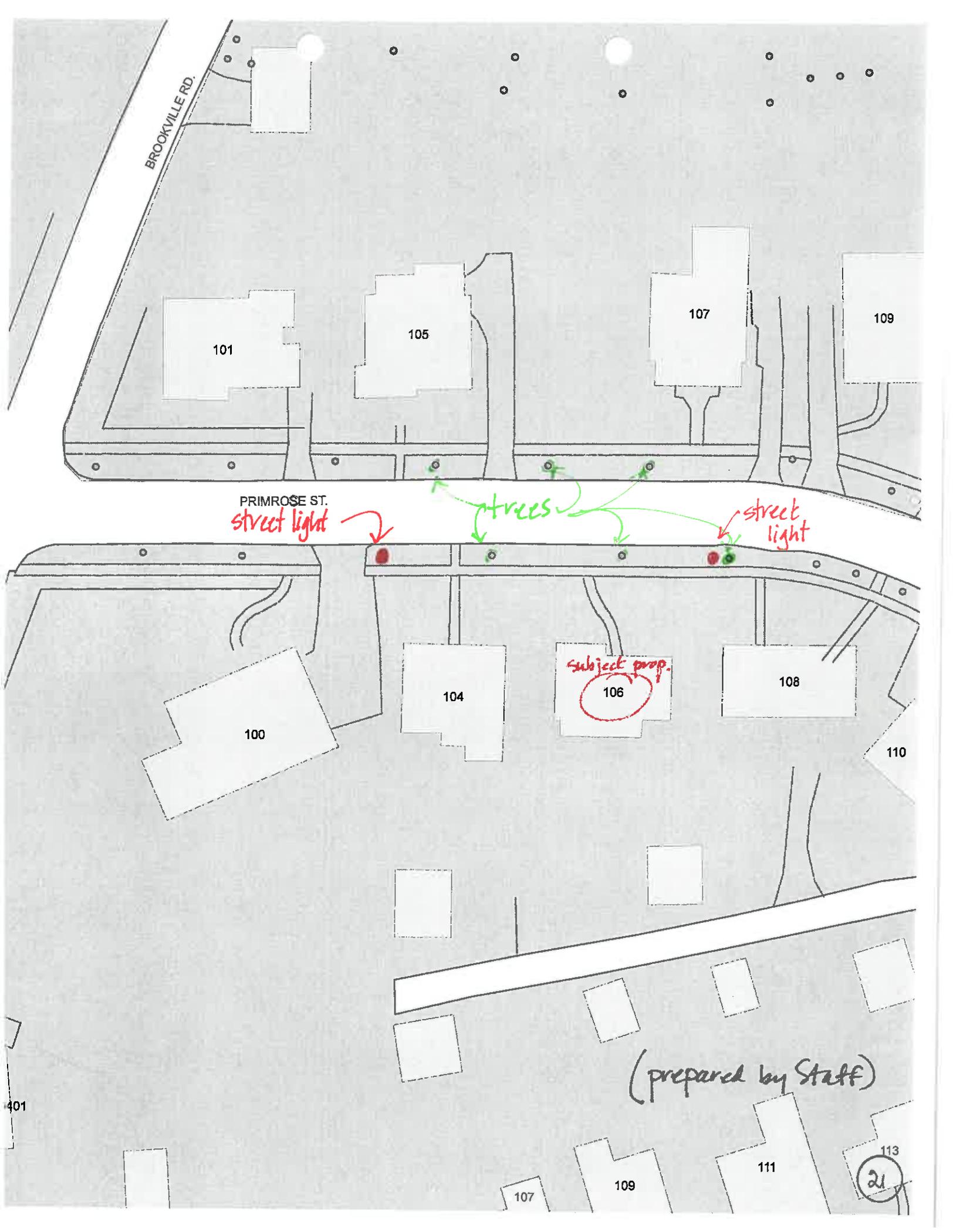
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**Sands, Ellen**

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**From:** PRICEJF@aol.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 07, 2016 6:33 PM  
**To:** CCV Permitting  
**Subject:** Re: 106 Primrose St questions

Please refer to answers below in red...

In a message dated 9/7/2016 4:18:10 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time, ccvpermitting@montgomerycountymd.gov writes:

Mr. Price:

Two items please:

It was brought to my attention that there is a slight discrepancy between the color image of the pier and fence and the drawings- the image seems to show a metal post supporting the fence at the brick pier, whereas the drawings seem to show that the fence rail is attached to the pier, so the pier is essential to supporting the fence and is part of the fence. Do you have a preference for either and can you let me know which it is? **Ideally, the fence will be attached to the brick piers.**

Also, it was suggested that I reach out to you regarding the location of the pier. The fence is shown as attaching to the middle of the pier, which puts the front edge of the pier closer to the sidewalk. You might want to consider if you would be amenable to pushing the pier back somewhat, so that the fence attaches more to the front of it, still 5.5 inches from the sidewalk- just the pier would be farther from the sidewalk. As I said, just something to think about if the conversation starts to go that way. **Ideally, the pier is as close to the sidewalk as possible, and the fence is attached closer to the sidewalk than the centerline - since the goal is to minimize "wasted" space between sidewalk and fence.**

If you could follow up with me about the additional fence post, too, please- thank you. **See above.**

Ellen Sands

Permitting and Code Enforcement Coordinator

Chevy Chase Village  
Tele. 301-654-7300

FAX 301-907-9721

[ccvpermitting@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:ccvpermitting@montgomerycountymd.gov)

[www.chevychasevillagemd.gov](http://www.chevychasevillagemd.gov)

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Chevy Chase Village  
**Website Posting Notice**  
**for Appeal, Special Permit & Variance Hearings**

Case Number: A-7018 A-C

Hearing Date: 9/12/16

By signing below, I acknowledge as the applicant/appellant in the above-referenced case number that all supporting information and documentation for my case will be posted on the Village's website at <[www.chevychasevillagemd.gov](http://www.chevychasevillagemd.gov)> for review by the general public.

Applicant/Appellant Name: JOEL & ELIZABETH PRICE

Address: 106 PRIMROSE STREET

Telephone: 301-656-6937

E-mail: pricejf@aol.com

Applicant/Appellant Signature: 

Agent Name for applicant/appellant (if necessary):

Telephone:

Address:

E-mail:

Signature of agent:

Village staff initials: ES

Date: 6/30/16

## **Treasurer's Report**

### **July-September (2 months of FY 2017)**

#### **Overall:**

This report is a two month snapshot of FY 2017. The Village receives little revenue in the first two months of the fiscal year with the most prominent being the tax duplication payment that comes from the county in the amount of \$100,524. We have a budgeted deficit of 46,117, and it is still too early to project how we will end up in relation to this number by the end of the year. Our FY.2016 audit is not officially completed yet and the final 2016 audited numbers will be available when it becomes finalized.

#### **Income Tax Revenue:**

We will not have any significant income tax information until the end of November.

#### **Property Tax Revenue:**

We project this to come in at budget since the Village approved the constant yield for FY 2017.

#### **Safe Speed Net Revenue:**

So far this year it is trending about 15% below budget for the first two months. There has some been construction during these two months which has had an impact on safe speed citations.

#### **Miscellaneous Revenue:**

As of now it is tracking slightly above budget. We received a tax duplication payment of \$100, 524, which was about \$15,000 above the budgeted amount.

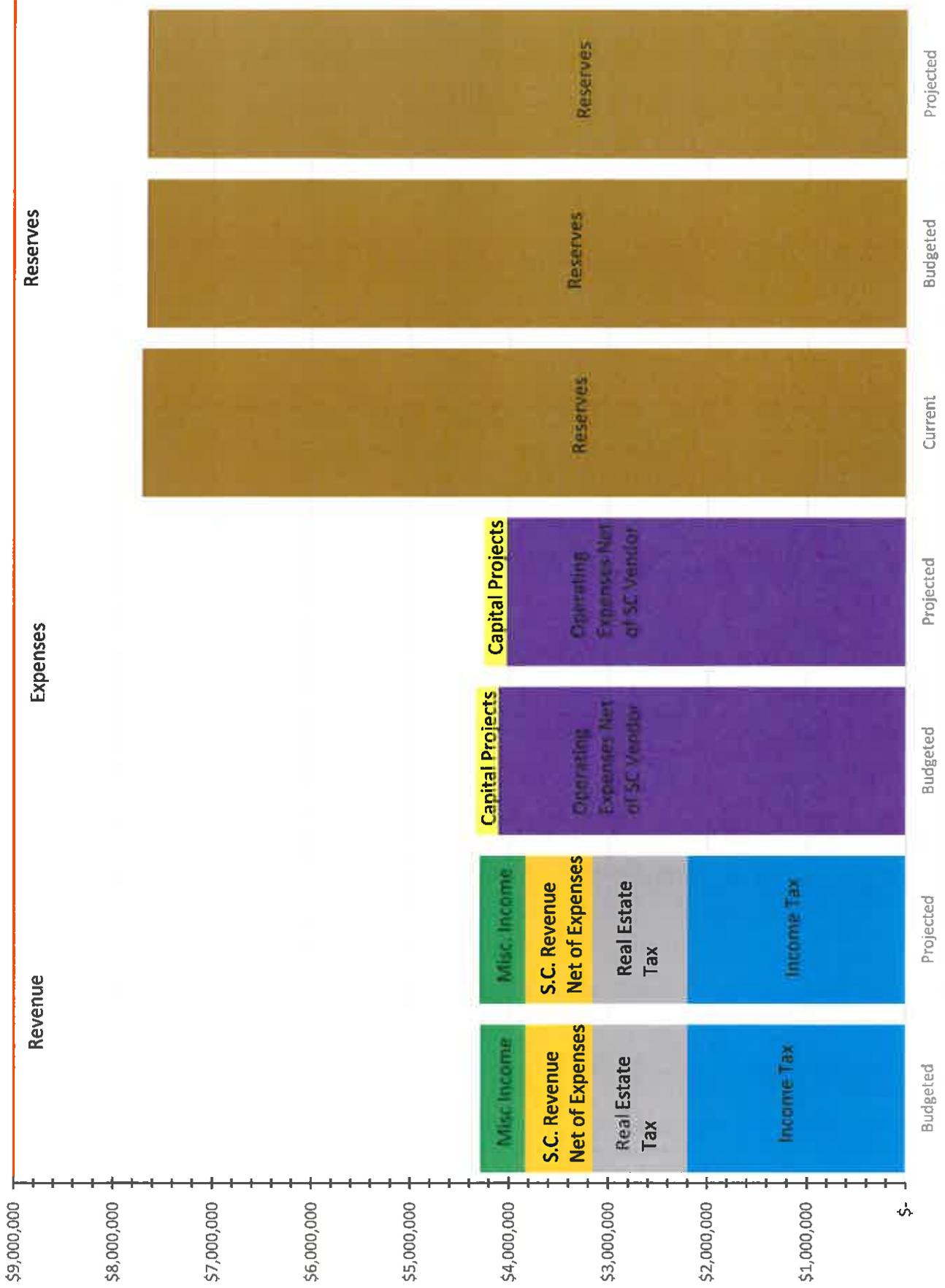
#### **Capital Expense:**

Our expenses are projected to be \$227,500 and we have not undertaken any of these projects yet.

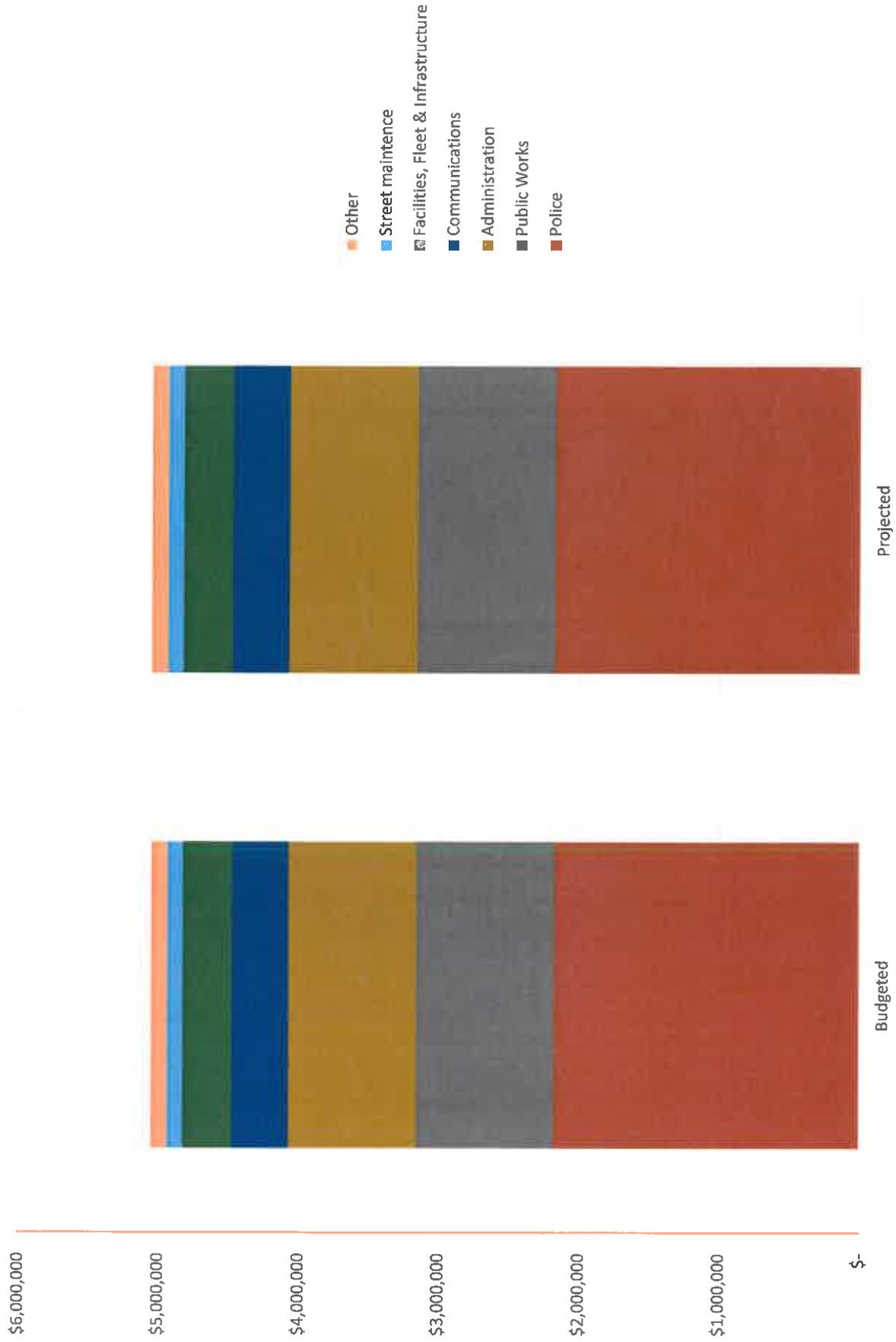
#### **Operating Expense:**

We project this will be 2-3%% below budget.

# Revenue and Expenses Budget versus Projected



# Expenses Budgeted versus Projected



June 30, 2016

**MEMORANDUM** to the Chevy Chase Village Board of Managers

**From:** The Village Environment and Energy Committee

**Subject:** Reducing Pollution from Leaf Blowers

The Environment and Energy Committee would like to call the Board's attention to a persistent environmental issue that is detrimental to the health and well-being of residents of Chevy Chase Village and an increasing source of frustration to residents who are chronically exposed. The issue is pollution from leaf blowers. This memorandum provides background information and some suggested actions the Board might consider initiating.

**Background**

Pollution from portable, two-stroke engine leaf blowers (and other portable outdoor power equipment) is significant. This includes:

- (i) high frequency noise pollution, which is not only irritating and emotionally stressful, but can cause cumulative hearing loss to those exposed at close range, without adequate protection;
- (ii) exposure to carbon pollution, in the form of micro-particles (so called black carbon) and carbon monoxide—both highly toxic;
- (iii) greenhouse gasses in the form of Nitrogen Oxides (NOX) and Sulfur Oxides (SOX);

Additionally, any leaf blower, whether gas or electric, creates pollution in the form of dust and debris including mold and fungal spores, weed seeds, pollen, lawn pesticides, and animal feces. This dust, blown into the air at high velocity, may remain air borne for hours, causing allergic reactions, aggravating existing respiratory conditions to those exposed and putting children and seniors, who are more vulnerable, at risk.<sup>1</sup>

While the Village has adopted Montgomery County regulations on the maximum decibel level that leaf blowers may emit<sup>2</sup> along with restrictions to daytime hours of operation, there are no provisions to address the more serious pollution issues related to carbon emissions, air-borne dust and debris--and their cumulative impacts on residents' health and the environment. These are significant concerns which could benefit from greater community awareness.

Mary Cheh, DC Council Member of Ward 3, introduced legislation in January 2016 (the Leaf Blower Regulation Amendment Act of 2016) to amend the Noise Control Act of 1977. The legislation would prohibit the sale and use of gasoline-powered leaf blowers in the District, effective January 1, 2022. This delayed entry into force would allow lawn-care providers time to phase in electric leaf blowers, as they replace gas-powered blowers whose useful time limit (typically 5 years) has been reached. No final vote has been taken by the Council yet, but the Environment and Energy Committee are following this

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<sup>1</sup> "Most gas-powered leaf blowers and weed trimmers are 2-stroke engines, which are light and inexpensive, but remarkably inefficient at fuel combustion. They emit high levels of nitrous oxide (NO), hydrocarbons (HC), and carbon monoxide (CO). According to the California Air Resources Board, these engines emit 499 times more HC, 49 times more particulates, and 26 times more carbon monoxide than an average car. With wind speeds exceeding 180 MPH, mold and fungal spores, weed seeds, pollen, lawn pesticides, and animal feces are blown into the air that we breathe, staying aloft for hours to even days. Our children are particularly vulnerable with their small but rapidly growing bodies, and because they are most likely to be playing outdoors." *Lawrence S. Block, MD. Swamscott Board of Health, MA.*

<sup>2</sup> Although Section 31B-9 of the Montgomery County Noise Control Ordinance limits the noise level of leaf blowers sold and operated in the Country to 70 dB at a distance of 50 feet this standard is not practical for an area such as the village, which has houses that immediately adjoin one another. The County Department of Environment will come out and test equipment in neighborhoods in response to complaints registered by residents that noise levels may be exceeding the 70 dB limit.

proposal, which if implemented, would set a precedent for landscape companies operating in the area to follow, thus likely standardizing equipment that is used in surrounding communities

Not only would switching to electric powered blowers and lawn equipment sharply reduce air pollution (including Green House Gas effects) if electricity is generated through wind or other renewables, according to the Washington Post and Consumer Reports<sup>3</sup>, the best handheld electric leaf blowers are comparable in power to gas-powered blowers, weigh less, and generate less noise pollution. The amount of dust and debris churned up would still be a concern, but this can be mitigated to some extent by putting the power mower on a lower setting.

Of course, the best way to eliminate all impacts from leaf blowers on the Village is to ban their use. This would result in a reduction of noise, infringement of residents' enjoyment of a tranquil atmosphere in the Village, air pollution, and respiratory and other health concerns. The Committee is not recommending a ban at this time but suggests some actions by the Board that will make our neighborhood quieter and cleaner

**Suggested Board Actions:**

The E & E Committee requests that the Board recognize leaf blower noise and pollution as a serious problem which can be reduced by Board and resident actions. Proposed actions include the following:

1. Send a letter to inform Village residents of this concern and ask that residents talk with their contractors about ways to reduce noise and air pollution. We ask that individual homeowners instruct their lawn care and leaf removal services to use the lowest possible fan speed on their current equipment to decrease the amount of noise and also to decrease the amount of atmospheric pollution from allergens and bacteria.
2. Limit leaf blowing and lawn care clean-up to electric-only apparatus. This measure has become increasingly common among communities as a first step..
3. Consider adopting regulations to phase out use of gas-powered leaf blowers in the Village within a given time frame. This would be informed by the responses from a survey of residents, conducted by the Environment and Energy Committee (see below).
4. Help enforce Montgomery County regulations that require all leaf blowers operating in Montgomery County to operate at 70 dB or less. Residents and Village staff can check for ANSI (American National Standards Institute) sticker on the leaf blower, specifying the sound level output of the equipment. If the equipment does not have a sticker, the leaf lower should be tested to ensure compliance with regulations. Testing could be done by Montgomery Co. Department of Environment staff or Village staff. Repeated documented use of a non-compliant blower could result in a fine and other actions.

**Resident Actions:**

If you employ a lawn service, suggest that when they change equipment, they switch to electric or battery powered machines. In the meantime, advise their workers to use the lowest setting possible when operating their equipment, blowers, mowers, etc. Use only one machine at a time to reduce the noise. Remind lawn care services that equipment must be in compliance with Montgomery County noise

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<sup>3</sup> The Washington Post, "How bad for the environment are gas-powered leaf blowers?"  
[https://www.washingtonpost.com/national/health-science/how-bad-for-the-environment-are-gas-powered-leaf-blowers/2013/09/16/8eed7b9a-18bb-11e3-a628-7e6dde8f889d\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/national/health-science/how-bad-for-the-environment-are-gas-powered-leaf-blowers/2013/09/16/8eed7b9a-18bb-11e3-a628-7e6dde8f889d_story.html)

regulations. Residents can look to see if there is an ANSI sticker indicating maximum decibel level on the equipment.

**Environment and Energy Committee Actions:**

1. Sponsor a lecture on alternatives to gas-powered leaf blowers and other lawn equipment as part of the Sustainable Living Lecture Series. This could include a review of best practice in other neighborhoods and across the country, as well as a list of equipment that provides residents with more environmentally friendly options. The lecture could also serve as a forum for informed discussion on the issue, including feedback from residents.
2. Conduct a survey of residents' views on the use of leaf blowers in Chevy Chase Village, and whether they would be in favor of phasing out gas-powered blowers or all blowers over a specified time period. Compile results and submit to the Board for further action.

We look forward to the Board's response, and to moving forward with several of the actions proposed.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Marea Hatziolos, PhD

Marilyn Bracken, PhD

On behalf of the Environment and Energy Committee

# Memo

**To:** Board of Managers  
**CC:** Shana Davis-Cook, Village Manager  
**From:** John M. Fitzgerald, Chief of Police   
**Date:** September 6, 2016  
**Re:** Updated Memorandum of Understanding between the Chevy Chase Village Police Department and the Montgomery County Police Department

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For many years, the Chevy Chase Village Police Department and the Montgomery County Police Department (MCPD) have had a written Memorandum of Agreement dealing with operational issues. Last year, I started the process of updating the 2006 MOU.

Lt. Dasilva and I worked with MCPD staff to make mostly minor revisions to reflect changes in the report writing process (we write our own). The only notable modification resolves a problem that crops up from time to time. For many years, the language of the MOU has contained language which states that each agency will serve the other's warrants that come to their attention. The reciprocal language has worked for the most part, but it was imperfect.

With few exceptions in Maryland law, Village police officers have no police authority in Maryland outside of the Village boundaries. When a wanted person comes to the attention of a Village police officer, the officer may arrest that individual and serve the warrant only if the officer makes that arrest within the confines of the Village. Most of the time, our contacts occur within the Village, and there is no problem. There are times, however, when the contact occurs outside of the Village and the results are problematic. This is best illustrated by a realistic hypothetical:

A Village police officer observes a car run a stop sign on northbound Brookville Road at Primrose Street and gets the car stopped on Brookville at Raymond Street in Martin's Additions (this happens regularly). While on that traffic stop, the officer learns that the driver is wanted on a bench warrant for failing to appear for court on charges of heroin possession and shoplifting. The officer would be able to write the traffic ticket, but he/she would have no authority to arrest the driver and serve the warrant. Our officer would have to call for assistance from Montgomery County and remain on the traffic stop until a county officer arrived. During busy periods, this could easily take 30 minutes or more. This is not only inefficient, but it compromises our employee's legal standing as well as their safety.

From a legal standpoint, the officer in the above hypo is in the awkward position of having no police authority to detain or arrest the driver on the warrant, yet he/she feels obligated to detain the wanted person until a county officer arrives. From a safety perspective, the officer has to stand by with

an un-handcuffed wanted person for an uncomfortably long period of time. There is an easy fix for this problem through the MOU process.

Maryland law enables police chiefs to enter into an agreement which would allow officers to serve arrest warrants in each other's jurisdiction. Village Counsel Suellen Ferguson worked with Assistant Montgomery County Attorney David Stevenson to create language to insert into the MOU which would enable a Village police officer to serve arrest warrants that come to their attention outside the Village but within Montgomery County (as in the scenario above). We have also drafted new language to modify our agency policy in order to implement the new MOU language. The draft policy would further narrow the scope of the MOU by requiring that 1) the Village officer be on duty, and 2) that the officer discover the existence of the warrant during the course of his/her duties.

I have not issued the policy or the new MOU to Police Department staff pending ratification by the Board. I respectfully request the Board's approval of the MOU so that we can implement it.

I have attached three documents to assist you:

- A markup version of the MOU so that you can see the old language as well as the changes;
- A clean version of the final MOU; and
- Our draft general order which includes the implementation language (see section III. B. on page 1).

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          John M. Fitzgerald  
          Chief of Police  
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By: \_\_\_\_\_  
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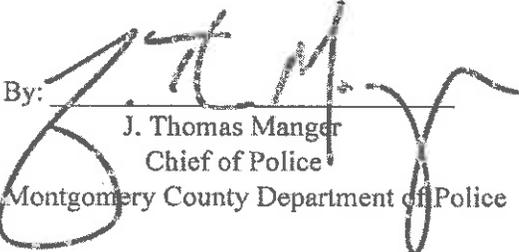
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*J.M.F.*

Police Chief: John M. Fitzgerald

**GENERAL ORDER: 5-29 SERVICE OF WARRANTS AND  
PROCESING ARRESTED PERSONS**

DATE: XX/XX/2016    Pages: 2    ♦ New ♦ Amended ♦ Revised—5-29

**I. POLICY**

Arrests are one of the duties required of police officers. It is the policy of the Department that arrests shall be made so that:

- they comply with the U.S. and Maryland Constitutions and the laws of arrest, and
- to the extent possible, they do not jeopardize the safety of bystanders or arresting officer(s).

**II. AUTHORITY TO SERVE WARRANTS**

- A. Pursuant to the provisions of Maryland Rule 4-212, only police officers or sheriffs/deputies are authorized to serve summonses or warrants.
- B. Officers are authorized to serve, or participate in the service of the following documents:
1. Arrest warrants
  2. Traffic warrants
  3. Bench warrants
  4. Juvenile warrants
  5. Body attachments
  6. Search/Seizure warrants
  7. Administrative Search warrants
  8. Retake warrants
  9. Statements of Charges
  10. Emergency Evaluation Petitions
  11. District Court Summonses
  12. Fugitive Warrants

**III. ARREST WARRANT SERVICE PROCEDURES**

- A. **ALL WARRANTS MUST BE CONFIRMED BEFORE AN ARREST IS MADE.** If an officer learns from any source (computer 'hit'; admission made by the wanted person; tip from a family member or other informant, etc.) that a person is "wanted" on any type of warrant, the officer will request ECC to confirm the warrant before an arrest is made on the strength of that warrant. The officer must also verify the identity of the individual using whatever reasonable means are available (physical descriptors, photo ID cards, AFIS finger-

print scans, and other factors). ECC will then contact the agency that wants the subject to ensure that the warrant is valid and that the warrant is on file. Officers must not make an arrest on a warrant until the warrant has been confirmed.

- B. After confirming the warrant (see C. 1. above), officers may arrest a wanted person whom they encounter under the following circumstances:

1. When the encounter is made in Chevy Chase Village, or
2. When the encounter is made in Montgomery County outside of Chevy Chase Village and:
  - the Village police officer is on duty;
  - and
  - the Village officer discovers the existence of the warrant during the course of his/her duties.

- C. Subject to Section III.B, above, warrants (arrest warrants, bench warrants, traffic warrants, juvenile warrants) may be served at any time, except that, if the charge(s) on the warrant are of a very minor nature (as determined by the on-duty supervisor or senior officer), service or execution of the warrant will be made at a reasonable hour; i.e., between the hours of 0700 and 2200.

- D. Once an adult arrest is made, officers shall transport the individual to the CPU.

- E. Juvenile warrants are issued by judges generally assigned to the Juvenile Court. If an officer arrests a juvenile base on a juvenile warrant:

1. During regular business hours, call the DJS office in Rockville at 301-610-8500. Officers will most likely be directed to bring the arrested juvenile directly to the Juvenile Court.
2. After 5pm and on weekends/holidays, call 877-404-3724 and speak to the on-call DJS intake officer; follow their direction.

E. Officers will not *unnecessarily delay serving* a warrant if any of the following criteria exist:

- The defendant is considered an escape risk an/or is likely to avoid service at a later time, or
- The defendant is wanted on other charges, or
- The defendant is a suspect in other *criminal* cases, or
- The defendant is in imminent danger of causing harm to himself or others, or
- The defendant, unless immediately apprehended, may tamper with, dispose of, or destroy evidence, or
- The defendant, unless immediately apprehended, may cause injury to the person or damage to the property of one or more other persons.

F. If the officer intends to ask the defendant any questions about the *crime charged in the warrant (or about any other crime) while the person is in custody*, the defendant will be advised of his *Miranda* rights *via* MCP Form #50. If the defendant asks for an attorney, the defendant will be allowed access to a phone and officers will not monitor or listen to communications between the defendant and his attorney. A record of the warrant service will be documented on an Incident Report.

G. Village Officers will follow MCP Function Code 513 'Processing Arrested Persons' (attached). In addition to the procedures within this general order, Village officers shall adhere to those contained in Montgomery County's Function Code 513, 'Processing Arrested Persons.' FC513 provides additional details related to the arrest process at CPU, juvenile charges, and forms completion.

#### IV. SEARCH WARRANT PROCEDURES

- A. Officers considering obtaining a search warrant shall first consult with the Lieutenant.
- B. All applications/affidavits for search warrants shall be reviewed and approved by the Chief of Police prior to being reviewed by a judge.
- C. The lieutenant shall ensure that the service of any search warrant obtained by a Village police officer is coordinated with:
1. the Montgomery County Police Department if the location to be searched is within the Village,  
or
  2. with the appropriate local law enforcement agency if the location to be searched is outside of Chevy Chase Village.
- D. A supervisor from CCVPD will be present when any search warrant is executed. The supervisor will be responsible for ensuring that proper procedures are followed during the search, that the inventory and return are completed, and that all reporting requirements are fulfilled.

#### **V. PERSONS WANTED BY NON-MARYLAND AGENCIES**

##### **A. Wanted by a State or Local Law Enforcement Agency outside of Maryland**

1. Request a current "hit" confirmation or TTY from the demanding agency be faxed to CPU.
2. *After confirming the warrant and verifying the identity of the wanted subject*, transport the individual to CPU for processing (refer to FC 811).
3. Copy the front of the CPU 513 (CBF bar code number) for the officer's file and give the envelope to the booking officer
4. Complete a DC/CR 30, "Charge Against Fugitive."
5. Complete an event report (classification 2752).
6. Fax a copy of the event report to the Fugitive Section by 0700 hours the next day at (240) 773-5325. (CPU will complete necessary fingerprint cards, photos, arrest report and bring the person before the Commissioner and fax copies of their paper work to MCP Fugitive Unit by 0700 hours).

##### **B. Wanted by Federal or Military Agencies**

If a person is arrested because he is wanted by a federal or military law enforcement agency and no local charges are anticipated, simply notify the agency that wants the person to respond to accept custody.

#### **VI. EXEMPTIONS FROM ARREST AND CRIMINAL PROCESS SERVICE**

Title 9, Sub-Title 304 of the "Courts and Judicial Proceedings Article," states:

- A. If a person comes into this State in obedience to a summons directing him to attend and testify in this State he shall not while in this State pursuant to such summons be subject to arrest or the service of process, civil or criminal, in connection with matters which arose before his entrance into this State under the summons.
- B. If a person passes through this State while going to another State in obedience to a summons to attend and testify in that State or while returning there from, he shall not while so passing through this State be subject to arrest or the service of process, civil or criminal, in connection with matters which arose before his entrance into this State under the summons.

This directive voids the previous version dated 5/21/2009 .

## August 2016 CCVPD Highlights

### I. Crime/Operational

1. **Arrest in daytime theft-from-vehicle trend:** We alerted residents to the trend by issuing a blast on July 29. On August 1, the suspect struck again on Hesketh Street and was seen by the victim. A Village officer spotted the suspect in DC and kept him under surveillance while waiting for DC police. A Village officer watched the suspect steal from a work van in DC, and detained the juvenile until DC arrived and arrested him.
2. **Two cars stolen from the same home in the 5800 block of Kirkside Drive.** Residents awoke on Friday morning, August 12 to find both of their cars missing. At about 10pm that evening, DC police spotted one of the cars on Rhode Island Avenue, NW. DC police arrested 2 following a foot chase, but a third suspect was able to drive off in the stolen car. Both cars remain stolen as of this writing.
3. **5 unlocked vehicles entered:**
  - Hesketh Street between Kirkside and Wisconsin: Wallet stolen in the daytime from contractor's truck; suspect spotted in DC by Village officer; arrest made by DC police (see above); wallet recovered.
  - Grafton Street between Cedar and Kirkside: Cell phone taken in daytime from contractor's truck.
  - 6300 block of Broadbranch Road: Three unlocked cars entered overnight; nothing taken.
4. **Other thefts:**
  - 5400 block of Center Street: 3 bicycles were taken from a rack mounted on the roof of an SUV overnight August 20-21.
  - 6400 block Connecticut Avenue: Copper downspouts were stolen at nighttime between August 24-26.

### II. Administrative

1. **Deferral of \$30,000 mobile radio purchase:** The Board approved \$32,000 in the FY17 CIP for the replacement of our in-car radios; the purchase was timed to coincide with the completion of the county's radio infrastructure build-out. We recently learned that the completion date is now December, 2018 (mid-FY19). We will not spend the funds this FY; we expect to make this purchase no earlier than FY19.
2. **New laws:** A brief summary of selected legislation going into effect on October 1 is attached.

Select Reported Crimes 2016 vs. 2015				
	August '16	August '15	YTD'16	YTD'15
Assault	0	0	0	1
Auto Theft & attempts	2	0	3	2
Burglary & attempts	0	0	1*	6
Theft & attempts	7	7	53	42
Robbery	0	0	0	0

\*bicycle stolen from inside an open garage

Select Reported Crimes 2010-Present							
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016 as of 08/31/16
Assault	0	0	2	2	0	1	0
Auto Theft & attempts	3	6	2	5	0	3	3
Burglary & attempts	7	14	3	4	8	9	1
Theft & attempts	46	67	97	60	38	75	53
Robbery	1	0	0	0	1	0	0

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1. **Public Safety and Policing Workgroup** (HB1016; police accountability; we have been working on compliance since the bill passed and will be in good shape on October 1)
  - LEOBR changes:
    - hearings open to the public;
    - may include up to 2 voting or non-voting members of the public who have received training if local law allows; even without local law, Chief may appoint 1 non-voting member;
    - reduced from 10 days to 5 business days the time for an accused officer to obtain representation prior to interrogation
    - relaxed rules which limited complaints of excessive force (366 days; notary not req'd)
  - Agency policies must be posted online
  - Police Training Commission is renamed the Police Training and *Standards* Commission, and additional members were added. The PTSC is required to develop standards for:
    - use of force;
    - recruitment to increase diversity;
    - psychological testing of police officers involved in traumatic incidents;
    - a uniform citizen complaint process
  - All agencies must develop a community policing program, post it online and send it to the PTSC for review
  - All agencies must have a non-punitive early warning/intervention system to counsel officers who receive 3 or more complaints within a 12-month period
  - Officers must attend de-escalation and anti-discrimination training every 2 years
2. **Marijuana-related veto override** (SB517 from the 2015 Session)
  - Legalized the possession and use of marijuana paraphernalia
  - Decriminalized smoking marijuana in public (civil violation)
3. **Noah's Law** (named after MCP Officer Noah Leotta who was fatally injured by a DUI; SB945)
  - Ignition interlock for DUI convictions
4. **EZPass Transponder Theft Reporting and Unauthorized Charges** (HB523)
  - Owners of EZPass transponders must report theft to local PD and to Maryland Transportation Authority (MTA) within 2 weeks of the first account statement following a theft
  - Owner will not be responsible for unauthorized charges after the date the report was made to MTA
5. **Drivers Must Carry Proof of Insurance** (HB720)
  - Proof may be a card or an electronic image displayed on a smart phone (or similar device)
  - Must present it to a police officer on demand; failure to do so = \$50 fine
6. **Furnishing alcohol to a minor who later drives** (SB409)
  - Misdemeanor for a person to furnish alcohol to a minor (under 21) when the person knew or should have known that the minor would drive (1 year/\$5000 fine)
7. **Justice Reinvestment Act** (SB1005)
  - Goal is to reduce mass incarceration and create a fund for treatment
  - Eliminated mandatory minimum sentences for drug offenses
  - Reduced penalties for several drug offenses and non-violent crimes
  - Increased (from \$1000 to \$1500) threshold for felony theft



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**TO:** John Fitzgerald, Chief of Police  
**FROM:** Bruce I Gessford, Communications Lead Dispatcher *BIG*  
**DATE:** September 1, 2016  
**SUBJECT:** Monthly Communications Report for August 2016

	<u>Aug. 16</u>	<u>YTD 16</u>	<u>Aug. 15</u>	<u>YTD15</u>
<b>Walk In</b>	230	1,396	253	1,334
<b>Incoming Phone Calls requiring no action*</b>	1,098	8,358	1,094	8,754
<b>Incoming Phone Calls requiring an action**</b>	360	2,440	358	2,624
<b>House Check Requests</b>	238	1,386	241	1,485
<b>Key Pick Up/Drop Off</b>	51	389	57	448
<b>Mail Pick Up</b>	161	771	173	728
<b>Special Pick Up Requests</b>	78	639	80	699
<b>Trash and Recycle Complaints</b>	3	16	2	21

**\*Note: Incoming phone calls requiring no action include: information requests, forwarding calls internally and externally, providing directions, etc.**

**\*\*Note: Incoming phone calls requiring an action may include: house check requests, special pick ups, trash and recycle complaints, etc.**

## Chevy Chase Village Monthly Incident Report August 2016

<b>Burglary (including attempts)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Theft from Auto (including attempts)</b>	<b>5</b>
911 Disconnect	0	Lost Property	0
Alarm	40	Miscellaneous	16
Animal Bite	0	Mental Illness	2
Animal Complaint	3	Missing Person	0
Assist Citizen	0	Noise Complaint	0
Assist Other Agency	12	Open Door	11
Attempted Theft of Auto/Other Vehicle	0	Power Outage	0
Burglary (including attempts)	0	Parking Complaint	1
CDS - Possession Paraphernalia	0	Recovered Property/Montgomery County	5
Check the Welfare	3	Recovered Property/Other	2
Code Enforcement	4	Suspicious Persons/Vehicles	10
Collisions	16	Sudden Death - Natural	0
Hit and Run Property Damage	2	Thefts (including attempts)	8
Property Damage Collision	13	Thefts from Auto	5
Personal Injury Collision	1	Thefts from Other	2
Community/Citizen Contact	0	Theft of Auto/Other Vehicle	1
Disabled Vehicle	1	Threatening/Annoying Phone Call	0
Disorderly Conduct	0	Traffic Stop	1
Family Trouble	0	Trees / Limbs Down	5
Fire-Other	1	Trespassing	0
Identity Theft / Forgery	1	Vandalism	0
Hazard - General	0	Vandalism-Motor Vehicle	0
Hazard - Roadway	2	Vendor Violation	5
Ill Person	2	Wanted Person	0
Injury Non-Traffic	1	Water Main Break	0
Investigation/Police Information	0	Wires Down	0

### Collisions within Chevy Chase Village August 2016

<b>Connecticut Avenue@</b>		<b>Brookville Road</b>	
Bradley Lane	2	Newlands Street	1
Primrose Street	2	East Melrose Street	1
East Melrose Street	1	East Lenox Street	
East Irving Street	1	<b>Other Locations</b>	
<b>Chevy Chase Circle@</b>		5906 Connecticut Avenue	1
Connecticut Avenue	5	30 Grafton Street	1
		15 West Lenox Street	1

### Chevy Chase Village Monthly Traffic Report August 2016

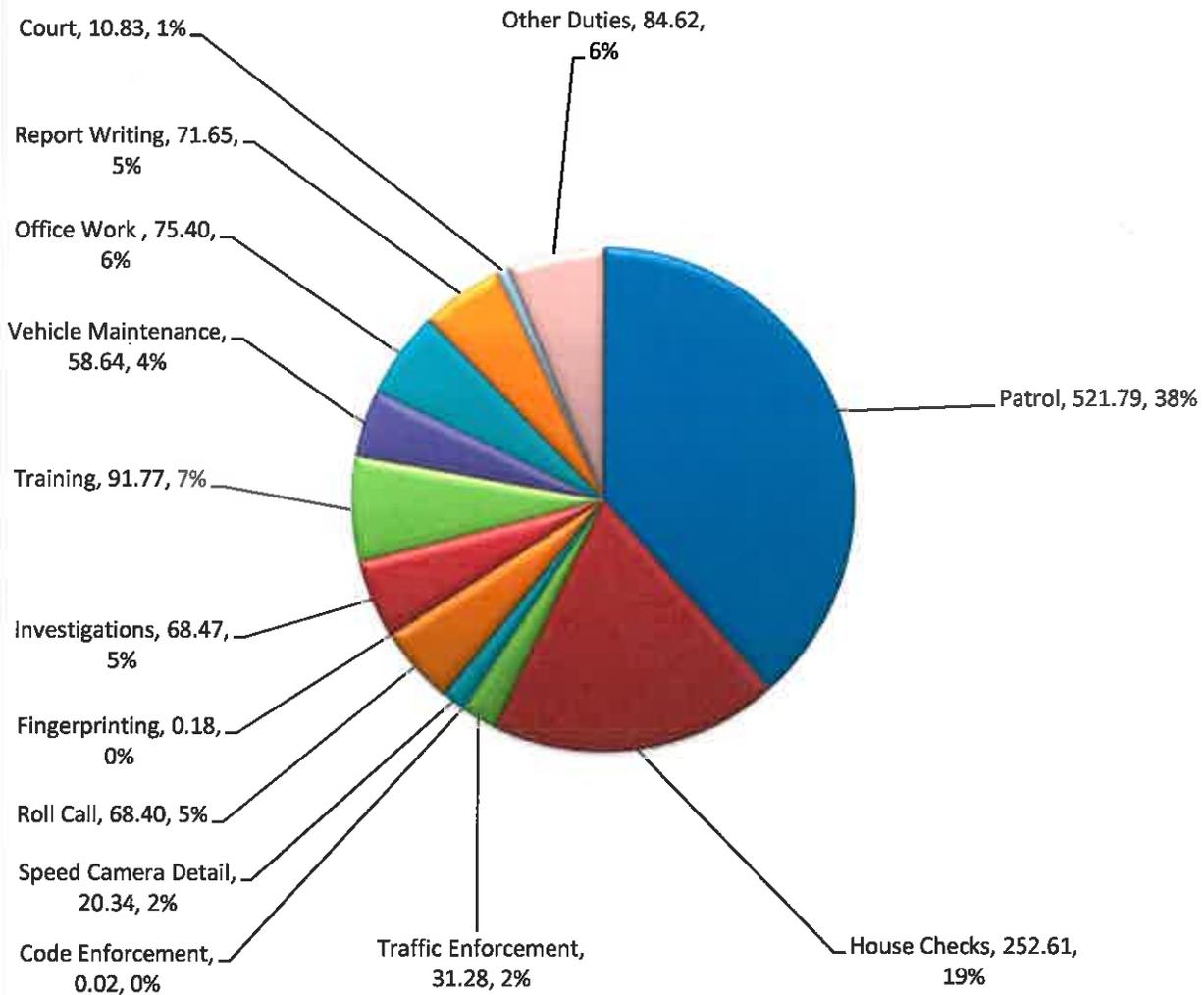
### Chevy Chase Village Code Enforcement Report August 2016

Equipment Repair Orders	4	Police Officers	
Miscellaneous Violations	9	Compliance Inquiry	4
Parking Violations	1	Investigations	0
Sign Violations	2		
Warnings Written	23	Municipal & Civil Citations Issued	0
Speeding Violations	1	Municipal & Civil Warnings Issued	1

### Chevy Chase Village Agency Personnel Report

	Aug.	YTD
Citizen Complaints	0	0
Citizen Compliments	2	17

## Chevy Chase Village Police Department Officer Hours for August 2016 within Chevy Chase Village

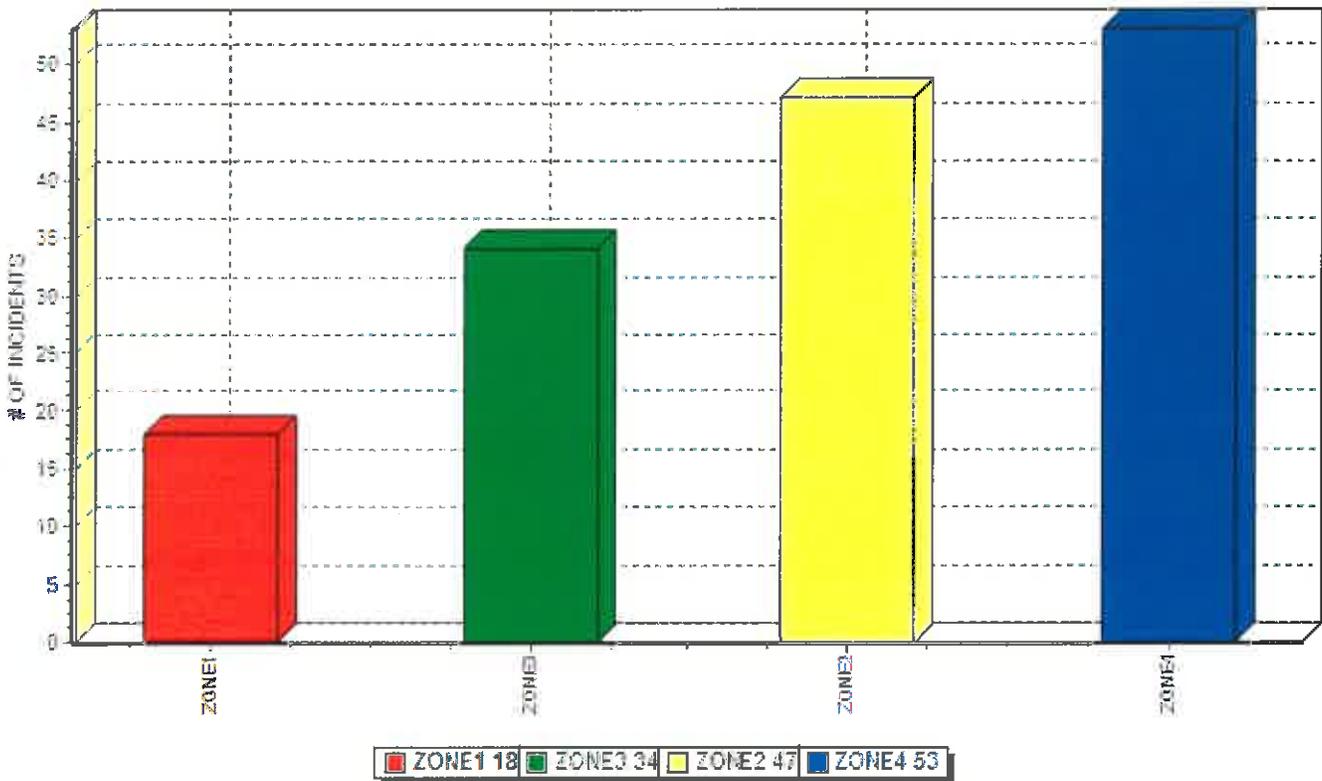


\* Note: The SafeSpeed Coordinator's hours are 143.27, which are not included above

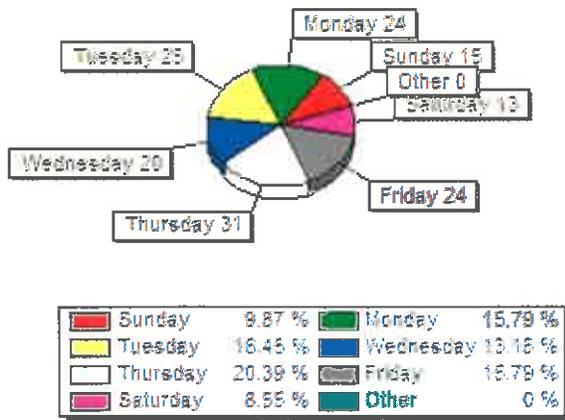
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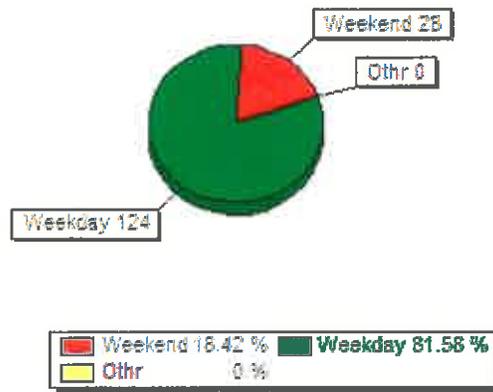
**Incident Frequency by DISTRICT (Top 4 of 4 Shown) (Using DATE RECD)**



**By Day of Week**



**Weekday vs Weekend**



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**Chevy Chase Village**  
**Building & Tree Removal Permits**  
Permits Issued- July 2016

**Building Permits**

<b>Permit #</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Type of Work</b>
6999	104 East Melrose Street	Construct driveway and walkways.
6998	104 East Melrose Street	Construct pool house.
6997	104 East Melrose Street	Construct addition and interior alterations.
6931- amended	15 East Lenox Street	Construct two story addition- amended to extend construction an additional two feet.
6996	5636 Western Avenue	Install new brick over existing concrete base.
6995	6216 Western Avenue	Install new stepping stone walkway and construct grilling patio.
6993	105 Primrose Street	Install 35' of 1½" copper line for house water upgrade.
6991	5515 Kirkside Drive	Construct second floor over existing sunroom & new rear entrance.
6990	106 Grafton Street	Install replacement air conditioner in the east side yard.
6989	205 Primrose Street	Resurface and expand asphalt driveway.
6988	7 Oxford Street	Construct new rear patio; replace front walkway, driveway & apron.
6986	207 Primrose Street	Install 11' of 1½" copper line for house water upgrade.
6983	5604 Kirkside Drive	Replace front walkway and install new handrail.
6982	5904 Cedar Parkway	Install new air conditioner in the rear yard.

**Tree Removal Permit**

<b>Permit #</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Type of Tree</b>	<b>Reason for Removal</b>	<b>Reforestation Indicated*</b>
2255	10 Quincy Street	(1) Hickory	Hazardous and in decline	No
2254	27 West Kirke St.	(1) Cherry	Hazard to property; also cracked	No
2253	3708 Bradley Ln.	(1) Black Locust	Dead	No
2252	5615 Kirkside Dr.	(3) Hollies	Dead	No
2251	5509 Grove St.	(1) Holly	Dying	No
		(1) Redbud	Hazardous	
2250	106 Primrose St.	(1) Dogwood	Dead	No
2249	2 West Melrose St.	(1) Hornbeam	Dead	Yes

\* Since commencing recordation of reforestation intentions in November of 2013, 57 of 122 Applicants (46%) indicated that they would be voluntarily reforesting on their property.

**Expiring Permit Notices Mailed This Month**

None Required

## Chevy Chase Village Permitting and Code Enforcement Activity July 2016

**Telephone Queries:** +/- 65

**Walk-Ins:** +/- 28

**Pre-Design Review Meetings:** 1

**Municipality Letters (issued to the County for new projects):** 1

**Administrative Building Permits Issued:** 11 Administrative Building Permit; 1 Amendment to a previously issued Building Permit; 4 Dumpster; 2 Utility; 1 Courtesy

**Licenses to Use the Public Right-of-Way:** 0

**Appeals:** One Decision from a Special Permit request granted at the July meeting was drafted, circulated, and approved; two variance requests (at one address) were withdrawn at the July meeting and will be on the October 10 meeting agenda. A decision from the April meeting, requiring removal of a structure installed in the front yard of a property, was drafted, reviewed by Counsel and is awaiting issuance.

**Tree Ordinance Board:** None ongoing.

**Enforcement Incidents:** Routine code enforcement patrol and site inspections of construction projects were conducted. Additionally:

- Water had begun ponding along a portion of the public sidewalk on Oliver Street. Staff visited with the resident and determined that an unpermitted underground drainage pipe (the installation pre-dated the current resident's time at the property) had broken and was leaking. The resident obtained a building permit and license to use the public right-of-way and had the pipe repaired and the curb reinforced. There have been no further problems with the pipe or water on the sidewalk.
- While on routine Code enforcement patrol staff observed that modifications were being made to the approved plans for an addition. The alteration would not impact the compliance of the structure with CCV regulations, however the property is located in the Historic District and so any alteration to the approved plans needs to be approved by HPC. Staff advised the contractor that it would be necessary to provide documentation to CCV that the HPC approval had been obtained and then apply for an amendment to the CCV permit.
- During installation of a new swimming pool staff observed that the location of the pool equipment was encroaching into the side yard setback; the contractor relocated the panel to a compliant location.
- Unpermitted commercial and real estate signs were observed and responded to.

**Tree Requests:** 8 requests were made to the Village arborist for tree inspections pursuant to removals or Tree Protection Plan requests for construction projects.

**Administrative Tree Removal Permits:** 7 permits were issued for removal of a total of ten (10) trees.

**Expired Permit Memos Sent:** None required

*-compiled by Ellen Sands, Permitting and Code Enforcement Coordinator*

**Chevy Chase Village**  
**Building & Tree Removal Permits**  
Permits Issued- August 2016

**Building Permits**

<b>Permit #</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Type of Work</b>
7021	105 Primrose Street	Upgrade existing gas service.
7019	115 East Melrose Street	Install replacement air conditioner in the west side yard.
7016	27 Quincy Street	Install fence in the west side yard.
7015	25 Quincy Street	Install fence in the east side yard.
7014	6131 Nevada Avenue	Interior alterations; addition over existing one-story addition.
7012	16 West Kirke Street	Install geothermal system.
7011	126 Grafton Street	Install new fence in the rear yard.
7010	5610 Cedar Parkway	Install new fence in the rear and side yards.
7009	10 Oxford Street	Replace sewer line house connection.
7008	5504 Grove Street	Install new fence in the rear yard.
7007	104 East Melrose Street	Construct new fences and walls in the side and rear yards.
7004	7 Oxford Street	Install (2) 4" drain pipes through the Primrose Street public right-of-way.
7003	106 Primrose Street	Replace front walkway in same location.
7002	5603 Park Street; 3929 Oliver Street; 4014 Oliver Street 4015 Oliver Street; 5512 Center Street	Replace gas service connections to five (5) homes.

**Tree Removal Permit**

<b>Permit #</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Type of Tree</b>	<b>Reason for Removal</b>	<b>Reforestation Indicated*</b>
2262	103 Newlands Street	(1) each: Ash, Elm, Magnolia, Japanese Maple	All dead	TBD
2261	4102 Oliver Street	(1) Spruce	Dead	No
2260	5512 Center Street	(1) Silver Maple	Hazardous; decay	Yes
2259	104 East Lenox St.	(1) White Pine	Hazardous; cracked	Yes
2258	4 East Lenox Street	(1) Holly; (1) Norway Maple	Hazardous- cracked; Dead	No
2257	142 Grafton Street	(1) Dogwood; (1) Japanese Maple	Dead Dead	Yes
2256	7 East Irving Street	(1) Sycamore	Hazardous	Yes

\* Since commencing recordation of reforestation intentions in November of 2013, 61 of 128 Applicants (47%) indicated that they would be voluntarily reforesting on their property.

**Expiring Permit Notices Mailed This Month**

6806	5508 Park Street	Replace fencing in the rear yard.
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# Chevy Chase Village

## Permitting and Code Enforcement Activity August 2016

**Telephone Queries:** +/- 105

**Walk-Ins:** +/- 70

**Pre-Design Review Meetings:** 4

**Municipality Letters (issued to the County for new projects):** 4

**Administrative Building Permits Issued:** 11 Administrative Building Permit; 1 Administrative Special Permit (a second is in process); 5 Dumpster; 1 Dumpster Extension; 3 Utility; 1 Portable Storage Unit

**Licenses to Use the Public Right-of-Way:** 1

**Appeals:** One variance request and Special Permit request (at the same address) were prepared for the September 12 meeting agenda. A variance request at an additional address was also prepared. A decision from the April meeting, requiring removal of a structure installed in the front yard of a property, was issued.

**Administrative Appeals:** Two administrative appeals were completed, one for an air conditioner replacement and one for a driveway replacement. One is in process, for a driveway replacement.

**Tree Ordinance Board:** None ongoing.

**Enforcement Incidents:** Routine code enforcement patrol and site inspections of construction projects were conducted. Additionally:

- While on a site visit at one property, staff observed that a drain pipe had been installed at an abutting property such that stormwater runoff was being directed toward the neighbor. Staff has contacted the resident and is determining a course of action.
- A resident removed all the limbs from a Cherry tree at their property, leaving only a trunk. The tree was over the threshold for requiring a permit to remove and the extent of pruning appeared extreme. The resident stated that the tree appeared dead and he was beginning the removal process. Staff directed that no further work was allowed until the Village arborist had assessed the tree. The arborist determined that in fact based on bark samples the tree appeared to have been in decline or dead.
- Multiple unpermitted real estate and commercial signs were removed or the brokers were contacted. An article has been included in the most recent *Crier* article regarding sign permit requirements.
- A dumpster was placed at a property prior to obtaining the required permit. At another address, a dumpster was placed in the street. Both instances were rectified.
- Renters at a property left shopping carts from a grocery store and an old chair in the driveway. Staff contacted them- the carts were returned and the chair disposed of.
- A contractor at a construction site was pumping stormwater out of a foundation excavation and directing it towards the neighbor. Staff contacted the contractor who removed the pipe.
- Staff sent a new round of letters to residents whose shrubbery had overgrown the sidewalk or right-of-way and had to contact a resident who had left town without making arrangements for maintenance of their grass.
- In light of several thefts from vehicles during the day, staff reached out to contractors advising them to alert their crews to keep tools and vehicles locked.

**Tree Requests:** 14 requests were made to the Village arborist for tree inspections pursuant to removals or Tree Protection Plan requests for construction projects.

**Administrative Tree Removal Permits:** 7 permits were issued for removal of a total of twelve (12) trees.

**Expired Permit Memos Sent:** 1

# Memo

**To:** Board of Managers  
**From:** Michael W. Younes, Director of Municipal Operations *MW*  
**CC:** Shana Davis-Cook, Village Manager  
**Date:** 9/6/2016  
**Re:** Update on Capital and Infrastructure Upgrade Projects

Below please find an update on the various capital and infrastructure upgrade projects currently underway throughout the Village:

	Status	Duration/ Remaining	Est. Start Date	Est. Completion Date
<b>In-Partnership with M-NCPPC</b>				
Western Grove Park Development	Construction	6 months	Ongoing	February 2017
<b>Utility Upgrades</b>				
Laurel Park Sewer Rehabilitation	Construction	2 - 3 weeks	Mid-September 2016	End-September 2016
Water Main Replacement (5500 block of Western Avenue)	Survey/Design	TBD	Spring 2018 (construction)	TBD
Washington Gas Main Replacement – Bradley Lane	Pre-Construction	1 month	Mid-October 2016	Mid-November 2016
PEPCO Tree Pruning and Removals	Project Hold	2 months	Fall 2016	Winter 2016

## PEPCO Tree Pruning and Removals:

- PEPCO has received all required approvals from the Village and State Department of Natural Resources for the pruning and removal work within the Village.
- PEPCO will be conducting the pruning and removal work in two (2) phases.
  1. Beginning late fall and early winter, PEPCO will be removing the ten (10) trees approved for removal (3 within the right-of-way and 7 on private property).

2. During the winter PEPCO will conduct its pruning operations.
- Because the pruning will be conducted over the winter when the trees are not leafed out, PEPCO's tree contractor should be able to be more selective in the branches that are removed resulting in more conservative pruning.
  - In addition, pruning will also have the effect of being less visually stark as it would be if the trees had leaves on them.

#### **Washington Gas Main Replacement:**

- Washington Gas has submitted for permit review its plans to replace one of the two gas mains located under Bradley Lane.
- The second and larger gas main must remain as low pressure as it serves homes in the District of Columbia, which has yet to begin its conversion to a higher services pressure.
- Staff will present for the Board's consideration and approval the pavement restoration agreement between the Village and Washington Gas. The agreement is structured the same as the executed agreements with WSSC and Washington Gas as part of their previous replacement projects.
- Work to upgrade the main is scheduled to begin in mid-October and last approximately 1 month.
- Prior to starting the work, notice will be distributed to affected residents as well as being posted to the Village website and blast e-mails.

#### **Western Grove Park Development:**

- Full site construction activities on the site are in full swing.
- To date, enough money has been fundraised and/or pledged to fully fund the construction of the park.
- Currently, the park contractor is installing the interior exposed aggregate concrete pathways, fountain wall and footers for the seating plaza.
- Overall work is proceeding on schedule, with anticipated completion scheduled for February 2017, weather permitting.

#### **WSSC:**

##### ***Laurel Park Sewer Rehabilitation:***

- Work is set to begin to rehabilitate to sewer main that bisects Laurel Park on Monday, September 12.
- Barring an emergency, such as a pipe collapse or rupture, all work within the park and on private property will be conducted by rehabbing from inside the sewer main (trenchless).
- As part of the work, WSSC will be installing a new manhole in the roadway on Laurel Parkway in order to provide access for the rehab work.

- As part of the work a section of Laurel Parkway between West Melrose Street and the driveway at 5 West Lenox Street will be closed to traffic during the work day but will reopen each evening.
- Weather permitting work should be completed within 2 - 3 weeks.
- Notice of the work and what to expect have been delivered to all abutting residents and posted to the Village website and blast e-mail.

***Water/Sewer Main Replacement (5500 block of Western Avenue):***

- Right of entry agreements have been received by all 17 properties.
- Accordingly, survey work is ongoing. Once the survey work is completed, WSSC and their contracted engineering firm will conduct an alignment study to determine if the mains can be relocated out of the rear-yards.
- Following the alignment study, WSSC and the Village will once again meet with affected residents to discuss the findings and the recommended course for replacement.
- Replacement activities still would not take place until the spring of 2018.

# Memo

**To:** Chevy Chase Village Board of Managers  
**From:** Melissa Wiak, Community Liaison/Administrative Assistant  
**CC:** Shana R. Davis-Cook, Village Manager  
**Date:** September 6, 2016  
**Re:** Village Hall Use for July & August 2016

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Below is a chart that reflects the type and frequency of events held in the Village Hall during the month of July & August 2016:

Type of Event	Number of Uses	Total Net Revenue
Rentals (Private Events) —Non-profit farewell banquets	2	\$225
Community Use —Board of Managers' Monthly Meeting; Board of Managers Special Meeting; Western Grove Park Friends Group meeting	3	\$0.00
Fee Waiver Use/Public Use —Chevy Chase @ Home Events (4); Section 5 Monthly Meeting	5	\$0.00