



HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

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Date: Dec. 13, 2018

MEMORANDUM

TO: Diane Schwartz Jones
Department of Permitting Services

FROM: Brian Crane
Historic Preservation Section
Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission

SUBJECT: Historic Area Work Permit #858017: Retroactive Tree Removal

The Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) has reviewed the attached application for a Historic Area Work Permit (HAWP). This application was **Approved with conditions** at the Dec. 5, 2018 Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) meeting.

1. The applicant shall prepare documentation that should include, at a minimum, a detailed map and inventory of character defining trees, plantings, gravestones, statuary, fences and other landscape features that contribute to the overall significance of the historic site and are an integral part of its environmental setting.
2. The applicant shall prepare a landscape maintenance plan that evaluates the health of trees and plantings within the cemetery, identifies invasive trees and vegetation, and provides recommendations for pruning, removal, and replanting as necessary to maintain the environmental setting and historical character of the cemetery. This plan must be reviewed by Staff prior to any further tree removal or landscaping as mentioned in the application. Staff recommends that the inventory and maintenance plan be developed by a landscape architect.
3. The applicant shall use the least disruptive technique for any future tree removal in order to avoid inappropriate changes to the environmental setting. Use the smallest machinery that can accomplish the task safely. Avoid moving stones unless necessary. Where it is unavoidable, care must be used to move stones without damaging them. The original location should be clearly marked so that it can be returned to its original place and orientation. Spraying herbicides should be avoided as these can damage gravestones.

The HPC staff has reviewed and stamped the attached project drawings.

THE PERMIT FOR THIS PROJECT SHALL BE ISSUED CONDITIONAL UPON ADHERENCE TO THE ABOVE APPROVED HAWP CONDITIONS AND MAY REQUIRE APPROVAL BY DPS OR ANOTHER LOCAL OFFICE BEFORE WORK CAN BEGIN.





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Applicant: Montgomery County Humane Society, Inc. (Brian Donnelly, Agent)
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This HAWP approval is subject to the general condition that the applicant will obtain all other applicable Montgomery County or local government agency permits. After the issuance of these permits, the applicant must contact this Historic Preservation Office if any changes to the approved plan are made. Once work is complete the applicant will contact Brian Crane at 301.563.3402 or brian.crane@montgomeryplanning.org to schedule a follow-up site visit.

