\_\_14201 Layhill Rd John R. Champayne Farmhouse, 27/12

Subject: Entry Type: 14201 Layhill Road - Site Visit

Start: End: Mon 1/23/2006 1:00 PM Mon 1/23/2006 1:00 PM

**Duration:** 

0 hours

Categories:

Site Visit

Responded:

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Met on site with David Wigglesworth with Development Review Enforcement, ArborCare, Inc (Steve Castrogiovanni & Paula). Francisco Guzman, owner, was on site and participated in some of the conversation.

ArborCare tested the soil compaction of the trees around the house and determined that they were all quite compacted. He made verbal recommendations regarding the removal of dirt, debris & construction materials from the area around the trees; regarding vertical mulching and aeration; and tree protection fences.

David requested ArborCare to prepare a proposal for the tree care which will include vertical mulching and dead wood removal. The proposal will be faxed to David who will fax it to Elizabeth Herrity (Magruder Co.). Ms. Herrity may elect to choose another tree service to do the work, but this is who was out the 1st time, so that is why ArborCare was contacted. Magruder will be responsible for the tree care, whether it be performed by Arbor Care or another company.

Mr. Guzman was instructed to remove all of the debris, dirt and construction materials away from the trees and onto the area behind the house. He was shown the areas where the fencing will be installed and where access to the house will be. Mr. Guzman will be responsible for the tree protection fence which will be installed by Arbor Care.

Questions posed by Mr. Guzman about drainage and the reseeding of the land were not answered. When contacted by Steve (Arbor Care) in approx. a week, to inspect the tree protection fence, a meeting with Tom Woodhouse (DPS) will be scheduled to discuss sediment control issues. That is under the authority of Mr. Woodhouse (DPS). The pile of dirt near Layhill Road that straddles the property lines will also be addressed.

Mr. Guzman was informed that the oil barrels and buckets he pulled up from the basement were in violation of state law (Clean Water Act). He was urged by David & myself to call a company to have it removed before he is fined.

The hole for the areaway has been expanded since the end of December, but was not of concern to the arborist. Water was pooling in the bottom and per Tom Woodhouse's instruction (Sediment Control Inspector, DPS), he will be installing a drain that feeds to the sump pump.

I advised Mr. Guzman to put gutters on the porch roof. Water is splashing up on to the porch floor.

-Tania Tully with corrections by David Wigglesworth

Subject:

Francisco Guzman

**Entry Type:** 

Meeting

Start: End: Wed 3/15/2006 3:00 PM Wed 3/15/2006 4:00 PM

**Duration:** 

1 hour

Categories:

Staff Consult

Met with Mr. Guzman at the office to explain the Commissio's comments from the previous meeting. He will be insetting the addition 10-12" on each side. I explained the amount of flexibility that he has on the interior with respect to making the

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Francisco Guzman

kitchen work. He plans to submit for a 2nd prelimibary on April 11th.

From:

Tully, Tania

Sent:

Tuesday, October 03, 2006 3:54 PM

To:

Eileen McGuckian (E-mail)

Subject:

Champayne House & Window Help

#### Eileen-

Here is the information I promised. The wood window list also contains some local places I was looking at this spring. I've copied (below) an email from an applicant also.

Two of the files are approval memos, one is my staff report for the most recent meeting where the case was heard, one has notes I took off of the approved Site Plan for the development, and two are meeting transcripts.

Thank you for the update.











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Thanks - Jerry McKoon "

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#### Mansionization Conference a Huge Success

The gorgeous weather on April 9 meant that Washington Grove, "the town in a forest," could fully work its magic on the more than 100 participants who attended MPI's 2nd Annual Mansionization Conference. The large windows of the octagonal McCathran Hall ensured that the town's natural and architectural wonders inspired those who came to learn about mansionization's impacts to the built and natural environments and discover how Montgomery County and other jurisdictions are addressing this problem. Everyone listened, and many asked questions and took detailed notes about the wealth of available information. Since the conference, I have heard only praise for the program and the hospitality and tour of Washington Grove.

Thanks to a Washington Post article printed a week earlier, our county-wide conference became a regional event as residents of Alexandria and Annapolis, Howard and Washington counties, and officials from Arlington and Prince George's counties attended. Officials from Montgomery County, the cities of Gaithersburg and Rockville, the towns of Glen Echo, Kensington and Washington Grove, and 15 local civic associations and county groups made for an impressive representation of the County. The City of Rockville

alone sent 12 staff and officials!

This diverse turnout may explain the biggest surprise of the event: five of our County's nine Councilmembers who attended or were represented stated that they would give serious consideration to proposals related to mansionization. This is a remarkable change of attitude, as efforts to make small changes have languished since 1996.

The next step will be for the County to establish an official working group and for interested organizations to continue their commitment to make this group effective. The City of Rockville and Arlington County are working towards substantial changes. The City of Annapolis has had conservation districts for 15 years. MPI will look to these three jurisdictions for assistance.

Should MPI decide to plan a 3rd Annual Mansionization Conference, perhaps the attendance that doubled from 50 to 100 from the first to the second conferences will double again to 200 in 2006, and the call for change will be more compelling than ever.

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#### **June 3 Preservation Awards** Reception Features Diverse Sites, Projects

Nominations for the 2005 Montgomery County Awards for Historic Preservation include a selection of diverse projects and sites, including a History Park, restoration of historic outbuildings, outstanding house restoration and additions, the Penn Place restoration, Smithville Colored School, and others. MPI's host site, the AIA award winning Thomas Cannery, has also been nominated and will be open for tours.

The Cannery was the largest vegetable canning plant in Montgomery County in its time. Listed in the National Register of Historic Places, its restoration has been praised by AIA Maryland for its use of materials and design.

Awards will be presented on Friday, June 3, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., at the Thomas Cannery project, 3 East Diamond Avenue, Gaithersburg.

The formal presentation of projects and awards will be followed by a reception with light supper. Tickets are \$15 (\$10 MPI members) per person. For reservations, call Judy Christensen. 240/314-8232; for information, www.montgomerypreservation.org

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#### Introducing ~ The Champayne House ~

Layhill Road, Silver Spring, Maryland

On March 23, 2005, MPI received title to the Champayne house, with one acre, from Magruder/ eed Communities at Layhill LLC, which is developing single family houses nearby. MPI immediately engaged Oak Grove Designs to stabilize the house by shoring up a collapsed rear wall. It is MPI's intention to protect the property with an easement and convey it to a new owner

who will restore and properly care for it. This L-shaped frame farmhouse is one of the few remaining in the Layhill area, representing the predominantly agricultural economy of Montgomery County in this period. The original center hall plan house was constructed about 1860, followed by a rear addition prior to John Champayne's death n 1880. The house was designated on Montgomery County's Master Plan for Historic Preservation in 2002. Inquiries may be directed to Eileen McGuckian, 301/468-7331.



Front (West) and side (south) elevations of house. Front windows are 2/2, reflecting a Victorianeriod renovation. Door in the south elevation is thought to be for removal of a coffin during a wake. Note porch, gable windows, and chimneys.



Rear (East) elevation of house, showing 1870-80 rear ell with two-story porch and one-story shed entry, both of which were heavily modified. Aluminum siding now covers the original plain wood



The staircase in the entry hall, with turned newel post and spindles and paneled understair, is an original feature that MPI wishes to retain.



window and fireplace surround, matching others in house. Baseboard trim is beaded, door/window trim has consistent "stepped" configuration. These original features are desirable to retain.



Detail, at second floor, of banister leading to attic a plastered interior space with a ceiling height of approximately 6' at ridge line. The railing height is notably shorter than that of the rail from the first to second floor. Note the heart pine floors and the results of two years of vacancy.

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#### MPI Welcomes New

#### B & O Station Manager

Marilyn Slatick, a native of the Washington area, is succeeding Nancy Urban as manager of MPI's Silver Spring B&O Railroad Station. An active participant in the restoration of the station, Marilyn has a long-time interest in history, enjoying genealogy, local history, and archaeology. She is active with the Woodside Park Civic Association and is secretary of the Silver Spring Historical Society.

Marilyn will continue the station's open houses on the first Saturday of the month (April through December) from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Volunteers from MPI and the Silver Spring Historical Society are needed to serve as hosts. Open houses provide an opportunity for the public to tour the awardwinning restoration of the station, which is downtown Silver Spring's only National Register listed site. Shifts are from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., or 12:30 to 3 p.m. Call Marilyn, 301/588-2392, or leave a message at the station, 301/495-4915, if you are interested in volunteering.

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## President's Message

Although I've said this about previous years, 2005 really is shaping up to be MPI's best year. After more than two years of effort, we finally went to settlement on the Champayne House on March 23. Initial stabilization of this 1860s building is being completed and we have several interested buyers. The proceeds of the sale of this locally-designated historic farmhouse will become the basis of an endowment that will provide funds for MPI to hire a part-time staff person, allowing volunteers more efficient use of their time.

The overwhelming success of our second Mansionization Conference firmly establishes in many more people's minds that MPI and historic preservationists really do know a lot about community preservation and have much in common with civic associations and interests. Since preserving historic and non-historic communities requires preserving both the natural and built elements, MPI is becoming recognized as more of an environmentally-minded organization, which is why we continue to have so much in common with environmental groups in the County. The recent nomination of Sligo Creek Park to MPI's 11 Most Endangered Sites list by an architect who specializes in preservation underscores that "natural" relationship. This timely nomination is enhanced by the recent additional documentation that supports Sligo Creek Parkway and the Park's many related structures as eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

MPI is trying something new this year at its Awards ceremony. In addition to awarding and celebrating noteworthy preservation projects and preservationists around the County, we will recognize the building industry for its contributions, both past and present. You will hear about the recent generosity of builders toward historic preservation, and will also learn about those builders who helped create the County's Charles Goodman-designed communities in the 1950s, which were recently placed in the National Register. We will invite members of the building industry to attend the Awards ceremony to show them that today's generosity to historic preservation will be readily acknowledged and that present development practices could become part of their cultural and historical legacy tomorrow, long after they

have completed projects and moved on to the next, but perhaps within their lifetimes.

As MPI continues to support the creation of additional coalitions and facilitate existing ones, it will work harder to bring about enhanced protection for additional historic resources, strengthen historic preservation public policies, and increase community resources.

## Wayne Goldstein

## MPI Bids Fond Farewell to Nancy Urban

Nancy Urban jumped in to rescue the B&O Station when it was damaged by a car in 1997. Through her involvement in planning, funding, and construction she ensured high restoration standards.

When the Station reopened in 2002, she accepted the job of Station Manager, handling tenant relations, event rentals and supervision, custodial care, and open houses.

She has also served for the past four years as MPI's Treasurer. MPI wishes her well in her upcoming move to Florida. Her dedication, passion, and efficiency will be missed by all.

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month, 7:30 p.m., Montgomery County

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commemorating the 50th anniversary of the

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march through Rockville, Reenactors, exhibits,

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#### **Montgomery Transitions**

Silver Spring's Falkland Apartments Listed on Locational Atlas

by Mary Reardon

The New Deal-era Falkland Apartments, occupying 22 acres in downtown Silver Spring, are now listed on Montgomery County's Locational Atlas and Index of Historic Sites. The Planning Board voted on March 31 to list the buildings, following a lively public hearing. Organizations testifying in favor of Atlas listing included MPI, Silver Spring Historical Society (SSHS), Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission, Preservation Maryland, Montgomery County Civic Federation, and Maryland Native Plant Society. Richard Longstreth, former president of the Society of Architectural Historians, also spoke in favor of Atlas listing for Falkland. Letters of support from the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the Sterra Club of Montgomery County, architectural historians Isabelle Gournay and Ralph Bennett, and Best Addresses author James M. Goode were read into the record.

The Colonial Revival-style Falkland, constructed between 1936 and 1938, was the first garden apartment complex in Montgomery County. It was the first large-scale rental housing complex in the state to have a mortgage backed by the Federal Housing Administration—and one of the first 10 in the nation. It is among the pioneering housing complexes in the U.S. that applied English Garden City principles of design and site planning to create pleasant, affordable rental housing. Construction followed the contours of the land, and featured low-rise building with ample green space.

SSHS and MPI spearheaded the effort to list Falkland on the Locational Atlas, generating support from community and environmental groups as well as preservationists. And last year, SSHS and MPI last year nominated Falkland to the National Register of Historic Places. At this writing, the Falkland owners intended to follow

through with a legal challenge to the Planning Board's decision, and the National Register nomination cannot move forward until the case is settled or the challenge dropped. But for now, Falkland is safe. While listing on the County's Locational Atlas does not provide full legal protection, it does mean that no major alteration or demolition can occur without another public hearing.



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2	MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
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4	X
5	PRELIMINARY CONSULTATION - : 14201 Layhill Road :
6	: X
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8	A meeting in the above-entitled matter was held on March 8,
9	2006, commencing at 7:42 p.m., in the MRO Auditorium at 8787 Georgia
10	Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910, before:
11	COMMISSION CHAIRMAN
12	Julia O'Malley
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14	COMMISSION MEMBERS
15	Timothy Duffy
16	David Rotenstein Warren Fleming
17	Nuray Anahtar Jeff Fuller (acting chair)
18	Caroline Alderson Tom Jester
19	Lee Burstyn
20	ALSO PRESENT:
21	Tania Tully
22	Michele Oaks Gwen Wright
23	Anne Forthergill
24	
25	

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#### 1 PROCEEDINGS

- 2 MR. FULLER: Good evening. I'd like to welcome you to the March
- 3 8th of the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission. I would
- 4 like to ask staff have these HAWPs been duly advertised?
- MS. FOTHERGILL: Yes, they were advertised in the Montgomery
- 6 Examiner on February 22nd, 2006.
- 7 MR. FULLER: Okay. 14201 Layhill Road. Do we have a staff
- 8 report?
- 9 MS. TULLY: Yes. I'm pulling up the images. 14201 Layhill Road
- 10 in Silver Spring is a master plan designated site, the John R. Champayne
- 11 Farmhouse. It is, we have three bay, two and a half story L-shaped
- 12 farmhouse that no longer sits on farmland but is part of a new development.
- 13 The house sits very far back on the lot. The Commission has seen this
- 14 property in for a couple of historic area work permits. But this including
- 15 just rebuilding an existing rear shed. This preliminary consultation is to
- 16 discuss expanding the rear shed or basically making a larger addition in
- 17. order to accommodate a kitchen or something of that sort.
- The applicant did learn after the lot is actually a through lot,
- 19 so rather than having the 30 foot setback that he initially thought he had
- 20 he has 40 feet. So the addition cannot actually be any deeper than the
- 21 existing shed without, shed addition without going through and getting a
- 22 variance. I'll start by just reminding the Commission of the site with the
- 23 front elevation and the side. And this is taken from one of the now
- 24 internal streets within the development. And this is the existing
- 25 addition. Get a little bit of an idea of how it sits. This is about
- 26 halfway into the property. And this is just a graphic illustration of the

- 1 setback. And I just have some larger shots of the property showing sort of
- 2 how it sits with its neighbors and just how exposed the entire lot is at
- 3 this point.
- 4 So the applicant's proposal is to remove the existing one-story
- 5 shed roof addition and then construct a new larger one-story rear addition.
- 6 A couple of options were provided to the Commission for comment. In
- 7 looking at the different proposals, you know, staff keeping in mind that it
- 8 is an individually designated master plan site and subject to the highest
- 9 level of review.
- The idea of an addition staff is supportive of in kind. It's
- 11 something that was talked about while the property was for sale. There is
- 12 a non contributing 1930's addition which at this point the applicant is
- 13 keeping, but for which is indicated there has not been any concern, you
- 14 know, with the fabric of that part of the building.
- Options A and B which are shown on, well circle 9 and then
- 16 circle 11 are basically the same except for different window configuration.
- 17 They stretch across the entire rear facade of the house, slightly
- 18 insetting it from either side. It's a relatively, you know, simple
- 19 addition. I think as with any cases as designers forward, attention to
- 20 detail will be very important. Of the options, staff is comfortable with
- 21 this. I do know that the applicant is concerned that that option actually
- 22 does not give him the space that he is looking for and he would really
- 23 rather prefer option C which starts to, you know, which wraps around the
- 24 other side of the house. And staff's, you know, initial concern was with
- 25 the size of this and feeling like that it, you know sort of envelopes that
- 26 side of the house. And in looking at again talking with the applicant I

- 1 think one of the biggest issues staff has is that it actually extends out
- 2 past the Front portion of the historic house and which is done because now
- 3 it's incorporating the area way. In any case, the applicant is looking for
- 4 some quidance to find out in what direction he should continue as far as
- 5 refining his design. I think also with option C, you know, detail, any of
- 6 them details will be very important and certainly the roof will require
- 7 some thought.
- 8 And I'll be happy to answer any questions and the applicant is
- 9 here tonight to hear new wisdom.
- MR. FULLER: Questions for staff? Would the applicant please
- 11 come forward and state your name for the record.
- MR. ROTENSTEIN: I have a quick question for staff.
- MS. TULLY: Sure.
- 14 MR. ROTENSTEIN: Was a question of the encroachment or the
- 15 development behind this house ever dealt with in terms of whether they were
- 16 --
- MS. TULLY: Oh, the site plan --
- 18 MR. ROTENSTEIN: Yeah.
- MS. TULLY: -- violations. Yes, I've met with and spoken with
- 20 the sediment control inspector as well as with the site plan inspector with
- 21 Park and Planning and was provided some documents from the sediment control
- 22 inspector. And I haven't written the memo yet, but from what I can tell,
- 23 the development is responsible with putting it back according to their
- 24 sediment control permit. And that's the best I can tell at this point.
- 25 I'm not getting a whole lot of straight answers. The area behind the house
- 26 near the sidewalk apparently is the jurisdiction of the right-of-way

- 1 inspector. The area to the, if you're facing the back to the right of the
- 2 house where they've been installing, you know, utilities is the
- 3 responsibility of WSSC.
- 4 MR. FULLER: I guess the question I thought was the fact the
- 5 grading that was done on the back of the house really should have been
- 6 subject to a HAWP and they didn't come in for that.
- 7 MS. TULLY: Yeah --
- 8 MR. FULLER: And if it was put back to a sort of flatter
- 9 condition and if they built a retaining wall at the edge of the property or
- 10 something like that then the house would feel as if it had a little bit
- 11 nicer pad to sit on.
- MS. TULLY: Oh, I don't think it was ever actually much higher
- 13 than it is.
- MR. FULLER: Looks like it's graded off about three or four feet
- 15' towards the rear of the photographs.
- 16 MS. TULLY: Yeah, not having seen it prior to that I don't know.
- MS. WRIGHT: Yeah, the new road is definitely lower than what
- 18 used to be the backyard of the house. That's true --
- MR. FULLER: And my point is, I mean --
- 20 MS. WRÍGHT: But I think that that is out, the road itself is
- 21 outside the environmental setting. And so you're right, I mean I guess
- 22 they could have done the road and then just built a retaining wall. And
- 23 then there would have been a flat area. You're right, they probably should
- 24 have gotten a historic area work permit. But, you know, that was certainly
- 25 not this applicant's --
- MR. FULLER: No, it's not.

- 1 MS. WRIGHT: -- response.
- MS. TULLY: The development is currently under audit and I've
- 3 made my opinion clear to the site plan inspector and they're out for other
- 4 site plan violations though. I don't know. I just keep up on it.
- 5 MR. FULLER: That discussion really isn't directed for you, but
- 6 if you want to make a presentation.
- 7 MR. GUZMAN: I might be able to --
- 8 MS. TULLY: You might want to state your name for the record.
- 9 MR. FULLER: Please.
- 10 MR. GUZMAN: Francisco Guzman. I need to find out if I can get
- 11 the, my kitchen made there. I made a couple of drawings myself and then I
- 12 went to, Roger he's got his part today on how to use space. So the person
- 13 called me and told me he's going to another house. I just got it today.
- 14 Secondly, the drawing that I did, this, only got 7700 feet of -- it's
- 15 quite wide. I've got to find out how can I pull my kitchen. I've got
- 16 three drawings. I was trying to see if I could get also see. I understand
- 17 today the problem would be for that one would be we go too far out on the
- 18 side. So, I don't know, maybe we can, if I can get more space, maybe we
- 19 can cut out something, anything that can make me have kitchen at the house.
- 20 I'm willing to do anything to be done this. I need the space to make it.

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- MR. FULLER: Do we have questions of the applicant?
- MR. DUFFY: I have a question. The, well it's a comment and then
- 24 a question. The options A and B are very similar. And I agree with staff
- 25 that B is a good option, very appropriate. Option C is, there's very
- 26 little difference between A and B and then C is a big difference, a much

- 1 larger. It's not really complete. It doesn't have a roof on it. Did you
- 2 consider something in between option B and option C?
- 3 MR. GUZMAN: First the reason with the roof I did that myself.
- 4 Somehow I couldn't re-add a roof with that cut out there. And then you be
- 5 able to see inside. The other part is on B and C the only difference is on
- 6 the window.
- 7 MR. DUFFY: Right, between A and B.
- 8 MR. GUZMAN: -- the kind of cabinet on the wall. But then by
- 9 the time you all your appliances I would have 15, you know, spaces. It
- 10 would be long enough, wide enough just by that for the appliances. You can
- 11 leave real narrow the space. Plus another drawing but we didn't know about
- 12 the setback. That was the base we were trying to do. Find how the
- 13 setbacks for the room are I was working at. What I was, this if I can have
- 14 this sign hold the back side for my work. See if we can put, if I can
- 15 create something in this area it doesn't have to be all the way here. This
- 16 is the way to have the stairway -- we can maybe, if I can put something
- 17 small side on that one there I can put my kitchen this area.
- MR. DUFFY: Well, it seems to me that and maybe other
- 19 Commissioners might comment whether they agree or disagree. But, it seems
- 20 to me that it would be okay to have an addition that's larger than your
- 21 options A and B. The problem with C for one thing is that it comes too far
- 22 out. It, I wouldn't want to see it extend further than the wall of the
- 23 original house. So, in other words, so from the front you would not see
- 24 the new addition projecting pass. So, in other words I would be okay with
- 25 the addition coming further out than it is in A and B, just not as far as
- 26 it is in C, staying behind the line --

- 1 MR. GUZMAN: Make it like small with the --
- MR. DUFFY: Right, exactly. If it were flush with the front I
- 3 think that would be okay.
- 4 MS. WRIGHT: Well, let me just say one thing that was a concern
- 5 of ours is if you look at the pictures of the house is this was a house
- 6 with a very rear L. The back is very much of the character of the house.
- 7 And that back L probably had a porch, two story porch at one point which
- 8 has been covered over or enclosed. That's that little sloped area that you
- 9 see. But I think one of the things as staff that we were hoping to retain
- 10 some sense of is that original character of the house with an eye house in
- 11 front. I think the one you were just at was fine. If you could just leave
- 12 it at that. The eye house in front. The L off the back; the two story
- 13 closed porch and that those are really important original forms to the
- 14 house. If you start filling in the entire ground floor it becomes more of
- 15 a block rather than an L. And I guess we thought the L was sort of an
- 16 important feature.
- MR. FULLER: Recognize it's very small, but I even have, you
- 18 know, I think it's unfortunate to even have to take a complete shed across
- 19 that entire back section. Because as you said it was originally just a
- 20 single piece that came off and then there was the large flat section added
- 21 onto the side of that. And once you add a section across the back and you
- 22 said make it, it's amorphic. The isometrics really kind of show how it
- 23 climbs together.
- MR. JESTER: If I can just ask a question of the applicant.
- 25 Your, Commissioner Duffy was kind of looking at this as well but trying to
- 26 get a sense of what your needs are. And the idea is to put the kitchen in

- 1 the addition or to have an eat-in kitchen, place to sit?
- MR. GUZMAN: The first one the idea was not -- my crew was I can
- 3 take out was the not the original part and look to me it was okay to leave
- 4 it the way it is. And then when we start working at my drawing I run out
- 5 of space for the kitchen. And I made another drawing and I was to get the
- 6 kitchen on the back side. Unfortunately I don't have the setback. I
- 7 thought it was over, so everything was okay. I thought it was okay because
- 8 I went and did the paperwork and okay and it was ready to be approve maybe.
- 9 But then we enclose the space in the back so I don't have no rail. So I
- 10 come up with these new drawings to have a kitchen there.
- MR. JESTER: So you are, what you're suggesting is that you would
- 12 actually put the kitchen in this addition --
- MR. GUZMAN: Right.
- 14 MR. JESTER: -- in the back. I guess I think it would probably
- 15 be possible to put the addition across the back which is option B. But I
- 16 share the concerns raised by Ms. Wright about kind of enveloping the
- 17 original forms with that second piece coming around which is your option C.
- 18 And it's also just not clear how that would really work with an area way
- 19 or have as an existing condition.
- MR. GUZMAN: My understanding was from the beginning of this
- 21 property it was that part we have wasn't that important. The idea was that
- 22 we had to torn that part down and build the addition with the existing one.
- 23 Then they allowed us to keep most of the curry house. I didn't realize I
- 24 didn't have that much space. When I did this side you can see I got the
- 25 dining room and living room and the laundry and a -- there was no kitchen.
- The living room I was going to, when I took it down I was going to put out

- 1 for the laundry. So I changed that one there because I don't have a lot of
- 2 space. And I never was going to build it on the back side. I wanted the
- 3 side. When I saw what you say the side here because after I have this
- 4 space on the back.
- 5 MR. DUFFY: I understand why you were looking at the side. I
- 6 don't know why you would have looked at the back, but given the fact you
- 7 have a sight constraint I think that's one factor you have to take into
- 8 account. We have to take into account what the impact would be on the
- 9 addition of a historic building. I can't speak for everyone on the
- 10 Commission but I have a concern about putting a larger addition on the side
- 11 of the house.
- MS. WRIGHT: Well, let me just mention option B on circle 11
- 13 shows a room that is 7 feet, 7 inches deep by 23 feet 5 inches long.
- 14 That's a 176 square feet. That's not a small kitchen. If you look at the
- 15 previous preliminary consultation we just did on circle 11 for the new
- 16 house that's proposed in Brookeville and you look at the kitchen that the
- 17 previous applicant is looking at, it is virtually identical in size to the
- 18 addition that Mr. Guzman is looking at. So you can actually see in this
- 19 other application how a long linear kitchen works. You see circle 11 on
- 20 the packet that you just looked at. It shows a long linear kitchen. It
- 21 looks to me to be about 20 feet long and about 7 or 8 feet wide. And it
- 22 allows for double counter and walk through and an area for table and
- 23 chairs.
- MR. FULLER: I think the other one's got to be a lot wider. I
- 25 mean two counters and a walk through space --
- MS. WRIGHT: And it shows the whole width as being 40 feet in the

- 1 measured drawing from wall to wall. And so maybe it's 25 feet, but it's
- 2 not a whole lot more.
- 3 MR. FULLER: I mean --
- 4 MR. JESTER: It's close.
- 5 MR. FULLER: Seven and a half feet is a tough dimension for
- 6 double set of cabinets.
- 7 MS. ANAHTAR: Yeah, it gives you 43 in the middle between the
- 8 . counters.
- 9 MS. WRIGHT: So I guess what I'm sort of saying is once you lay
- 10 out the kitchen in option B and you lay out the counters and the cabinets,
- 11 maybe there have to be fewer windows. You actually have I think potential
- 12 to do a very nice kitchen with a place for table and chairs.
- 13 MR. GUZMAN: You said I don't have the same dimension?
- 14 MS. WRIGHT: It's he hasn't drawn all the dimensions. But if you
- 15 sort of look at the overall dimensions, it's very close to being about 20,
- 16 25 feet long and about 7 or 8 feet deep.
- MR. GUZMAN: I'm not concerned about the wideness, wide or not.
- 18 It's just the 7 that I got. And that's, I believe that's from the inside,
- 19 right.
- MS. ALDERSON: Is there any reason it can't extend out just a
- 21 little bit more?
- MS. WRIGHT: You'd have to get a variance.
- MS. ALDERSON: I see.
- MS. WRIGHT: He has a 40 foot setback from his rear property
- 25 line.
- MR. GUZMAN: And I didn't, we wasn't aware of that was the

- 1 setback. I didn't know the code. The setback is different now.
- 2 MR. BURSTYN: Is this going to be an eat-in kitchen or just a
- 3 cooking kitchen?
- 4 MR. GUZMAN: This is going to be a cook in kitchen. If you, if we
- 5 can find a way how to make it work.
- 6 MR. BURSTYN: And a dining area too?
- 7 MR. GUZMAN: No, no, the dining area on this side here. I don't
- 8 have the space, now you have to put a kitchen on that space. So anything I
- '9 can create will make it work I'm just go for. She said you guys based this
- 10 drawing here, I would like to check it out and see if I can make, I saw the
- 11 porch that I got at the house. And I got I think about a foot there. So I
- 12 went and measured them. This one is more.
- MS. ALDERSON: I think this is a question for staff. Do you have
- 14 any sense, precedent on possibility of getting a very minor variance, a
- 15 foot and a half?
- MS. WRIGHT: We can certainly do it. I mean I've seen variances
- 17 like that approved. But it is a somewhat long process to get on the Board
- 18 of Appeals calendar and so forth.
- MS. TULLY: And he would also have to get approval from the
- 20 homeowner's association which as I understand is not, is still being run by
- 21 the development company.
- MR. GUZMAN: Still being run by, like I tried to get the, for the
- 23 driveway, the lady in charge -- so now we close the place because they
- 24 using that one to the other houses. See how the other house was built.
- 25 She told me plain and simple -- she prefer me to wait a year and a half.
- 26 They prefer board and now I got platform. She not going to go for the

- 1 garage. She not going to go for the shed and she not going to go for the
- 2 rear entrance, curb cut.
- 3 MS. TULLY: Although actually you would have to go get permission
- 4 for the addition at all. Wouldn't you?
- 5 MR. GUZMAN: Yeah, also for addition.
- 6 MS. TULLY: Oh, so actually, never mind, that's not really
- 7 anything different with the difference. I mean I think as staff we could
- 8 support a couple feet deeper to, if it were necessary to avoid going on the
- 9 side.
- MR. GUZMAN: I would say four feet, you know, to pass through and
- 11 then cabinet, counter top, I don't know what you're using kitchen. Because
- 12 if I only got seven feet I cannot put the refrigerator. That's about 27
- 13 inches, going to come out more and you'll have to open the door --
- 14 MS. WRIGHT: Right, but you can do an L shaped kitchen like this.
- 15 It doesn't have to be a double loaded kitchen. You can do an L shaped
- 16 like that. And that way and you don't have any conflict with the walk,
- 17 your walk-in space in the kitchen.
- MR. FULLER: I think we're focusing a lot on the interior which
- 19 really is not a privy today. I think it is important that you end up with
- 20 an addition that you know can work. But I'd say why don't we poll the
- 21 Commission as it relates to the exterior design. There's three options in
- 22 front of us and let's just talk about those, pluses or minuses. Ms.
- 23 Alderson, do you want to start?
- MS. ALDERSON: A and B those are the ones that are conformed to
- 25 the rear L portion, I think both of those work. I would certainly, if you
- learned after you work in the layout that another foot or two feet will

- 1 make a tremendous difference, we, I would certainly support that as opposed
- 2 to spreading out onto the side.
- 3 MR. BURSTYN: I was wondering are you working with an architect
- 4 on this or where did you get the drawing?
- 5 MR. GUZMAN: I cannot afford that.
- 6 MR. BURSTYN: Where did you get these drawings?
- 7 MR. GUZMAN: I did it myself, those.
- 8 MR. BURSTYN: Uh-huh, on a computer?
- 9 MR. GUZMAN: Yeah.
- MR. BURSTYN: Uh-huh.
- 11 MR. GUZMAN: The computer. That's why I couldn't do the roof at
- 12 the end. I was running out of time and I couldn't make --
- MR. BURSTYN: Well --
- 14 MR. GUZMAN: -- and I tried. I mean I got good idea what I
- 15 want. I run construction.
- 16 MR. BURSTYN: Well, I would support something larger that's there
- 17 now, but certainly not as big as what you envision. So, I believe you need
- 18 to cut it back. And just as a small point and I think the L shape like
- 19 staff mentioned would be a great idea. And then also, recognize that in
- 20 your computer generated drawing of the structure that the rear door should
- 21 not be a sliding glass door.
- MR. GUZMAN: In here?
- MR. BURSTYN: When you get to designing the door, don't put in a
- 24 sliding glass door there.
- MR. GUZMAN: This -- kind of door?
- 26 MR. BURSTYN: Well you can work with staff on that.

- 1 MR. GUZMAN: Yeah.
- 2 MR. BURSTYN: But to use a sliding glass door on this property
- 3 would not be appropriate.
- 4 MR. GUZMAN: Actually if I can put, I thought it wasn't, if I get
- 5 a door, that gives more space for my kitchen. I thought it was good to
- 6 have a sliding door. That's why I put it. If I can put a door that's
- 7 better for me because it give me more space for my cabinets. And that's a
- 8 change I can --
- 9 MS. TULLY: Staff will work with the applicant on, you know, some
- 10 of these details once we get an idea from the Commission what size,
- 11 location you're willing to support. We'll work with him.
- MR. DUFFY: I'd like to, I'm sorry.
- MS. ANAHTAR: Well, since the addition on the side gives more
- 14 room for the kitchen which you desire I was thinking that if you make the
- 15 front addition smaller and just get the other part, that's below the gable
- 16 it will still emphasize that L shape, but put the addition at the corner,
- 17 to you know, just to wrap around the corner. It would give you more room
- 18 on the side.
- MR. DUFFY: I was sketching essentially the same thing.
- MS. ANAHTAR: Yeah.
- MR. DUFFY: I'd like to show this sketch to Mr. Guzman because I
- 22 think it might help him understand what we would be comfortable with. Let
- 23 me first ask you guys if you think this would be acceptable before I --
- 24 (Discussion off the record.)
- MS. WRIGHT: Some of this discussion we should probably have so
- 26 that it could be recorded in the transcript.

- MR. DUFFY: Why don't we finish going through the individuals and
- 2 cover it as we go back. Nuray, do you want to finish your comment? Was
- 3 that it?
- 4 MS. ANAHTAR: Well, that was it.
- 5 MS. ALDERSON: I think we skipped Commissioner Fleming.
- 6 MR. FLEMING: I'll hold my comment at this time.
- 7 MR. JESTER: I think what's been presented I think the option, I
- 8 think it's option B is probably close to the direction. I think you can
- 9 probably get a decent size kitchen in that space. And I would say if you
- 10 could maybe hold off the original end of the first L it might be a good
- 11 idea. And I'm not sure about a larger addition that wraps around the other
- 12 side. I think it might be preferable to try and hold it just to the part
- 13' that's on the back. And if you can get a variance to do something deeper
- 14 that's fine. But I think that may just be too time consuming and you might
- 15 find yourself, take a long time to get that through. So, might have an
- 16 easier time to work with what's available to you.
- 17 MR. FLEMING: I've got one question real quick. Does your
- 18 kitchen have to be in the back?
- MR. GUZMAN: Well, I can work, I mean if you can create something
- 20 it doesn't have to be the back. If I can put addition on the side --
- 21 MR. FULLER: Well, since you're going to the rear working within
- 22 a variance you're forced to an odd dimension that's a little bit tight for
- 23 a double loaded kitchen. I think the question is could you take one of the
- 24 interior rooms, turn that into the kitchen and turn one of the inter --
- 25 what you had planned as living space in the interior where you have the
- 26 added width. You have the more conventional arrangement.

- 1 MS. ALDERSON: What you have right now is that rear room that is
- 2 the kitchen now. Would it make more sense to leave that as the kitchen and
- 3 put something else in the back?
- 4 MR. GUZMAN: Maybe that's an idea that will work.
- 5 MR. ROTENSTEIN: Since we're just going down the line here I just
- 6 want to add my concern that you look closer at option B and if we were to
- 7 vote on a HAWP somewhere down the road I would be inclined to vote against
- 8 anything that compromises the rear L of this building any further. The
- 9 original L off the original eye house has been added to by this two-story
- 10 porch which was then enclosed. And then you have this rear shed addition.
- And it's a lot on the back of this building. And if anything can be put
- 12 back there I think it needs to preserve the original L plan in some form
- 13 rather than wrapping around additionally creating this blocky form. So, if
- 14 we're just going by what we have before us, option B is the direction to go
- 15 in
- 16 MR. DUFFY: I think I'm hearing what sounds like maybe three
- 17 items of direction. That if you came back meeting them we would probably
- 18 be comfortable. One is something like option B. And offset, in your floor
- 19 plan you show the addition slightly set in from the original house. If you
- 20 set it in a little bit more you'll be able to see that it's a different
- 21 wall and there will be a shadow line. There will be a distinct. Do you see
- 22 what I mean?
- MR. GUZMAN: Yeah, on the side?
- MR. DUFFY: Right. Make it slightly narrower. The second thing
- 25 that, and I think that if you get into laying the application, yes, it's
- 26 only 7 1/2, 7 feet 7 deep the space, but it's 23 1/2 feet long. So, I

- 1 think you could make an L shape kitchen that would work pretty well. So I
- 2 would suggest that you get into drawing maybe larger scale the kitchen
- 3 itself and you'll find that there's actually a lot of space in there. It's
- 4 just a narrow depth. So it will be an L or, you know, I shape and not
- 5 double load, if you follow me.
- 6 MR. GUZMAN: Yeah. Now on this particular, so my understanding
- 7 also the room door, I need to keep it, things the same, the same as the
- 8 existing house. If I, on those windows, I understand now the door can be
- 9 changed to a small one. But the window itself I will have to have them
- 10 show another -- in order for me to then put a cut. The counter, the -- is
- 11 on the wall side, the back side. In other words, the -- my window there
- 12 real low, the same way that the other one is about 26 inches elevation from
- 13 the floor. So I will need to put those windows smaller than the original
- 14 of the house in order for me to be able to put my counter top to that wall.
- MS. TULLY: I think, yeah, that's getting into the details and I
- 16 think the idea is not specifically staying with the size of what's in the
- original house but with the proportions so something that could be, you
- 18 know, could be smaller and higher, but more like the shape. I can show you
- 19 some examples.
- MR. FULLER: Just to finish up the comments from my perspective,
- 21 smaller is better. I completely agree whatever we can do to try to
- 22 maintain the visibility of the original piece of the L. The piece to the
- 23 left I think is important. I strongly suggest looking at pulling the
- 24 kitchen to the interior so that you're not forced to necessarily make it as
- 25 big as what you're looking at. And potentially the back right room will
- 26 make sense to become a kitchen because the width is almost ideal for a more

- 1 normal kitchen. And so at that point then you could let the rear, if you
- 2 wanted a sunroom or you wanted a, it could be a lighter element. It could
- 3 be something that doesn't detract necessarily as much from what would
- 4 happen to have to come in as a kitchen. Because if you go back there with
- 5 a kitchen, you're going to end up with an awful lot of solid walls. But,
- 6 personally I'd recommend that we recommend the applicant to come back with
- 7 another preliminary because I don't think we're that close.
- 8 MS. TULLY: Okay. That's fine. Staff is curious about the third
- 9 item that Commissioner Duffy was going to mention, or have you forgotten it
- 10 at this point?
- 11 MR. DUFFY: I forgot what it --
- MS. ALDERSON: My impression, I was looking at the floor plan
- 13 again and it does appear looking at this plan that this space here comes
- 14 much closer to meeting your wishes or layout, 14 feet long and 10 1/2 feet
- 15 wide. And that may be much more accommodating and maybe than another
- 16 space, a sitting space or something. It's going to be more flexible to put
- 17 into your rear addition. I think this is the space that Commissioner
- 18 Fuller was referring to, this one. It looks like it comes much closer to
- 19 meeting your desires for the kind of configuration that you'd like to have
- 20 in the kitchen.
- 21 MR. GUZMAN: So having, you know, the kitchen here and -- for
- 22 this side here?
- 23 MS. ALDERSON: It seems it might be easier because you have more
- 24 appliances and counter that you need to accommodate in this room. And the
- 25 other rooms you may have more flexibility with where you place things.
- MR. GUZMAN: Somewhere, I think I got more space here. Just have

- 1 to move the laundry to this side here. It doesn't get that much space.
- MS. ALDERSON: Fewer things in the laundry room.
- 3 MR. FULLER: So Tania, can you work with applicant --
- 4 MS. TULLY: Yes, I have a good idea of what the Commission is
- 5 looking for sideways and I can, I mean size wise. And I can work with the
- 6 applicant on preparing a second preliminary:
- 7 MR. FULLER: Okay. Thank you very much for coming in tonight.
- 8 MR. GUZMAN: And for the record, Ms. Tully help me a lot. I
- 9 think she have a lot of patience with me.
- MR. FULLER: Okay. Thank you, Tania. All right. Who has read
- 11 the minutes from February 8th? Whose name is on these?

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Met with Mr. Guzman at the office to explain the Commissio's comments from the previous meeting. He will be insetting the addition 10-12" on each side. I explained the amount of flexibility that he has on the interior with respect to making the

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kitchen work. He plans to submit for a 2nd prelimibary on April 11th.

#### PRELIMINARY

## HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Address:

14201 Layhill Rd, Silver Spring

**Meeting Date:** 

3/8/2006

Resource:

Master Plan Site #27/12

Report Date:

3/1/2006

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John R. Champayne Farmhouse

Public Notice:

2/22/2006

Applicant:

Francisco Guzman

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Review:

Preliminary Consultation

Tax Credit:

None

Case Number:

N/A

Staff:

Tania Tully

PROPOSAL:

partial demolition and rear addition

**RECOMMENDATION:** Revise and return

#### ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

SIGNIFICANCE:

Master Plan Site #27/12 John R. Champayne Farmhouse

STYLE:

Vernacular Farmhouse

DATE:

c1856-65

The Champayne house is a three-bay 2-½ story L-shaped farmhouse. It has a central second-story window with sidelights echoing the sidelights of the front door. The box cornice has gable returns and the hipped roof front porch spans the entire front. The frame house had eight rooms with an attic and a back building, as described in a trustee sale of 1880. A 2-story addition was constructed in the 1930s and the entire house was sheathed in aluminum siding in the 1950s. The house its at the rear of a deep 1 acre lot and is surrounded on three sides by a new development. The 20<sup>th</sup> century outbuildings were not included as part of the designation and have since been removed.

#### HISTORIC CONTEXT

Typical of Montgomery County houses dating from the mid-1900s, the Champayne House and its no longer standing blacksmith shop were at the center of the crossroads community of Layhill, today dominated by a shopping center. When John and Ell Champayne bought the 114-acre property in 1856, neighbor George Bonifant described it as "one of the roughest places in our district, there was no improvements on it, it was mostly covered with pine." Over the next few years, John cleared the land, and built a dwelling, stable, corncrib and other necessary outbuildings. Ell's family, the Bealls, furnished most of the lumber for the outbuildings and fencing. John also built a blacksmith shop that became the center of the developing crossroads community of Layhill. By the time of Ell's death in 1874, Bonifant stated that "the land generally and everything else about it has been improved as much as anyplace in the neighborhood comparatively, during the time Champayne lived on it."

#### PROPOSAL:

- Remove existing 1-story shed roof addition.
- Construct a new, larger 1-story rear addition.

## APPLICABLE GUIDELINES:

Proposed alterations to individual Master Plan Sites are reviewed under Montgomery County Code Chapter 24A (Chapter 24A) and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. Rehabilitation is defined as the act or process of making possible a compatible use for a property through repair, alterations, and additions while preserving those portions or features, which convey its historical, cultural, or architectural values.

## Montgomery County Code; Chapter 24A

- A HAWP permit should be issued if the Commission finds that:
  - 1. The proposal will not substantially alter the exterior features of a historic site or historic resource within a historic district.
  - 2. The proposal is compatible in character and nature with the historical archaeological, architectural or cultural features of the historic site or the historic district in which a historic resource is located and would not be detrimental thereto of to the achievement of the purposes of this chapter.

## Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation:

- 9. New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction will not destroy historic materials, features, and spatial relationships that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and will be compatible with the historic materials, features, size, scale and proportions, and massing to protect the integrity of the property and its environment.
- 10. New additions and adjacent or related new construction will be undertaken in such a manner that, if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.

### STAFF DISCUSSION

The Champayne House is an individual Master Plan site and subject to the highest level of review.

The applicant has already been issued a HAWP for this property. The existing HAWP approved removal of the aluminum siding, limited window replacement, rebuilding and redirection of the basement areaway, a curb cut, various rehabilitation work items, and the concept of a shed and garage. The applicant is now seeking to place a slightly larger addition onto the rear of the house. Due to the rear setback (Circle 20), the addition cannot be any closer to the rear property line than the existing shed addition. Therefore, the applicant is proposing three alternate designs that extend along the back of the house (Circles 7-16).

Staff is supportive of the proposal in concept. The shed roof addition is not historic and is attached to the non-contributing 1930s addition (Circle 19). Because this property is a through lot and the house sits very near the rear of the lot, its rear elevation is also its face to the new development resulting in high visibility of all sides. That and the 1930s addition make any further expansion of this house a challenge. In evaluating the proposed additions, Staff treated the elevations as they were historically – the primary elevation being the one facing onto Layhill Road, the two side elevations as secondary, and the rear having tertiary significance (Circles 17 & 18). All three of the design options are appropriately only 1-story in height.

#### Options A & B

Existing	7'11"x7'10"	= 62 sq ft
Proposed	7'10"x23'5"	= 183.43 sq ft

Options A & B differ only in the window configuration and each essentially widens the existing space across the entire rear façade of the house. The new addition would be slightly inset from the existing structure and proposes no additional openings in the existing building (The window on the  $1^{st}$  floor of the east wall of the 1880s addition is already approved). The increase in lot coverage is minimal and the shed roof is not objectionable. Of the two options, Option B is more compatible due to the greater number of openings and thus a lighter visual mass (Circles 11-13).

The details of the design will be very important in ensuring compatibility. The windows, whether banked or single, will need to have the same vertical proportion as those in the historic house, and have appropriately sized trim. The horizontal siding, preferably wood, will need to match the exposure of the original under the existing aluminum, though matching the profile is unnecessary. The connection of the addition to the house is also important and staff recommends that the aluminum siding be removed prior to construction of the new addition so that the roof the addition will fall below the re-installed trim boards.

With some tweaking and clarifications, staff could support an addition similar to *Option B*. The applicant will need to work with staff and an architect to ensure accuracy of the drawings and to clarify details and materials prior to submitting for a HAWP.

#### Option C

Existing	7'11"x7'10"	= 62  sq ft	
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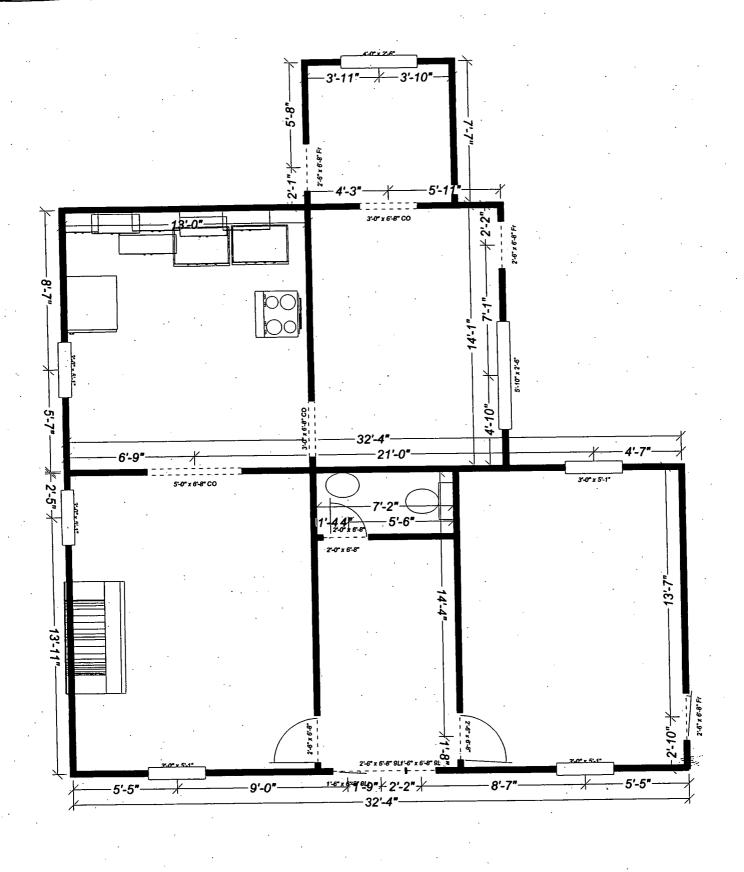
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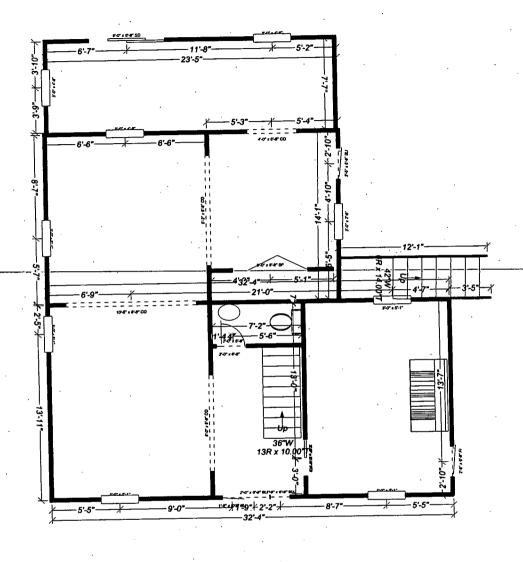




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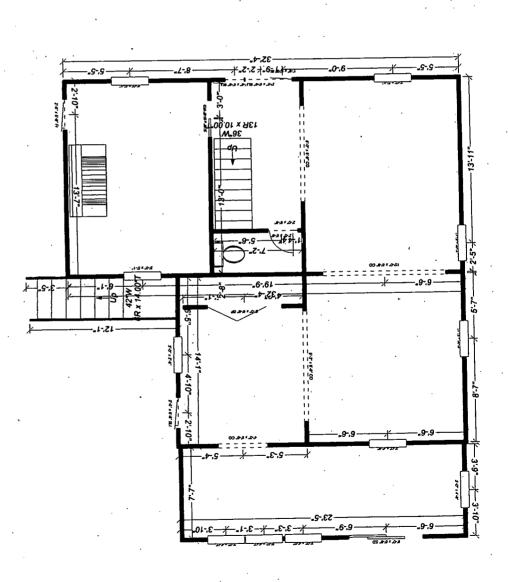
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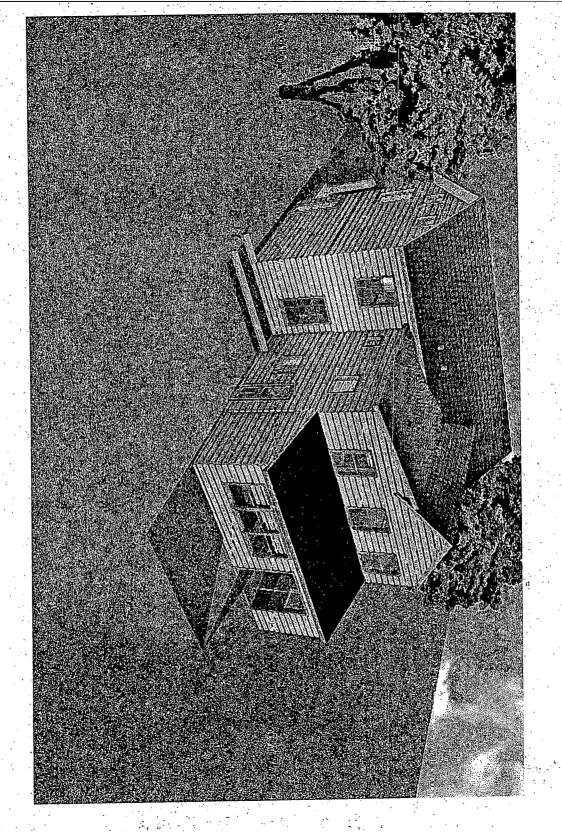




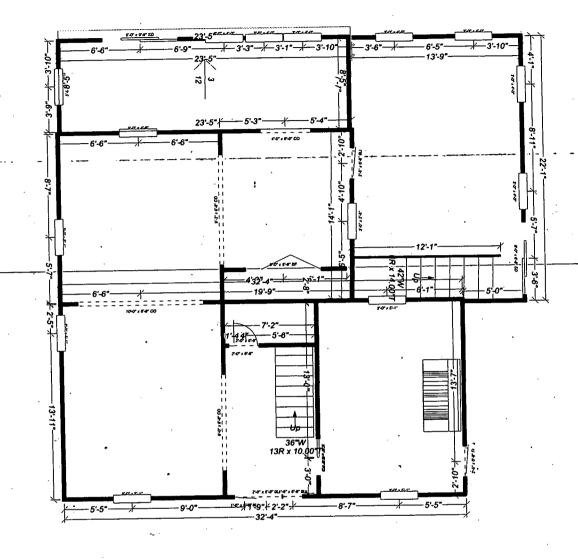
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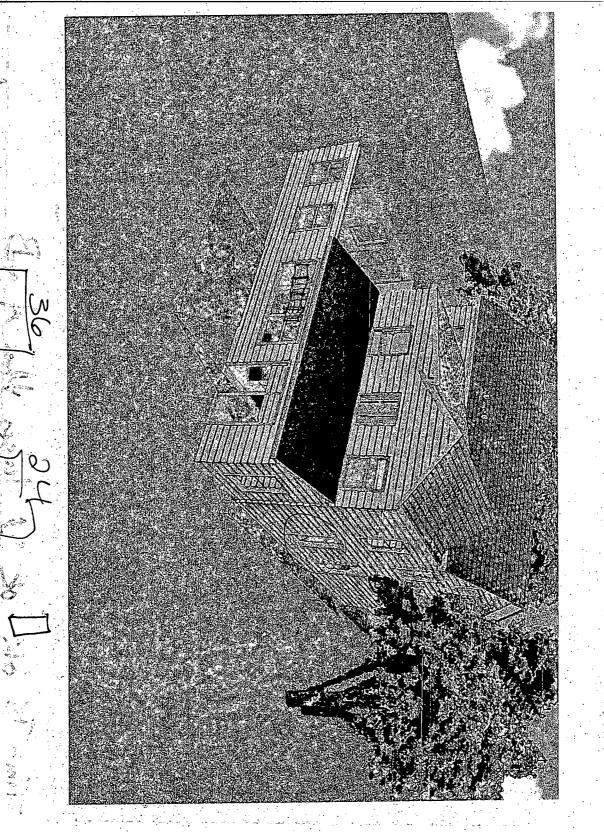






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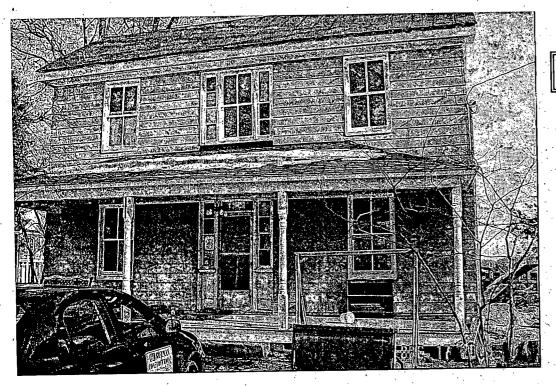
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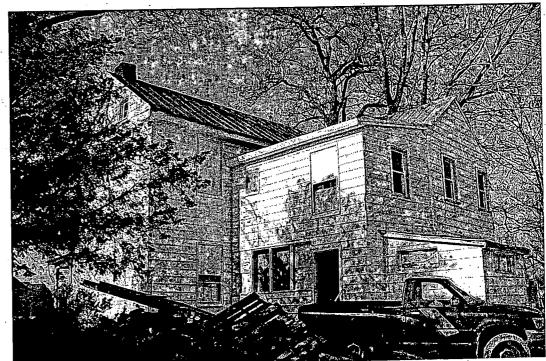
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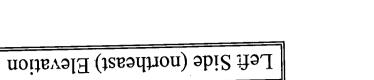
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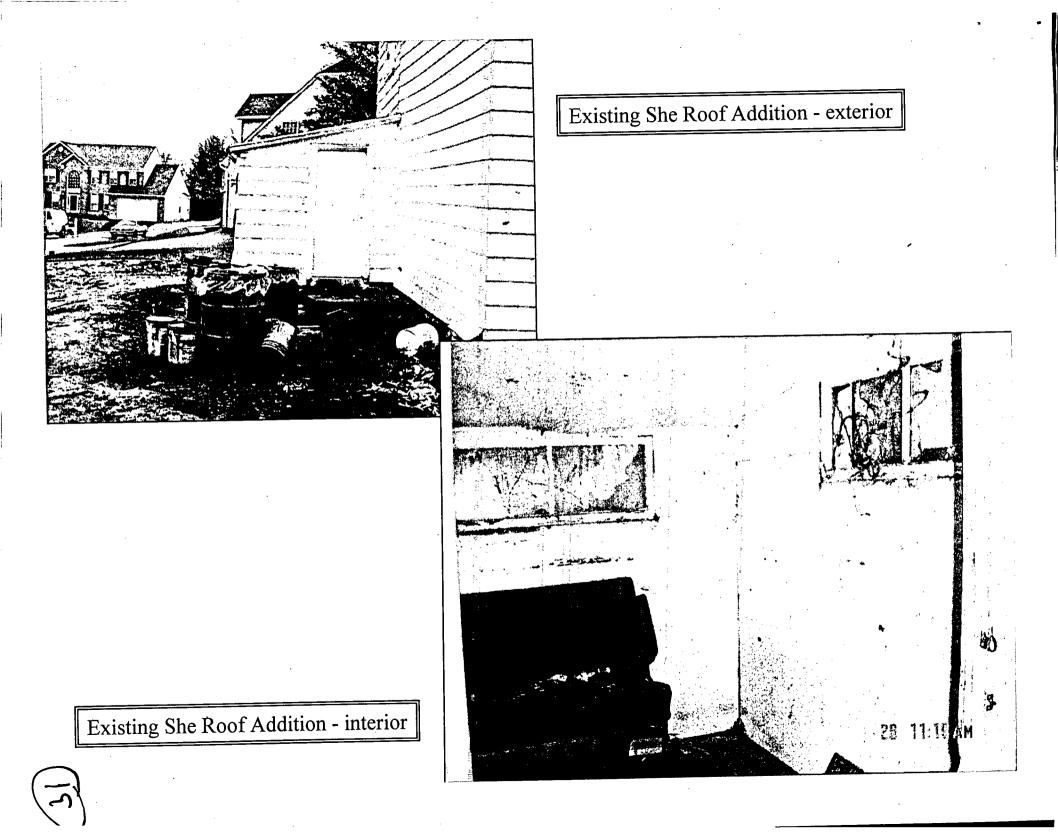
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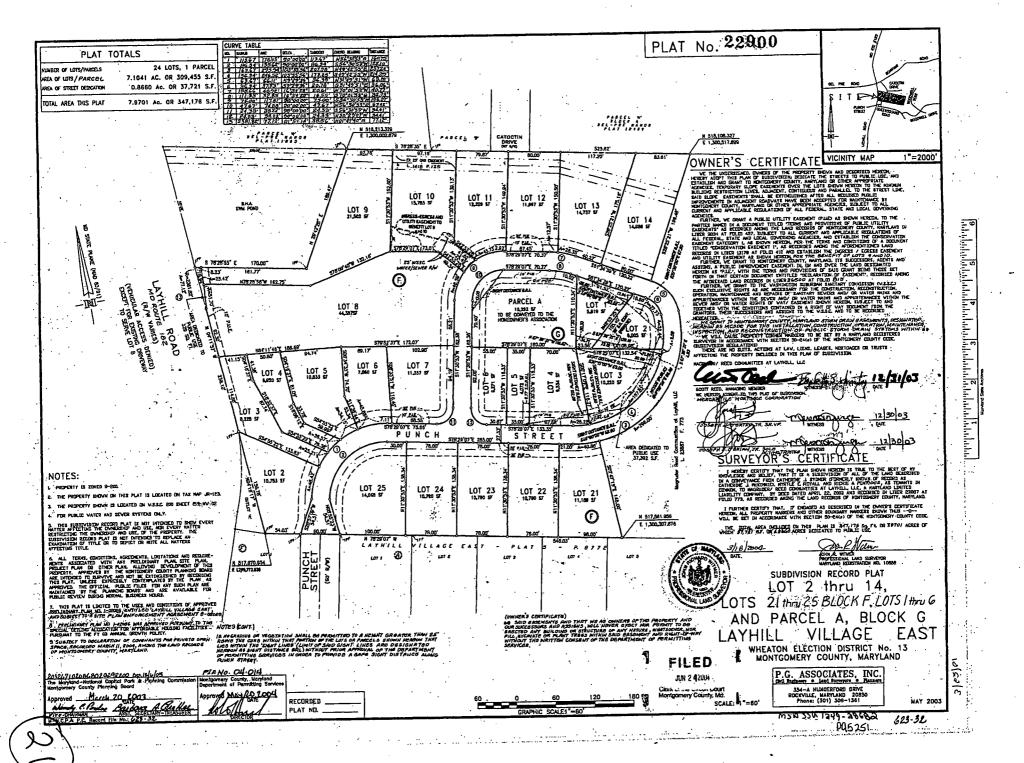




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### PRELIMINARY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

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14201 Layhill Rd, Silver Spring

**Meeting Date:** 

3/8/2006

Resource:

Master Plan Site #27/12

Report Date:

3/1/2006

John R. Champayne Farmhouse

**Applicant:** 

Francisco Guzman

**Public Notice:** 

2/22/2006

Review:

**Preliminary Consultation** 

Tax Credit:

None

Case Number:

N/A

Staff:

Tania Tully

PROPOSAL:

partial demolition and rear addition

**RECOMMENDATION:** Revise and return

### ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

SIGNIFICANCE:

Master Plan Site #27/12 John R. Champayne Farmhouse

STYLE:

Vernacular Farmhouse

DATE:

c1856-65

The Champayne house is a three-bay 2-1/2 story L-shaped farmhouse. It has a central second-story window with sidelights echoing the sidelights of the front door. The box cornice has gable returns and the hipped roof front porch spans the entire front. The frame house had eight rooms with an attic and a back building, as described in a trustee sale of 1880. A 2-story addition was constructed in the 1930s and the entire house was sheathed in aluminum siding in the 1950s. The house its at the rear of a deep 1 acre lot and is surrounded on three sides by a new development. The 20<sup>th</sup> century outbuildings were not included as part of the designation and have since been removed.

### HISTORIC CONTEXT

Typical of Montgomery County houses dating from the mid-1900s, the Champayne House and its no longer standing blacksmith shop were at the center of the crossroads community of Layhill, today dominated by a shopping center. When John and Ell Champayne bought the 114-acre property in 1856, neighbor George Bonifant described it as "one of the roughest places in our district, there was no improvements on it, it was mostly covered with pine." Over the next few years, John cleared the land, and built a dwelling, stable, corncrib and other necessary outbuildings. Ell's family, the Bealls, furnished most of the lumber for the outbuildings and fencing. John also built a blacksmith shop that became the center of the developing crossroads community of Layhill. By the time of Ell's death in 1874, Bonifant stated that "the land generally and everything else about it has been improved as much as anyplace in the neighborhood comparatively, during the time Champayne lived on it."

### **PROPOSAL:**

- Remove existing 1-story shed roof addition.
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Proposed alterations to individual Master Plan Sites are reviewed under Montgomery County Code Chapter 24A (Chapter 24A) and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. Rehabilitation is defined as the act or process of making possible a compatible use for a property through repair, alterations, and additions while preserving those portions or features, which convey its historical, cultural, or architectural values.

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### STAFF DISCUSSION

The Champayne House is an individual Master Plan site and subject to the highest level of review.

The applicant has already been issued a HAWP for this property. The existing HAWP approved removal of the aluminum siding, limited window replacement, rebuilding and redirection of the basement areaway, a curb cut, various rehabilitation work items, and the concept of a shed and garage. The applicant is now seeking to place a slightly larger addition onto the rear of the house. Due to the rear setback (Circle 20), the addition cannot be any closer to the rear property line than the existing shed addition. Therefore, the applicant is proposing three alternate designs that extend along the back of the house (Circles 7-16).

Staff is supportive of the proposal in concept. The shed roof addition is not historic and is attached to the non-contributing 1930s addition (Circle 19). Because this property is a through lot and the house sits very near the rear of the lot, its rear elevation is also its face to the new development resulting in high visibility of all sides. That and the 1930s addition make any further expansion of this house a challenge. In evaluating the proposed additions, Staff treated the elevations as they were historically – the primary elevation being the one facing onto Layhill Road, the two side elevations as secondary, and the rear having tertiary significance (Circles 17 & 18). All three of the design options are appropriately only 1-story in height.

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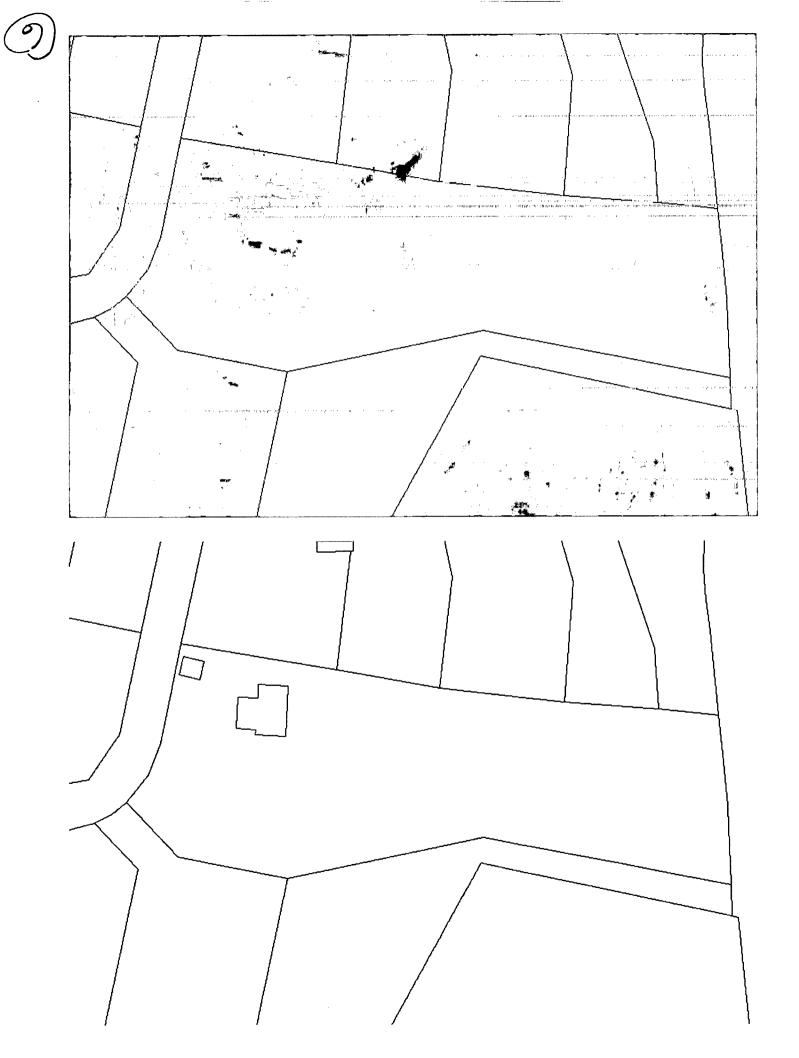
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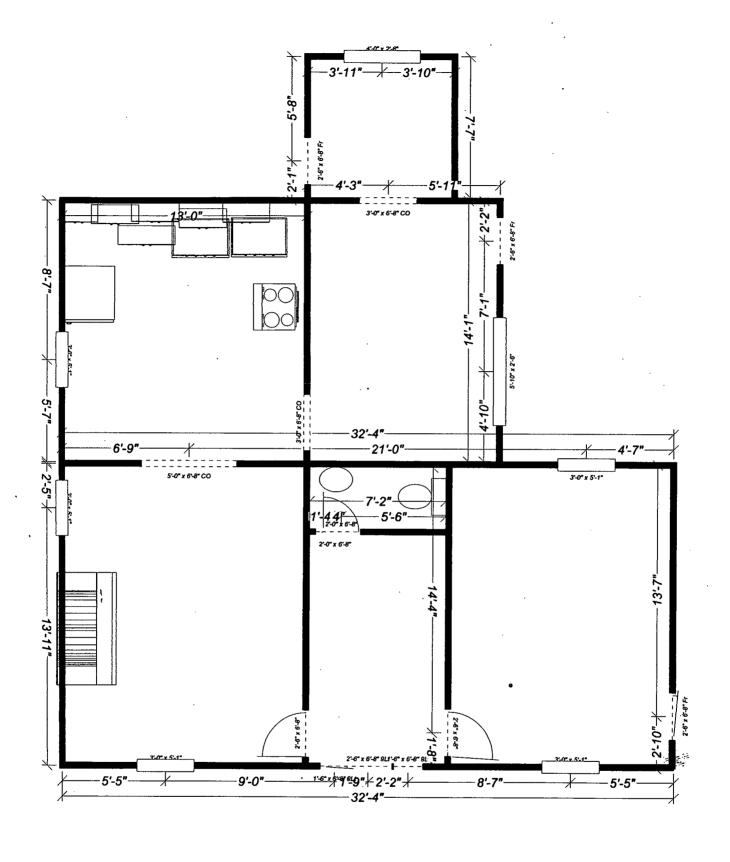
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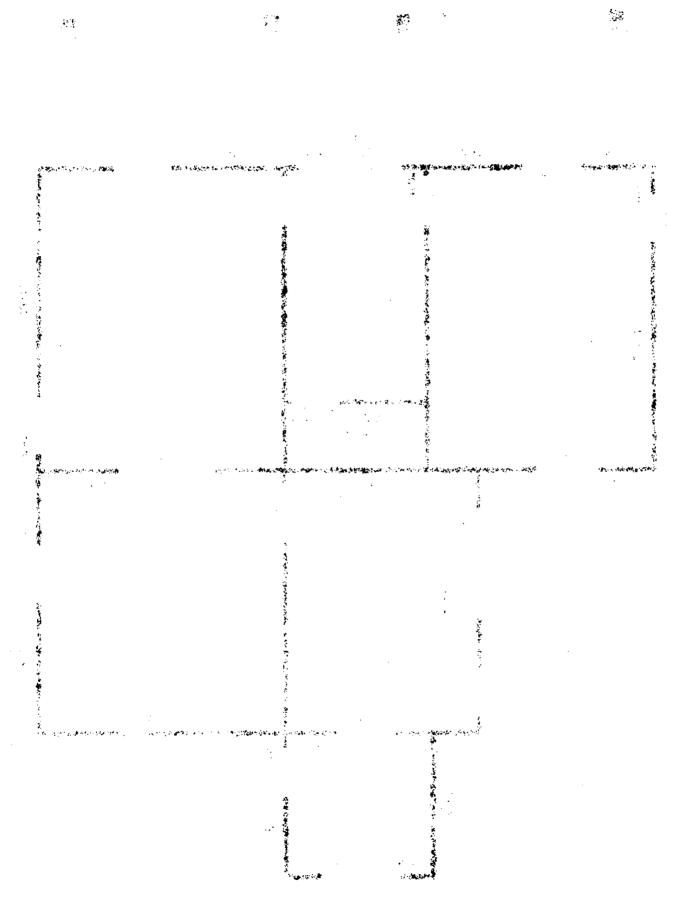
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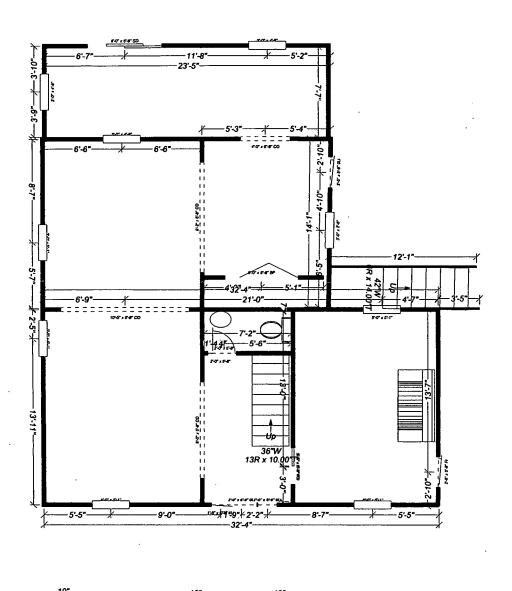
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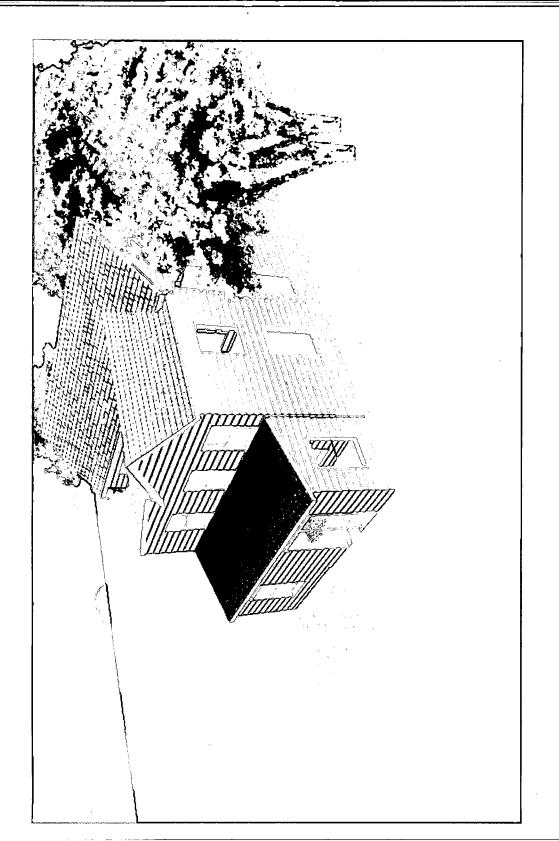
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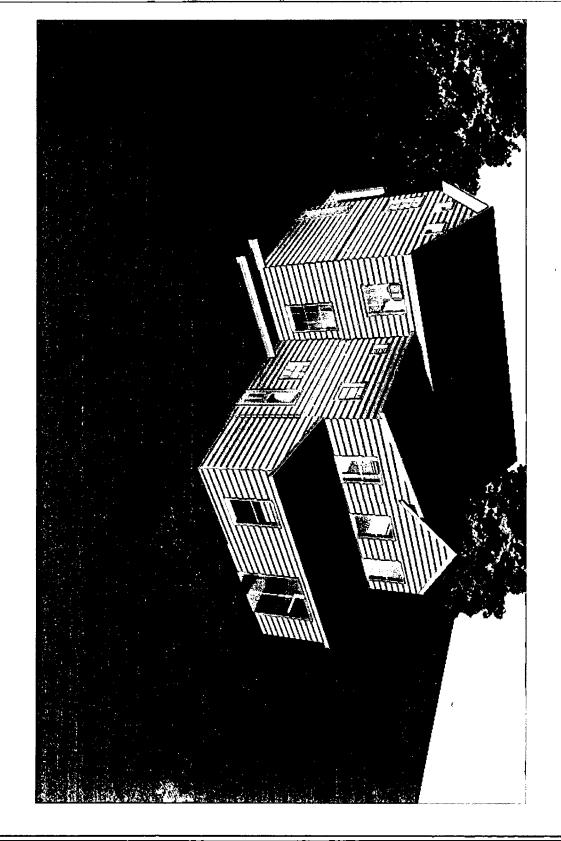


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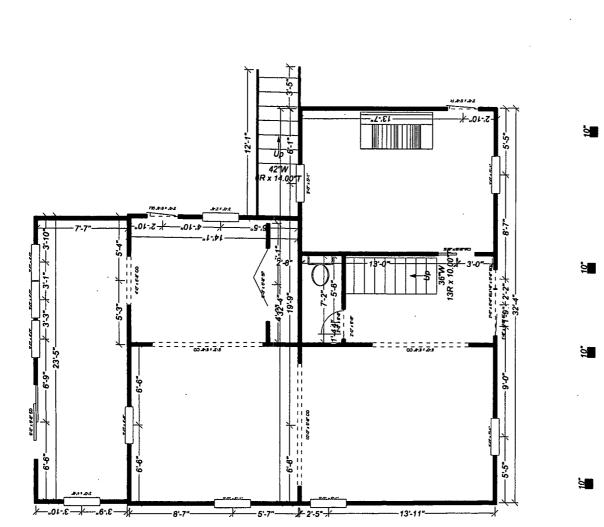


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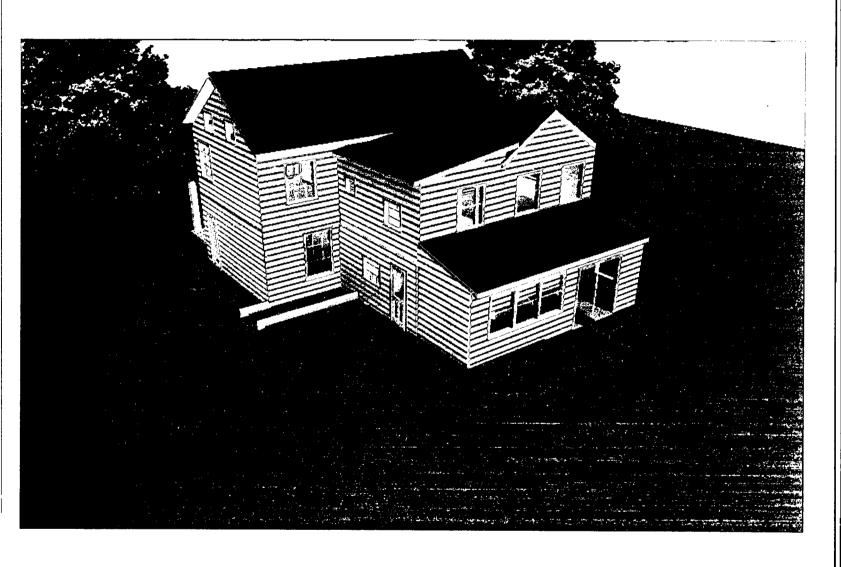
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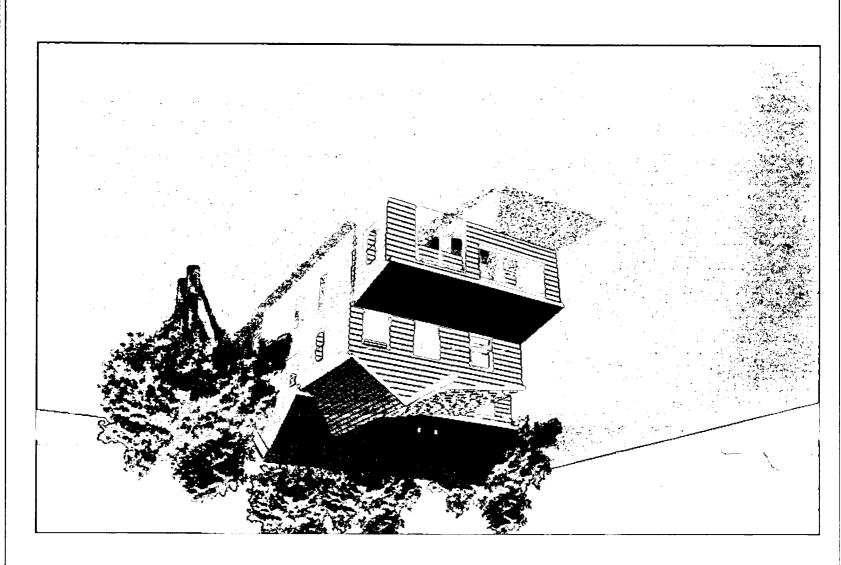
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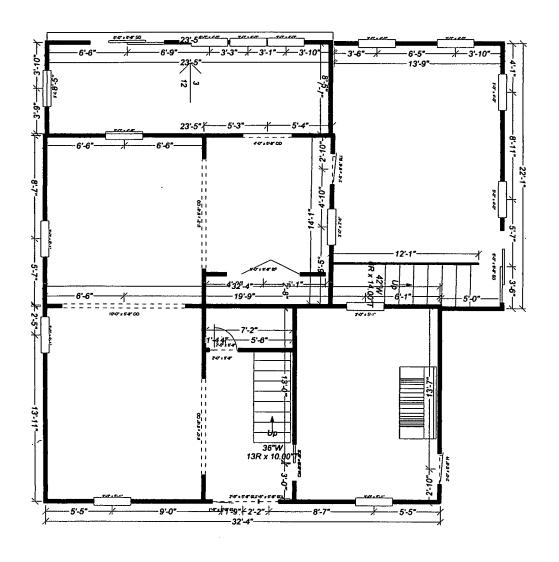


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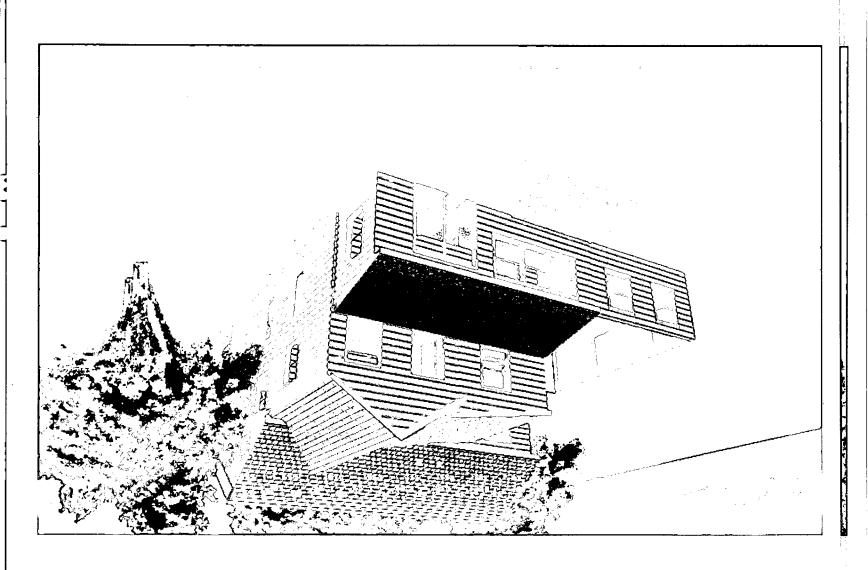


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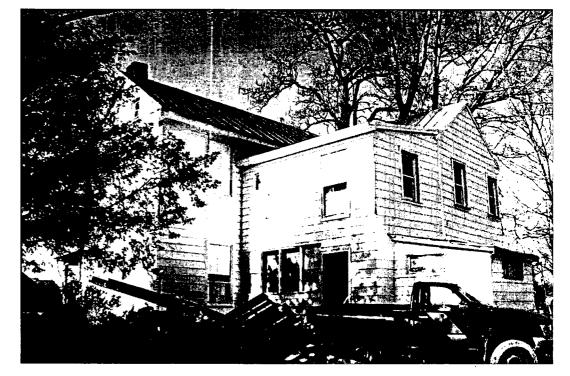
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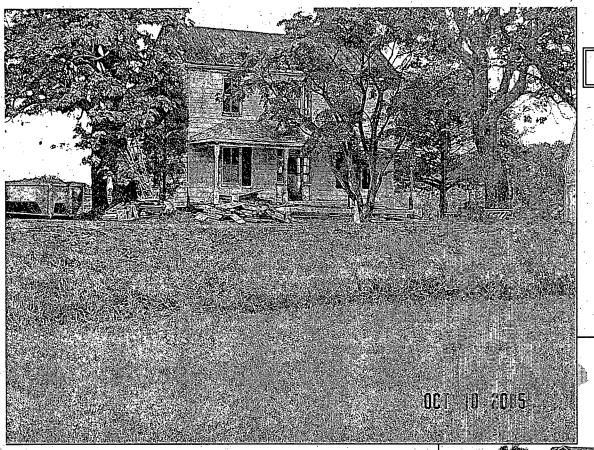


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