



HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

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Date: February 19, 2025

MEMORANDUM

TO: Rabbiah Sabbakhan
Department of Permitting Services

FROM: Laura DiPasquale
Historic Preservation Section
Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission

SUBJECT: Historic Area Work Permit # 1098908– Fence and retaining wall installation

The Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) has reviewed the attached application for a Historic Area Work Permit (HAWP). This application was **Approved** at the February 18, 2025 HPC meeting.

The HPC staff has reviewed and stamped the attached submission materials.

THE BUILDING 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.

Applicant: Julia J. Wright
Address: 4709 Waverly Avenue, Garrett Park

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 Laura DiPasquale at 301-495-2167 or laura.dipasquale@montgomeryplanning.org to schedule a follow-up site visit.



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

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

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Work Item 1: _____

Description of Current Condition:

Proposed Work:

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Work Item 2: _____

Description of Current Condition:

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Work Item 3: _____

Description of Current Condition:

Proposed Work:

HAWP APPLICATION ATTACHMENTS:

Fence Replacement at 4709 Waverly Ave, Garrett Park (Owner/Applicant: Julia Wright)

1. Written Description

The work proposed is to replace the current picket fence which is broken and rotting in places, and to add a small retaining wall where soil erosion has knocked down the current fence.

The replacement picket fence will be the same height, materials, and design as the current picket fence, including the pergola above the left side gate. While most of the replacement fence will be in the same location as the current fence, here are the minor changes proposed to the left border of my property (adjacent to 4711 Waverly Ave):

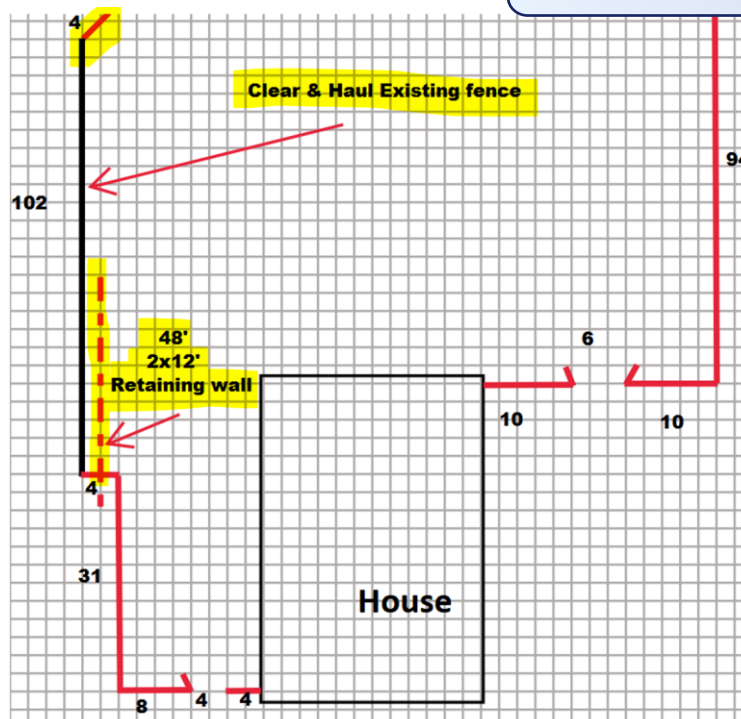
- 1) Removal of my current fence, but without replacing it, for the section that runs parallel to my neighbors' fence (approximately 102 ft long). See Photo #1 below.
- 2) Addition of new fence (approximately 4 ft long) to cover the gap in the back left corner caused by #1 above.
- 3) Addition of a stone-clad retaining wall (approximately 48 ft long x 2 ft high) that will run parallel to a portion of my neighbors' fence from #1 above. This is needed to combat soil erosion which has knocked down parts of the current fence and will worsen when the current fence is removed in this section.

These changes are also highlighted in yellow on diagram below.

2. Site Plan

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3. Plans/Elevations

See diagram provided above.

4. Material Specifications

For the replacement fence, the same materials as the current fence are being used, i.e. all pressure-treated wood:

- 4' high picket fence made with pyramid-pointed 2x2" pickets, hangered on 4x4" posts set 30" in the ground with dry packed concrete.
- Two gates (one 46" wide single & one 6' wide double gate) on 6x6" posts with black gate hardware.
- 4x4' pergola entrance over left side gate using 2x8" beams & 2x6" joists.

For the new retaining wall, the materials will be a cinderblock interior with 18" concrete footers, wrapped with a stacked stone veneer. The exterior stone will match the stonework on the nearby steps leading into the backyard.

5. Photographs – 5 Photos Total

Photo #1

- Refer to Item 1.1 above: To remove the picket fence running parallel to my neighbors' fence (4711 Waverly Ave) without replacing this section.
- Refer to Item 1.2 above: To add a new 4 ft fence to cover the gap on the far right of the photo once the current fence is removed.

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Photo #2

- Refer to Item 1.2 above: To add a new 4 ft fence to cover the gap once the current fence is removed.



Photo #3

- Refer to Item 1.3 above: To add a stone-clad retaining wall (approximately 48 ft long x 2 ft high) that will run parallel to a portion of my neighbors' fence.



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Photos #4 and #5:

- Refer to Item 1.3 above: The exterior of the proposed stone-clad retaining wall will match the stonework on the nearby steps leading into the backyard (shown below). Note that the picket fence in the upper left of the photos is where the existing fence is planned for removal and the retaining wall would be located.



6. Tree Survey

No trees will be removed or altered due to the removal of the current fence or installation of the replacement fence, and therefore no tree survey was performed.

7. Property Owner Addresses

Same as applicant – Julia Wright
4709 Waverly Ave
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