

**March 31, 2025****Marcia Diehl**7408 Baltimore Ave
Takoma Park, MD 20912

**RE: 7408 Baltimore Ave, Takoma Park MD (#37/003); HAWP #1108582
Historic Preservation review pursuant to County Code Chapter 24A-6**

Dear Ms. Diehl:

The above-referenced proposal has been received and reviewed. This project involves the replacement of the staircase at your property in the Takoma Park Historic District. All components of the new staircase will be constructed with wood and match the existing in dimensions, materials, and appearance. This work was submitted as Historic Area Work Permit (HAWP) #1108582.

I have reviewed the submitted application materials, and based on this review, it is my opinion that the proposed work is entirely in-kind and that this project does not constitute a substantial alteration to the historic resource. Therefore, I find that no further review under the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Ordinance (Chapter 24A) is warranted. A Historic Area Work Permit (HAWP) is not necessary, unless changes are made to the current plans. Please secure all necessary building permits from the Department of Permitting Services.

In addition, this work will qualify for our County historic preservation tax credit. Please take before and after photographs, save your invoices, and submit the application upon completion of the work for a tax credit reimbursement the following year. If the work is completed in 2025, you may submit before April 1, 2026. Please see our website for additional information: <https://montgomeryplanning.org/planning/historic/tax-credit-program/> If you have any questions or need to discuss this matter, please feel free to contact me at 301-495-1328 or devon.murtha@montgomeryplanning.org.

Sincerely yours,

Devon Murtha
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Crystal Roberts, DPS