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APPLICATION OF JAMES HUCKEBA FOR AN HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT FOR 15130 BARNESVILLE RD. BOYDS BEFORE THE MONTGOMERY
COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION
COMMISSION #6-85

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

The above application, filed pursuant to Section 24-A-7 of the Montgomery County Code was the subject of a public appearance before the Commission on May 16, 1985. Notice of the public appearance was published in the Journal newspaper and forwarded to citizens and organizations which the Commission felt may have an interest in the proceedings.

The testimony of all witnesses, the plans, specifications and all other documents in the record have been carefully considered, and the record was closed on May 16, 1985.

WHEREFORE, the Commission finds as follows:

- 1) That the applicant, James Huckeba, owns real property at 15130 Barnesville Road, which is located within the Boyds Historic District, #18/8 on the Master Plan for Historic Preservation;
- That the turn-of-the-century house, which is a primary resource within the district is currently used for commercial purposes, housing Creative Leisure Products;
- That the applicant proposes to make the following alterations to his property:

 a. Remove the asbestos siding
 b. Construct a 4' high brown-stained wooden privacy fence on his property as per attached plat;
- The Commission finds that the proposal for the removal of the siding will not substantially alter the historic resource or the historic district in which it is located; is compatible in character and nature with the features of the historic resource and historic district in which it is located; and the proposal would enhance or aid in the protection, preservation, and public and private utilization of the historic resource;

The Commission finds that the construction of the fence is compatible in character and nature with the historical, architectural, or cultural features of the historic resource and the historic district in which it is located and would not be detrimental thereto subject to the following conditions:

Condition: Applicant must submit for Commission approval plans for the front section of the fence (which parallels Barnesville Road) which is more compatible in style with the historic resource on the property.

Now, therefore, it is the decision of the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission that the application of James Huckeba, 15130 Barnesville Rd., Boyds be approved and the permit granted subject to the noted condition.

The Director of the Department of Environmental Protection of Montgomery County, Maryland, is instructed to issue an Historic Area Work Permit to the applicant consistent with this decision dated May 16, 1985.

The Clark Chre Schwor Priscilla Anne Schwab Chairman, Historic Preservation Commission

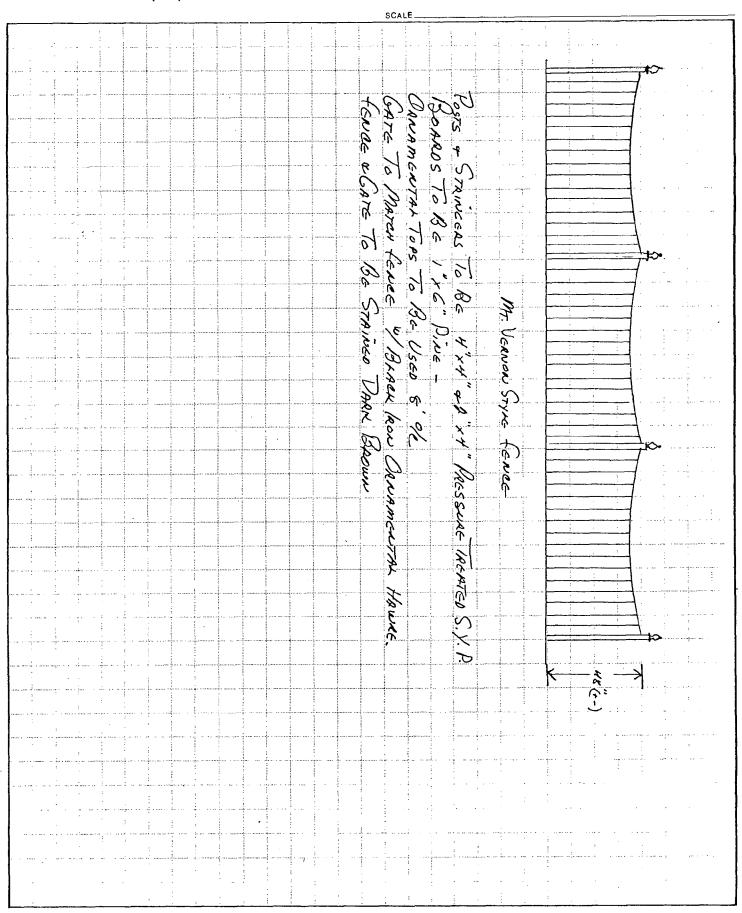
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Mr. James Huckeba 15130 Barnesville Road Boyds, Maryland 20841

Dear Mr. Huckeba:

Attached is a copy of your Historic Area Work Permit as approved by the Commission. Please note the condition on the fence applies to the front section only. I am enclosing copies of several fence patterns which are appropriate. This is certainly not a definitive list. If you could make the top of each picket in a simple diamond shape or point the top and cut out a half-moon I feel certain it would be approved. It was also suggested that you scallop the fence, thereby requiring only one cut per board. In any case I think the Commission envisions it as white in color.

As I mentioned to you on the phone the Commissioners felt strongly that you are in a prominant location and saw your proposals as a chance to do something really special to complement the house and to improve the streetscape. I feel sure that we would certify a more appropriate fence for the 10% property tax credit if you should wish to apply for it.

The Commission voted to defer action on your application for the retaining wall. They requested that you rethink the need for a wall and if you feel that simple plantings would not meet your needs you should submit a plan using something other than beams.

Please do not hesitate to call me with questions or when you have your materials together. I will get it acted upon as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

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