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March 2, 1989

Jared Cooper Staff, Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission GBS Building 51 Monroe Street Suite 1001 Rockville, MD 20850

Dear Mr. Cooper:

The Capital View Park local advisory committee's (LAC) comments regarding the proposed Brunswick Woods development are that Mount Pleasant Road should not be abandoned because it is an integral portion of the historical layout of Capital View Park. The LAC position is that Mount Pleasant Road significantly adds to the historical setting of the historic homes currently owned by Cohen & Resink within the area identified by lots 1 and 21-26 shown on plat 2276 of Capital View Park. The LAC's position is that the paper street -- Mount Pleasant Road -- would serve as an important buffer between the proposed Brunswick Woods development and the historic homes mentioned above; and is serving as an important buffer between these historic homes and Leafy House.

Sincerely,

John P. Moran

John P. Moran Chairman, Capital View Park LAC

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MEMORANDUM

February 6, 1989

TO: Charles Loehr, Coordinator Development Review Division

FROM: Jared Cooper, Historic Preservation Specialist Division of Community Planning and Development

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SUBJECT: Review of Subdivision Site Plans

At its meeting of March 2, 1989, the Historic Preservation Commission reviewed the following subdivision and site plans, with comments and findings as listed:

<u>1-88081</u> - Brunswick Woods - This proposed subdivision is directly adjacent to the Capital View Park Historic District (Master Plan #31/7). The Commission felt that the Brunswick Woods subdivision not result in significant negative impact on any of the resources found within the historic district boundaries.

7-89005 - Fairhill II - In order to minimize the negative impact on Master Plan Site #23/29, the Commission has recommended that, in keeping with the large lot sizes in the area, an environmental setting of 20 - 25 acres be provided for this site. The farmhouse itself should be situated centrally in this 20-25 acre setting. The Commission also had concerns about potential highway improvement/widening projects. It is their recommendation that, in undertaking any highway improvement projects, a special effort be made to align the highway so that it will not result in further encroachment on the resource.

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CAPITOL VIEW PARK CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION

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April 21, 1988

Norman H. Christeller, Chairman Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission 8787 Georgia Avenue Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Dear Dr. Christeller:

This letter relates to the proposal of Lipnick & Cohen for "Brunswick Woods".

The proposal has been reviewed by members of our community, and was discussed at length at a heavily attended regular meeting of the Association on April 13. At that meeting, the membership unanimously resolved that it is opposed to townhouse development of the subject property, and asked me to register its opposition with you.

The opposition of the community to townhouse development of the property is based on several factors. We are concerned about (1) the proximity of certain lots to the one hundred year flood plain, (2) drainage issues, (3) the severe topography of the property, and (4) increased traffic density in the area.

Most importantly, however, we are determined to protect the unusual, historic character of Capitol View Park, which to date consists of single family detached homes. We feel strongly that townhouse development would have a very destructive impact on Capitol View Park. Therefore, in recent years we have successfully resisted such development in our area. Townhouse development of this very property was successfully opposed by the citizens ten years ago, and we would suggest that if any equities or issues have shifted in the interim, they have shifted in our favor. Recognizing that the economic pressures for development in this area have greatly increased, we are now seeking your help in protecting and preserving our community from maximum density development by outsiders, and ask that you give the strong sentiments of the local residents great weight in considering the Lipnick & Cohen proposal, or any modification thereof.

Yours very truly, Marles Fallow

Secretary

April 17 1988

Bobbi Hahn HPC 101 Monroe Street, Rockville, MD

Dear Mrs. Hahn:

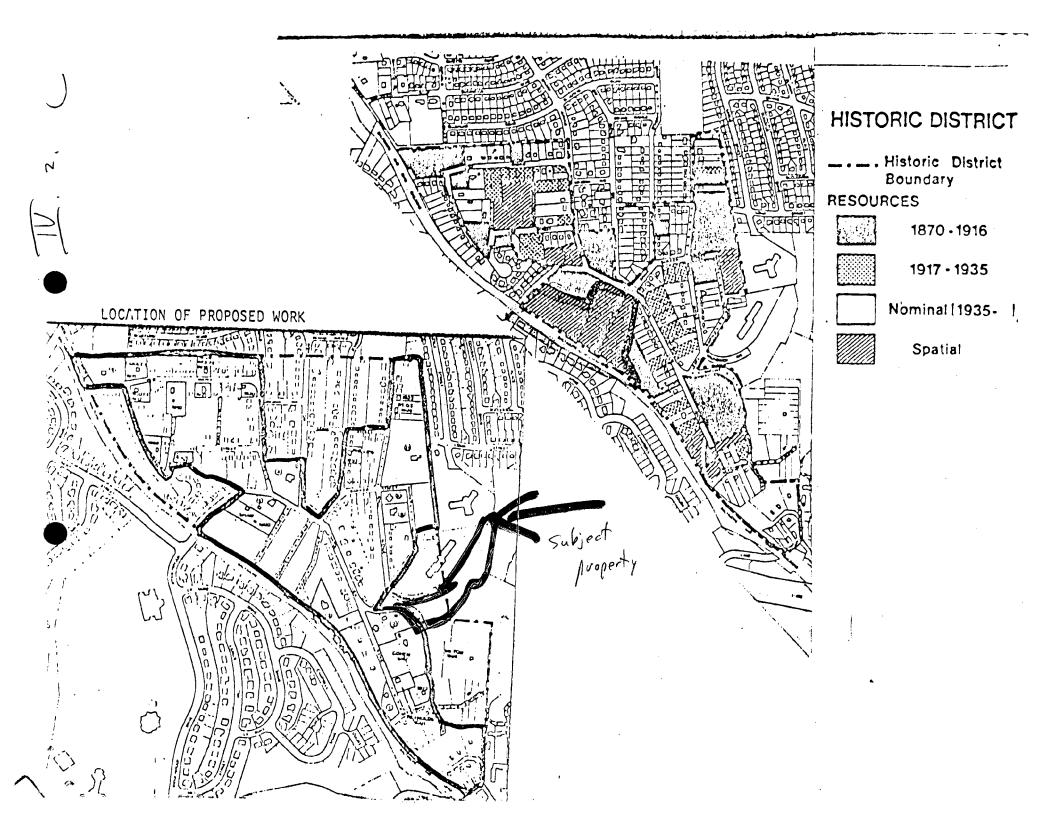
The LAC of Capitol View Park would like to comment on the Plan #1-88081, Brunswick Woods. This plan is on a property which is immediately adjacent to The Capitol View Park Historic District. The develper and owner of this property which is located directly behind Leafy House is petitioning to build townhouses on the wooded hill between Leafy House and the stream below.

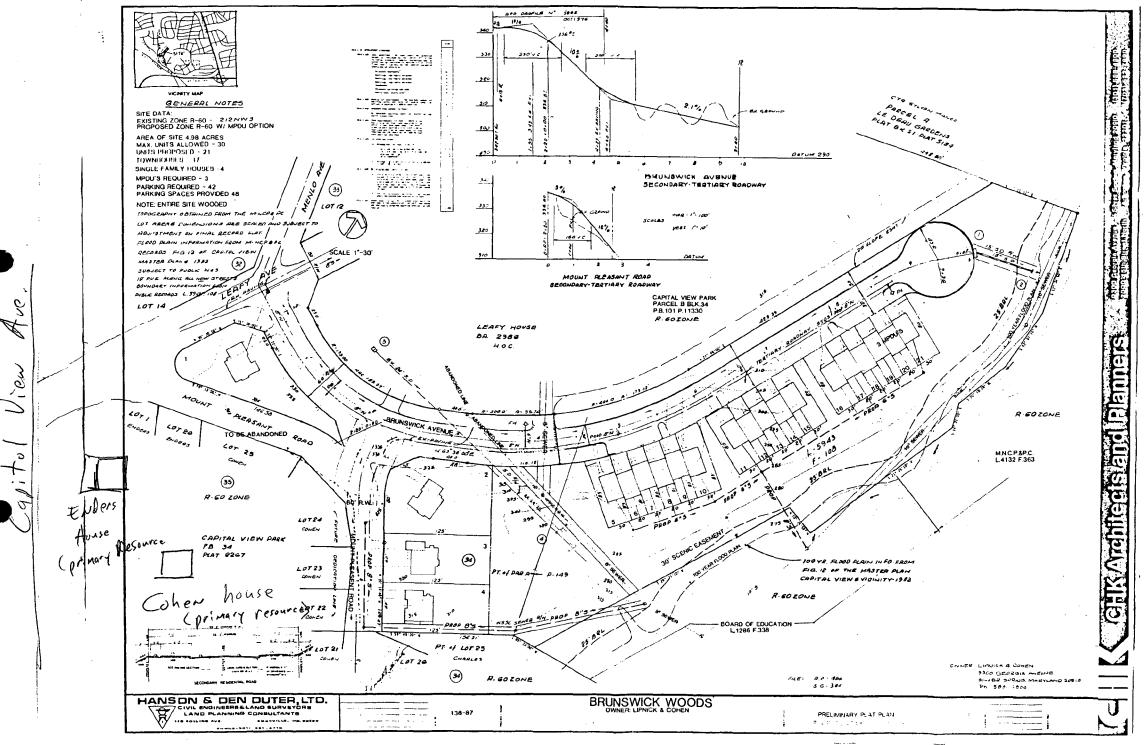
It is our concern that the high density deviation from the R-60 zoning for this historic neighborhood would adversely impact the neighborhood. Our neighborhood has small roads which are part of the historic setting. The density caused by townhouses would negatively impact these roads and the rustic atmosphere which is part of the charm of this railroad community.

Goals as set forth in Park and Planning's Sector Plan state that "the community should reflect a recognition of the permanence of the existing residential character and to assure that future development is sensitive to the physical environment". By higher density and removal of woods over a flood plain we are highly concerned that this development will not only not be compatible but will be distructive for the neighborhood. Thus we would like to request that HPC inform Park and Planning that this plan would negatively impact this Historic District.

Cordially,

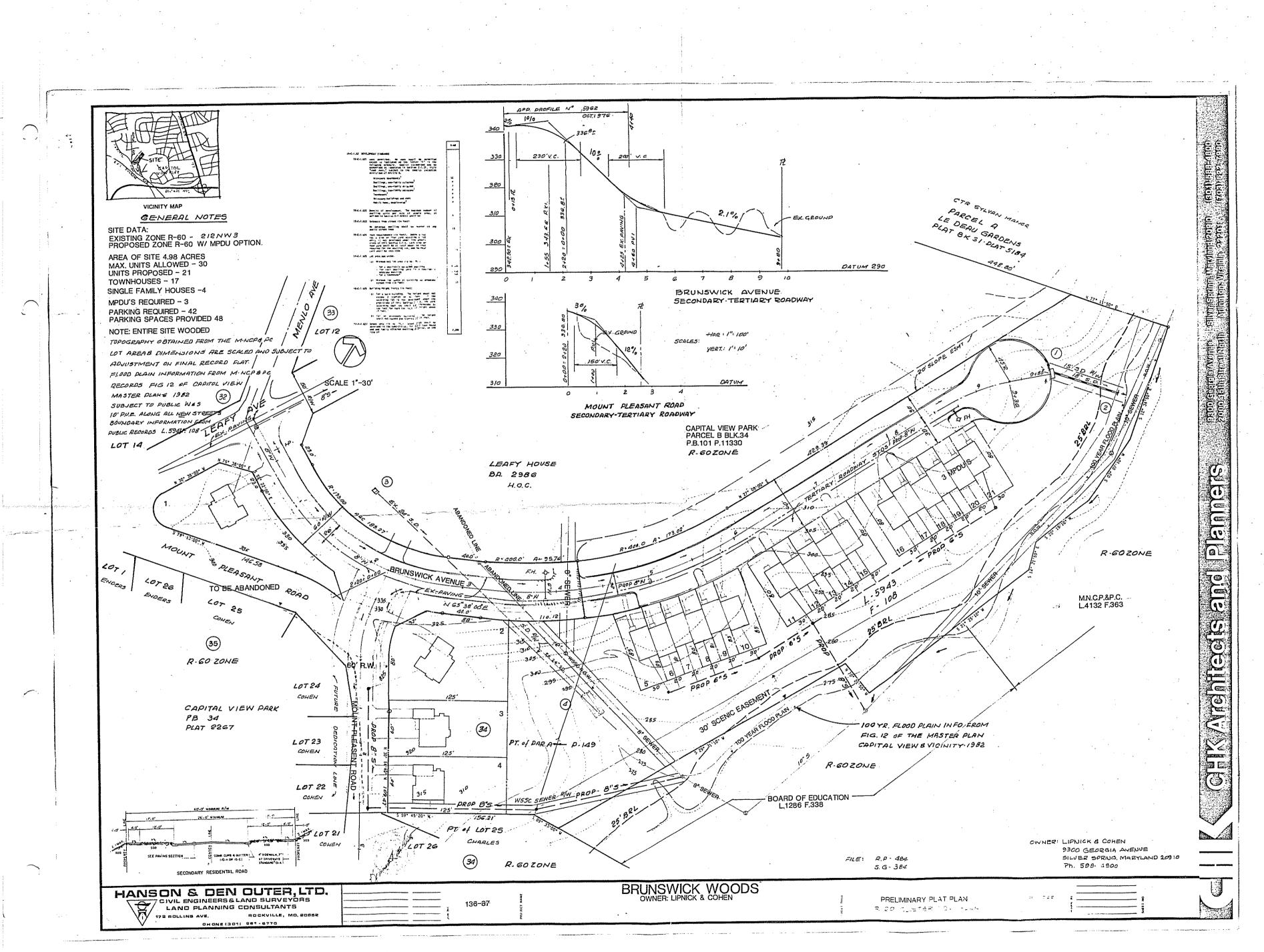
Carol Ireland Secretary LAC Capitol View Park





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