



# Montgomery County Covernment

May 1, 1984

To: Donald Bohrer Department of Transportaion

From: Bobbi Hahn bb Historic Preservation Commission

Subject: Deer Park Subidivison Plan # 1-83123

This is to bring to your attention that the above-referenced subdivision plan is immediately adjacent to historic site # 34/8, the Julius Marlow house. This house, which is located at 2525 Musgrove Road, is on the Master Plan of Historic Sites and is subject to the protections and restrictions thereof.

The Historic Preservation Commission is particularly concerned about changes to the environmental setting of historic sites which may negatively impact the integrity of the site. They have made numerous recommendations regarding the proposed subdivision.

HPC's concern involves the impact of a road widening in front of the Julius Marlow house. Every effort should be made to lessen the amount of land which must be taken in front of this house, especially where it involves trees and other landscape features, and thereby minimize the negative impact on the site. We would appreciate your cooperation and sensitivity in this matter. The Commission fully realizes that matters of public safety are a priority and does not in any way wish to ask that safety be compromised.

Please contact me if I can be of any assistance to you on this matter.

cc - Norman Christeller Gloria Marconi

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**Historic Preservation Commission** 



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September 29, 1983

Norman L. Christeller, Chairman Montgomery County Planning Board 8787 Georgia Avenue Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Dear Mr. Christeller:

It has recently come to our attention that a development is planned on a TDR receiving zone property adjoining Master Plan historic site #34/8, the Julius Marlow house at 2525 Musgrove Road, Silver Spring. Enclosed you will find the HPC's recommendations on that plan which are made in an effort to preserve the integrity of that historic site as much as possible. We trust that the Planning Board will take our recommendations into account when acting on this development.

The Commission was distressed to find that this Master Plan site is in a TDR receiving zone without any apparent provision made for its continued survival. It would seem that the County is working at cross purposes when it designates historic structures on the Master Plan and then, by including them in this overlay zone, assures that they will be enveloped by development and taxed accordingly. Property owners are taxed for a density of development which there is very little chance they would ever be allowed to utilize. We understand that the County Council was considering a reduction to property tax assessments for Master Plan sites similar to reductions permitted for agricultural use. It would seem that this should definitely be pursued.

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from the owner of the Julius Marlow property venting her frustrations about the zoning change in her area and the lack of any positive repercussions from her placement on the Master Plan. Her concerns are in many ways typical of all owners of Master Plan sites who see only restrictions placed on them and find no advantages. The Commission feels that the highest priority should be given to passing county legislation which would give property owners a property tax credit for restoring Master Plan structures. We have, in fact, had the county attorney's office draft such legislation which was forwarded to you by Joe Mott on January 4, 1983. We feel that the County Council would be receptive to this concept at this time and we welcome your sponsorship of this to the Council.

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It is also appropriate at this time to consider requesting that the County Council enact a phased in property assessment increase for improvements on historic sites. This type of legislation is used successfully in Frederick City and three Maryland counties (Article 81-9C of the Annotate Code of Maryland). This would not only encourage the restoration and rehabilitation of our historic resources but would negate the feeling of many property owners that they are being penalized for fixing and maintaining structures which the County, by virtue of the Ordinance for Historic Preservation (Section 24A, Montgomery County Code), is requiring them to do for the public good.

We would appreciate your comments on these issues at your earliest possible convenience. The HPC Financial Incentive subcommittee is available to work with you in developing a tax incentive package which will address these issues.

Sincerely,

Susan Kuklewicz, Chairman Historic Preservation Commission

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#### MEMORANDUM

September 22, 1983

TO: Charles Loehr Subdivision Review Coordinator Montgomery County Planning Board

FROM: Bobbi Hahn, Staffperson BHHistoric Preservation Commission

SUBJECT: Subdivision Plan #1-83123 Deer Park Which Immediately Adjoins Master Plan Site #34/ 8, The Julius Marlow House

At its September 15, 1983 meeting, the Historic Preservation Commission reviewed the above noted plan for its impact on the Julius Marlow house, a site which was added to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation in November of 1981. Although the proposed plan is not within the .83 acres included in the environmental setting of the Julius Marlow house, the Commission feels that the development as proposed would impact negatively on the resource which is immediately adjacent to it. It therefore recommends the following changes be made in plan #1-83123, Deer Park to protect this Historic Resource:

1. Eliminate lots 41, 42, and 43.

- 2. Retain a 100' green space buffer between the historic resource and the tertiary street 'B'.
- 3. Add tree buffer on the west side of tertiary street 'B' along what is now lots 41, 42, and 43.
- 4. Maintain the existing grade of these lots.
- 5. Maintain the existing tree line where it now falls along lot 41.

The Commission may also wish to add additional comments at a later date. These comments were delayed because the liber/folio numbers on the submitted plan appear to be inaccurate, therefore not corresponding to our identification of the Julius Marlow house.

The Commission also was unanimous in its opposition to having TDR receiving zones surround and in fact include Master Plan sites without making any provision for the survival of these resources.

BH/ell cc: Norman Christeller 0338I/3 THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

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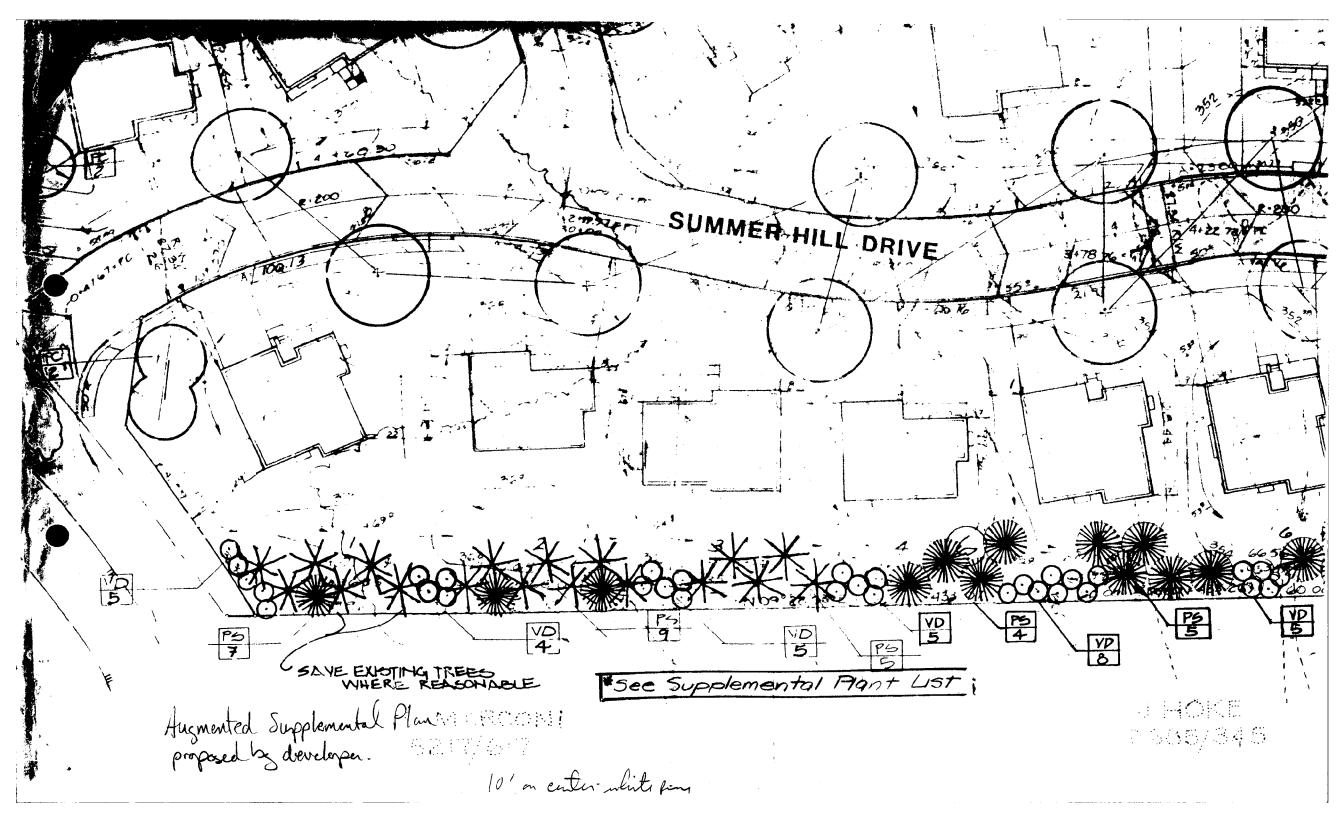
This plan is being processed under the revised subdivision approval procedure for Montgomery County. It will be reviewed at the Subdivision Review Committee Meeting of 1977 A copy of the agenda will be forwarded to all parties concerned, which will indicate the time for each item, approximately che week in advance of the meeting.

The owner and his engineer are invited to attend this meeting to comment on any suggestions and/or revisions that may be encountered The meeting will be held in our third floor Conference Room.

Sincerely,

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Charles R. Loehr Subdivision Coordinator



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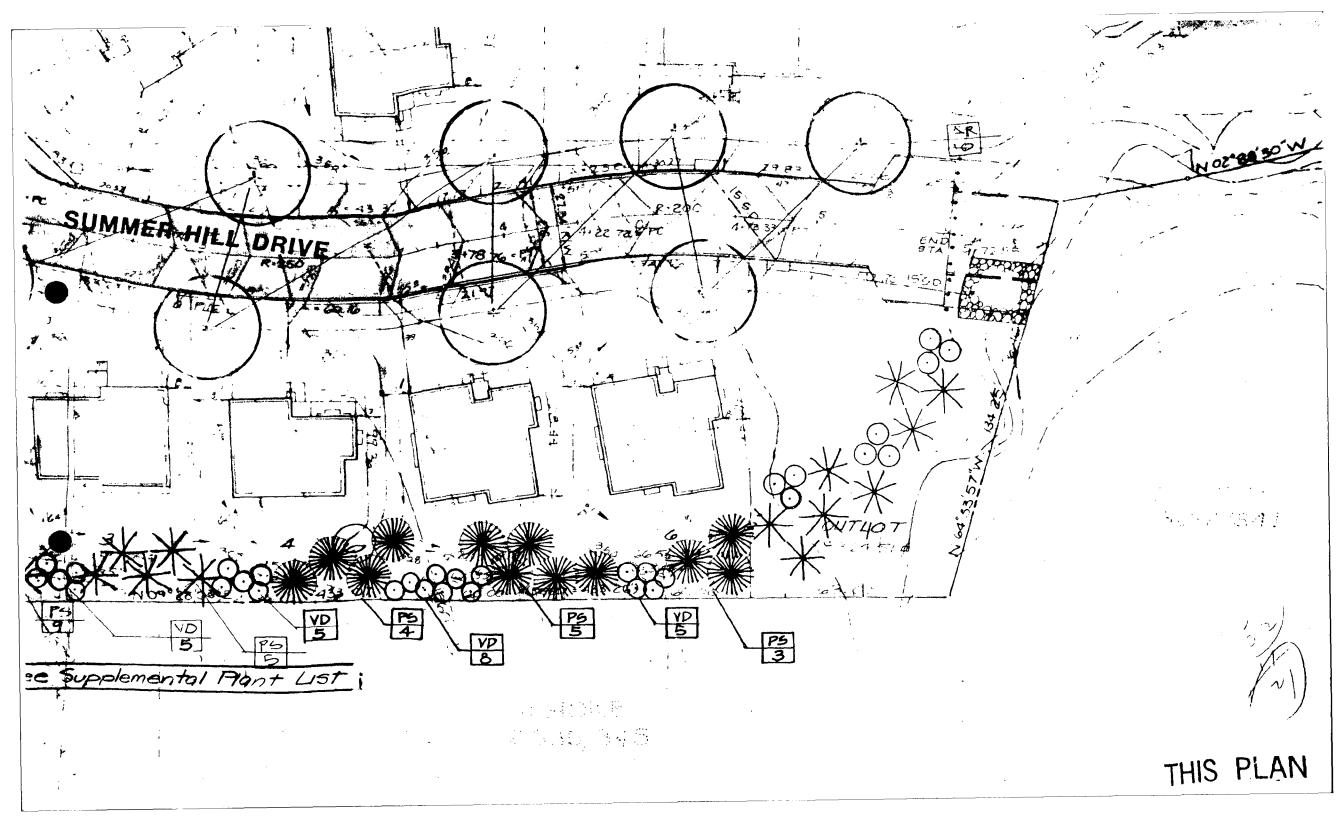
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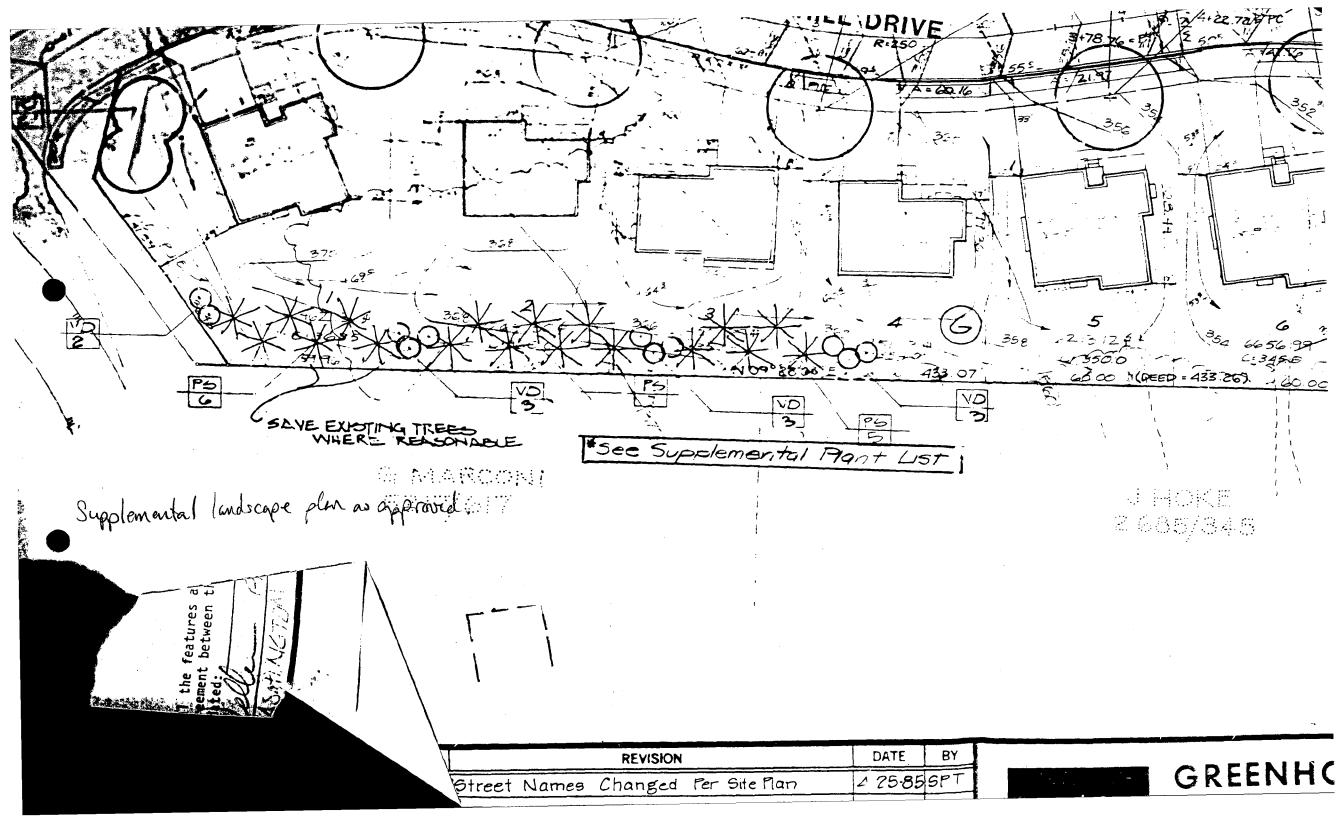
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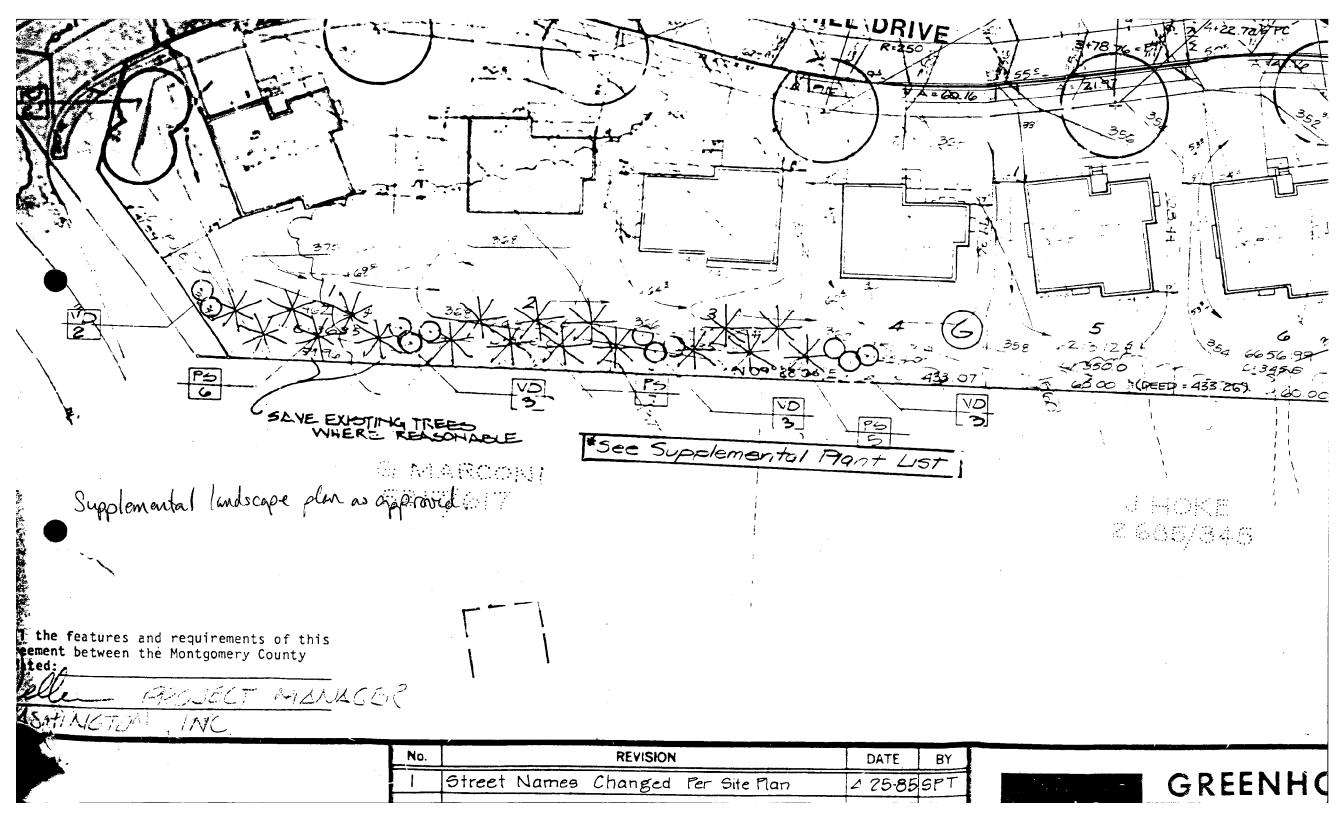
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