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HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Isiah Leggett County Executive

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Date: 11 September, 2008

MEMORANDUM

- TO: Carla Reid, Director Department of Permitting Services
- FROM: Rachel Kennedy, Senior Planner Historic Preservation Section Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission

SUBJECT: Historic Area Work Permit #493705, Rehabilitation of front porch.

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 September 10, 2008 meeting.

The HPC staff has reviewed and stamped the attached construction drawings.

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:Greg BordynowskiAddress:7113 Holly Avenue, Takoma Park. Takoma Park Historic District.

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.



HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

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301/563-3400 APPLICATION FOR HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT

		Contact Person: 🦲	Breg Bordynowski	
		Daytime Phone No.:	301-385-2860	······································
Tax Account No.:				
Name of Property Owner: Greg Bordynowski et. al.		Daytime Phone No.:	301-385-2860	
Address: 7113 Holly Avenue, Takoma Park MD 20)912 City			
Street Number	Eity	S180	t	Zip Code
Contractor: Unknown		Phone No.:		
Contractor Registration No.:				
Agent for Owner:		Daytime Phone No.:		
LOCATION OF BUILDING/PREMISE				
House Number: 7113	Street	Holly Avenue		
Town/City: Takoma Park	Nearest Cross Street:	Tulip Avenue		
Lot p/0 15 Block: 7 Subdivision				· · · ·
Liber: 18868 Folio: 379 Parcel:				
PART ONE: TYPE OF PERMIT ACTION AND USE				
TA. CHECK ALL APPLICABLE:	CHECK ALL	APPLICABLE:		
😳 Construct 🔅 Extend 🛛 🖾 Alter/Renovate	∰ A/C €	Slab Room	Addition Z Porch	🗆 Deck 🗆 Shed
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🗇 Revision 🕜 Repair 🗇 Revocable	() Fence/V	Vall (complete Section 4)	C Other:	
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1C. If this is a revision of a previously approved active permit, s	see Permit #			_
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2A. Type of sewage disposal: 01 🗍 WSSC	02 😳 Septic	03 : 😳 Other:		
2B. Type of water supply: 01 🗆 WSSC	02 🗍 Well	03 🗍 Other:		
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3B. Indicate whether the fence or retaining wall is to be const	tructed on one of the f	ollowing locations:		
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I hereby certify that I have the authority to make the foregoing application, that the application is correct, and that the construction will comply with plans approved by all agencies listed and I hereby acknowledge and accept this to be a condition for the issuance of this permit.

Signature of owner or authorized agent	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Date
Approved:	Chairperson, Historic Preservation Cummission	
Disapproved:	Date:	
Application/Permit No.;	Date Filed: Date Issued:	

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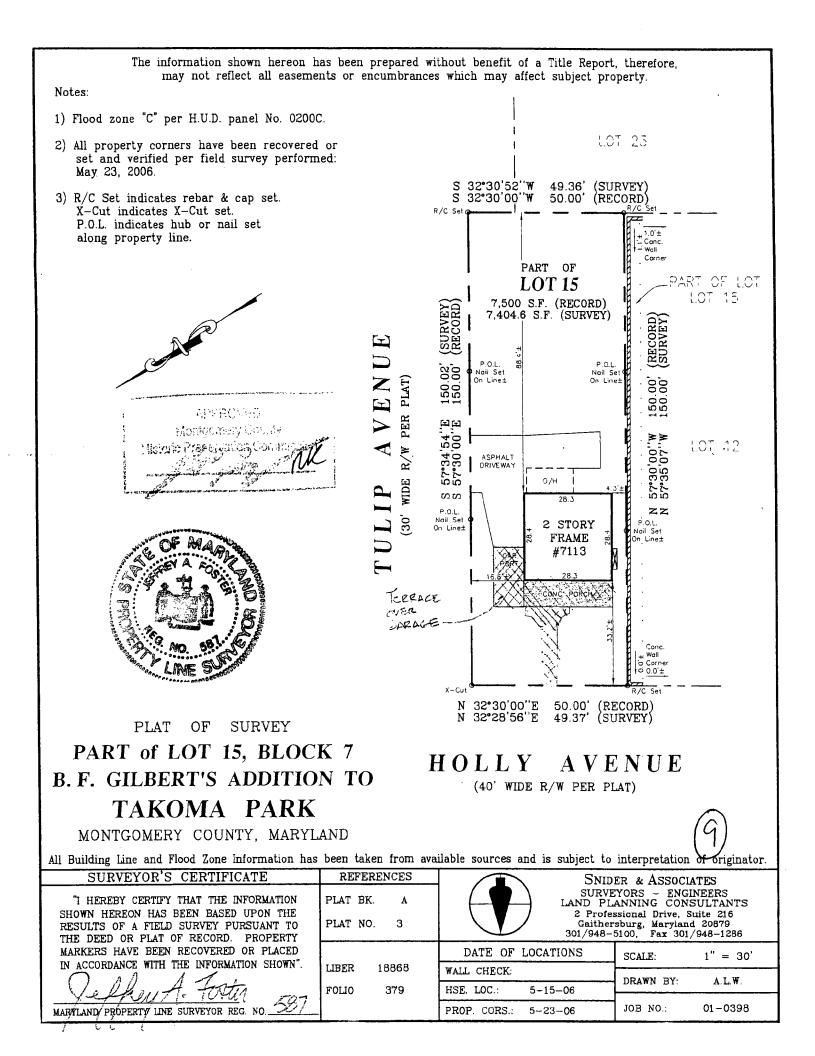
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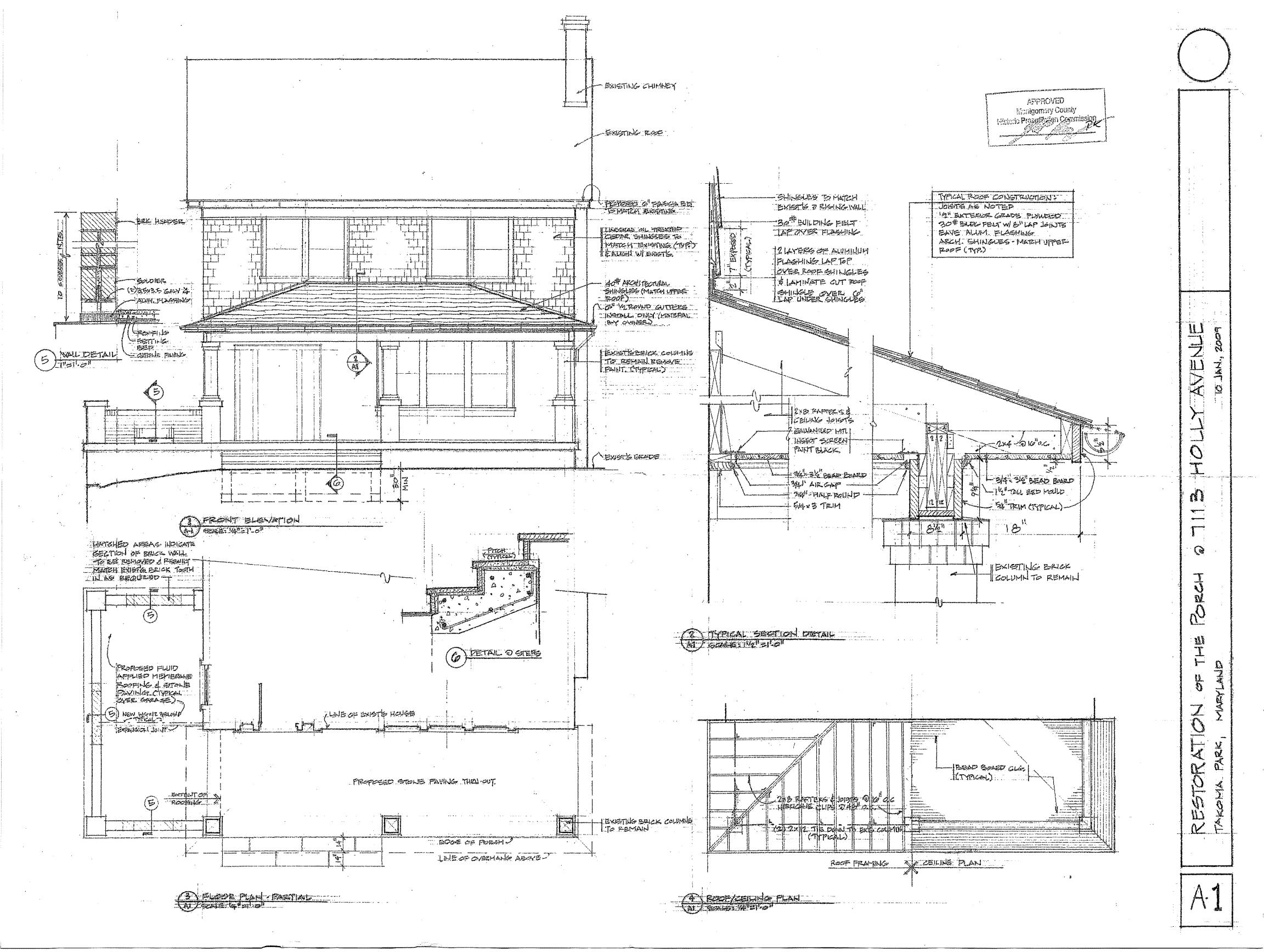
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STAFF REPORT					
Address:	7113 Holly Avenue, Takoma Park	Meeting Date:	09.10.2008		
Resource:	Contributing Resource Takoma Park Historic District	Report Date:	09.03.2008		
Applicant:	Greg Bordynowski, owner	Public Notice:	08.27.2008		
Review:	HAWP	Tax Credit:	Partial		
Case Number:	37/03-08CCC	Staff:	Rachel Kennedy		
PROPOSAL:	Rehabilitation of front porch				

MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff is recommending that the HPC <u>approve</u> this HAWP application.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

SIGNIFICANCE:	Contributing Resource Within The Takoma Park Historic District
STYLE:	Craftsman/Colonial Revival
DATE:	1910s-20s

HISTORIC CONTEXT

Takoma Park is historically significant as both an early railroad suburb and a streetcar community. It was the one of the earliest railroad suburbs of Washington. The community was given new lifeblood in the early-20th century with the opening of streetcar lines, which led to the development of new subdivisions in Takoma Park.

Before 1883, the area that became Takoma Park was used for farming and vacation homes for Washingtonians. A few houses from this period still exist.

Benjamin Franklin Gilbert was the developer of Takoma Park, which he promoted for its natural environment and healthy setting. The site offered fresh water, trees, and a high elevation to escape the malaria-ridden District of Columbia. In 1883, Gilbert purchased a 90-acre farm and platted a subdivision with picturesque, winding streets named for native trees, including Sycamore, Chestnut, Hickory, and Oak. Equally reflective of Gilbert's promotion of the natural setting is the use of the Native American "Takoma", meaning "exalted" or "near heaven." Later he added the "Park" appellation to draw attention to its healthy environment.

Takoma Park houses built between 1883 and 1900 were fandful, turreted, multi-gabled affairs of Queen Anne, Stick Style, and Shingle Style influence. The substantial houses had spacious settings, with deep,



narrow lots of 50 feet by 200-300 feet, with 40-foot setback requirements. Extensive numbers of these houses (built from 1883 to 1900) remain, particularly concentrated along Maple, Cedar, and Holly Avenues. The earliest houses were built on Cedar Avenue (originally known as Oak Avenue). Gilbert was more than just the developer of the community - he was a resident and civic leader. He built one of the first houses in the new community for himself and later became the town's first mayor. By 1886, Takoma Park had a post office and a new railroad station. Fifteen trains a day ran between Washington and Takoma Park and the population had reached 100.

By 1893, the town's population quadrupled. Four subdivisions had expanded the town, which was incorporated in 1890. Takoma Avenue, Pine Avenue, and Hdly Avenue were among the streets to develop during this period.

The first multi-family buildings in Montgomery County were built in Takoma Park. The earliest documented multi-family dwelling is the *Ford House* at 7137-39 Maple Avenue. Brothers Byron and Seth Ford built this large, elaborate, frame double-house in 1885 for their families. The next multi-family dwellings to be built in the county were not constructed until 1907.

The start of streetcar service along Carroll Avenue in 1897, operated by the Baltimore and Washington Transit Company, made the adjacent areas more attractive for residential development, leading to new subdivisions. This line, supplemented in 1910 by the Washington and Maryland line (1910-27), led to the creation of eight additional subdivisions extending out from the trolley lines. The inexpensive electric streetcar, the availability of low-cost house plans and kit houses in combination with smaller lot sizes made home ownership in Takoma Park possible for individuals of more modest income levels than during the previous period. By 1922, the population soared to 4,144, making Takoma Park the tenth largest incorporated town in Maryland. Among the streets, which developed during the 1910s and 1920s in response to the establishment of streetcar lines are Willow, Park, Philadelphia, and Carroll Avenues.

The appearance today of much of the Takoma Park historic district is formed by the large numbers of dwellings constructed from 1900 into the 1920s. The houses built in Takoma Park during this period reveal changing American tastes in house design from the elaborate ornamentation of the late 19th century dwellings to more practical, simplified designs. Many of these early twentieth century houses reflect the aesthetics of the Arts and Crafts Movement, which emphasized the inherent nature of the building materials and structural elements for ornamentation. Residences put up in the American Four Square, Craftsman, Bungalow, and Colonial Revival designs continued the pattern of suburban development previously established - detached, wood frame single-family residences with uniform setbacks from the streets, though at a smaller scale. Entire streetscapes of these houses, particularly the Bungalow and Craftsman designs, are found along Willow, Park, Philadelphia, and Westmoreland Avenues. Scores of Bungalows, and Craftsman-style houses and catalog-order houses were built in this era.

Takoma Park continues to thrive today, with a population of 20,000. Though the train no longer stops there, the town's close relationship with mass transportation continues. The Metro enables residents to continue the tradition, started with the railroad and extended with the streetcars, of living in the suburbs and commuting to the District using mass transit. Two sections of the Montgomery County portion of Takoma Park have been listed on the National Register of Historic Places as the Takoma Park Historic District since 1976.

PROPOSAL:

The applicant is proposing to conduct rehabilitation/repair on the front porch to address moisture problems. The applicant intends to:

- Install flagstone on the porch floor, steps, and walkway. Current condition is deteriorated concrete. The applicant will install a membrane between the flagstone and the porch floor that exists directly above the interior garage to the north or left side of the house (if facing from the front).
- Re-install half-round gutters on porch cornice. Gutters were removed before the current owner acquired the property.
- Install metal flashing at juncture of building wall and porch roof. (The flashing should not be visible). Roof will be repaired and reinstalled with the exact same pitch, materials, and dimensions.
- Repairs in-kind to porch roof and trim. Repairs to cedar shingles surrounding the porch roof.
- Carefully remove and reinstall brick porch wall that sits directly over garage space, due to very bad moisture damage. The applicant will reuse the historic machine-made brushed brick and has found a manufacturer who can match this brick in-kind, in instances where the original material cannot be reused.

APPLICABLE GUIDEUNES:

When reviewing alterations and new construction within the Takoma Park Historic District several documents are to be utilized as guidelines to assist the Commission in developing their decision. These documents include the historic preservation review guidelines in the approved and adopted amendment for the Takoma Park Historic District (Guidelines), Montgomery County Code Chapter 24A (Chapter 4A), and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation (Standards). The pertinent information in these documents is outlined below.

Takoma Park Historic District Guidelines

Contributing Resources form the majority of structures in the Takoma Park Historic District. These structures may not have the same level of architectural and/or historical significance as outstanding resources. While they will not receive the most detailed level of design review, it is permissible to make sympathetic alterations, changes and additions to Contributing Resources.

The Guidelines that pertain to this project are as follows:

- All exterior alterations, including those to architectural features and details, should be generally consistent with the predominant architectural style and period of the resource and should reserve the predominant architectural features of the resource; exact replication of existing details and features is, however, not required.
- Some non-original building materials may be acceptable on a case-by-case basis.
- All changes and additions should respect existing environmental settings, landscaping, and patterns of open space.

Montgomery County Code; Chapter 24A

The Commission shall instruct the director to deny a permit if it finds, based on the evidence and information presented to or before the commission that the alteration for which the permit is sought would be inappropriate, inconsistent with or detrimental to the preservation, enhancement or ultimate protection of the historic site or historic resource within an historic district, and to the purposes of this chapter.

The Commission shall instruct the director to issue a permit, or issue a permit subject to such conditions as are found to be necessary to insure conformity with the purposes and requirements of this chapter, if it finds that:

- 1. The proposal will not substantially alter the exterior features of a historic site or historic resource within a historic district; or
- The proposal is compatible in character and nature with the historical archaeological, architectural or cultural features of the historic site or the historic district in which a historic resource is located and would not be detrimental thereto of to the achievement of the purposes of this chapter; or

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation

- #2 The historic character of a property shall be retained and preserved. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize a property shall be avoided.
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STAFF DISCUSSION

Staff is recommending that the Commission <u>approve</u> this HAWP application as being consistent with the *Guidelines* and *Standards*. The proposed work is respectful of the property's historic fabric and introduces very little change. The main alterations include: introduction of flagstone as a paving material for the porch and walkway area and the installation of porch gutters. There is physical evidence on the building site that the porch originally had gutters (cast iron bell pipes set in the ground at both corners of the roof overhang to conduct the water away from the building foundation). The flagstone will replace the original concrete material; however, this alteration does not impact the integrity of the house or site as it is commonly found as a paving material in Montgomery County.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Commission **approve** the HAWP application as being consistent with Chapter 24A-8(b)(1) & (2);

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and with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation;

and with the general condition that the applicant shall present the **3 permit sets of drawings to Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) staff for review and stamping**prior to submission for the Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services (DPS) building permits;

and with the general condition that the applicant shall notify the Historic Preservation Staff if they propose to make **any alterations** to the approved plans.



RETURN TO:	DEPARTMENT OF PERMITTING SERVICES			
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	240/777-6370			

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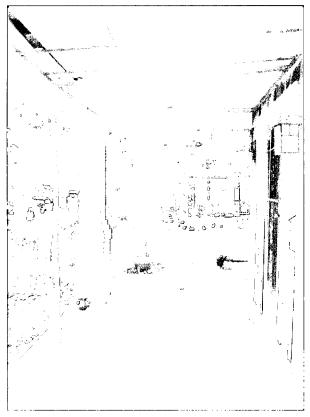
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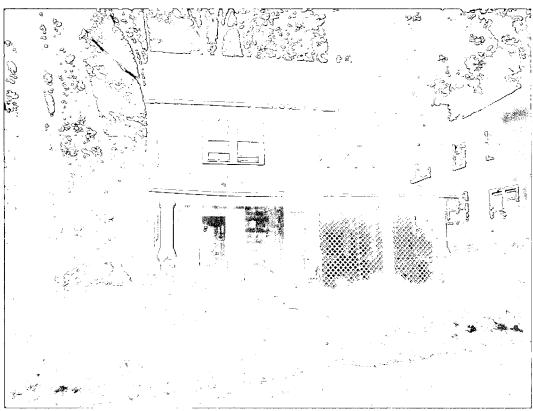
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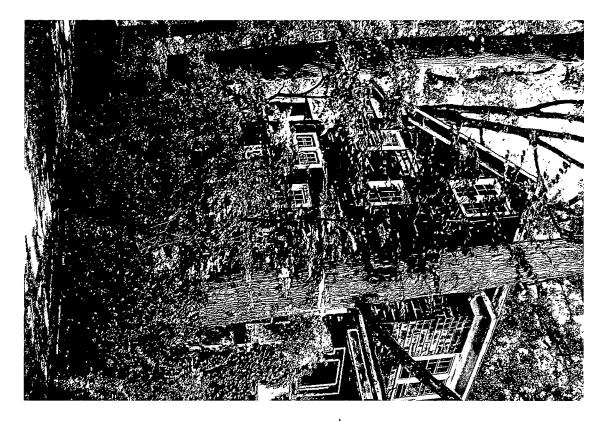
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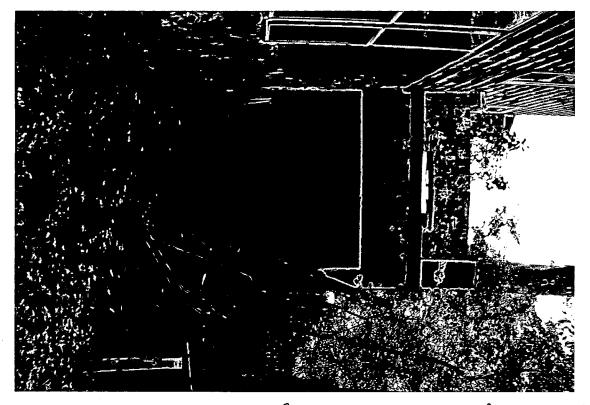
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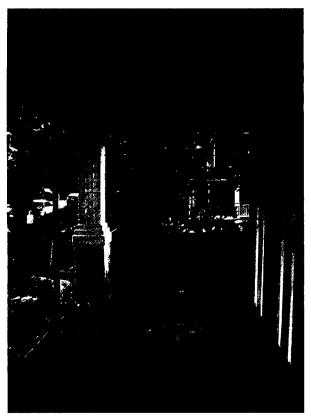
7113 Holly Avenue, Garage located under front porch.





7113 Holly Avenue, Jakoma Park



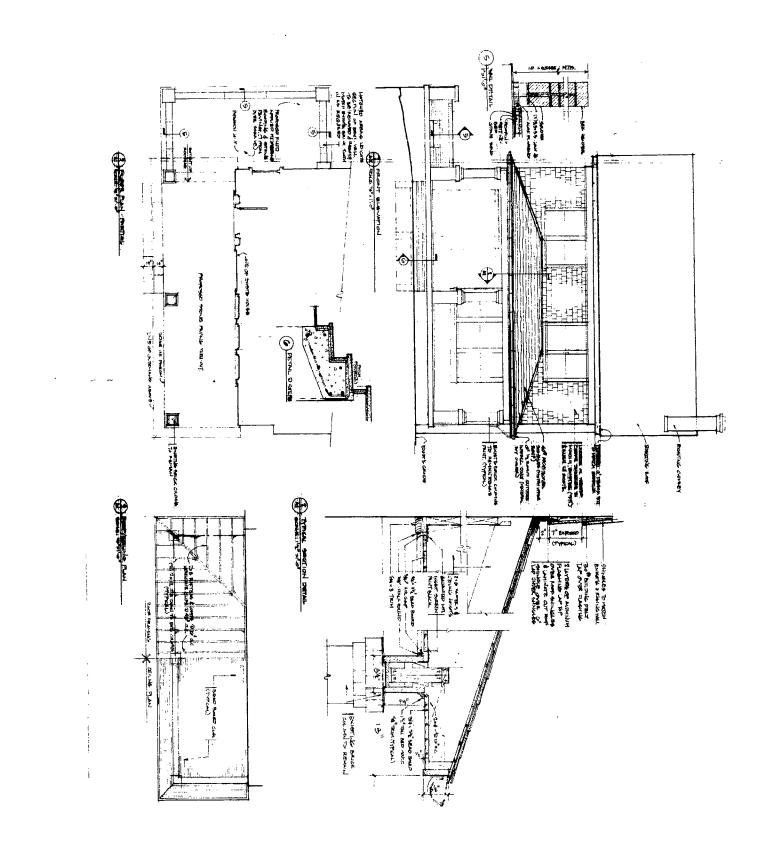


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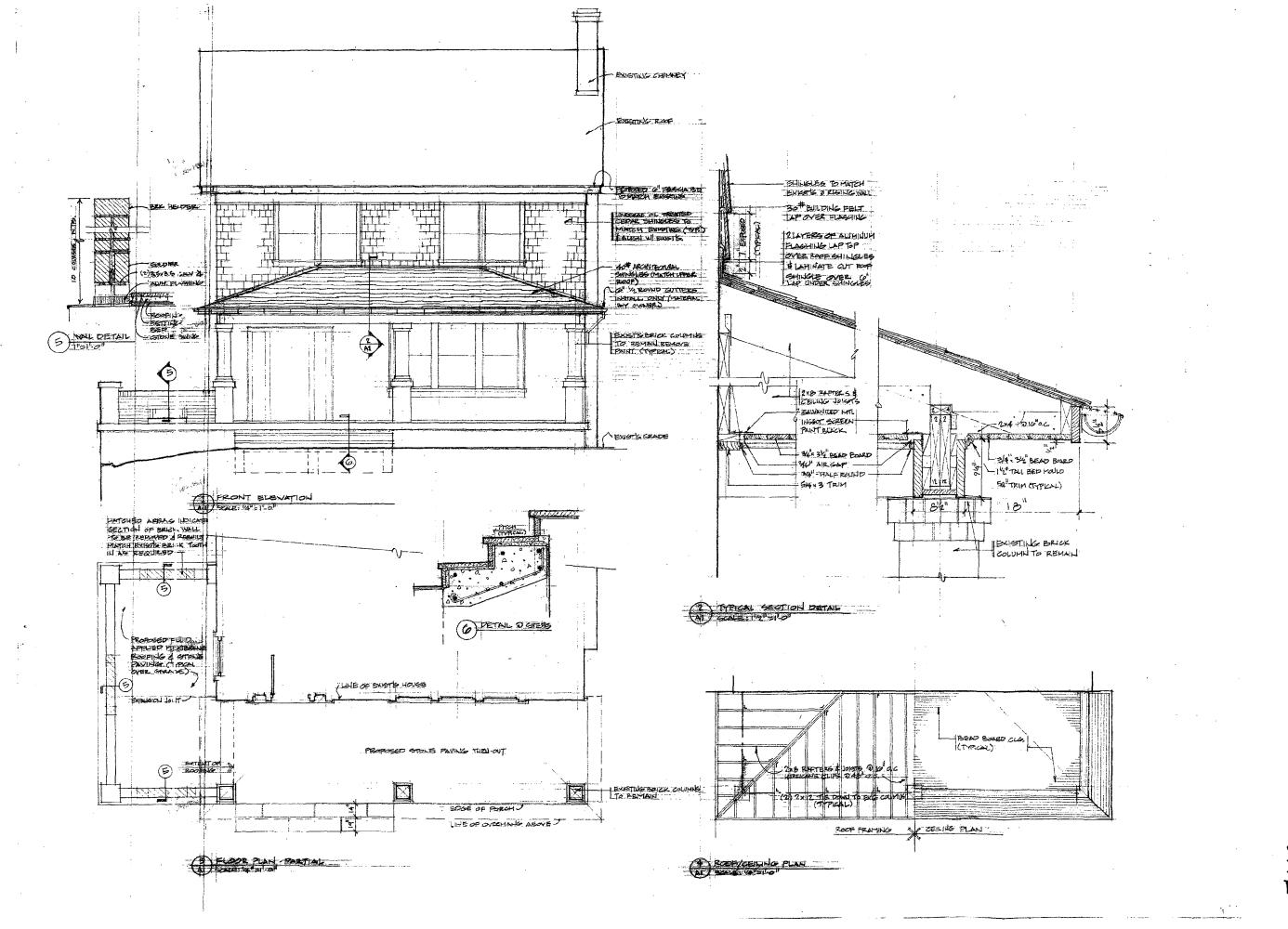


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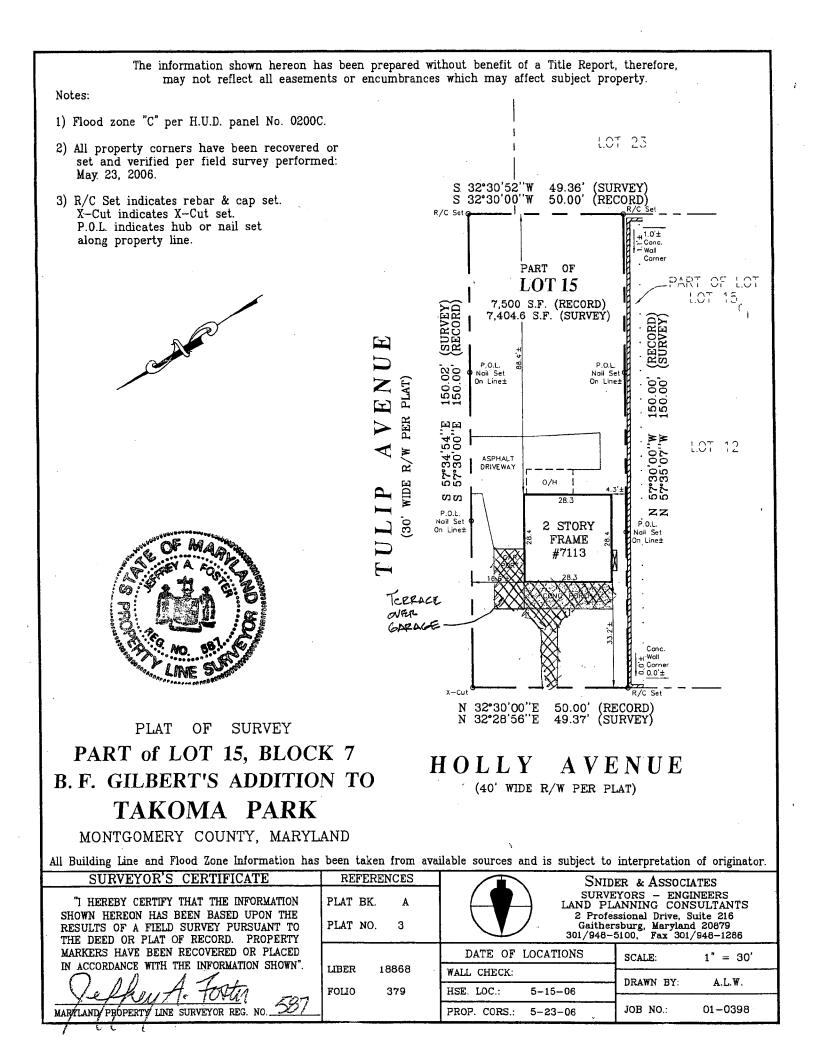
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Kennedy, Rachel

From: Sent: ⊤o: Subject: Attachments: Bordynowski, Greg [GBordynowski@klingstubbins.com] Thursday, August 21, 2008 5:34 PM Kennedy, Rachel RE: Porch Reconstruction brick064[1].jpg

My answers below in RED – also I found a brick that looks to be a good match – we will ultimately get samples before going forward. See attached from "Taylor Clay Products Inc 206 Pink V-Scratch Modular

-Greg

From: Kennedy, Rachel [mailto:Rachel.Kennedy@mncppc-mc.org]
Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2008 12:36 PM
To: Bordynowski, Greg
Subject: RE: Porch Reconstruction

Hi Greg,

I just phoned you with a few questions regarding your HAWP for 7113 Holly Avenue. So, here goes:

- What type of stone will you use? If you have a spec sheet with the stone in question that you want approved, that would be very very helpful. If not, can you get one? Pennsylvania flagstone, it is commonly used in the area and has a range of colour from brown to medium gray; but, being a natural material, it does not have a spec sheet since it is not a manufactured product.
- 2) My understanding is that you intend to place stone over the entire porch area, including the garage roof area, the steps, and the walkway to the house from the street? Also, the membrane is to be laid only over the garage roof area? Is this accurate? Yes
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Not to worry about your application. I always ask a lot of questions to make sure that I have all the details that the HPC might need to make a decision, so that a case gets expedited. No point in hearing a case, esp one as straight-forward as yours, if I can take care of it beforehand. Anyway, very cool on the Bell building.

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Painting it would be a poor preservation decision. What did you do with the AG Bell project? Sounds very interesting.

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