

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Article 28 of the Annotated Code of Maryland and Chapter 24A and Chapter 33A of the Montgomery County Code, the Montgomery County Planning Board hereby gives notice that it will hold a public hearing on the following:

**PUBLIC HEARING DRAFT
AMENDMENT TO THE
MASTER PLAN FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION:**

GREENWICH FOREST; ANIMAL INDUSTRY; HIGGINS CEMETERY

**THURSDAY
September 24, 2009
7:30 p.m.
in the
Montgomery Regional Office Auditorium
8787 Georgia Avenue
Silver Spring, Maryland**

to take testimony on whether or not the following resources, which are not currently listed on the *Locational Atlas and Index of Historic Sites*, should be included in the *Locational Atlas* and/or the *Master Plan for Historic Preservation*:

<u>Resource #</u>	<u>Resource Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
35-165	Greenwich Forest Historic District	Vicinity of Hampden Ln, Overhill Rd, Lambeth Rd, Bethesda
35-119	Bureau of Animal Industry Building/ Norwood Park Recreation Building	4715 Norwood Dr, Bethesda
30-25	Higgins Family Cemetery	5700 block Arundel Ave, Rockville

The Historic Preservation Commission had a public hearing and worksession on this matter on August 12, 2009. At the conclusion of the worksession, the HPC voted unanimously to recommend all three resources be designated on the *Master Plan for Historic Preservation*. This recommendation is reflected in the *Public Hearing Draft Amendment to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation*.

Following their public hearing, the Planning Board will hold a worksession, to make a determination on these resources using Historic Preservation Ordinance criteria, considering the purposes of the law, and balancing the importance of the historic sites with other public interests. The Board's Final Draft Amendment, with its recommendations, will then be forwarded to the County Executive and the County Council. The County Council will make a final determination as to whether these properties are eligible for designation on the *Master Plan for Historic Preservation*. If ultimately designated on the *Master Plan for Historic Preservation*, the property will be protected under the Historic Preservation Ordinance, which provides certain controls regarding alteration, demolition, and maintenance of properties. If ultimately not included on the *Master Plan*, the resource would not be subject to the provisions of Chapter 24A.

The purpose of the public hearing is to allow all interested persons to express their views concerning this action. The meeting is open to all interested parties, but you must sign up to speak. The list of speakers is set on a first-come, first-served basis. To sign up in advance contact the Community Relations Office at 301-495-4600, or, sign up online at www.daicsearch.org/planning_board/testify.asp (at date prompt, scroll to 9/25). Time limits are at the discretion of the Chairman. You may also submit written comments, which will become part of the project record, by mail to: Royce Hanson, Chairman; Montgomery County Planning Board; 8787 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910; or by email to: mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org For more information about this evaluation, call or email Clare Lise Kelly, 301-563-3400; clare.kelly@mncppc-mc.org.