

Abstract

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- ABSTRACT:** This document contains land use and zoning recommendations for Damascus and vicinity. The Plan continues the rural and agricultural character of the area. Most residential and commercial development is channeled to the town of Damascus but a limited amount of low density residential development is permitted along ridge tops. Three Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) receiving areas are designated.

DAMASCUS MASTER PLAN AMENDMENTS

July 1985

- . Deletes A-11A from the Highway Plan Map
- . Re-examines zoning boundaries in the vicinity of the Damascus business area.
- . Clarifies the Plan language concerning a conservation buffer to the rear of Damascus Motors.

Damascus Master Plan

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A proposed amendment to the 1966 Master Plan for Damascus, as amended in 1971; the Functional Master Plan for the Preservation of Agriculture and Rural Open Space, October 1980; the Patuxent River Watershed Park Master Plan, 1964; the Clarksburg and Vicinity Master Plan, 1968; the Master Plan for Historic Preservation, 1979; the General Plan for the Physical Development of the Maryland-Washington Regional District; and the Master Plan of Highways within Montgomery County, Maryland.

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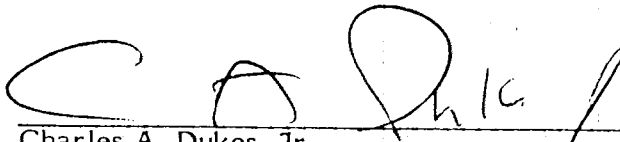
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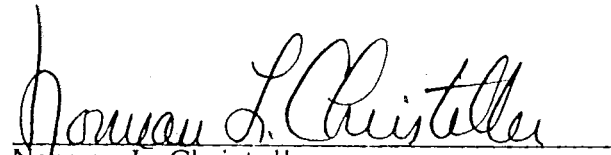
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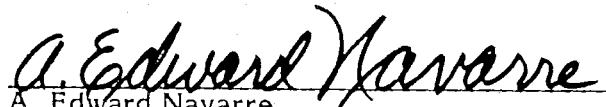

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Plan Highlights: Steeple of the Damascus United Methodist Church Sanctuary

Plan Introduction: Historical Marker at Corner of Route 124 and Main Street

Environmental Concerns: Bridge over Bennett Creek in Browningsville

Land Use Plan Recommendations: Looking over the Clearspring Manor Subdivision from Clearspring Road

Transportation: Intersection of Route 27 and Main Street

Damascus Business Area Plan: Looking West on Main Street

Agricultural and Open Space Preservation: Farmer Plowing a Field off Moxley Road near Claggettsville

Page 86: A Well Preserved Barn at the Intersection of Faith Lane and Ridge Road

Implementation: Band Concert at Damascus Regional Park

Appendices: Saturday Night at the Jimmy Cone in Damascus

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