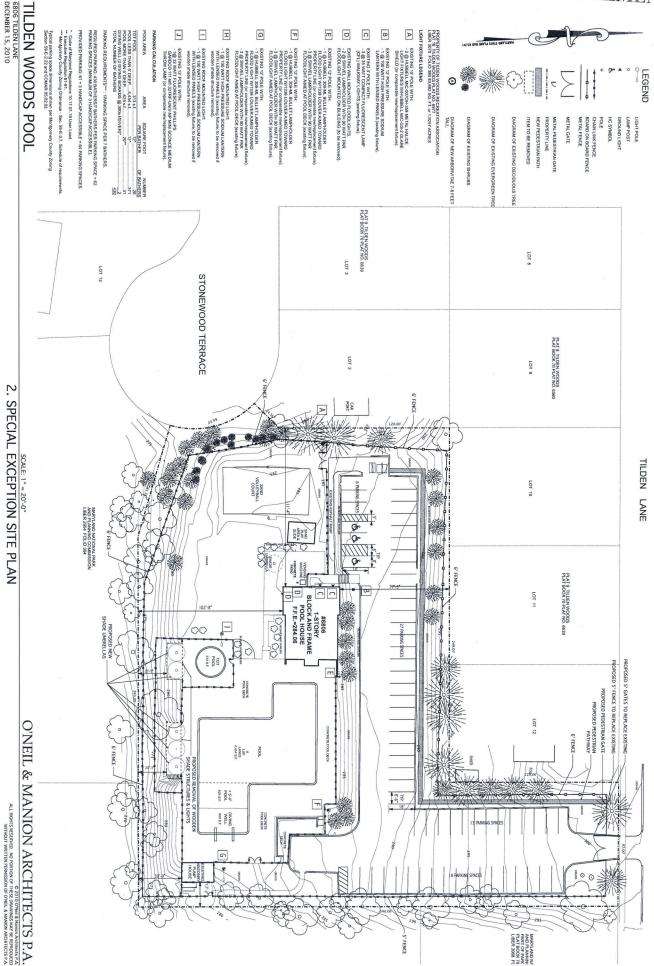


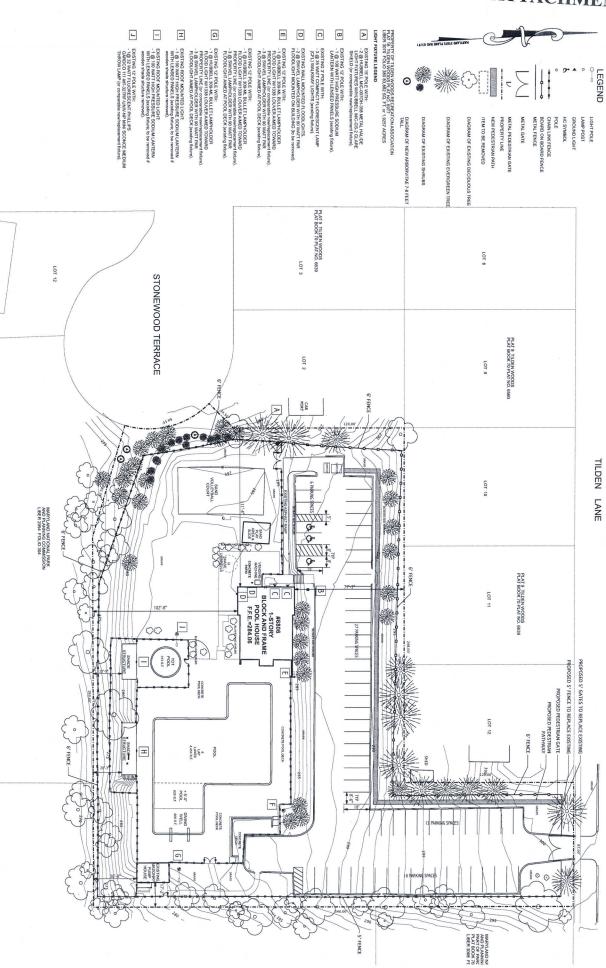
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ON-SITE STRUCTURE PHOTOGRAPHS

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Northern View

Northwest View





Western View

2. Storeroom



3. Property Boundaries

a. Southwest Boundary





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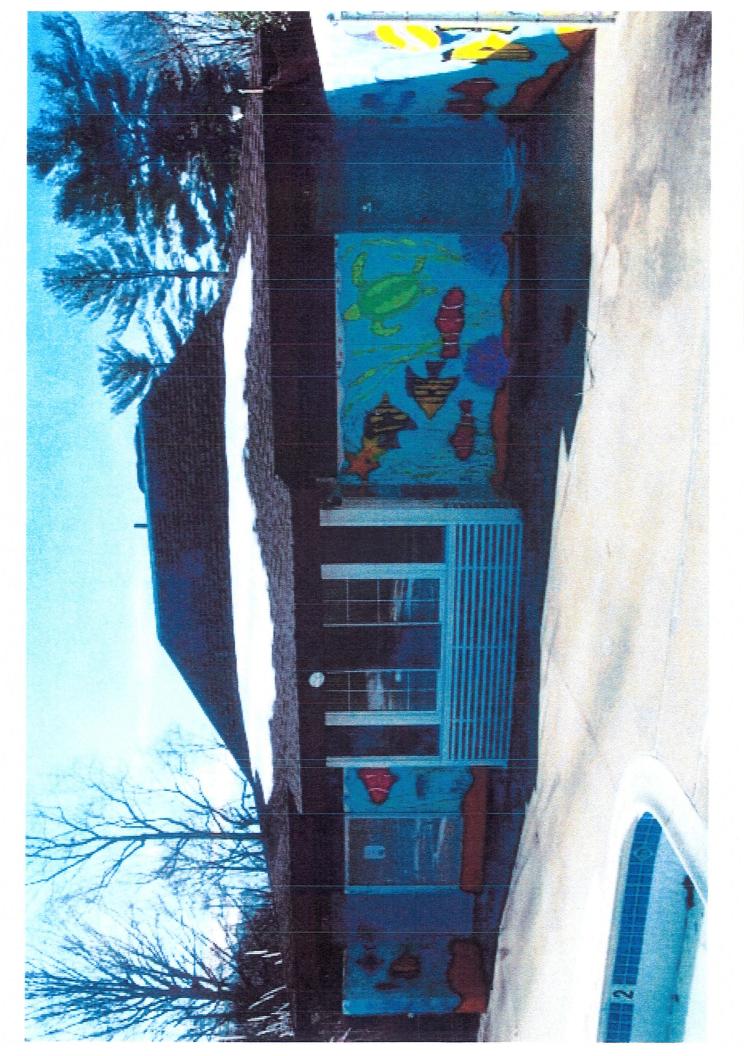


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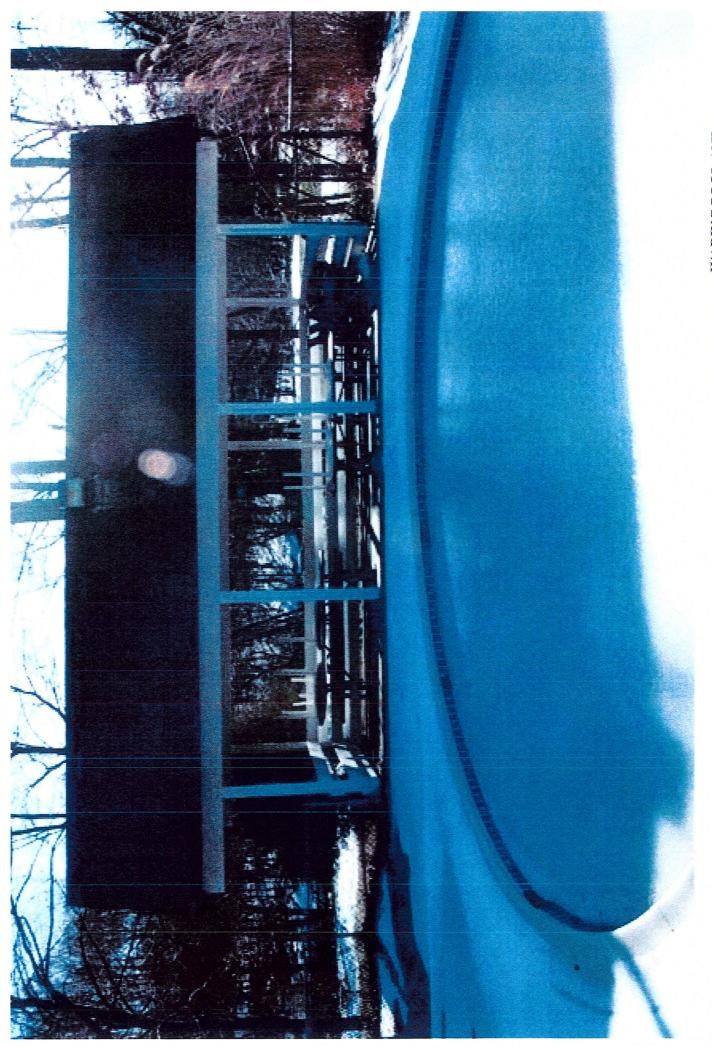


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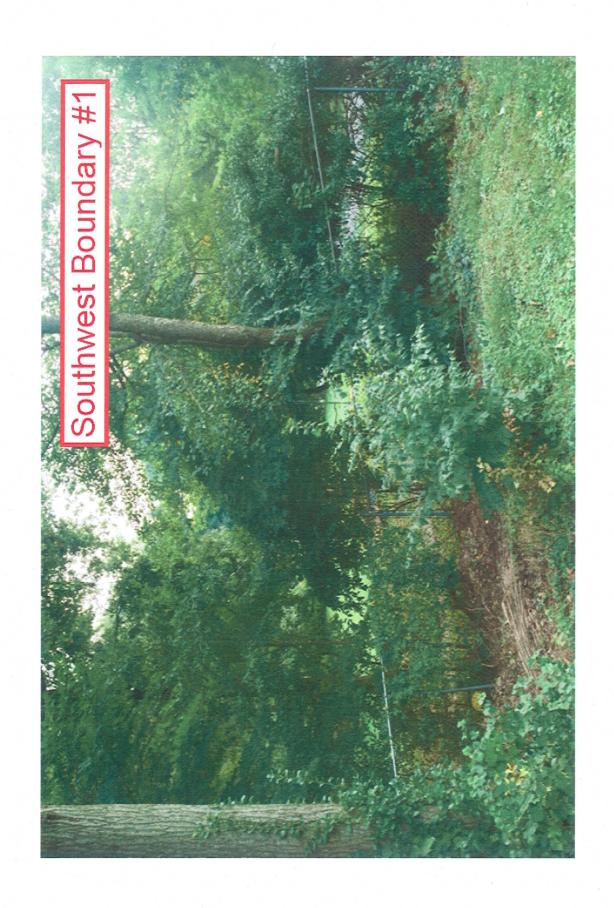






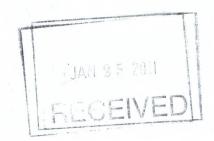
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CASE NO. CBA-1383-A

PETITION OF TILDEN WOODS RECREATION ASSOCIATION, INC.

NOTICE OF HEARING

Please take notice that the Office of Zoning and Administrative Hearings for Montgomery County, Maryland, will hold a public hearing in the Stella B. Werner Council Office Building, Second Floor Davidson Memorial Hearing Room, at 100 Maryland Avenue, Rockville, Maryland, on Friday, the 25th day of March 2011, at 9:30 a.m., or as soon thereafter as this matter can be heard, on the above-captioned application for a special exception pursuant to Section 59-G-2.56 (Community Swimming Pool) of the Zoning Ordinance to permit:

- **1.** Additional Hours of operation: (Currently Approved Hours of Operation are: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.)
 - (a) Additional Hours: Sundays 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
 - **(b)** Early Morning Lap Swim: Monday through Friday 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. Restricted to no more than 25 swimmers
 - (c) Swim Team weekday practice: 8: 30 a.m.
 - (d) Advanced Swimmers; warm-up prior to MCSL, Saturday swim meets: (1) 6:15 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.; (2) MCSL currently schedules six Saturday morning swim meets per year; (3) Restricted to no more than 25 swimmers.
 - (e) General Warm-Up prior to MCSL Saturday swim meets: (1) 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m.; (2) MCSL currently schedules six Saturday morning swim meets per year;
 - **(f)** Swim Team Wednesday Evening "B" Meets: (1) Closing hour extended to no later than 9:30 p.m.; (2) Restricted no more than three Wednesday evenings per year.

(g) Time Trials – Additional Saturday meet one week prior to first MCSL Saturday swim meet: (1) Starting time for Time Trial Meet – no earlier than 8 a.m.; (2) Advanced swimmers' warm-up for Time Trial Meet to begin at 6:30 a.m.; (3) General warm-up for Time Trial Meet to begin at 7 a.m.

(h) Divisional Meet – additional Saturday meet no more than once every three years: (1) Starting time 8 am; (2) General

warm-up for divisional meet to begin at 6:30 a.m.

(i) Annual swim team lock-in: one overnight swim team event known as the 'Annual Lock-In" is permitted on one Saturday evening to Sunday morning per year, beginning 9 p.m. and ending 6:30 a.m., subject to the noise restrictions.

- 2. Amplification Devices: (a) Restricted hours of use no amplified noise shall be permitted before 9 a.m. or after 10 p.m.; (b) Any amplified noise on site shall strictly comply with the Montgomery County noise ordinance; (c) Swim meet starting system use of a standard swim meet system with a "buzzer' or "tone" that complies with Ordinance guidelines, to regulate swim meets; (d) Starting device will not be used prior to 9 a.m. or after 9 p.m., with the following exceptions: (i) No later than 9:30 p.m. during a Wednesday evening "B" meet that extends past 9 p.m.; (ii) No earlier than 8 a.m. during a Time Trial meet or Divisional Meet.
- 3. Speaker System: (a) Two portable speakers to be used during the allowable hours. The sound will be directed away from the residential area towards the adjacent park property; (b) The speaker system to be used during swim meets and on no more than ten occasions during the year and for no more than four hours on each occasion
- 4. Parking: (a) 61 regular spaces plus three handicap spaces; (b) Vehicles arriving or dropping off passengers prior to 6:30 a.m. to park or drop off only in the eastern end of the parking lot. In addition families will be required to carpool with at least three Lock-In attendees per vehicle; (c) Drop-off and pick-up will not be allowed at the entrance located off of Tilden Lane. Signs will be posted.
- **5.** *Employees*: Maximum of 12 employees on site at any given time.
- **6.** Lighting: All internal and external lights will be turned off within ½ hour of closing.

The subject property is Lot B, Block 14, Tilden Woods Subdivision, located at 6806 Tilden Lane, Rockville, Maryland, 20852, in the R-90 Zone (Tax Account Number 04-00110416).

Notices forwarded this 18 day of January, 2011, to:

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<u>TILDEN WOODS RECREATION ASSOCIATION, INC.</u> <u>CASE NO. CBA-1383-A</u>

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

I. INTRODUCTION / BACKGROUND

The Tilden Woods Recreation Association, Inc. is a Maryland non-profit corporation organized to own and operate a community swimming pool. The subject property is known as Parcel "B" of the Tilden Woods Subdivision, located at 6806 Tilden Lane, Rockville, Maryland and consists of approximately 1.92 acres of land in the R-90 Zone. The Association originally purchased the subject property in 1962 and obtained approval of a special exception for a community swimming pool from the Board of Appeals in March of 1963, in Case No. CBA-1383.

In developing this Statement of Operations, the Association seeks to improve and further enhance its ability to serve and be an asset to the surrounding community. By detailing its operational parameters and establishing a Neighborhood Liaison Committee (further discussed in Section VI below) as other similar community swimming pool organizations in Montgomery County have done in recent years, it is the Association's intent to foster and facilitate more open lines of communication with its neighbors and to provide a structured and accessible means of addressing concerns and/or issues that may arise with regard to the Association's operations from time to time.

II. MEMBERSHIP

The approved special exception permits a total membership of 350 families. No change to the approved membership level is being requested in Case No. CBA-1383-A.

Each active family membership (i.e., adult family, young family, single parent family or couple membership) is equivalent to one (1) family membership. Each active single membership (i.e., one individual) is equivalent to one-half (1/2) a family membership. Inactive memberships will not be included.

III. OPERATIONS

A. Operating Season

- Background: The Swim Club was originally approved by the Board of Appeals with no restriction/limitation on the months of operation.
 However, based on the Swim Club's historic usage of the site, the Swim Club proposes to establish herein an "Operating Season" which sets forth the allowable months of operation for the site, as follows:
 - a. *Operating Season:* To begin no earlier than May 1st and end no later than and inclusive of October 31st in any given calendar year.
 - Aside from accessing/opening the site for maintenance/security purposes, the site will be closed to any individual/group use from November 1st to April 30th.
- 2. As indicated above, the proposed Operating Season is based on the historic usage of the Swim Club site. The heaviest volume of use of the site occurs during the 14-week "Summer Swim Season", commonly accepted as beginning the last weekend of May (i.e., Memorial Day weekend) and ending after the first weekend in September (i.e., Labor Day

weekend). However, since the Swim Club's pools are heated, the Swim Club has in years past had occasion to open its swimming pool earlier and close the pool later, depending on when the warm weather arrives/leaves in a given season. In addition, the proposed Operating Season is to accommodate allowable special events on the site (discussed in more detail under Section III.E. below) which can occur beyond the 14-week "Summer Swim Season".

B. Swim Meets

Swim League (MCSL), which coordinates competitive swim meets
between/amongst swim clubs organized throughout the County, known as
"A" meets held on Saturday mornings. The Swim Club also takes part in
"B" meets held on Wednesday evenings that are independently organized
amongst swim clubs. The "A" meets always get scheduled on Saturdays
and "B" meets always on Wednesdays, but if a particular meet gets
canceled due to severe weather on the scheduled day, it could get
rescheduled to the following day or evening.

The "Competitive Swim Meet Season" (hereinafter "Meet Season") runs from mid-June to late July (approximately a 7-week period) during the Swim Club's Operating Season. Participants who compete in either of the above "A" or "B" meets are children of member families and constitute the Tilden Woods Swim Team (hereinafter "Swim Team").

2. Type and Number of Swim Meets That May Be Hosted at the Swim Club
Site: The maximum number of competitive swim meets that might be
conducted at the Swim Club site during the Meet Season is a total of nine
(9) swim meets, of which a maximum of five (5) occur on Saturday

mornings and a maximum of four (4) occur on a weekday evening.

- a. MCSL "A" Meets: A maximum of three (3) "A" meets may be hosted at the Swim Club site each Meet Season.
 - i. "A" meets held at the Swim Club start at 9:00AM and end no later than 1:00PM on Saturdays.
- b. <u>Wednesday "B" Meets</u>: A maximum of three (3) "B" meets may be hosted at the Swim Club site each Meet Season.
 - i. "B" meets held at the Swim Club start at 5:30PM and end
 no later than 9:30PM on Wednesdays.
- c. <u>Time Trial Meet</u>: The Swim Club conducts a "Time Trial" meet at the Swim Club site each Meet Season to determine the qualifying swimmers that will compete in the MCSL "A" meets.
 - i. The Time Trial Meet held at the Swim Club starts at
 8:00AM and ends no later than 1:00PM on the Saturday
 prior to the first MCSL "A" meet.
- d. <u>Mini-Meet</u>: The Swim Club conducts a "Mini-Meet" at the Swim Club site each Meet Season to provide younger swimmers with an opportunity to experience a competitive swim meet environment.

 The Mini-Meet held at the Swim Club starts at 5:30PM and ends no later than 8:00PM on a weekday during the Meet Season.

- e. <u>Divisional Meet</u>: Organizations that participate in MCSL take
 turns hosting a Divisional Meet at their respective sites once every
 3 Meet Seasons. The Swim Club has not hosted a Divisional Meet
 at its site in more than 10 years, but would like to reserve the
 ability to do so if selected by MCSL in the future.
 - i. A Divisional Meet held at the Swim Club would start at8:00AM and end no later than 1:00PM on a Saturday.
- 3. Summary of Additional Hours of Operations to Accommodate Swim

 Meets Conducted at Swim Club Site: [NOTE: The approved hours of operation for the Swim Club under the original 1963 Opinion of the Board are as follows: "The hours of operation shall be from 9:00PM to 9:00PM, six days a week, and from 11:00AM to 9:00PM on Sunday. There may be six late nights of operation no later than 11:00PM."]

The following summarizes the additional hours of operation requested by the Swim Club in Case No. CBA-1383-A to better accommodate the swim meets that are **hosted** at the Swim Club site, described in Section III.B.2. above:

a. <u>Saturday Morning "A" Meets:</u>

No change required from Swim Club's approved hours of operation.

b. Wednesday Evening "B" Meets:

i. Swim Club's general closing hour extended ½ hour to no later than 9:30PM on a maximum of three (3) Wednesday evenings per Meet Season.

c. <u>Time Trial Meet:</u>

i. Swim Club's general opening hour extended 1 hour to8:00AM on one (1) Saturday per Meet Season.

d. <u>Mini-Meet</u>:

No change required from Swim Club's approved hours of operation.

e. <u>Divisional Meet</u>:

i. Swim Club's general opening hour extended 1 hour to8:00AM on an additional Saturday once every 3 MeetSeasons.

C. Swim Team Practice/Warm-Up Activities and Early Morning Lap Swim

Program

1. <u>Background:</u> Included in the Swim Club's modification request are changes to its approved hours of operations to better accommodate the practice and warm-up needs of its Swim Team, as well as to accommodate

early morning lap swimming as an exercise option for general members of the Club.

- a. Weekday Swim Team Practice: Members of the Tilden Woods

 Swim Team practice on weekday mornings starting at 8:30AM.

 This allows Swim Team members who have summer jobs or attend summer school or college exam prep classes to be able to practice and get to those other commitments on time.
- b. Warm-Up Prior to MCSL Saturday "A" Meets: There are a total of six (6) MCSL Saturday "A" meets held each Meet Season, of which only a maximum of three (3) are hosted at the Swim Club site each Meet Season as indicated in Section III.B.2.a. above.

 However, prior to each MCSL "A" meet, regardless of whether or not hosted at the Swim Club, members of the Swim Team require access to the Swim Club's pool for warm-up.
 - Warm-up for advanced swimmers would start at 6:15AM
 and end by 7:30AM on Saturdays prior to every MCSL "A"
 meet and be restricted to no more than 25 swimmers during
 that period of time.
 - ii. General warm-up for other members of the Swim Team would follow from 7:30AM to 9:00AM, but occurs only prior to an MCSL "A" meet hosted at the site.
- c. Warm-Up Prior to Time Trial Meet: As discussed in Section

 III.B.2.c. above, the Swim Club conducts a "Time Trial" meet at

the Swim Club site each Meet Season on the Saturday one week prior to the first MCSL "A" meet. Prior to the start of the Time Trial meet, Swim Team members require early access to pool facilities to begin warm-up.

- Advanced swimmers begin warm-up at 6:30AM, with general warm-up for other members of the Swim Team starting at 7:00AM.
- d. Warm-Up Prior to Divisional Meet: Whether or not the Swim
 Club is ever selected by MCSL to host a Divisional Meet at the
 Swim Club site, as discussed in Section III.B.2.e. above, a
 Divisional Meet occurs each Meet Season, prior to which Swim
 Team members require early access to pool facilities for warm-up.
 - i. Warm-up for advanced swimmers is needed prior to every year's Divisional Meet and would need to start at 6:15AM.
 This pre-Divisional warm-up for advanced swimmers would be restricted to no more than 25 swimmers.
 - ii. General warm-up for all members of the Swim Team
 would only be necessary if the Swim Club were to be
 selected to host a Divisional Meet (which has not occurred
 in more than 10 years), but if ever selected, warm-ups for
 all Swim Team members would need to start at 6:30AM.

e. <u>Early Morning Lap Swim Program</u>: The Swim Club has received requests in the past from some of its membership for access to pool facilities to accommodate an early morning lap swim as an exercise option. The Swim Club would allow early morning access to pool facilities only to members that have pre-registered for this program and would restrict participation to no more than 25 members per Operating Season.

2. Summary of Additional Hours of Operations to Accommodate Swim Team Practice/Warm-Up Activities and Early Morning Lap Swim Program: [NOTE: The approved hours of operation for the Swim Club under the original 1963 Opinion of the Board are as follows: "The hours of operation shall be from 9:00PM to 9:00PM, six days a week, and from 11:00AM to 9:00PM on Sunday. There may be six late nights of operation no later than 11:00PM."]

The following summarizes the additional hours of operation requested by the Swim Club in Case No. CBA-1383-A to better accommodate the Swim Team practice and warm-up activities, as well as to facilitate the proposed early morning lap swim program, all described in Section III.C.1. above:

a. <u>Weekday Swim Team Practice</u> (during 6 weeks out of the 7-week Meet Season):

 Access to Swim Club's pool facilities for Swim Team members beginning at 8:30AM on weekdays.

- b. Warm-Up Prior to MCSL Saturday "A" Meets (total of six (6)

 Saturdays during Meet Season):
 - Access to Swim Club's pool facilities for Swim Team members (advanced swimmers only; restricted to no more than 25 swimmers) at 6:15AM.
 - ii. Access to Swim Club's pool facilities for other Swim Team members at 7:30AM (only for meets hosted at the site).
- c. Warm-Up Prior to Time Trial Meet (one Saturday during Meet Season):
 - i. Access to Swim Club's pool facilities for Swim Team members (advanced swimmers only) at 6:30AM
 - ii. Access to Swim Club's pool facilities for other Swim Team members at 7:00AM.
- d. <u>Warm-Up Prior to Divisional Meet</u> (one Saturday during Meet Season):
 - Access to Swim Club's pool facilities for Swim Team members (advanced swimmers only; restricted to no more than 25 swimmers) at 6:15AM.
 - i. Access to Swim Club's pool facilities for all Swim Team members at 6:30AM (only if meet is hosted at site).

c. Early Morning Lap Swim Program:

i. Access to Swim Club's pool facilities for pre-registered members from 6:30AM to 7:30AM on weekdays.
 Participation in program restricted to no more than 25 members per Operating Season.

D. Swim Team - Special Event

- Annual Lock-In: The Annual Lock-In is a special event organized for members of the Tilden Woods Swim Team held at the end of each Meet Season to celebrate the accomplishments of that year's team. It is held on a weekend after the year's Divisional Meet in late July and is fully chaperoned by adult members of the Swim Club (generally the parents of Swim Team members).
 - a. The attendance level of this event has averaged between 125-150 members, including the adult chaperones.
 - The event will be fully subject to the noise restrictions outlined in Section III.G. below, the parking restrictions outlined in Section IV.B. below as well as compliance with the Swim Club's approved Transportation Management Plan.
- 2. Summary of Additional Hours of Operations to Accommodate Annual
 Lock-In Event: [NOTE: The approved hours of operation for the Swim
 Club under the original 1963 Opinion of the Board are as follows: "The
 hours of operation shall be from 9:00PM to 9:00PM, six days a week, and

from 11:00AM to 9:00PM on Sunday. There may be six late nights of operation no later than 11:00PM."]

- a. As indicated above, the Swim Club's current approval permits up to six (6) late nights of operation to no later than 11:00PM. The Annual Lock-In Event if only held until 11:00PM does not require approval of additional hours of operation to accommodate, but would certainly count toward one of the six (6) allowable late nights of operation.
- b. The Swim Club, however, is requesting in its modification request the ability to conduct the Annual Lock-In as an "overnight" event, which would require extending the closing hour for the Swim Club on one Saturday evening (at the end of the Meet Season) from 11:00PM on Saturday to 6:30AM on the following day, Sunday.

E. Annual Paul and Celine Silver Memorial 5K Run - Special Event

- 1. The Paul and Celine Silver Memorial 5K Run is an event being organized to take place within the Tilden Woods community on an annual basis beginning Summer 2011. The purpose of the event is to raise funds for a scholarship that has been established by Nathalie Silver in honor and memory of her late husband and daughter, Paul and Celine Silver, who died in an auto-accident in 2009.
- 2. The Swim Club has been requested by the Silver family to serve as a principal sponsor and a host site for the event. Celine Silver was a former

member of the Tilden Woods Swim Team, and the Silver family remain active members of the Swim Club.

- 3. Promotion efforts for the event is geared toward members of the Swim Club and Swim Team, other neighbors, supporters and friends of the Swim Club and Swim Team, as well as to those who knew Paul and Celine Silver and/or know the Silver family.
 - Pre-registration for the event will be required, with the total number of runner slots capped at 200.
 - ii. It is expected that many of the runners will come from the immediate neighborhood and will be asked to walk to the event as way of "warming-up" for the run.
 - iii. In addition to the Swim Club site, the facilities located at the adjacent M-NCPPC public park will be rented for use.
- 4. The event would start and end at the Swim Club site and occur during approved operating hours.
- 5. The pool facilities/grounds will be otherwise closed for general membership access/use during the event so there will be no overlap in use.
- 6. Strict compliance with the Swim Club's Transportation Management Plan to mitigate potential traffic/parking impacts created by the event on adjacent public streets will be required.

F. Organized Events

1. "Organized events" that have been held at the Swim Club site include the type of events commonly held at community swim clubs for members and guests, and can be grouped into several categories, as follows:

- a. Family Gathering Events: Includes holiday socials/parties, i.e.,
 4th of July, Labor Day, Halloween, and events such as the Dads'
 Pancake Breakfast these are family activities that involve general members of the Swim Club and their guests. They occur during normal operating hours and may include pot-lock meals or use of portable barbeques for group meals.
 - The attendance level for this type of event can range between 50-200 members and guests.
- b. <u>Adult Parties:</u> Includes Swim Club anniversary party or other adult social events/fundraisers these are social activities open to the general membership of the pool and their guests, that occur during normal operating hours or utilize one of the allowed late evenings of operation until 11:00PM, and may include food prepared by members or purchased for the event.
 - The attendance level for this type of event can range between 50-200 members and guests.
- c. <u>Member Birthday Parties</u>: Member birthday parties with 25 attendees or more require an additional staff to be brought on duty

and, as such, are considered by the Swim Club to rise to the level of an "organized event".

- Large birthday parties of greater than 25 attendees are a very rare occurrence at the Swim Club.
- d. <u>Neighborhood Events</u>: Includes events such as the "Doggie Dip" and the Luxmanor Elementary School Graduation Party.
 - i. The "Doggie Dip" is an event that could occur immediately before the Swim Club closes the swimming pool for the season. Members and guests from the neighborhood are invited to let their dogs have a dip in the pool. The event generally occurs on Labor Day in the evening and ends before 9:00PM.
 - a) The attendance level for this type of event has been at most 50 members/guests and their pets.
 - b) No traffic/parking issues have ever been observed as a result of this event since most attendees walk to the site with their dog.
 - ii. Luxmanor Elementary School Graduation Party membersof the Swim Club graduating from Luxmanor have hosted agraduation party at the Swim Club.
 - a) The attendance level for this type of event can range between 50-75 members/guests.

d. **Sports Tournament:** The Swim Club may organize a volleyball tournament or other lawn game tournament for members and guests during the Swim Club's Operating Season. There is only one sand volleyball court and limited lawn area on site. As such, tournaments do not draw large crowds and never generate any parking issues.

- i. The attendance level for this type of event ranges between25-50 members and guests.
- 2. The total number of "organized events" held at the Swim Club generally do not exceed ten (10) per Operating Season.
 - a. All organized events occur only during normal operating hours and no more than one (1) organized event is scheduled to occur at any one time on the site.
 - b. In addition, such organized events are scheduled by the Swim Club such that they avoid overlap with any swim meets to be hosted at the site.
- 3. None of the "organized events" listed above have created traffic/parking issues such as overflow parking onto adjacent public streets or queuing/stacking at the site entrance in the past. However, precautions will be undertaken by the Swim Club for any "organize event" held on site pursuant to measures outlined in the Transportation Management Plan

herein to ensure that parking/traffic impacts to adjacent residential neighbors, if any, are minimized.

G. Other Events/Activities

- 1. The following describes certain other events/activities routinely offered by the Swim Club that do not rise to the level of "organized events" but rather are more accurately described as "user incentives or amenities" offered as a means of encouraging and enhancing the use and enjoyment of the Swim Club's facilities by its members and guests. These may include the following types of events/activities:
 - a. "Grill and Chill" Dinners by the Pool Night
 - b. Small group birthday "swim and cake" celebrations (less than 25 attendees)
 - c. Bring Your Own Raft Night
 - d. "Age Specific" Evenings at the Pool (e.g. high school kids, middle school kids)
 - e. Friday Afternoon Socials for New Members
 - f. Friday Pre-Swim Meet Swim Team Gatherings
 - g. Evening Playing Card Gatherings
 - h. Ice Cream/Carmen's Italian Ice Night at the Pool

H. Additional Sunday Hours of Operation for General Membership

1. **Background:** Also included in the Swim Club's modification application is a request to make the hours of operation for Sundays comparable to

what was approved by the Board in 1963 for Saturdays. It appeared to the Swim Club that a later opening hour on Sunday might have been imposed for religious reasons. In light of the fact that there are members of the Swim Club who do not attend religious services on Sunday that may want access to pool facilities earlier in the morning, the Swim Club is requesting that the opening hour on Sundays be extended to 9:00AM.

I. Amplification Devices

1. Restricted Hours of Use

No amplified noise shall be permitted before 9:00a.m. or after 9:30PM, unless otherwise indicated below.

2. <u>Montgomery County Noise Ordinance Compliance</u>

Any amplified noise on-site shall strictly comply with the Montgomery

County noise ordinance and in accordance with any recommendations by
the noise program manager of the Division of Environmental Policy and

Compliance, Montgomery County Department of Environmental

Protection.

3. <u>Swim Meet Starting System</u>

Use of a standard swim meet starting system with a "buzzer" or
"tone" that complies with the Montgomery County Noise
 Ordinance and/or other applicable guidelines, is permitted to
regulate swim meets.

b. The starting device shall not be used prior to 9:00a.m. or after9:00p.m., with the following exceptions:

- i. No later than 9:30p.m. during a Wednesday evening "B" meet that extends past 9:00a.m.PM, as specified in Section III.B.3.b. above.
- ii. No earlier than 8:00a.m. during a Time Trial Meet or Divisional Meet, as specified in Section III.B.3.c. and Section III.B.3.e. above.

4. <u>Speaker System</u>

- a. Two (2) portable speakers with hand-held microphone may be used during swim meets but only to announce events and/or make necessary safety/emergency type of announcements. At no time, shall the speaker system be used for the playing of music at swim meets or on any other occasion.
- 5. Music may be played on the pool grounds during no more than ten (10) special events or organized events held in any Operating Season pursuant to the following restrictions:
 - a. No music will be played by a means different from, or to a level greater than that of a usual and conventional home reproduction system, i.e., CD player/stereo. Under no circumstances shall the speaker system described above in Section III.G.4.a. be used for the playing of music on the pool grounds.

Use of non-amplified acoustic instruments to play only the
 National Anthem at the start of a swim meet may be allowed.

c. On no occasion will the County Noise Ordinance be violated.

J. Lighting

1. All internal and external lights will be turned off within ½ hour of closing.

IV. PARKING

- A. Vehicles arriving or dropping off passengers prior to 7:30a.m. for Swim Team warm-ups/meet preparation and/or early morning lap swimming shall be permitted to park and/or drop off only in the eastern end of the parking lot, in order to minimize any potential disturbance to adjacent residences.
- B. Vehicles either leaving from or arriving to pick up individuals at the conclusion of the overnight Annual Lock-In event at or about 6:30a.m. the following Sunday morning, shall park in or pick-up individuals from the eastern end of the parking lot, in order to minimize any potential disturbance to adjacent residences. In addition, participating families will be required to carpool with at least three (3) Lock-In attendees per vehicle.
- C. To improve safety at the main driveway entrance, the Association shall prohibit vehicles from engaging in drop-off or pick-up activity at or near the main driveway entrance located off of Tilden Lane by posting a sign prohibiting such activity, as well as by discouraging members and members' children from standing at or near the driveway entrance by having staff periodically monitor and warn individuals away from the area.

V. EMPLOYEES

The Swim Club does not directly employ individuals, but contracts with a management company that provides staff for operational management and maintenance of pool facilities. The maximum number of employees/staff from the management company (i.e., manager, assistant manager, maintenance, lifeguards, coaches, etc.) present on the site at any one time shall not exceed twelve (12).

VI. NEIGHBORHOOD LIAISON COMMITTEE

The Association shall establish a Neighborhood Liaison Committee (NLC) at the start of each year by distributing a letter to adjacent neighbors requesting that those interested in participating in the NLC that year respond with their intent to do so. The Association will then convene the NLC meeting in April or early May, at which time a schedule of the Association's anticipated swim meets and other activities will be provided.

During the Association's most active months of June, July, August and September, the Association shall re-convene the NLC within ten (10) business days of receipt of a request for a further meeting by any participant of the NLC.

TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT PLAN

Tilden Woods Recreation Association Case No. CBA-1383-A

I. Introduction

The following document describes the transportation management strategies to be employed by the Tilden Woods Recreation Association (hereinafter "Swim Club" or "Club"). In an effort to address concerns raised by some of its residential neighbors, the Swim Club recognizes the need to actively manage traffic and on-street parking impacts generated by some of its activities/operations.

II. Background

The Swim Club is located at 6806 Tilden Lane in Rockville and occupies approximately two acres in the R-90 zone. The site was approved for use as a community swimming pool by the Board of Appeals in 1963 pursuant to Section 59-G-2.56 of the Zoning Ordinance. The original approval permits a maximum membership of 350 families and hours of operation as follows:

- 1) Monday to Saturday from 9:00am to 9:00pm
- 2) Sunday from 11:00am to 9:00pm
- 3) Six (6) late nights of operation until 11:00pm

The subject site has one access drive located off of Tilden Lane, which is classified as a 70 foot wide primary residential street. The number of parking spaces required to be provided on site is 62 spaces pursuant to Section 59-E-3.7 of the Zoning Ordinance. The site will provide 64 parking spaces on site, of which 3 spaces will be handicap accessible.

The Swim Club's present modification application (Case No. CBA-1383-A) does not seek to change/modify the approved membership cap. It does seek to update the Swim Club's special exception approval to accurately reflect existing improvements on the site and to modify its approved hours of operations to facilitate additional activities, such as early morning lap swimming for general members, early morning access to the pool for Swim Team practices and warm-ups prior to meets, among other things, all of which is more fully described in the Swim Club's Statement of Operations. This Transportation Management Plan, however, focuses only on those aspects of the Swim Club's existing and proposed operations that may require implementation of transportation management measures to help facilitate more efficient operations and to mitigate potential adverse impacts to the adjacent transportation network.

III. Operations

The Swim Club was originally approved by the Board of Appeals with no restriction/limitation on the months of operation. However, based on the Swim Club's historic usage of the site, the Swim Club proposes to establish an "Operating Season" which sets forth the allowable months of operation for the site, as follows:

- *Operating Season:* To begin no earlier than May 1st and end no later than and inclusive of October 31st in any given calendar year.
- Aside from accessing/opening the site for maintenance/security purposes,
 the site will be closed to any individual/group use from November 1st to
 April 30th.

A. Swim Meets

The Swim Club participates in the Montgomery County Swim League (MCSL), which coordinates competitive swim meets between/amongst swim clubs organized throughout the County, known as "A" meets held on Saturday mornings. The Swim Club also takes part in "B" meets held on Wednesday evenings that are independently organized amongst swim clubs. The "A" meets always get scheduled on Saturdays and "B" meets always on Wednesdays, but if a particular meet gets canceled due to severe weather on the scheduled day, it could get rescheduled to the following day or evening.

The "Competitive Swim Meet Season" (hereinafter "Meet Season") runs from mid-June to late July (approximately a 7-week period) during the Swim Club's Operating Season. Participants who compete in either of the above "A" or "B" meets are children of member families and constitute the Tilden Woods Swim Team (hereinafter "Swim Team").

1. <u>Total Number of Swim Meets That May Be Hosted at the Swim</u> Club Site:

The maximum number of competitive swim meets that might be conducted at the Swim Club site during the Meet Season is a total of nine (9) swim meets, of which a maximum of five (5) occur on Saturday mornings and a maximum of four (4) occur on a weekday evening.

(Additional details re the different types of swim meets that the Swim Team participates in are provided in Section III.B. of the Swim Club's Statement of Operations.)

B. Swim Team Annual Lock-In - Special Event

The Annual Lock-In is a special event organized for members of the Tilden Woods Swim Team held at the end of each Meet Season to celebrate the accomplishments of that year's team. It is held on a weekend after the year's Divisional Meet in late July and is fully chaperoned by adult members of the Swim Club (generally the parents of Swim Team members).

- If run as an overnight event, it begins on a Saturday evening at
 4:30PM and ends at 6:30AM the following morning, Sunday.
- The attendance level of this event has averaged between 125-150 members, including the adult chaperones.

C. Annual Paul and Celine Silver Memorial 5K Run - Special Event

The Paul and Celine Silver Memorial 5K Run is an event being organized to take place within the Tilden Woods community on an annual basis beginning Summer 2011. The purpose of the event is to raise funds for a scholarship that has been established by Nathalie Silver in honor and memory of her late husband and daughter, Paul and Celine Silver, who died in an auto-accident in 2009.

The Swim Club has been requested by the Silver family to serve as a principal sponsor and a host site for the event. Celine Silver was a former member of the Tilden Woods Swim Team, and the Silver family remains as active members of the Swim Club.

Promotion efforts for the event is geared toward members of the Swim Club and Swim Team, other neighbors, supporters and friends of the Swim Club

and Swim Team, as well as to those who knew Paul and Celine Silver and/or know the Silver family.

- 1. Pre-registration for the event will be required, with the total number of runner slots capped at 200.
- It is expected that many of the runners will come from the immediate neighborhood and will be asked to walk to the event as way of "warming-up" for the run.
- 3. In addition to the Swim Club site, the facilities located at the adjacent M-NCPPC public park will be rented for use.
- 4. The event would start and end at the Swim Club site and occur during approved operating hours.
- 5. The pool facilities/grounds will be otherwise closed for general membership access/use during the event so there will be no overlap in use.

D. Organized Events

"Organized events" held at the Swim Club site include the type of events commonly held at community swim clubs for members and guests, and can be grouped into several categories, as follows:

1. Family Gathering Events: Includes holiday socials/parties, i.e.,

4th of July, Labor Day, Halloween, and events such as the Dads'

Pancake Breakfast – these are family activities that involve general

members of the Swim Club and their guests. They occur during

normal operating hours and may include pot-lock meals or use of portable barbeques for group meals.

- a. The attendance level for this type of event can range between 150-250 members and guests.
- 2. Adult Parties: Includes Swim Club anniversary party or other adult social events/fundraisers these are social activities open to the general membership of the pool and their guests, that occur during normal operating hours or utilize one of the allowed late evenings of operation until 11:00PM, and may include food prepared by members or purchased for the event.
 - a. The attendance level for this type of event ranges between
 50-200 members and guests.
- 3. <u>Member Birthday Parties</u>: Member birthday parties with 25 attendees or more require an additional staff to be brought on duty and, as such, are considered by the Swim Club to rise to the level of an "organized event".
 - Large birthday parties of greater than 25 attendees are a very rare occurrence at the Swim Club.
- 4. <u>Neighborhood Events</u>: Includes events such as the "Doggie Dip" and the Luxmanor Elementary School Graduation Party.
 - a. The "Doggie Dip" is an event that could occur immediately before the Swim Club closes the swimming pool for the season. Members and guests from the neighborhood are

invited to let their dogs have a dip in the pool. The event generally occurs on Labor Day in the evening and ends before 9:00PM.

- The attendance level for this type of event has been
 on average 75 members/guests and their pets.
- ii. No traffic/parking issues have ever been observed as a result of this event since most attendees walk to the site with their dog.
- b. Luxmanor Elementary School Graduation Party members
 of the Swim Club graduating from Luxmanor have hosted a
 graduation party at the Swim Club.
 - i. The attendance level for this type of event can range between 50-75 members/guests.
- 5. **Sports Tournament:** The Swim Club may organize a volleyball tournament or other lawn game tournament for members and guests during the Swim Club's Operating Season. There is only one sand volleyball court and limited lawn area on site. As such, tournaments do not draw large crowds and never generate any parking issues.
 - a. The attendance level for this type of event ranges between25-50 members and guests.

The total number of "organized events" held at the Swim Club generally do not exceed ten (10) per Operating Season.

- i. All "organized events" occur only during normal operating hours.
- ii. No more than one (1) "organized event" is scheduled to occur at any one time on the site.
- ii. In addition, "organized events" are scheduled by the Swim Club such that they avoid overlap with any swim meets to be hosted at the site.

None of the "organized events" listed above have created traffic/parking issues such as overflow parking onto adjacent public streets or queuing/stacking at the site entrance in the past. However, for the larger "organize events" described above that may have the potential of creating parking/traffic impacts, the Swim Club will undertake certain precautions, as outlined in Section ____ below, in order to ensure that parking/traffic impacts to the adjacent public street, if any, are minimized.

E. Other Events/Activities

The following describes certain "other events/activities" routinely offered by the Swim Club that do not rise to the level of "organized events" but rather are more accurately described as "user incentives or amenities" offered as a means of encouraging and enhancing the use and enjoyment of the Swim Club's facilities by its members and guests. These may include the following types of events/activities:

- i. "Grill and Chill" Dinners by the Pool Night
- ii. Small group birthday "swim and cake" celebrations (less than 25 attendees)

- iii. Bring Your Own Raft Night
- iv. "Age Specific" Evenings at the Pool (e.g. high school kids, middle school kids)
- v. Friday Afternoon Socials for New Members
- vi. Friday Pre-Swim Meet Swim Team Gatherings
- vii. Evening Playing Card Gatherings
- viii. Ice Cream/Carmen's Italian Ice Night at the Pool

None of the "other events/activities" listed above have created any type of traffic/parking issue that would require implementation of any transportation management strategies.

F. Employees

The Swim Club contracts with a management company that provides operational management and facility maintenance services during the swimming pool season, including maintenance personnel, lifeguards and coaches. The maximum number of staff/employees on the site at any one time is twelve (12).

IV. Summary of Transportation/Parking Management Plan

The following Transportation / Parking Management Plan seeks to achieve the following objectives:

- A. Manage, control and reduce as much as possible the amount of permitted on-street parking that might be generated by the Swim Club's operations, in particular as it relates to the nine (9) potential swim meets that could be hosted at the site and the Annual Paul and Celine Silver Memorial 5K Run Special Event, described in Section III.A. and C. respectively above.
- B. Manage/facilitate safe and efficient drop-off and early morning pick-up operations for the proposed Annual Lock-In Special Event, described in Section III.B. above, such that no queuing/stacking of vehicles occurs along the public street adjacent to the site entrance.
- C. Implement precautionary transportation management measures for the larger group "organized events" (i.e., 150-200 attendees), described in Section III.D. above that may have the potential of creating some parking/traffic impacts, such that parking/traffic impacts to the adjacent public street, if any, are minimized.
- A. Management of Traffic and Overflow Parking for "Home" Swim

 Meets and the Annual Paul and Celine Silver Memorial 5K Run
 Special Event

The Swim Club will implement the following strategies to address any traffic or overflow parking impacts that might be caused by the nine (9) potential "home" swim meets conducted at the site each Operating Season and the Paul and Celine Silver Memorial 5K Run:

- Station a Parking Attendant (i.e., Swim Club staff or member volunteer) at driveway entrance to ensure that traffic flows smoothly and safely without bottlenecks; and
- Require Parking Attendant to monitor and direct on-street parking such that vehicles are not parked illegally and residential driveways are not blocked; and
- Reposition pick-up/drop-off points deeper within the site parking lot to prevent queuing at the entrance; and
- Place orange traffic cones along the south side of Tilden Lane to prevent parking of cars within 15 feet of either side of the entrance drive; and
- Apply for permit parking at adjacent M-NCPPC-owned Tilden
 Woods Local Park to reduce permitted on-street parking as much
 as possible; and
- Close the pool facilities/grounds for general membership access/use during the meet/event so there will be no overlap in use;
 and

 Communicate with visiting swim teams and other anticipated swim team attendees via e-mail prior to meets and provide notice of the parking controls; and

• Communicate with participants pre-registered for the 5K via e-mail prior to event and provide notice of parking controls and encourage/request that they either walk or carpool to the event.

B. <u>Management of Drop-Off/Pick-Up Operations for Annual Lock-In</u> Special Event

The Annual Lock-In Special Event requested in the present modification application is an event for all swim team participants that occurs at the end of each swim season. This event does not generate any overflow parking impacts onto adjacent streets since, aside from the cars of the chaperones that stay on site for the entire event, most simply drop-off participants in the late afternoon/early evening on the day of the event (Saturday) and then leave the site. The event ends the next Sunday morning at 6:30am, at which point participants either walk home or get picked-up.

For this event, vehicles either dropping off participants on Saturday or arriving to pick up participants the following Sunday morning, shall be permitted to park in or pick-up individuals only from the eastern end of the parking lot, in order to minimize any potential disturbance to adjacent residences.

In addition, if planning to drive/be driven to the site for the event, participating families will be required to carpool with at least three (3) Lock-In attendees per vehicle.

C. Management of Potential Traffic and Overflow Parking for Larger Group "Organized Events" (i.e., >150 attendees), described in Section III.D.

The Swim Club will implement the following strategies as a precaution to ensure that traffic or overflow parking impacts that might be caused by some of the larger group "organized events" described under Section III.D. herein are avoided to the maximum extent possible:

- Station a Parking Attendant (i.e., Swim Club staff or member volunteer) at driveway entrance to ensure that traffic flows smoothly and safely without bottlenecks; and
- Require Parking Attendant to monitor and direct on-street parking such that vehicles are not parked illegally and residential driveways are not blocked; and
- Place orange traffic cones along the south side of Tilden Lane to prevent parking of cars within 15 feet of either side of the entrance drive; and
- Communicate with members prior to event via e-mail regarding the parking controls and encourage/request that members planning to attend either walk or carpool to the event.

V. Summary

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The foregoing Transportation Management Plan is intended to help mitigate traffic/on-street parking impacts on adjacent street generated by certain Swim Club activities concerns over which have been raised by some of its residential neighbors. Through this Plan, it is the intent of the Swim Club to manage/regulate its activities such that pedestrian safety is maximized and vehicular congestion avoided at/near the site entrance, and that any on-street overflow parking on the adjacent street is managed/controlled to minimize disturbance/impacts as much as possible to adjacent residential neighbors.

April 11, 2011

Memorandum

To:

Carlton Gilbert

Montgomery County Planning Department

From:

N'kosi Yearwood

Montgomery County Planning Department

Re:

Special Exception Major Modification Tilden Woods Recreation Association

CBA-1383-A

Master Plan Consistency

The proposed special exception modification for a community swimming pool is consistent with the Approved and Adopted (1992) *North Bethesda Garrett Park Master Plan*. The modification will address discrepancies between the building permit issued in 1968, and improvements made to the site as well as other operational changes. The Board of Appeals approved the use in 1963 for 350 families. A community swimming pool is a special exception use in the R-90 zone.

There are no specific recommendations for the subject property at 6806 Tilden Lane. Private recreation facilities are not addressed in the Master Plan. The Master Plan states that community facilities, such as parks and open space and libraries, "help create and reinforce a sense of social cohesion-a sense of community" (p.227).

The Master Plan established several guidelines for special exceptions, including the following:

- 1. Avoid excessive concentration of special exception and other nonresidential land uses along major highway corridors.
- 2. Avoid over-concentration of commercial service or office-type special exception uses in residential communities.
- 3. Protect major highway corridors and residential communities from incompatible design of special exception uses.

In the design and review of special exceptions, the following guidelines should be followed, in addition to those stated for special exception uses in the Zoning Ordinance. Any modification or addition to an existing building to accommodate a special exception should be compatible with the architecture of the adjoining neighborhood and should not be significantly larger than nearby structures. Front yard parking should be avoided because of its commercial appearance; however, in situations where side or rear parking

is not available, front yard parking should be allowed only if it can be comprehensively landscaped and screened (p.38).

There are no additions to the building so compatibility with surrounding residential properties will be retained. And, there are few existing special exceptions in the surrounding area; therefore, concentration of special exceptions will not occur.

The Master Plan supports special exceptions that contribute to the housing and service objectives, including elderly housing and child daycare centers.

April 15, 2011

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Carlton Gilbert, Planner Coordinator

Area 2 Division

VIA:

Shahriar Etemadi, I-270 Corridor Supervisor

Area 2 Division

FROM:

Ed Axler, Transportation Planner Coordinator

Area 2 Division

SUBJECT:

Board of Appeals Petition CBA-1383-A

Tilden Woods Recreation Association, Inc.

North Bethesda Policy Area

This memorandum is Area 2 transportation planning staff's Adequate Public Facilities (APF) review of the subject special exception case for an existing community swimming pool.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Area 2 transportation planning staff recommends approval of this Board of Appeals petition as it could meets all the transportation-related requirements for granting its approval with the following conditions:.

- 1. The Petitioner must limit the membership to previously-approved maximum of 350 members.
- 2. The Petitioner must implement their proposed Traffic Management Plan during any event generating vehicular trips that results in overflowing the on-site parking supply.

Staff finds that the proposed Board of Appeals petition modification satisfy the Local Area Transportation Review (LATR) and Policy Area Mobility Review (PAMR) tests with the conditions above and would not adversely impact the area roadway conditions and nearby pedestrian facilities.

DISCUSSION

Site Location and Vehicular Site Access

The subject swimming pool is located on the south side of Tilden Lane between Stonewood Lane and Old Stage Road. M-NCPPC's local park, Tilden Woods Stream Valley Park, is located on both the east and south sides.

Vehicular access to the site's parking area is from Tilden Lane. The existing flat terrain results in adequate sight-distance along Tilden Lane near the site's access point.

Parking

The existing on-site parking area has 64 parking spaces that are more than the minimum required 62 spaces (i.e., one space for every seven bathers). The available number of parking spaces is adequate for a community swimming pool like this on a typical summer day. Many of the recreation association members can walk to the community swimming pool located near their residence. The existing vehicular parking will not be altered by the proposed amendment for non-special events.

For all proposed events, a Transportation Management Plan is proposed to prevent site-generated traffic from adversely impacting the adjacent residential street. The proposed plan includes the following:

- Communication with visiting swim teams and other anticipated participants prior to meets and other events and provide notice of parking management measures to control overflow parking.
- 2. Parking management by using parking attendances that would prevent vehicles blocking driveways or illegally parking on Tilden Lane and coordinate efficient vehicle queuing for on-site pick-up/drop-off.
- 3. Address overflow parking impacts by applying for permit parking at the adjacent M-NCPPC's Tilden Woods Stream Valley Park parking area to reduce permitted on-street parking as much as possible.

Implementing the proposed Transportation Management Plan would safely and efficiently control overflow parking generated by events related to the recreational association.

Pedestrian Facilities

Four-foot wide sidewalks exist on both sides of Tilden Lane.

Master-Planned Roadway

Tilden Lane is designated as a primary residential street, P-7, with a Class III bikeway (i.e., a signed shared roadway) in the *North Bethesda/Garrett Park Master Plan*. Bike lanes (on-street biking), BL-24, are designated along Tilden Lane between Hounds Way and Nicholson Lane in the *Countywide Bikeways Functional Master Plan*. The existing right-of-way for Tilden Lane is 70 feet as required for primary residential streets.

Available Transit Service

Transit service is not available on Tilden Lane. The nearest transit service is available along Montrose Road and Old Georgetown Road.

APF- Local Area Transportation Review

The Applicant's proposed modifications to the operation of the community recreation association will not increase the site-generated peak-hour trips as the total maximum number of members would remain at 350. The hours of operations are proposed to be changed to open earlier for weekday morning for swim team practices, later on Wednesday night for special events, and earlier on Saturday mornings for special events. Only the earlier weekday morning peak hours are within the weekday morning peak period (6:30 to 9:30 a.m.), while the weekday evening peak period (4:00 to 7:00 p.m.) should not be impacted. A traffic study is <u>not</u> required to satisfy Local Area Transportation Review.

APF- Policy Area Mobility Review

The Petitioner does not have to mitigate 30% of their new site-generated vehicular trips to satisfy Policy Area Mobility Review as currently required in the North Bethesda Policy Area because the proposed modifications result in generating <u>no</u> new weekday peak hour trips.

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MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

April 12, 2011

Memorandum

To:

Carlton Gilbert

Planner Coordinator, Area 2

From:

Steve Findley

Environmental Planner Coordinator, Area 2

RE:

Special Exception #CBA 1383-A

Tilden Woods Recreation Association

Environmental Comments

- 1. The site has obtained an exemption from filing a forest conservation plan (Exemption #42011092E).
- 2. All operations must conform to the requirements of the Montgomery County Noise Control Ordinance (Chapter 31B of the County Code). Specifically, noise levels cannot exceed 65 dBA at the property line during daytime hours, and cannot exceed 55 dBA at the property line during nighttime hours. Daytime is defined as the hours between 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. weekdays and between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. on weekends and holidays; nighttime is between 9 p.m. to 7 a.m. weekdays and between 9 p.m. and 9 a.m. weekends and holidays.
- 3. In regard to limiting noise impacts on adjacent neighbors, the applicant shall abide by the terms of the revised Statement of Operations dated April 7, 2011. In the memo to M-NCPPC Technical Staff that accompanied this application, the Applicant requests "the ability to have CD player-type equipment on the site to play background music for certain organized events" as detailed in the revised Statement of Operations. It is staff's opinion that the term "background music" suggests a low level of amplification that would permit people to talk over it in normal conversational tones.



December 22, 2010

Barbara Ship President, Tilden Woods Recreation Association 10 Old Stage Court Rockville, MD 20852

Dear Ms. Ship:

This letter is to inform you that your request for an exemption from submitting a forest conservation plan 42011092E, Tilden Woods Recreation Association, is approved under Section 22A-5(q)(1) – Existing Special Exception.

1. The application is for an existing structure and the proposed use will not result in the clearing of existing forest or trees.

As this special exception proposes no disturbance or changes to the existing development, this application meets the criteria for this exemption. Any changes from the approved exemption request may constitute grounds to rescind or amend any approval actions taken and to take appropriate enforcement actions. If there are any subsequent modifications planned to the approved plan, a separate amendment must be submitted to M-NCPPC for review and approval prior to those activities occurring.

If you have any questions regarding these actions, please feel free to contact me at 301-495-2189 or amy.lindsey@mncppc-mc.org.

Sincerely,

Amy Lindsey, Environmental Planner

Cc: 42011092E





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March 22, 2011

Mr. Carlton Gilbert Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission 8787 Georgia Avenue Silver Spring, MD 20910

RE:

Tilden Woods Recreation Association;

Special Exception Case No. CBA-1383-A

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Dear Mr. Gilbert:

I am writing to briefly respond to correspondence recently submitted by Mr. B. J. Sadoff relative to an inspection conducted by Mr. Jack Mohr of the Montgomery County Health and Human Services Department / Division of License and Regulatory Services on March 1, 2011. Both Ms. Barbara Ship and I were in attendance at the inspection.

The purpose of the inspection was to confirm that a "continuous high perimeter barrier" of at least 72 inches (i.e., 6 feet above grade measured from the side of the fence that faces away from the pool) surrounds the swimming pool/deck areas of the site. This "swimming pool perimeter fence standard" must be met in order for the Swim Club to obtain its 2011 Operating Permit.

I would note that the above swimming pool perimeter fence height requirement is NOT a Zoning Ordinance standard and DOES NOT apply to all of the fencing located on the property which extends well beyond the swimming pool/deck areas. Rather, it is a requirement of the Department of Health and Human Services under COMAR 10.17.01.21 applicable to all recreational/semi-public swimming pools.

Although the minimum height for fencing required by the Board of Appeals along the property boundaries (i.e., "boundary fencing") per the original special exception approval was <u>five (5) feet</u>, there are some areas (notably along the southern, western and northern boundaries of the site) where fencing was installed at a greater height of six (6) feet. It was determined at the inspection that with some retrofits/repairs, some of this existing boundary fencing (in particular along the south/southwest corner of the site) could be used to meet the 6-foot swimming pool perimeter fence requirement under

COMAR. As a result, there will be some areas of overlap where some of the "boundary fencing" required by the Board of Appeals will also serve as "swimming pool perimeter fencing" required by the Department of Health and Human Services.

On March 17, 2011, Petitioner submitted to Mr. Mohr a proposal for corrective action to bring the site into compliance with the County's "swimming pool perimeter fence standard" as described above. As indicated by Mr. Mohr in his report, the "existing fence is in good overall condition" and required "relatively easy" measures to correct. Upon receipt from Mr. Mohr that Petitioner's proposal is acceptable, those corrections will be implemented forthwith and then a follow-up inspection of the site scheduled with Mr. Mohr. The Swim Club will be issued its 2011 Operating Permit only upon confirmation by Mr. Mohr that the site has been brought into conformance with the above standards.

A minor change to the Special Exception Site Plan (dated December 15, 2010) will be necessary to reflect approximately 9 linear feet of chain link fencing (6 feet in height) that will be added to connect the existing fencing surrounding the shade structures with the southern boundary fence in order to meet the "continuous barrier" requirement. (See attached.)

Upon its issuance, Petitioner will forward a copy of the 2011 Operating Permit to both Technical Staff and the Hearing Examiner for the record.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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Soo Lee-Cho

Attachment

cc: Martin L. Grossman, Esquire

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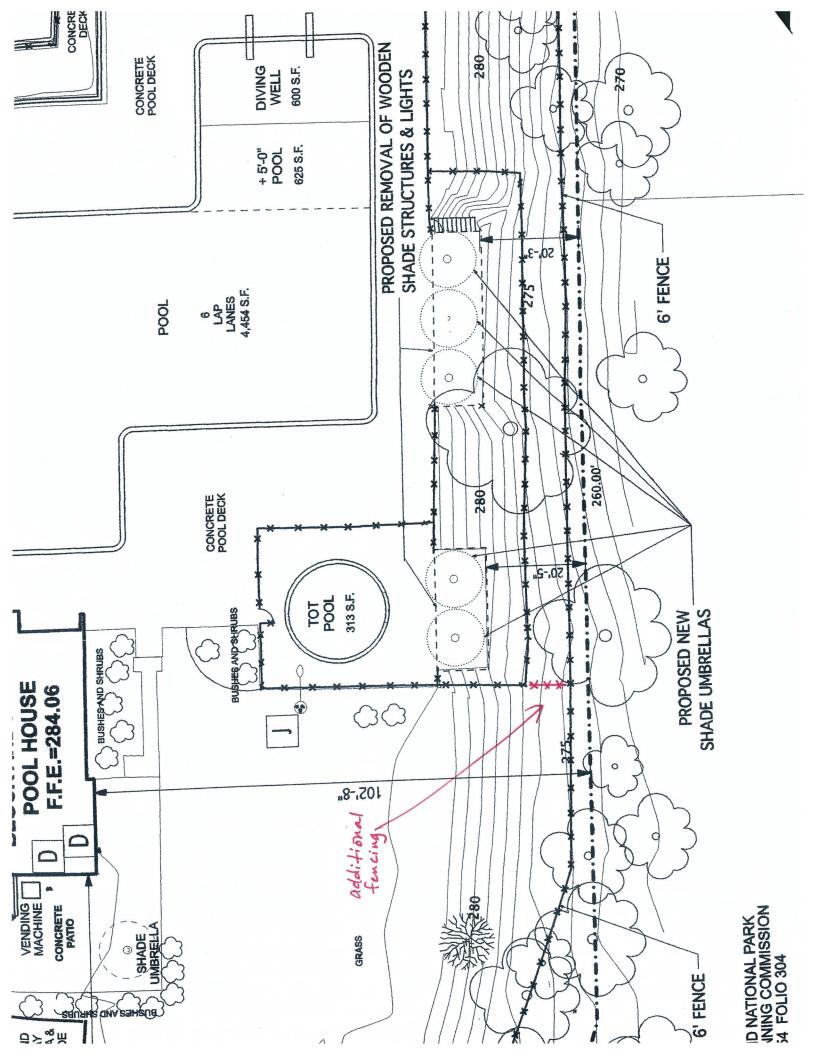
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April 12, 2011

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RE:

Tilden Woods Recreation Association;

Special Exception Case No. CBA-1383 and CBA-1383A

Community Swimming Pool in the R-90 Zone

Dear Ms. Lee-Cho:

You requested a zoning opinion from the Department of Permitting Services (DPS) regarding the ability of Tilden Woods Recreation Association to conduct a 5K Run under the existing special exception approval as long as it was conducted within approved hours of operations and sponsored/attended by members of the Club and guests.

As you know, the special exception is silent on this matter. DPS has permitted activities at community pools under special exception to have activities for its members and their guests.

The 5K Run is organized for the purpose of raising funds for a scholarship in honor of Mrs. Silver's husband and daughter who died in a automobile accident in 2009. The family was active in the Swim Club and Mrs. Silver requested the Swim Club sponsor this event. The 5K Run will not require any physical/structural work. There will be a tables and chairs for sign in purposes. The 5K Run will take place during pool hours noted in case CBA 1383 and the event will be attended by members and their guests.

Based upon the above information, I find that this use can be a permissible use under the Swim Club's existing approval since it is being conducted during the hours of operation of the Tilden Woods Swim Club and sponsored and attended by members of the club and their guests.

Should you have any additional questions please contact me.

Sincerely,

Susan Scala-Demby

Zoning Manager