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Lot 31/31A Bethesda Preliminary Plan Amendment 12007069A

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Description

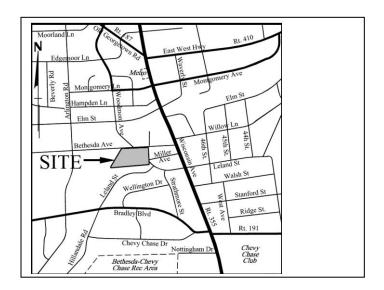
Location: Southeast and southwest quadrants of the intersection of Woodmont Avenue and Bethesda

Avenue Zone: TS-M

Master Plan: Bethesda CBD Sector Plan

Property Size: 3.07 acres

Limited Preliminary Plan Amendment to modify or add certain conditions of approval for a previously approved preliminary plan that subdivided the subject property into two lots for up to 250 multifamily dwelling units and 40,000 square feet of retail uses. This amendment proposes to eliminate internal lot lines so that all of the development is contained in one lot instead of two lots.



Summary

Staff Recommendation: Approval with Conditions

Staff recommends approval of the amendment to revise one condition of approval. The amendment would allow creation of one lot on the subject property instead of two lots.

The need for the amendment arises because the two lots approved on the subject property sit on each side of Woodmont Avenue while the proposed underground parking garage would straddle both of the lots and the Woodmont Avenue right-of-way that lies between them. The private parking garage, however, must not project into the right-of-way, even below-grade. To resolve this, both parts of the site, on both sides of Woodmont Avenue, will be combined into one lot. The right-of-way for Woodmont Avenue will extend downward underground to a depth that is above the roof of the underground garage, and the space below the right-of-way will be part of the single proposed lot on the site.

One other condition has been modified and one added relating to adequate public facilities validity and plan validity, respectively, in order to accurately reflect the correct expiration dates.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval subject to the following conditions:

- 1) These conditions supersede the conditions contained in the Resolution no. 07-184, dated December 20, 2007.
- 2) Approval under this preliminary plan is limited to one lot for 250 multi-family dwelling units, including up to 35 workforce housing units with a minimum of 12.5% moderately priced dwelling units (MPDUs), and 40,000 square feet of commercial retail with an underground parking garage containing no more than 1,480 spaces with no more than 342 private spaces.
- 3) The Applicant must comply with the specifications and requirements of the approved Development plan for Zoning Application No. G-850.
- 4) The Applicant must comply with the conditions of approval for the preliminary forest conservation plan. The Applicant must satisfy all conditions prior to recording of plat(s) or MCDPS issuance of sediment and erosion control permits, as applicable.
- 5) No clearing, grading or recordation of plats prior to certification of the Site Plan.
- 6) Final approval of the final number and location of buildings, dwelling units (including MDPUs and workforce housing units), on-site parking, site circulation, sidewalks, and bike paths will be determined by the Site Plan.
- 7) Site Plan #820070180 must be approved by the Board and signed by Staff prior to the approval of the record plat.
- 8) The Applicant must satisfy Local Area Transportation Review (LATR) by providing the following operational improvements:
 - a. Construct a left-turn lane on the eastbound Bethesda Avenue approach at its intersection with Woodmont Avenue.
 - b. Provide for an exclusive left turn and a shared through/right turn lane on westbound Elm Street at its intersection with Woodmont Avenue, if required by the Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT).
 - c. Applicant will provide channelization measures to reinforce the operational restrictions of right-in and right-out only limitation on ingress and egress for the parking garage access along Bethesda Avenue. The design of such channelization would be subject to Department of Permitting Services (MCDPS) and MCDOT approval.
- 9) The Applicant must enter into a Traffic Mitigation Agreement (TMAg) with the Planning Board and MCDOT to participate in the Bethesda Transportation Management Organization (TMO). The TMAg must be signed and executed by all parties prior to certification of the site plan.
- 10) The Applicant must comply with the conditions of the MCDOT letters dated August 6, 2007, and August 10, 2007. These conditions may be amended by MCDOT, provided the amendments do not conflict with other conditions of the preliminary plan approval.
- Prior to Certified Site Plan approval, the Applicant must provide a vehicular, pedestrian, and bicycle circulation plan for the construction phase to MNCPPC for review.
- The record plat must reflect dedication of right-of-way for Bethesda Avenue and relocated Woodmont Avenue as shown on the Preliminary Plan. The right-of-way for relocated Woodmont Avenue will be dedicated by deed instrument prior to recordation of the record plat (which deed instrument shall reserve from the dedication the area beneath the road structure that will be occupied by the private/public garage). The subsequent record plat must reference the dedication by liber/folio reference to the recorded deed instrument. Abandonment of existing Woodmont Avenue right-of-way, per Council Resolution 15-1584, shall be finalized with the recordation of the record plat.

- 13) The Applicant must construct all road improvements within the rights-of-way shown on the approved preliminary plan to the full width and design standards shown on the Certified Site Plan and approved by MCDOT and MCDPS.
- 14) The final number of dwelling units and MPDUs as per condition #1 above will be determined at the time of Site Plan approval.
- The record plat must reflect a public use and access easement over all private streets, trails and bikepaths, and adjacent parallel sidewalks.
- 16) The record plat must depict the abandonment of the right-of-way for existing Woodmont Avenue located on the property.
- 17) The Applicant must comply with the conditions of the MCDPS stormwater management approval dated October 13, 2006. These conditions may be amended by MCDPS, provided the amendments do not conflict with other conditions of the preliminary plan approval.
- 18) The Applicant must make the following agreed improvements to the Capital Crescent Trail located adjacent to the Subject Property:
 - a. Landscaping along the trail per Site Plan.
 - b. Bicycle parking racks to be provided and located per Site Plan.
 - c. Adequate trail signage to be provided at Bethesda Avenue and at the intersection with the access trail from the bike drop-off.
- 19) The Applicant must provide a bicycle drop off along Woodmont Avenue, with a Public Improvement Easement (PIE) to allow maintenance of the drop-off facility and a paved access trail per the Site Plan within a Public Access and Use Easement along the southern boundary of the Property, from the drop off to the Capital Crescent trail. Final location and design of these facilities to be determined at Site Plan. Location and design of the intersection of the access trail with the Capital Crescent Trail per site plan.
- 20) The record plat must reflect the location of the P.I.E. for the bicycle drop-off area, and the Public Access/Use Easement for the southern path connection with a notation that recordation of the two easements will occur prior to release of the first building permit.
- The Adequate Public Facility (APF) review for the preliminary plan will remain valid until January 20, 2017.
- 22) Other necessary easements must be shown on the record plat.
- This approval will remain valid until January 20, 2015. Prior to the expiration of this validity period, a final record plat for all property delineated on the approved preliminary plan must be recorded among the Montgomery County Land Records or a request for an extension must be filed.

BACKGROUND

On September 20, 2007, the Planning Board approved Preliminary Plan 120070690 (Lot 31/31A). The preliminary plan created two lots for 250 multi-family dwelling units, including up to 35 workforce housing units and a minimum of 12.5% moderately priced dwelling units (MPDUs), and 40,000 square feet of retail uses. The development is to be served by an underground parking garage containing no more than 1,480 spaces with no more than 342 private spaces. One of the proposed lots was to be on the west side of Woodmont Avenue and the other on the east side, on the block south of Bethesda Avenue.

In order to accommodate the proposed development, Woodmont Avenue is to be realigned on the block between Bethesda Avenue and Leland Street. The mechanism by which this will be carried out is that the existing right-of-way for Woodmont Avenue will be abandoned by the County, and the new alignment will be dedicated to the County as new public right-of-way. Typically, when land is dedicated as public right-of-way, the public right-of-way continues downward through the ground, theoretically to the center of the Earth. In this case, however, the proposed underground parking garage will be located across the entire site, including under the right-of-way for Woodmont Avenue. Because the garage must not be located in the right-of-way (even underground), the right-of-way will not continue down to the center of the Earth, but will only be deep enough to contain the street and associated utilities and drainage. Viewed in cross section, the newly dedicated right-of-way would appear as an approximately U-shaped trough.

Because the approved preliminary plan created two separate lots, one on each side of Woodmont Avenue, and the right-of-way for Woodmont Avenue does not extend below the street and utility infrastructure, the area of the underground garage that is to be located below Woodmont Avenue would be in a "no man's land" of sorts – it would not be in either of the two lots or in the right-of-way.

In addition, the County Council's resolution that approved the abandonment of the original right-of-way for Woodmont Avenue called for the creation of one lot that would encompass the subject property on both sides of Woodmont Avenue. However, the approved preliminary plan created two lots — one on each side of Woodmont Avenue.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The applicant is requesting an amendment to change the subdivision from two lots (one lot on each side of Woodmont Avenue) to one lot that will encompass the entire site. The one lot will encompass the space below the right-of-way for Woodmont Avenue, solving the issue of the garage under the right-of-way not being contained within a lot. Also, creation of one lot for the entire site will bring the project into consistency with the County Council resolution for the abandonment of the existing Woodmont Avenue right-of-way.

Amendment of the plan is accomplished by amending a condition of the previous approval that set forth the limits on development. Condition number 1 (new Condition No. 2) is recommended to be modified as follows:

42) Approval under this preliminary plan is limited to <u>one lot for</u> 250 multi-family dwelling units, including up to 35 workforce housing units with a minimum of 12.5% moderately priced dwelling units (MPDUs), and 40,000 square feet of commercial retail with an underground parking garage containing no more than 1,480 spaces with no more than 342 private spaces.

One additional condition is proposed to be modified and one to be added addressing adequate public facilities validity and preliminary plan validity, respectively. Other changes are minor housekeeping items, such as changing the name of the Montgomery County Department of Public Works and Transportation to the Montgomery County Department of Transportation. The modified and added conditions are as follows:

- 7<u>8</u>) The Applicant must satisfy Local Area Transportation Review (LATR) by providing the following operational improvements:
 - a. Construct a left-turn lane on the eastbound Bethesda Avenue approach at its intersection with Woodmont Avenue.

- Provide for an exclusive left turn and a shared through/right turn lane on westbound Elm Street at its intersection with Woodmont Avenue, if required by the Montgomery County Department of Public Works and Transportation (DPWT MCDOT).
- c. Applicant will provide channelization measures to reinforce the operational restrictions of right-in and right-out only limitation on ingress and egress for the parking garage access along Bethesda Avenue. The design of such channelization would be subject to Department of Permitting Services (MCDPS) and DPWT MCDOT approval.
- 8 9) The Applicant must enter into a Traffic Mitigation Agreement (TMAg) with the Planning Board and DPWT MCDOT to participate in the Bethesda Transportation Management Organization (TMO). The TMAg must be signed and executed by all parties prior to certification of the site plan.
- 9 10) The Applicant must comply with the conditions of the DPWT MCDOT letters dated August 6, 2007, and August 10, 2007. These conditions may be amended by DPWT MCDOT, provided the amendments do not conflict with other conditions of the preliminary plan approval.
- 12 13) The Applicant must construct all road improvements within the rights-of-way shown on the approved preliminary plan to the full width and design standards shown on the Certified Site Plan and approved by DPWT MCDOT and MCDPS.
- 18 21) The Adequate Public Facility (APF) review for the preliminary plan will remain valid for sixty one (61) months from the date of mailing of the Planning Board opinion until January 20, 2017.
- 23) This approval will remain valid until January 20, 2015. Prior to the expiration of this validity period, a final record plat for all property delineated on the approved preliminary plan must be recorded among the Montgomery County Land Records or a request for an extension must be filed.

ANALYSIS AND FINDINGS

The Planning Board found the original preliminary plan to be in substantial conformance with the Bethesda CBD Sector Plan, served by adequate public facilities, in compliance with the Forest Conservation Law (Chapter 22A), in compliance with the Subdivision Regulations (Chapter 50), and in compliance with the Zoning Ordinance (Chapter 59). The proposed limited preliminary plan amendment does not affect the application's fulfillment of these requirements, and the Planning Board's prior findings remain valid, except for the findings specifically related to the size, shape, width and orientation of the lot, and compliance of the lot with the dimensional standards of the Zoning Ordinance. Because the layout of the subdivision is changing from two lots to one lot, staff recommends that the Planning Board make the following finding:

The Planning Board finds, with the conditions of approval, that the size, width, shape, and orientation of the proposed lot are appropriate for the location of the subdivision. This Application has been reviewed for compliance with the Montgomery County Code, Chapter 50, the Subdivision

Regulations. The lot was reviewed for compliance with the dimensional requirements for the TS-M zone as specified in the Zoning Ordinance. The lot as proposed will meet all the dimensional requirements for area, frontage, width, and setbacks in that zone. The Application has been reviewed by other applicable county agencies, all of whom have recommended approval of the Preliminary Plan Amendment. Therefore, the Planning Board finds that the size, shape, width, and area of the lot are appropriate for its location within the subdivision.

<u>Citizen Correspondence and Issues</u>

Because this is a limited preliminary plan amendment, no pre-submission meeting was required. Written notice of the plan submittal and the public hearing date was given, however, by the applicant and staff, respectively. As of the date of this report, no citizen letters have been received.

CONCLUSION

The proposed limited preliminary plan amendment to create one lot on the subject property instead of two lots and to modify conditions of approval, as specified above, of the previously approved preliminary plan does not alter the Planning Board's previous findings with respect to conformance with the Master Plan and compliance with the Forest Conservation Law, the Subdivision Regulations, the Zoning Ordinance, and adequate public facility requirements, except as modified in this staff report. Staff recommends approval of the limited amendment, subject to the conditions in this staff report.

Attachments

Attachment A – Draft Resolution

Attachment B - Resolution 07-184

Attachment C – Preliminary Plan Amendment

MCPB No. 12-01 Preliminary Plan No. 12007069A Lot 31/31A Bethesda Date of Hearing: January 26, 2012

MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, pursuant to Montgomery County Code Chapter 50, the Montgomery County Planning Board ("Planning Board" or "Board") is vested with the authority to review preliminary plan applications; and

WHEREAS, on December 20, 2007, the Planning Board approved Preliminary Plan No. 120070690, Lot 31/31A Bethesda (MCPB No. 17-1841) for the development of two lots for 250 multi-family dwelling units, including up to 35 workforce housing units with a minimum of 12.5% moderately priced dwelling units (MPDUs), and 40,000 square feet of commercial retail with an underground parking garage containing no more than 1,480 spaces with no more than 342 private spaces on 3.07 acres of land in the TS-M zone, located in the southeast and southwest quadrants of the intersection of Woodmont Avenue and Bethesda Avenue ("Property" or "Subject Property"), in the Bethesda CBD Sector Plan area ("Sector Plan"); and

WHEREAS, on December 12, 2011, Lot 31 Development Statutory Trust and Lot 31 Joint Venture, LLC ("Applicant"), filed an application for approval of a limited preliminary plan amendment that would change the number of lots from two to one and would modify conditions of approval of Preliminary Plan No. 120070690 to reflect that change; and

WHEREAS, Applicant's preliminary plan amendment application was designated Preliminary Plan Amendment No. 12007069A, Lot 31/31A Bethesda ("Preliminary Plan Amendment" or "Application"); and

¹ This was a Corrected Resolution to correct certain typographical errors.

Approved as to

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WHEREAS, following review and analysis of the Application by Planning Board staff ("Staff") and the staff of other governmental agencies, Staff issued a memorandum to the Planning Board, dated January 13, 2012, setting forth its analysis and recommendation for approval of the Application subject to certain conditions ("Staff Report"); and

WHEREAS, on its January 26, 2012, Staff presented the Application to the Planning Board as a consent item for its consideration and action (the "Hearing"); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to the relevant provisions of Montgomery County Code Chapter 50 the Planning Board APPROVES Preliminary Plan Amendment No. 12007069A to create one lot on the Subject Property, subject to the following conditions:

- 1) These conditions supersede the conditions contained in the Resolution no. 07-184, dated December 20, 2007.
- 2) Approval under this Preliminary Plan Amendment is limited to one lot for 250 multi-family dwelling units, including up to 35 workforce housing units with a minimum of 12.5% moderately priced dwelling units (MPDUs), and 40,000 square feet of commercial retail with an underground parking garage containing no more than 1,480 spaces with no more than 342 private spaces.
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- 18) The Applicant must make the following agreed improvements to the Capital Crescent Trail located adjacent to the Subject Property:
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- c. Adequate trail signage to be provided at Bethesda Avenue and at the intersection with the access trail from the bike drop-off.
- 19) The Applicant must provide a bicycle drop off along Woodmont Avenue, with a Public Improvement Easement (PIE) to allow maintenance of the drop-off facility and a paved access trail per the Site Plan within a Public Access and Use Easement along the southern boundary of the Property, from the drop off to the Capital Crescent trail. Final location and design of these facilities to be determined at Site Plan. Location and design of the intersection of the access trail with the Capital Crescent Trail per site plan.
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Amendment does not alter the intent, objectives, or requirements expressed or imposed by the Planning Board in Preliminary Plan 120070690, and all findings in that approval remain in effect except as modified herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that having given full consideration to the recommendations and findings of its Staff as set forth in the Staff Report, which the Board hereby adopts and incorporates by reference, the Montgomery County Planning Board FINDS, with the conditions of approval, that the size, width, shape, and orientation of the proposed lot are appropriate for the location of the subdivision. This Application has been reviewed for compliance with the Montgomery County Code, Chapter 50, the Subdivision Regulations. The lot was reviewed for compliance with the dimensional requirements for the TS-M zone as specified in the Zoning Ordinance. The lot as proposed will meet all the dimensional requirements for area, frontage, width, and setbacks in that zone. The Application has been reviewed by other applicable county agencies, all of whom have recommended approval of the Preliminary Plan Amendment. Therefore, the Planning Board finds that the size, shape, width, and area of the lot are appropriate for its location within the subdivision.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that for the purpose of these conditions, the term "Applicant" shall also mean the developer, the owner, or any successor(s) in interest to the terms of this approval; and

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MCPB No. 07-184
Preliminary Plan No. 120070690
Lot 31/Lot 31A Bethesda
Date of Hearing: September 20, 2007

MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

CORRECTED RESOLUTION¹

WHEREAS, pursuant to Montgomery County Code Chapter 50, the Montgomery County Planning Board ("Planning Board" or "Board") is vested with the authority to review preliminary plan applications; and

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2007, Lot 31 Associates, LLC ("Applicant"), filed an application for approval of a preliminary plan of subdivision of property that would create two lots on 3.30 acres of land located at the Southeast and southwest quadrants of the intersection of Woodmont Avenue and Bethesda Avenue ("Property" or "Subject Property"), in the Bethesda CBD Sector Plan Master plan area ("Master Plan"); and

WHEREAS, Applicant's preliminary plan application was designated Preliminary Plan No. 120070690, ("Preliminary Plan" or "Application"); and

WHEREAS, Staff issued a memorandum to the Planning Board, dated September 7, 2007, setting forth its analysis, and recommendation for approval, of the Application subject to certain conditions ("Staff Report"); and

WHEREAS, following review and analysis of the Application by Planning Board staff ("Staff") and the staffs of other governmental agencies, on September 20, 2007, the Planning Board held a public hearing on the Application (the "Hearing"); and

WHEREAS, at the Hearing, the Planning Board heard testimony and received evidence submitted for the record on the Application; and.

Approved as to Legal Sufficiency:

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¹ This Resolution constitutes the written opinion of the Board in this matter and satisfies any requirement under the Montgomery County Code for a written opinion.

WHEREAS, on September 20, 2007, the Planning Board approved the Application subject to certain conditions, on motion of Commissioner Lynch, seconded by Commissioner Bryant; with a vote of 5-0, Commissioners Cryor, Hanson, and Robinson voting in favor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, pursuant to the relevant provisions of Montgomery County Code Chapter 50, the Planning Board approved Preliminary Plan No. 120070690 to create two lots on 3.30 acres of land located Southeast and southwest quadrants of the intersection of Woodmont Avenue and Bethesda Avenue ("Property" or "Subject Property"), in the Bethesda CBD Sector Plan Master plan area ("Master Plan"), subject to the following conditions:

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- 19) Other necessary easements must be shown on the record plat.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, having given full consideration to the recommendations and findings of its Staff, which the Board hereby adopts and incorporates by reference (except as modified herein), and upon consideration of the entire record, the Montgomery County Planning Board FINDS, with the conditions of approval, that:

1. The Preliminary Plan substantially conforms to the master plan.

The proposed Preliminary Plan is subject to the 1994 Sector Plan for the Bethesda Central Business District and Rezoning Application G-850. The rezoning case rezoned both Lots 31 and 31A to the TS-M zone, but maintained the overall goals of the Bethesda GBD Master Plan by preserving the community retail and service business area, providing housing, and ultimately improving traffic circulation, and pedestrian safety. The Preliminary Plan proposes redevelopment for multi-family residential with MPDUs in the heart of the CBD, in accordance with the master plan goals.

2. Public facilities will be adequate to support and service the area of the proposed subdivision.

The proposed preliminary plan complies with all agency requirements and Chapter 50 of the Montgomery County Code, Subdivision Regulations, in that public facilities will be adequate to support and service the area of the proposed subdivision.

3. The size, width, shape, and orientation of the proposed lots are appropriate for the location of the subdivision.

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4. The Application satisfies all the applicable environmental requirements including requirements of the Forest Conservation Law, Montgomery County Code, Chapter 22A.

Forest Conservation

There is no forest on the Property and has a planting requirement of 0.71 acres. The planting requirement will be met by a combination of landscaping credit and either off-site or by payment of fee-in-lieu.

Tree Save

The adjacent properties contain a number of trees which will be impacted by the proposed development. To address tree save issues, the Applicant is rentering into a Construction Management Plan and Agreement with the adjacent property owners which defines the developer's responsibilities to protect or replace the trees on adjacent properties.

Noise

A noise analysis was conducted along Bethesda and Woodmont Avenues which showed noise levels that exceeded the maximum levels. The maximum indoor noise level is 45 dBA Ldn and the maximum outdoor noise level is 65 dBA Ldn. In an effort to reduce the noise levels associated with the proposed development, an outdoor to indoor noise analysis will be made prior to issuance of building permits. At that time, noise mitigation will be implemented.

5. The Application meets all applicable stormwater management requirements and will provide adequate control of stormwater runoff from the site. This finding is based on the determination by the Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services ("MCDPS") that the Stormwater Management Concept Plan meets MCDPS' standards.

On October 13, 2006, the MCDPS Stormwater Management Section approved the stormwater management concept for the project which includes topsoiling prior to permanent vegetation stabilization, stormwater management computations, engineered sediment control plan and provision of green roof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Preliminary Plan will remain valid for 36 months from its Initiation Date (as defined in Montgomery County Code Section 50-35(h), as amended) and that prior to the expiration of this validity period, a final record

plat for all property delineated on the approved Preliminary Plan must be recorded among the Montgomery County Land Records or a request for an extension must be filed; and

DEC 2 0 2007 (which is the date that this Resolution is mailed to all parties of record); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any party authorized by law to take an administrative appeal must initiate such an appeal within thirty days of the date of this Resolution, consistent with the procedural rules for the judicial review of administrative agency decisions in Circuit Court (Rule 7-203, Maryland Rules).

CERTIFICATION

At its regular meeting, held on Thursday, February 21, 2008, in Silver Spring, Maryland, the Montgomery County Planning Board of The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission ADOPTED the above Resolution, on motion of Commissioner Bryant, seconded by Commissioner Cryor, with Commissioners Hanson, Robinson, Bryant, and Cryor present and voting in favor. This Resolution constitutes the final decision of the Planning Board, and memorializes the Board's findings of fact and conclusions of law for Preliminary Plan No. 120070690, Lot 31/31A.

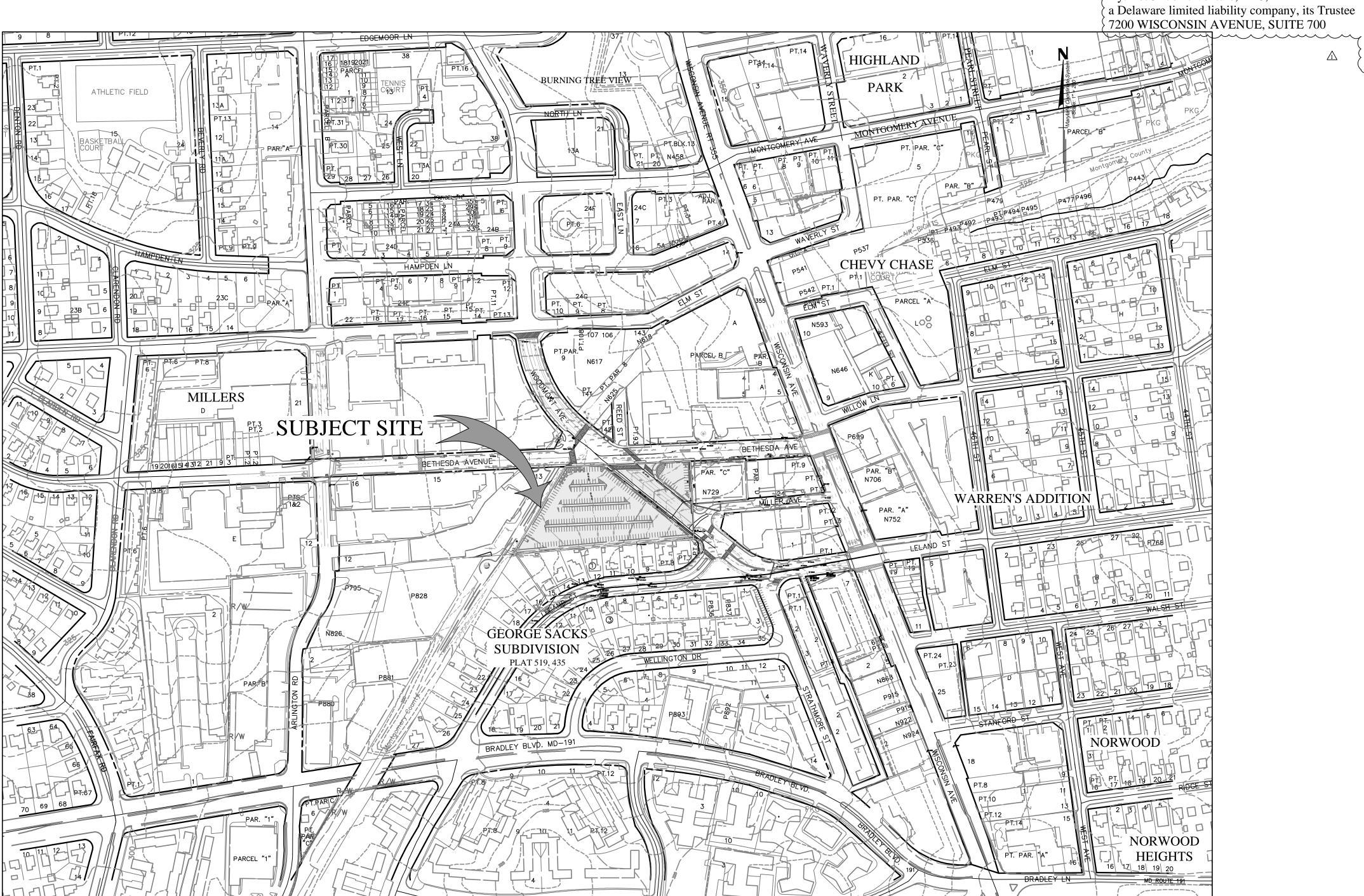
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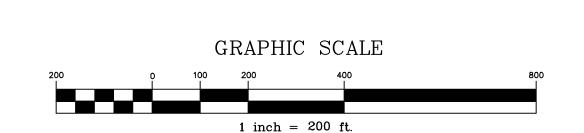
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a Delaware limited liability company, its Trustee

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7200 WISCONSIN AVENUE

SURVEYOR'S CERTIFICATION hereby certify to the best of my professional belief and knowledge that the outline of the property included in this application is taken from a boundary survey conducted by Rodgers Consulting, Inc., in November, performed by Rodgers Consulting, Inc., and is shown at a 2 foot contour interval. Topography outside of the area included in this application was obtained from M-NCP&PC and is shown at a 5 foot contour interval. The Pan_ 12-07-2011 Timothy Paul Quinn Professional Land Surveyor Maryland Registration Number 20002

The undersigned agrees to execute all features of the Preliminary Plan Approval No. 12007069A, including Approval Conditions and Developer's Name: Lot 31 Development Statutory Trust, a Maryland Trust

By: Lot 31 Joint Venture, LLC, a Delaware limited Douglas M. Firstenberg Contact Person Address: 7200 Wisconsin Ave., Suite 700 Bethesda MD. 20814 Phone / Email: Ph. - 301-913-9610 email - firstenberg@stonebridgeassociates.com

APPROVED PRELIMINARY PLAN FILE NO. 120100360 #12007069A MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD CHAIRMAN OR DESIGNEE DATE

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PRELIMINARY PLAN COVER SHEET/ LOCAL AREA MAP



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