MCPB Agenda Item: #5

Agenda Date: February 28, 2013

February 20, 2013

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Montgomery County Planning Board

VIA:

Mary Bradford, Director of Parks

Michael Riley, Deputy Director of Parks

FROM:

Weg William E. Gries, Land Acquisition Specialist

SUBJECT:

Resolution recommending the purchase of 5.547 acres, more or less, improved, from The Leonard L. Deitz and Esther L. Deitz Revocable Living Trust by Montgomery County,

Maryland as an addition to Northwest Branch Stream Valley Park, Unit 3.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Montgomery County Planning Board approve the attached resolution which designates the 5.547 acre, more or less, improved, Leonard L. Deitz and Esther L. Deitz Revocable Living Trust property as a Natural Resource Protection Area under the Legacy Open Space Master Plan and further recommends that the County execute a Land Purchase Agreement with the Deitz Revocable Living Trust to acquire the 5.547 acre Deitz property as an addition to Northwest Branch Stream Valley Park, Unit 3. The property is located at 24 Crest Park Court in Silver Spring, MD 20903. The property will be acquired for a purchase price of \$1,121,000 and will be subject to a "Life Estate" benefitting Leonard Deitz. Dr. Deitz's wife, Esther, has predeceased him. Acquisition costs will be funded with County general obligation bonds appropriated in the Commission's FY-13 Legacy Open Space budget. Details of this recommended parkland acquisition were presented to the Board in closed session last Thursday, February 21, 2013.