



July 30, 2015

MEMORANDUM

July 20, 2015

TO: Montgomery County Planning Board

VIA: Mike Riley, Director of Parks *MGR*
Mitra Pedoeem, Acting Deputy Director of Parks
Michael Ma, Acting Chief, Park Development Division *mm*

FROM: William E. Gries, Park Development Division *weg*
Josh Kaye, Park Development Division *jk*

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing the purchase of 9.72 acres, more or less, unimproved, from Pamela J. and George K. Johnson by The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission as an addition to Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Montgomery County Planning Board approve the attached Resolution authorizing the Executive Director to execute a Land Purchase Agreement with Pamela J. and George K. Johnson, husband and wife, to acquire 9.72 acres, more or less, unimproved, as an addition to Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park. The property is located at the intersection of Piedmont and Skylark Roads in Clarksburg, Maryland 20871. The property will be acquired for a purchase price of \$2,100,000.00, which will be funded through Maryland's Program Open Space (POS). This property is being acquired to provide open space for additional recreation facility development in Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park, as recommended in the recent update of the Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park Master Plan. Details of this recommended parkland acquisition will be presented to the Board in closed session on July 30, 2015, prior to the Board taking open session action in this regard.



MONTGOMERY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
THE MARYLAND - NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN

MCPB
15-105

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission ("Commission") is authorized by Maryland Code Annotated, Land Use §17-101 (formerly Article 28, Section 5-101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland) to acquire, develop, maintain and operate a public park system within the Maryland-Washington Metropolitan District; and

WHEREAS, the Montgomery County Planning Board received and considered a recommendation from staff of the Commission, in closed session on July 30, 2015, that it approve the acquisition of 9.72 acres of land, more or less, unimproved, (the "Property") from Pamela J. and George K. Johnson, husband and wife, ("Johnson"), located at the intersection of Piedmont and Skylark Roads, Clarksburg, MD 20871, as an addition to Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient Maryland Program Open Space (POS) monies available in the Commission's FY-16 Non-Local Park Acquisition Program (CIP) to pay the \$2,100,000.00 negotiated purchase price for the Property; and

WHEREAS, the property meets parkland acquisition criteria as a site suitable for development of additional active use facilities in Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the acquisition of the Property from Johnson as described above, for a purchase price of \$2,100,000.00, in accordance with a proposed Land Purchase Agreement between the Commission and Johnson, is hereby approved by the Montgomery County Planning Board on this 30th day of July, 2015 and the Executive Director is authorized to execute said Agreement on behalf of The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

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This is to certify the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Montgomery County Planning Board of The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission on motion of Commissioner _____, seconded by Commissioner _____, with Commissioners _____, _____, _____, _____, and _____ voting in favor of the motion, at its regular meeting held on Thursday, July 30, 2015 in Silver Spring, Maryland.

Casey Anderson, Chair
Montgomery County Planning Board