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**PLANNING BOARD TO SET ASIDE
2ND THURSDAY EVENING EACH MONTH FOR PARKS ITEMS**

SILVER SPRING, MD – Beginning with the Thursday, June 8 agenda, the Montgomery County Planning Board will set aside the second Thursday evening each month for discussion, testimony and decisions on park issues including park policies, planning, design, development and facilities construction for Montgomery County’s national award-winning 32,900-acre park system.

On June 8, the Parks Night agenda includes two items: Forest Glen-Dallas Avenue Neighborhood Park, a proposed request to rename it as “South Four Corners Neighborhood Park;” and Parks Capital Improvements Program – Spending Plan for FY 2007 Program Open Space Apportionment.

Park users, neighbors and others are encouraged to read the staff reports online at http://www.mc-mncppc.org/board/meetings_archive/06_meeting_archive/agenda_060806/Agenda_6-8-06.shtm and to testify on June 8.

Additional information on parks is available online at www.montgomeryparks.org and www.montgomerytrails.org.

The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission’s five-time national gold medal-winning park system operates and maintains 395 parks in Montgomery County offering nearly 200 miles of trails, 274 playgrounds, 285 athletic fields, 208 basketball courts, 305 tennis courts and two indoor tennis centers, 191 picnic areas and shelters, three ice rinks, three lakes and two boat rental facilities, an antique carousel, 44 historic sites, two miniature trains, three dog parks, 16 conservation parks and 41 conservation areas, two formal gardens (Brookside and McCrillis), five equestrian centers, four nature centers and more.

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