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THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

December 6, 2002

TO:

Montgomery County Planning Board

VIA:

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REVIEW TYPE:

Preliminary Plan Review

APPLYING FOR:

Resubdivision of Part of Lot 3, Block B - Lutes Subdivision

PROJECT NAME:

Lutes Subdivision

CASE #:

1-03025

REVIEW BASIS:

Chapter 50, Sec. 50-29 (b)(2), Montgomery County Subdivision Regulations, and

Resubdivision Criteria

ZONE:

R-90

LOCATION:

On the east side of Lutes Drive, Approximately 650 feet north of the intersection

with Briggs Road

MASTER PLAN:

Glenmont Sector Plan

APPLICANT:

Nina Sorbi

FILING DATE:

October 23, 2002

HEARING DATE:

December 12, 2002

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval, Pursuant to Section 50-29 (b)(2), Montgomery County Subdivision Regulations and Subject to the Following Conditions:

(1) Approval of a Final Tree Protection/Grading Plan by MNCPPC technical staff prior to recordation of plat to address specimen tree save issues

- This preliminary plan will remain valid for thirty-seven (37) months from the date of mailing of the Planning Board opinion. Prior to this date, a final record plat must be recorded for all property delineated on the approved preliminary plan, or a request for an extension must be filed
- (3) Necessary easements

DISCUSSION OF ISSUES

Conformance to Chapter 50-29(b)(2)

In order to approve an application for Resubdivision, the Planning Board must find that the proposed lot(s) substantially meet all seven of the "Resubdivision Criteria" as set forth in Section 50-29(b)(2) of the Subdivision Regulations, which states:

"Resubdivision. Lots on a plat for the Resubdivision of any lot, tract or other parcel of land that is part of an existing subdivision previously recorded in a plat book shall be of the same character as to street frontage, alignment, size, shape, width, area and suitability for residential use as other lots within the existing block, neighborhood or subdivision."

In administering the Resubdivision section, the Planning Board must determine the appropriate "neighborhood" for evaluating the application. In this case, staff has provided a description of the area analyzed under the resubdivision criteria and has also provided an illustration that delineates the neighborhood.

Under the resubdivision criteria the neighborhood used to evaluate the application can only include lots within the same zoning (R-90) classification as the subject property. The defined neighborhood is therefore defined as those lots abutting the subject property to the east with frontage on Wilton Oaks Drive (Lots 16, 1 and 2, Block A) and lots north and south of the subject property with frontage on Lutes Drive. Staff has determined that the neighborhood, as submitted by the applicant, provides an adequate representation of typical lot characteristics within the neighborhood.

Master Plan Compliance

The property is located within the Approved and Adopted 1997 Glenmont Transit Impact Area and Vicinity Sector Plan. The master plan does not specifically identify this property but does however give general guidance and recommendations regarding zoning and land use. The master plan recommends that this area maintain the residential zoning as adopted.

The proposed resubdivision complies with the recommendations adopted in the master plan.

DESCRIPTION

Vicinity

The subject property is located within Block B of the Lutes Subdivision. The original nine lots located within this block were recorded by plat in 1938 and ranged in size from 1.0 acre to 2.5 acres. All of the original lots have been resubdivided since 1938 in a piecemeal fashion resulting in the lot pattern today. The lots as they exist today and as reflected on the tabular summary (attached) are similarly shaped with like alignments but do vary in size, area, width and frontage. Although there is variation in these characteristics, a definite grouping of lots with the exact same sizes, areas, width and frontages can be seen on the tabular summary.

Proposal

This application for resubdivision proposes to create two lots, both at 10,125 square feet. Each lot will have 75 feet of frontage on Lutes Drive and will be 75 feet wide. The areas of the proposed lots are at 4,000 square feet each. The proposal is to construct two (2) new single family detached dwelling units on the site. This new construction will require that the existing dwelling be demolished.

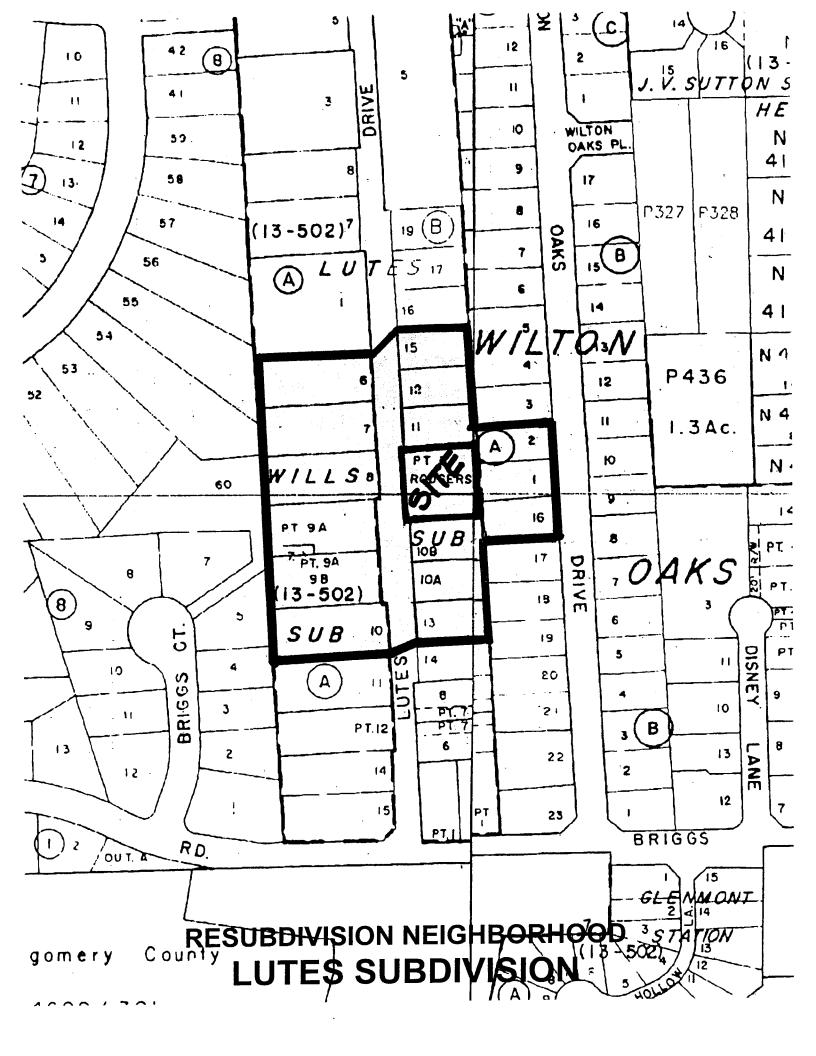
Conclusion

In applying the resubdivision criteria to the analysis area delineated by staff, staff concludes that the proposed resubdivision satisfies all of the criteria set forth in Section 50-29(b)(2). Based on the development pattern within the defined neighborhood staff finds that the proposed lots are of the exact dimensions as six other lots in the defined neighborhood. Those six lots abut the subject property to the north and south on the east side of Lutes Drive. The proposed lots are in keeping with the characteristics of the neighborhood. Staff acknowledges that the potential exists within the neighborhood for additional developments through the resubdivision process. Staff will review any additional resubdivisions on a case-by-case basis.

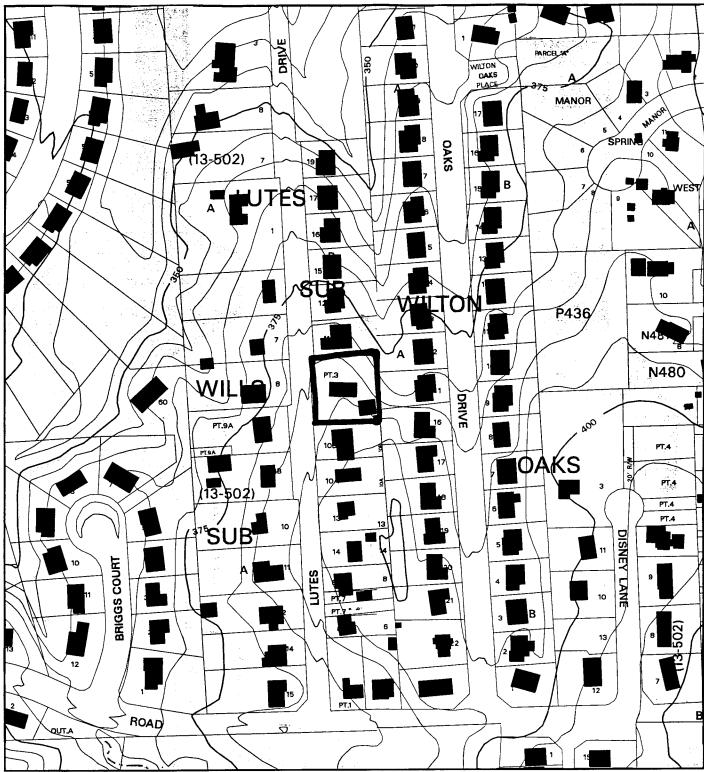
Attachments

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To date no citizen correspondence has been submitted to the file



LUTES SUBDIVISION (1-03025)



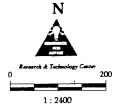
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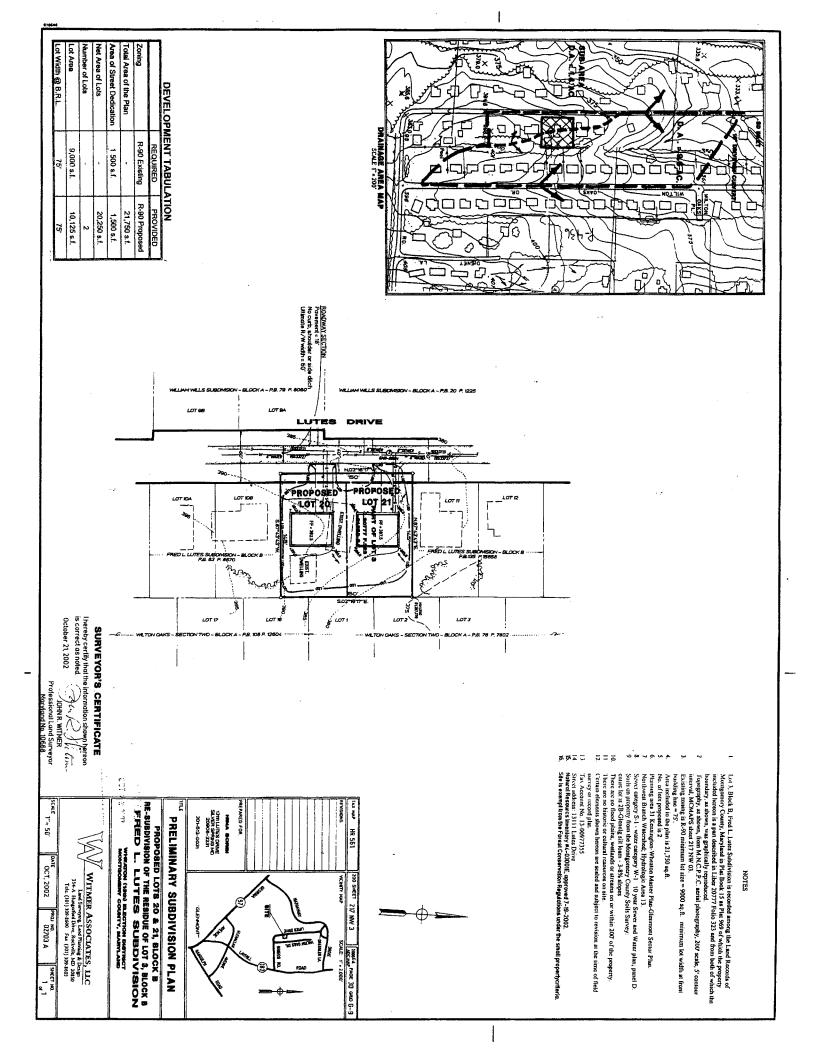
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RESUBDIVISION LOT DATA COMPARISON TABLE LUTES SUBDIVISION

Lots Ranked by Size								
Lot & Blk	Frontage	Alignment	Area(s.f.)	Shape	Width	Size (s.f.)		
6, A	96.80	perpendicular	12,206	rectangular	96.80	21,780		
7, A	96.80	perpendicular	12,206	rectangular	96.80	21,780		
8, A	96.80	perpendicular	12,206	rectangular	96.80	21,780		
10, A	96.80	perpendicular	12,206	rectangular	96.80	21,780		
9A, A	96.80	perpendicular	11,488	rectangular	96.80	20,812		
9B, A	96.80	perpendicular	11,488	rectangular	96.80	20,812		
2, A	75	perpendicular	4,750	rectangular	75	10,875		
1, A	75	perpendicular	4,750	rectangular	75	10,875		
16, A	75	perpendicular	4,750	rectangular	75	10,875		
15, B	75	perpendicular	4,000	rectangular	75	10,125		
12, B	75	perpendicular	4,000	rectangular	75	10,125		
11, B	75	perpendicular	4,000	rectangular	75	10,125		
20, B	75	perpendicular	4,000	rectangular	75	10,125		
21, B	75	perpendicular	4,000	rectangular	75	10,125		
10B, B	75	perpendicular	4,000	rectangular	75	10,125		
10A, B	75	perpendicular	4,000	rectangular	75	10,125		
13, B	75	perpendicular	4,000	rectangular	75	10,125		

Proposed Lots