

MCPB Item No.3 1-23-03

January 17, 2003

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Montgomery County Planning Board

VIA:

Daniel K. Hardy, Supervisor DKH

Transportation Planning

FROM:

Ki H. Kim, Planner

DKH for

Transportation Planning

SUBJECT:

DPWT Docket No. AB-658

Abandonment of Portion of Skylark Road

Clarksburg

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the subject abandonment.

DISCUSSION

This abandonment is for portions of the dedicated right-of-way of Skylark Road from a point approximately 400' west of Little Seneca Creek to Ridge Road (MD 27) in Clarksburg as shown on the general location map (Attachment A) and the detailed drawing (Attachment B).

This abandonment is related to residential development of the Greenway Village at Clarksburg project in which the petitioner proposes to relocate Skylark Road (P-2) in accordance with the recommendation of the Approved and Adopted Clarksburg Master Plan. This abandonment is also in accordance with the Montgomery County Planning Board approved Preliminary Plan and Site Plan for the Greenway Village at Clarksburg project. The Planning Board approved the preliminary plan (Plan No. 1-02033) in the spring of 2002 and the site plan (Plan No. 8-02036) in the fall of 2002. As a part of conditions to approve the Greenway Village at Clarksburg project, the Planning Board required the Greenway Village at Clarksburg development to construct the relocated Skylark Road as shown on the attached detailed drawing (Attachment B). A portion of the western end of Skylark Road to be abandoned currently provides access to the Ned Watkins House, an historic site in the Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park. This portion

of existing Skylark Road is to remain as a park roadway for access to the Ned Watkins House as shown on the approved site plan. The overall access system to the Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park is not affected by the proposed abandonment. Staff finds that the proposed realignment and abandonment are consistent with the recommendations of the Clarksburg Master Plan and the Planning Board's approved conditions of the Greenway Village at Clarksburg development. The portions of the Skylark Road right-of-way being abandoned are not necessary for present or anticipated public use, because local access to the Ned Watkins House site will be maintained by the Parks Department.

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Attachments

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