

THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

LIEM DHE ATTACHMENT #4

November 23, 2003

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Montgomery County Planning Board

FROM:

Charlie Steinbraker

SUBJECT:

Draft Policy Addition

The public comments on the proposed PPP policy were generally supportive of the language as it is written. However, at least one speaker (Larry Gordon) pointed out a deficiency that I believe needs to be addressed.

The policy contains no provision for review or modification. To correct this, I am recommending the following language be added as the final section to the policy:

REVIEW AND MODIFICATION

It is the desire of the Commission to review this policy on a periodic basis in an effort to keep it current and sensitive to the needs and concerns of public park interests. Every two years, at the time when the Commission requests input regarding priorities, the opportunity will also be offered for public comment on the policy itself. This should include consideration of both the language of the policy and its implementation. While the Planning Board may amend this policy at its discretion at any time, this public input opportunity every two years provides for a scheduled review and planned time to consider potential changes.

The work session on the December 4th will provide us the opportunity to discuss this proposed addition.