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Kenilworth-Greenbelt Rd. Intersection Alternates to be Studied at Hearing

by Leta Mach

"When, not why" improve the Kenilworth-Greenbelt Road intersection was the question at the last public hearing on the project, according to Frank J. DeSantis, State Highway Administration (SHA) project manager. Another public hearing on the project location and design is scheduled for Thursday, March 22, at 7:30 p.m. at the SHA office on Kenilworth Avenue. The Greenbelt city council unanimously supports alternate 1.

The previous six design alternates for the intersection have been narrowed to four, two of which are minor variations of the others. Essentially the improvement would entail depressing one route under the other, which would remain at the existing grade. The design will be a simple diamond-type interchange with ramps providing access between roads. Retaining walls would be needed along some banks and ramps. Improvements would extend for about half a mile in all directions from the intersection.

The improvements would result in level of service D, which is considered acceptable for the year 2005 during peak traffic hours. (Presently auto traffic at the intersection experiences jammed conditions during peak hours, or level of service F.) Three through lanes are necessary in all directions for all alternates. In all alternates, a combined sidewalk-bikeway is provided outside the limits of the roadway on Greenbelt Road. The study proposes using the outside shoulders if bikeways are needed along Kenilworth.

In alternate 1 (previously alternate 3) Greenbelt Road goes under Kenilworth Avenue and in alternate 2 (previously alternate 6) Kenilworth goes under Greenbelt Road. To avoid taking any land from Greenbelt Park, the centerline of

Greenbelt Road is shifted north in 1A and 2A and a ramp is also shifted west in 2A.

Traffic Light

With alternate 1 and 1A a traffic light is proposed for the intersection of Kenilworth Avenue and the cut-off to Edmonston Road. This would make it easier for traffic from the cut-off to go north on Kenilworth and make a left turn onto Greenbelt Road. It is felt that this could become a major access route to Springhill Lake. It is also proposed that Edmonston Road be made one-way southbound from the entrance to Peoples' Bank to 250 feet south of Greenbelt Road.

One disadvantage with these alternates, however, is that properties on the south side of Greenbelt Road from 63rd Avenue to Kenilworth would not have access to the road. In addition, Kenilworth traffic for the Golden Triangle would have to use the secondary entrance at the east end because of the short distance between the ramp and the main entrance. Westbound Greenbelt Road traffic for the school bus yard would need to use two ramps to avoid traffic problems. In addition, an access road would be provided between the bus yard and Breezewood Drive along the western boundary of Board of Education property.

All four alternates require some property from Greenbelt Junior High School, but not any recreational or educational facilities. Under 1 and 1A a ramp would be located 40 feet from the south wall of the school. Under 2 and 2A the roadway would be within 50 feet of the school.

Between 2.6 and 2.9 acres of parkland would be taken from Greenbelt Park in alternates 1 or 2. Since this would be along the northern border of woods and brush, the draft environmental document of SHA and FHA concludes that "no recreational facilities would be directly affected." With all alternates, right of way would need to be ac-

quired from the Golden Triangle, but with 1A and 2A more property would be needed. These alternates would also encroach on the storm drainage retention basin on the triangle, which would have to be shifted north, necessitating the shifting of Capital Drive. These routes would also be circuitous.

Under alternate 2, a signalized intersection at Kenilworth and the Springhill Lake cut-off would not be created. Traffic for the triangle from Kenilworth could use either entrance. However, a substantial right-of-way would be needed from the Triangle for a ramp. A low-point would be created on Kenilworth which could, however, be drained by gravity.

Council Support for 1

At its meeting March 12, the city council moved to support alternate 1 and directed staff to prepare a statement. Although alternate 2 costs less, Mayor Richard Pilski felt, "It doesn't eliminate the problems; that place would be like a battleground." Councilmen Richard Castaldi and Gil Weidenfeld noted that there would still be problems. See INTERSECTION, p. 2, col. 3.

NOTICE

The public hearing on the closing of junior high schools scheduled for last night, Wednesday, March 14 at Eleanor Roosevelt senior high school was cancelled by the Board of Education due to the small number of persons wishing to speak. The junior high matter will be heard together with the closing of elementary schools tonight, Thursday, March 15 at Largo Senior High school. The closing of Kent junior high school, which Greenbriar and Glen Oaks students attend, (II-B), Suitland (IV-B) and the no closing recommendation from Task Force I-B which includes Greenbelt junior high school will be heard from 7 to 7:30 p.m.

Whose Parking Lots & Whose Sidewalks Confuses Council

by Leta Mach

City Council met in work session March 5 to clarify its position on a rezoning application for the center mall shopping area. Owner George Christacos wants it rezoned C-S-C (Commercial Shopping Center) from R-P-C (Rural Planned Community). The Park and Planning Commission is to consider the petition on March 15; next, the petition comes before the zoning hearing examiner April 18. Council quickly reached a consensus on the question of sidewalks but ran into an unexpected snag on the matter of parking.

In previous sessions, council had indicated it wanted recognition that the parking lots were owned and maintained by the city. However, discussion of what type of remuneration should be required for the right to use these parking lots was cut short by citizen Jim Casels. He brought to council's attention a deed from the Federal government giving businesses the right to use the parking lot behind Suburban Trust. Later this lot, the city hall site and the property behind the Center mall statue were sold to the city by Co-op. In exchange, the city built the back parking lot which was to be maintained as public parking until January 1977 or the termination of the Co-op, whichever came first. Council directed that a title search be done to clarify the issue. However, while examining the city deeds later, City Manager James Giese discovered that "the titles we have are sufficient to show that they have rights of parking."

Sidewalks

On the other issue, council readily determined that the sidewalks had to be brought up to standard and then deeded to the city. Councilman Gil Weidenfeld expressed the sentiments of all in feeling that a resolution of the sidewalk issue was "long, long overdue." He spoke about the hazardous, unattractive nature of the sidewalks, on which

the city has been doing minimal maintenance such as snow removal. Complicating the sidewalk issue is the fact that some are owned by Christacos and some by the city. Recently the city repaired what it believed to be a city walk, which was in actuality owned by Christacos. Councilman Charles Schwan pointed out that under council's proposal the owner would be relieved of the responsibility of sidewalk upkeep and maintenance. Councilman Thomas White noted that city improvements of the sidewalks could be an incentive to the owner for deeding them to the city.

In response to a question, Councilman Richard Castaldi stated that deeding the sidewalks would not put the owner in violation of the ten-foot building restriction line because he is not building anything new.

Despite the confusion about parking, council was able, in White's words, "to crystallize in our own minds what are the bottom lines for our support" of Christacos' zoning petition.

Center School Pupils To Launch Balloons

A balloon launching will take place at Center School on Wednesday afternoon, March 21. Each child will send off a helium filled balloon with his name on it and a card with the school's address attached to it. Anyone finding such a balloon anywhere in the country is asked to put the card in an envelope and mail it back to the school whose address appears on the card.

The balloon send off is part of a nationwide program to be held next week sponsored by the Weekly Reader Writing Pals Program. It is designed to motivate youngsters toward writing, to build verbal skills and to interest students in life in other sections of the nation. There is a substantial prize for the school from which a student's balloon travels farthest.

At Center the balloon launching is sponsored by Mrs. Kay Clausen's fourth grade class. The class has joined the Weekly Reader Writing Pals Program and class members have started to correspond with pupils from a school in Wisconsin. Mrs. Clausen's class has been sent a balloon for each child in the school. There will be a minimal charge to pay for the cost of the helium.

Green Ridge Open House Sunday

by Mary Lou Williamson

Green Ridge House will hold an open house this Sunday, March 18 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 22 Ridge Road. Both applicants and the general public are invited to this pre-occupancy preview to see the three types of apartment units available—standard, handicapped and convertible—handicapped—and the many common rooms. "I haven't seen another building with the amenities this one has," says City Manager, James K. Giese, obviously pleased.

In making the announcement, Giese said: "Everyone who wants to see the apartments is welcome. The building really looks good." He notes that the paint on the walls and carpeting in the corridors have added a lot of color. He finds the butterscotch walls make the two upstairs lobby-elevator areas, which overlook the front door, especially attractive, also the sunshine yellow dining room.

A window at the end of each corridor provides good natural lighting, new orange carpeting has now been added. Giese says these hallways "really look nice."

Nita Furgason, CMF management firm, says it will take at least a month to furnish the building. Draperies are being priced this week, she said, they must be custom made.

Occupancy?

There is still no firm date for occupancy though everyone expects that the first residents will be moving in within the next two weeks. Giese got a phone call to come to Green Ridge House to sign occupancy papers on Monday, but before he could get his coat on, a second caller said "No, not yet!" But it could come any time now.

Telephones were being installed for the resident manager on Monday, sections of ceilings and pieces of tile were being replaced, more work on the grounds, and another coat of Thoroseal on the exterior of the building, Giese wasn't sure whether this was the final color or not. The resident manager, Gloria Caulfield, may be able to use her Green Ridge House office this week and hopes to move in to her apartment by this weekend.

Furgason, who is anxious to start placing people in the building, is frustrated by the seeming "snail's pace" of the past few days.

"Everything must be completely finished before the contractor can turn the building over to us", says Furgason. "Our interviewing is basically complete. Now we want to process the 100 or so applicants we have interviewed." She is worried that a lot of "people think having an interview means they are automatically in." In at least two cases, that may not be so.

Persons must be able to care for themselves. One applicant, who has had major surgery, recently, and is currently in a rehabilitation

center, may not qualify under this provision.

In a second case, a male applicant apparently has an income higher than the \$23,200 allowed for a single person.

CDA official George Edler confirmed to the News Review the existence of the upper income limit ruling, which, he said, was dated Oct. 27, 1978. "The project is for people of limited income, the entire building is subsidized through a low-interest rate loan from the state", he told the News Review. "People who (earn more than \$23,200) can bear the cost of area housing", he emphasized. Subsidized facilities like Green Ridge House are for "People who don't have anything else." Edler says all such facilities in the state have maximum income limits.

Thomas Cook, Director of CDA, further explained to the News Review on March 14, that all subsidized Section 8 housing, such as Green Ridge House, falls under the U.S. Housing Act of 1937, as amended. Based on their interpretation of the federal laws, HUD has established rules, Cook said, which set the upper income limit for such housing at 80% of the median income by family size for a given market area—in this case, Prince Georges County. These income figures are determined by HUD economists, Cook explained, and then used by CDA.

Until this week, the city had been unaware of any upper income limit for Green Ridge House.



AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

MONDAY,
MARCH 19, 1979
8:00 P.M.

I. ORGANIZATION

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Meditation
- Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
4. Minutes of Council Meetings.
5. Additions to Agenda by Councilmen and Manager

II. COMMUNICATIONS

6. Petitions and Requests
7. Administrative Reports
8. Committee Reports

III. OLD BUSINESS

9. Ordinance to Make a Supplemental Appropriation for Purpose of Paying District Court Judgment and Other Expenses Related to Purchase of Parcel 2 (2nd Reading)
10. Ordinance to Make an Appropriation for Land Acquisition (2nd reading)
11. Greenbelt Road-Kenilworth Avenue Interchange - Draft Statement

IV. NEW BUSINESS

12. Springhill Lake Neighborhood Park (PRAB #2-79)
13. Employment of Engineer
14. Resolution to Establish New Admission Fees for Greenbelt Swimming Pool (1st Reading)

V. MISCELLANEOUS

NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda subject to change.

WHAT GOES ON

Thurs., March 15, 8 p.m. Greenbriar Phase I Annual Owners Meeting E. Roosevelt Commons Room
Sat., March 17, 3 - 7 p.m. Annual Science Fair, E. Roosevelt
Sun., March 18, noon - 4 p.m. Science Fair, E. Roosevelt
11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Open House Green Ridge House, 22 Ridge
Mon., March 19, 8 p.m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Building
Tues., March 20, 7:30 p.m. Greenbriar Recreation Assoc. Special Meeting on Proposed Annexation of Parcel 2-A (Phase V). E. Roosevelt Commons Room
8 p.m. E. Roosevelt PTSA Meeting
Thurs., March 22, 8 p.m. GHI Board Meeting, Hamilton Pl.
Wed., March 21, 7:30 p.m. Labor Day Festival Open Meeting Greenbelt Library

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New Petition Drive!

To the Editor:
 After negotiations for purchase proved unsuccessful and having gone through condemnation hearings and had damages of \$254,000 fixed as the cost of Parcel 2B, the City council now has to decide by a two-thirds majority (four votes) whether to appropriate the necessary extra funds for the purchase of this property.

The area in question, located behind the elderly housing facility and Gardenway, is currently used as garden plots, and is to be acquired in order to replace designated parkland used for the elderly housing facility. Those who would support action of this kind by council are invited to sign, or better still, carry 'round a petition which states:

"We, the undersigned residents of the City of Greenbelt sincerely encourage the Greenbelt City Council to purchase, condemn, or otherwise acquire the area known as Parcel 2B and to develop it as a park and natural buffer strip."

The sponsors of this petition feel it is important that council carry through on this property acquisition in the spirit of retaining as much open space as possible around the city. If you wish to support this petition or learn more of the issues please call 474-0490 or 345-8869.

Catherine A. Meetre

Open Letter

To the Editor:
 In the past two weeks we got 200 signatures on the petition to oppose the rezoning of Parcels 3 and 4, that makes a total of 950. A special thanks goes to Alan Amberg, Carl and Brian Choper who got 82 signatures.

We are doing good work in the committee on this issue and would ask others to join us. We also plan to deal with other areas of concern to the citizens of Greenbelt.

There will be a meeting at my house, 6 Orange Court, this coming Sunday evening, March 18, at 8 p.m. If you need any information about the meeting, please call me - 345-8630 (evenings).

Irene Hensel

ATTENTION GHI MEMBERS

You recently received in the mail a letter (NOT A BILL NOR A REQUEST FOR FUNDS) stating that if you paid off your share of the capital improvements loans you could reduce your 1979 monthly charges for these items. If you choose to pay off your share of the loans in a lump sum, your monthly charges will be reduced by the dollar amount you are paying for these items as shown in our letter of December 1978 which gave you a detailed breakdown of your monthly charges for 1979.

Capital Improvements R&M (R&M means structural repairs and maintenance) in the brick and masonry homes, and Capital Improvements Heat and R&M in the frame homes are monies being collected to repay loans taken out at various times between 1969 and 1978 for major maintenance, i.e., roofing, sidewalks, electrical heavy-up of rows, boiler work, heat exchangers, water lines, parking court resurfacing, etc.

If you choose to pay off your portion of the loans, the reduction would be effective for all of 1979 and would be deleted from your monthly charges. These loans will be paid in full in 72 months commencing with January 1, 1979.

The Corporation, in calculating the 1979 charges, used an interest rate of 10 1/2%. Presently we are paying 12 1/2% on these loans. Members therefore are being given the opportunity to reduce their monthly charges and save high interest rates if they have funds available and wish to take advantage of this option.

Members who may have misplaced their December 1978 letter giving a breakdown of their 1979 monthly charges may call the Fiscal Office for this information.

Laurel vs. Greenbelt Basketball Challenge

The Mayor and City Council extend an invitation to all city residents to come to the Laurel vs. Greenbelt basketball game and lend their support as spectators. The game will be held in the Springhill Lake Recreation Center on Friday, March 16 at 8 p.m. Arrangements are being made to benefit the Ride-A-Bike for the Retarded through individual contributions at the game. An evening of fun is planned for all players and spectators alike.

Participating in the game will be Mayor Bob DePietro of Laurel, Mayor Dick Pilski of Greenbelt and other council members of both cities, along with other members of the cities' staffs.

Mishkan Torah Notes

The Mishkan Torah Sisterhood will hold a Spring Luncheon on Tues., March 20, at 12 noon. There will be a guest speaker. Babysitting services will be available. For reservations call 441-1353 or 577-4361. Everyone is welcome.

Margaret Brenner, music director of the Temple Micah will perform at the Sisterhood Meeting on Thurs., March 22 at 9 p.m. (meeting starts at 8 p.m.).

A soprano, Brenner's repertoire will include Hebrew, Yiddish and Sephardic liturgy. Accompanying her on the guitar and flute will be Jan Lieberman. The public is invited.

E. Roosevelt PTSA

Eleanor Roosevelt Senior High School PTSA will meet on Tuesday, March 20 at 8 p.m. at the school.

"The Changing Role of the Family" will be addressed by Ms. Janice Kluckhuhn of the Prince Georges County Department of Social Services, Ms. Carol Gray and Ms. Mary Nieter of the ERSHS Guidance Department and the Reverend Banks, to be followed by an open discussion.

Greenbelt Homemakers

The Greenbelt Homemakers will have a meeting on March 21 at 8 p.m. The topic "Clutter Clinic," will be presented by Irene Szafran. Come join in the program and fellowship.

25th Labor Day Festival Planned

The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee is beginning to plan now for its 25th anniversary. Any member of a non-profit organization who is interested in learning how that organization can participate in the Festival should plan to attend the annual meeting, Wednesday, March 21, 7:30 p.m., in the Greenbelt Library.

Greenbelt organizations which have not participated in the past — and are involved in fund raising for their group — are especially encouraged to attend.

Rabbi Gordon To Speak

Rabbi Morris Gordon will be the guest of the Mishkan Torah Synagogue on Friday, March 16 at 8 p.m. and Saturday, March 17 at 9:30 a.m. Rabbi Gordon's sermon on Friday, "The Secret of Happiness," is based on a true love story and the lessons it teaches for more enjoyable living.

During its formative years, Rabbi Gordon was spiritual leader of the Mishkan Torah — the Jewish Community Center of Prince Georges County.

Interested residents are welcome.

ERSHS Science Fair

Eleanor Roosevelt High School, located at Hanover Pkwy, and Greenbelt Road will be holding its 3rd Annual Science Fair on March 17 and 18. The fair will be open to the public from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Sat., March 17, and noon to 4 p.m. on Sun., March 18. All are cordially invited to attend.

INTERSECTION from p. 1

of Springhill Lake traffic trying to get to the Beltway and vehicles turning across a ramp into Edmonston Road, City Manager James Giese feared that pressure would occur from the Golden Triangle to use the new Springhill Lake intersection proposed in alternate 1 and 1A. He nevertheless agreed that "number 1 solves all our problems better." Weidenfeld noted that the project was a "very necessary improvement for which the city had been fighting for years."

The developers of Springhill Lake and Greenbelt East plan to send representatives to testify at the public hearing. Edward Perkins of Springhill Lake Developers felt a signalized intersection at the Springhill Lake cutoff made sense. Sidney Brown, Beltway Plaza Developer, irritated by delays at the intersection, said "They've got to do something." Kenneth Michael, Golden Triangle developer, could not be reached for comment.

DeSantis told the News Review that there was no SHA preference at this time. After the public hearing, SHA will wait ten days for subsequent comments before finalizing the documents. Slade Caltrider, SHA District Engineer, will then choose the alternate based on citizen concerns and the recommendations of the project planning team. The federal government will have to concur, since it is funding 70% of the project. The project is presently funded for project planning and design. Kesserling, from the Department of Transportation, stated that because these plans are just alternates no one is to the point of purchasing right-of-ways yet. DeSantis guessed that if the phases and funding continued uninterrupted, construction could begin in July 1983 and take two-three years. There is currently no funding for rights-of-way or construction.

The draft environmental document prepared by the FHA and SHA in January 1979 is a Draft Negative Declaration. In the view of the negative declaration, the quality of the environment would not be significantly affected by this project. The report found no historic or archeological sites which would be affected and only slight damage to commercial establishments. The document states that the level of development on the Golden Triangle is restricted until improvements are made to the nearby intersection. It further finds that "the congestion of the existing intersection and the accident statistics clearly indicate the need for improvements to the at grade intersection."

THANKS

To the Editor:
 We want to express sincere thanks for the consolation shown in many ways to us following the death of our son James. Thanks also on the quick and competent service of the Greenbelt Rescue Squad for Mrs. McCollum during the time of her hospital care.

Mr. & Mrs. John McCollum

Vermont Trip Planned By Golden Age Club

Travel Chairman Zelpha Parsons is planning a trip throughout southern Vermont for July 2,3,4, and 5 for the Golden Age Club. She requests that reservations be made as soon as possible with deposits sent by April 5. Reservations are not restricted to Senior Citizens. For price and other information call Mrs. Parsons, 345-3904.

Divorce and Property Law Discussion at Library

Divorce and the new property law will be the subject of a discussion to be held at Greenbelt library, Tuesday, March 20. The program, rescheduled because of the snow, will be held in the library meeting room from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Questions on the new property law will be discussed with the audience and answered by attorneys C. Frederick Fiege and F. Anthony McCarthy. The program will be interpreted for the deaf.

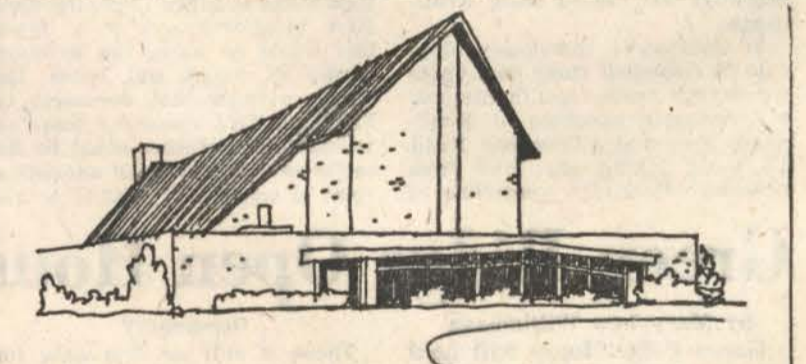
For more information, people should read "Coping with Divorce and Separation: A Guide to Information in the Prince Georges County Memorial Library System" which is available free in all branch libraries.

MOWATT MEMORIAL
 United Methodist Church
 40 Ridge Rd. 474-9410
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 Rev. Clifton D. Cunningham
 Pastor - 474-3381

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 8 a.m. Holy Communion
 10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer
 10:30 a.m. Sunday School
 Rev. John G. Bals, Rector
 422-8057

Greenbelt Community Church
 (United Church of Christ)
 Hillside and Crescent Roads - Phone 474-6171 (mornings)
 Sunday
 Church School for all - 9:45
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GHI NOTES

GHI will be hiring a number of youths, ages 14-21, for summer jobs. If interested, see the Classified Ad column.

Ken Kopstein, Deputy General Manager, testified before the Economic Matters Committee in the State House of Delegates recently on two bills to improve financing for cooperatives. The bills are especially designed to help low and moderate income families obtain more favorable financing for buying homes.

The next regular GHI Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 22, at 8 p.m. in the GHI Board Room, Hamilton Place.

La Leche Meeting

The Greenbelt LaLeche League, will hold its monthly meeting at 8 p.m. on Monday, March 19, at 42 K Ridge Rd. The topic will be

Free Tax Assistance

This week VITA volunteers will be at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 6905 Greenbelt Road on Sat., March 17 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Childbirth. For information, call 345-2670.

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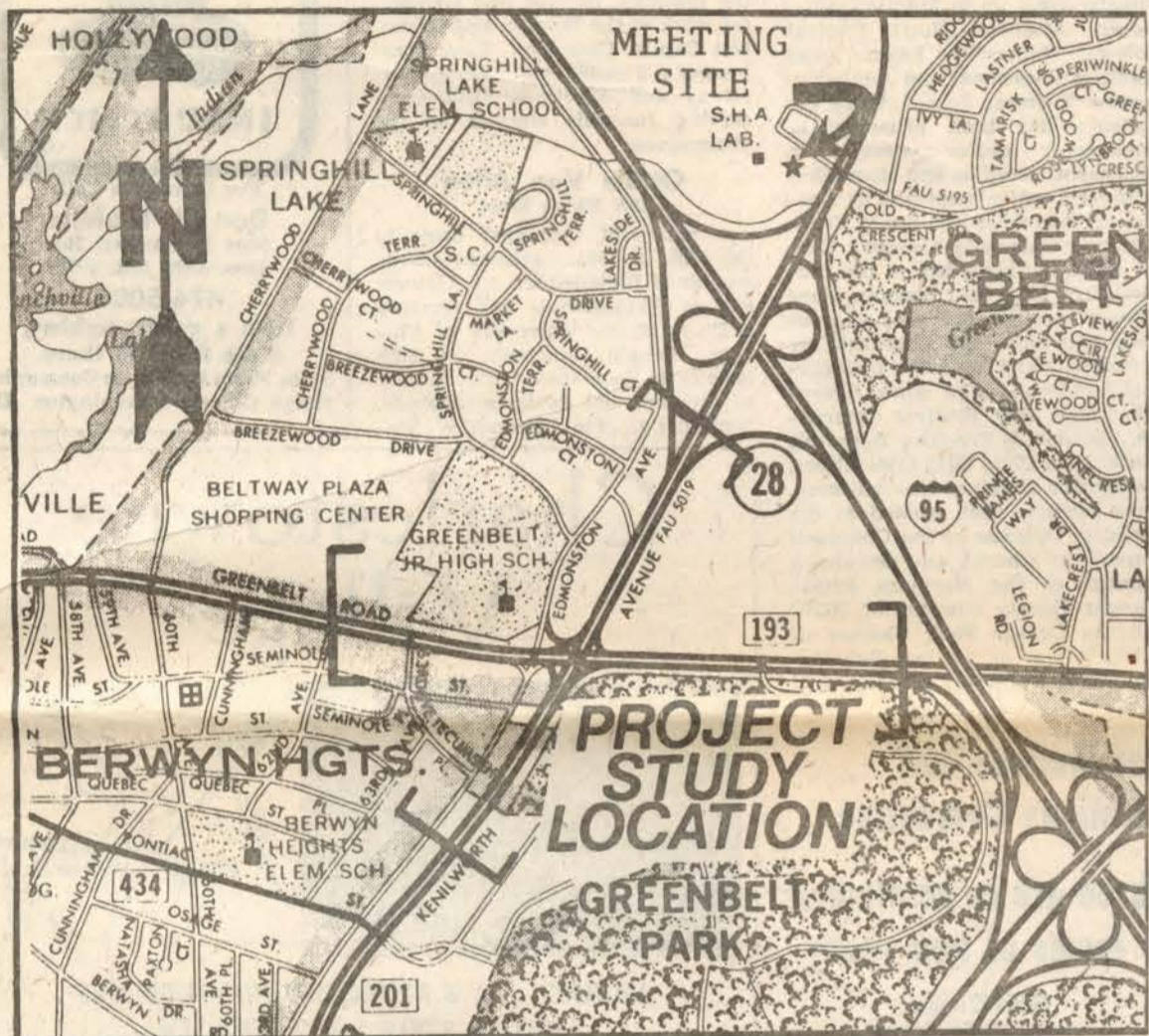
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Public Notice

**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION**

IS PROPOSING

The Improvement of the Maryland Route 193/Maryland Route 201 Intersection, in Prince Georges County



This project is currently in the Department's Consolidated Transportation Program (1979-1983) for project planning and preliminary engineering. No other activity is scheduled during the program period.

SCHEDULED

COMBINED LOCATION/DESIGN PUBLIC HEARING
7:30 P.M.

THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 1979

The Public Hearing will be conducted in the auditorium of the State Highway Administration District #3 Office, located at 9300 Kenilworth Avenue (Md. Route 201), just north of I-95/495 and the Maryland Route 201 Interchange.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this hearing is to afford all interested persons the opportunity to present their views regarding the proposed location and design of the project. The Project Planning Team will describe to those in attendance the engineering, social, economic and environmental impacts of both the "Build" and "No-Build" alternates.

Tentative schedules for Right of Way acquisition and construction will be discussed. Information regarding relocation assistance programs will be explained.

Beginning on February 15, 1979, the Draft Environmental Document will be publicly available for inspection during normal working hours at the following locations:

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| State Highway Administration
District #3 Office
9300 Kenilworth Avenue
Greenbelt, Maryland | Prince Georges Memorial Library
Greenbelt Branch
11 Crescent Road
Greenbelt, Maryland |
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WHAT YOU CAN DO:

All interested persons are invited to attend this hearing and present their views. A brochure describing the alternates will be mailed to all persons on the project mailing list. Others may receive a copy by writing Mr. Hal Kassoff at the address given below. Brochures will also be available at the hearing.

CONTACT:

Individuals and representatives of organizations wishing to be heard are requested to furnish their name, address, telephone number and organization they represent, if any, to Mr. Hal Kassoff, Director, Office of Planning and Preliminary Engineering, 300 West Preston Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201 no later than March 16, 1979, so their name may be placed on the list of witnesses. Others present at the hearing and wishing to be heard may do so after those on the established list.

Written statements and other exhibits in lieu of or in addition to oral presentations at the hearing will be accepted by the Office of Planning and Preliminary Engineering, at the above address, until April 6, 1979.

E-6733
February 9, 1979

M. S. Caltrider
State Highway Administrator

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Biographies and Statements Of Twin Pines' Candidates

Board of Directors

Three are to be elected to terms of three years

William J. Fern

Resident of Greenbelt for 34 years, married, five children; BS in Business Administration from the University of Maryland. Currently a Compliance Officer in the Wage Hour Division of the U.S. Department of Labor; Treasurer of the National Council of Field Labor Lodges, American Federation of Government Employees, formerly Treasurer, Local 644; former assistant manager of several Co-op stores; formerly on School Board at St. Hugh's Church, on Parish Council of Holy Redeemer Church; **Twin Pines:** On loan committee nine years, chairman three years; on Board of Directors for four years, Treasurer for two years; on investment committee, on finance committee, on budget committee. **Platform:** Continue service on committees to build an effective association that can better meet the savings needs and provide loans to the membership at rates that are reasonable; promote financial strength of association by growth and financial controls; control costs by budgetary approach and continued monitoring of financial systems; continue to give priority to GHI loans to insure source of funds for purchasers of GHI homes; offer highest dividend rates to savers that law allows to encourage thrift and provide funds for lending.

Harvey Geller

I am presently secretary of the Board of Directors, Twin Pines Savings and Loan. I was the fifteenth member to join Twin Pines in 1957 and was a member of the first Board of Directors. In the past, I have served as vice-president and president of the Board of Directors. I have been a resident of Greenbelt for over 21 years. I have served as a member of the Greenbelt Consumer Service Congress. I was a member of the Greenbelt Advisory Planning Board. I am a Science Administrator at the National Cancer Institute and serve as a Program Director for research grants in Biostatistics and Epidemiology. I am administratively responsible for approximately 50 grants and contracts. In addition to monitoring the technical and scientific aspects of these projects, I advise the grant management officer regarding the research budget.

I believe that aside from serving the unique function of providing a source of mortgage funds for cooperative housing, Twin Pines should serve as a demonstration of the benefits that a cooperative savings and loan association can provide to the depositors, the borrowers, and the community. There is also a need to educate the State regulatory authority regarding the cooperative principles which Twin Pines is attempting to institute, and how these strengthen Twin Pines and make a more responsive and responsible financial institution.

George R. Jones

Charter Member of Twin Pines. Served on Supervisory Committee 1958-1959, Director 1959-1977. Board

Vice President 1961-1962, President 1967-1973, Secretary 1974-1977, Member Relations Committee 1977 to present. Ph.D. in physics, now employed as physicist at the Night Vision and Electro-optical Laboratories with extensive experience in computer applications. Resident of Greenbelt since 1942, active in Rapidan Camps, Greenbelt Swim Team, St. Hugh's and other assorted community activities.

I am a firm supporter of democratic local control of our community financial institutions and am pledged to support continued independence and compliance with State and Federal regulations under which Twin Pines operates.

Thomas J. Martin

I have served on the Member Relations Committee and therefore know this association. A former credit union officer, former president of the Suburban Chapter of the Maryland Credit Union League, completed the course of the Institute for Credit Union Personnel at Pennsylvania State University; and am a former member of the Credit Union Executive Society. I helped to author the legislation which created the Maryland Credit Union Insurance Corporation (MCUIC), an organization similar to MSSIC. Presently I am serving as a MC-UIC director by appointment of the Governor, and as its secretary by election of fellow directors. I serve on both the Operational Committee and the Budget and Finance Committee of the National Share and Deposit Guaranty Corporation. I am currently director and treasurer of the Greenbelt Cooperative, Inc., a member of the Policy Committee of the Cooperative League of the USA. Formerly I served as a director and treasurer of the Consumer Cooperative Alliance, Inc. I am a member of the Association of Cooperative Educators, and also a member of the National Consumers League.

Member Relations Committee

Three are to be elected to terms of two years

Ruth Allen Davis

Mathematical Statistician, Statistical Applications Branch, Communications and Data Services Division, SEA, USDA. Member of American Statistical Association, Federally Employed Women (Northern Prince Georges Chapter), NARC Federal Credit Union. President of Board of Trustees and Administrative Board Member of Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church, Greenbelt, Md. Graduate of Armstrong College, Savannah, Georgia in 1949 and North Carolina State College in Raleigh, N.C. with B.S. in Experimental Statistics in 1953. Attended University of Georgia and USDA Graduate School. Member of Alpha Lambda Sigma Honorary Fraternity. Worked as a statistician for Aeronautical Radio, Inc. 1953-1957 and for Biometrical Services, ARS as an agricultural, general and mathematical statistician 1966-1972. Treasurer of NSAEUR Women's Club, Frankfurt, Germany, 1971-1972. Resident of

Greenbelt for 20 years and member of Twin Pines for approximately 15 years.

Joseph (Bob) Greig

I am a native Englishman and an eight year resident of Greenbelt. My wife, Joy, and I have three children. I first came to this country in 1965 to take a position at the University of Maryland. Now am employed at the Naval Research Laboratory. I have been on the Member Relations Committee for the past two years, I am a member of the Park Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB), and a past president of the Woodway Community Development. I am also president of the Greenbelt Aquatic Boosters Club and a member of the Greenbelt Running Club.

Bernina (Bernie) L. McGee

Resident and Twin Pines member for 12 years. Born in Zion, Illinois; grew up in Madison, Wisconsin. Attended North Central College, Naperville, Illinois, and Madison Vocational and Adult Education Business School. Work experience has been primarily as Bookkeeper and/or secretary in Wisconsin, Colorado and Massachusetts. Presently employed as Conference Scheduler and Space Facilitator at University College's Center of Adult Education on the University of Maryland campus. Have actively participated in numerous Springhill Lake and Greenbelt organizations and activities including Girl Scouts and PTA work, Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee, Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club, GHI Committees, Democratic Precinct Co-Chairman. Have recently been elected to the Board of Deacons at the Greenbelt Community Church and am also a member of the Northern Prince Georges County Chapter of NOW and the College Park Chapter of BPW. Widow of the late Bob McGee; two daughters, Marcia and Michelle.

Nominations and Elections Committee

Three are to be elected to terms of two years

Gail Drake

I am 30 years old, married, and mother to 3 and 7 year old girls. I received my BA degree in political science from UCLA. While in Los Angeles, I was involved in various aspects of early childhood education ranging from classroom aide to testing and evaluating programs. Since moving to Greenbelt one year ago, I have been teaching art enrichment classes at Greenbelt Center School, and have been enrolled in the Early Childhood Education's Master's program at the University of Maryland.

Helen Geller

Greenbelt resident since 1957. B.S. in Psychology. Community activities: President Greenbelt Co-op Nursery School; Treasurer Co-op Kindergarten; Vice President North End Elementary School; 4H leader 1958-1971; member Prince Georges County Recreation Advisory Board 1967-1971. Member Nom-

inations and Elections Committee for six years serving as chairman from 1977 to Dec. 1978.

Miriam G. Reynolds

A graduate of Towson University with a B.S. degree in elementary education. A resident of Greenbelt for 21 years. Worked 11 years for the U.S. Department of Agriculture, 8 years as a biological aide in bacteriology laboratory, and 3 years as a scientific aide in a chemistry laboratory. Taught two years at Center School in a combination 3rd and 4th grade. Community activities include: 6 years as a den mother with the Boy Scouts of America; 2 years with the 4H Club; volunteer in the Media Center of Parkdale Senior High School for 3 years. Presently working as a volunteer in the Media Center of Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Coupled with the working careers and volunteer work, I have been very active in the teaching, mission and committee work of the Berwyn and Greenbelt Baptist Churches. I am completing a 2 year term with Nominations and Elections Committee, serving for this election as the chairperson.

Otilie Van Allen

A native of Germany; came to the U.S. in 1911. Attended public schools in Philadelphia, the University of Pennsylvania and received a Ph.B. at the University of Chicago. Taught languages in high schools in four states. The mother of two sons, one living in Colorado, the other in New Hampshire. Re-

tired and moved to Greenbelt in 1972. Active in GHI affairs. Member of the Paint Branch Unitarian Church - served on the board and now on the council. Active in the League of Women Voters and in Planned Parenthood of Prince Georges County. Member, local Democratic Club. Appointed elections judge in 1977. Member of Legium, the state lobby of the Unitarian Universalist Churches. Volunteer at Center School since 1972, tutoring 3 mornings a week, mostly math.

Worked on Labor Day Festival projects every year since 1973. Proofreader, Greenbelt News Review, since 1972. Member, advisory committee for Green Ridge House, 1977-1979.



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Second Reading Next Week

Council Moves for Supplemental Funds To Purchase Tract Under Condemnation

by Mary Lou Williamson
City Solicitor Emmett Nanna formally reported to council the results of last week's condemnation trial. The city has been endeavoring since early 1977 to acquire a ten acre tract of land, parcel 2-B, as replacement for the Ridge Road Center. The city expects to develop the southern portion of the tract, adjacent to Green Ridge House, as a park. The northern neck would be maintained as a natural wooded buffer strip along the Baltimore-Washington Parkway.

Nanna told council he would consider that the jury's "price, \$254,000 is at the market," in other words, a fair price. He explained the procedure followed in a condemnation trial—each side presents to the jury two appraisals for the property. Then the jury must determine the total price of that property. The city's two appraisals were \$203,000 and \$223,500, the owners' (Lerner, Reiner, and Ammerman, Trustees) two appraisals were \$285,000 and \$320,000. The average of these 4 figures, Nanna told council, would be \$257,800 (\$25,780 per acre), slightly more than the jury's figure. He also made note of the \$30,000 per acre price for land near the Greenbelt American Legion taken by WSSC for its water main right-of-way—also a recent condemnation decision. The location, he felt, made the WSSC property more valuable than parcel 2, thus accounting for the difference in price.

Council, Nanna explained, now has 120 days to accept or reject the decision. Councilman Tom White inquired as to whether the city could "buy less than the full acreage." Nanna in effect said no, that would have to be done either by negotiation with the owners or with an "entirely new law suit."

Councilman Charles Schwan, seeking clarification of Nanna's response, asked: "If we want to purchase less than the ten acres, it would be an entirely new ball game?" Nanna said "Yes".

City Manager James K. Giese further explained that if council wanted to consider purchasing less than the ten acres, "The owner would be expecting you to pay all his costs for the trial, no matter how little you buy."

Councilman Richard Castaldi thanked Nanna for all his work in and out of court. In going back over the history of the pre-trial negotiations, Castaldi said "Everytime we would get to the brink, the owners would throw in a monkey wrench. We had to go through condemnation. We got a fair and equitable price under the jury system." The audience, including a group who had earlier presented the city with a petition calling for the purchase of the entire parcel 2-B, breathed a sigh of relief and began to smile when Castaldi said "I think we ought to proceed with the purchase." (Schwan and Pilski have consistently supported acquisition in the past and are expected to approve the purchase.)

Two ordinances to appropriate

funds for the purchase of part of parcel 2 were introduced for first reading. In the first ordinance, introduced by Schwan, an additional \$40,000 must be appropriated from the general fund surplus. Introduced by Castaldi, the second one calls for increasing the amount that will come from the Capital Improvements Fund, (the 1969 \$900,000 bond issue) from \$209,000 to \$219,000. Both ordinances will come up for second reading next week at council's regular meeting.

While council is expected to make a decision at that time, after a full discussion, there is still some question as to which way the council will go. Councilman Gil Weidenfeld who also supported acquisition in the past is expected to abstain because he and two others are negotiating for the purchase of parcel 5 (same owners). White has not yet indicated how he intends to vote. Giese told the News Review 4 votes are needed to approve these supplemental appropriations that were not included in this year's budget.

News Review Chided

Earlier in the evening Mayor Richard Pilski chided the News Review for suggesting in last week's editorial that council "made an error" when it proceeded with condemnation rather than negotiation for parcel 2. "Council spent a great number of hours" working on those negotiations, Pilski said. We were "close at one particular time, but the developers asked for a condition that not any member of council could live with. In all fairness," he added, "it would have been well to have included in the editorial that condition — not to oppose future rezoning."

In commenting on Mayor Pilski's

remarks. Councilman Charles Schwan revealed for the first time in public session another condition which he called "a device to artificially raise the price of land in the area." Part of the land, Schwan explained "was to be sold at one price and part at a significantly higher price." This further condition, to which council did strenuously object, according to Schwan, had been discussed only during executive session, from which reporters, as well as the general public, are barred.

Citizens Petition Council To Purchase Parkland

by Karren Sarro

Gardenway residents Richard Norman and Catherine Meetre brought a petition to the council at its March 12 meeting concerning Parcel 2-B. The petition states "We, the undersigned residents of the City of Greenbelt, sincerely encourage the Greenbelt City Council to purchase, condemn, or otherwise acquire the area known as Parcel 2-B and to develop it as a park and natural buffer strip." Parcel 2-B is located behind Green Ridge House and Gardenway, and is currently used as garden plots. The petition was started last Friday after Greenbelt residents had read an article in the News Review concerning whether or not council authorize purchase of the tract.

By Monday, the petition's supporters had collected over 100 signatures. Meetre said at the meeting "We would be most upset (if the council decides not to purchase the land). One piece of green space has already been taken from us."

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City Council Opposes Rezoning Parcels 3 and 4 For Townhouses; Buck Passes to District Council

by Elaine Skolnik

The City of Greenbelt will speak with one voice when parcels 3 and 4 are considered by the county for rezoning from R-R (rural residential, single-family) to R-T (townhouses, 10 units an acre). On March 12 the city council (Mayor Pro-Tem Gil Weidenfeld abstained) voted to oppose the rezoning. The 10.2 acre property (Lerner, Ammerman, Reiner, trustees) is located along the northern border of Greenbelt - Parcel 3 on the east and Parcel 4 on the west of Research Road.

In a motion offered by Councilman Charles Schwan, council expressed support for single family development on both parcels and directed the city staff to formulate arguments to oppose the rezoning petitions. This action was compatible with the wishes of over 950 Greenbelters who signed petitions opposing the rezoning and was also in line with the recommendations of the city's Advisory Planning Board and Park and Recreation Advisory Board, and the boards of the Lakeside Civic Association and Greenbelt Homes, Inc. The general theme has been "Greenbelt needs single-family homes." Less than 7% of the housing in Greenbelt is composed of free-standing homes.

Council's position will be forwarded to the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission, The County Zoning Hearing Examiner is not expected to hold a hearing on the parcels until the first part of 1980. Then the Prince Georges County Council, sitting as District Council, will make the final decision. A super-majority (8 out of 11 members) would be needed to override the wishes of the city of Greenbelt.

County Master Plan

The adopted Greenbelt-College Park area Master Plan of March 1969 proposes single family (R-80) development for the 2.9 acre parcel 3 located between GHI Homes - 6 and 8 Research - and a narrow portion of the North End School property. The Plan, however, shows townhouse development (R-T) for the 7.4 acre parcel 4 which sits to the east of the Ridge Road Playground behind the 7 and 9 courts of Research. To the north is the National Agricultural Research Center.

Since the area plan calls for R-T zoning for parcel 4, "it will be hard to overrule the Master Plan," said councilman Richard Castaldi. He and City Manager James Giese emphasized that the city must present sound legal arguments for its position. Giese said, "zoning decisions must be made in accordance with established legal requirements."

Councilman Thomas White thought the most compelling reason for supporting single-family homes is the imbalance of multi-family residences that Greenbelt now has. The requirement that a super-majority of the District Council would be needed to override Greenbelt's wishes is also to Greenbelt's advantage, he said.

Greenbelt has 4,700 garden apartment units, 1,600 GHI units, 865 townhouses (includes a completed Windsor Green development), 700 Greenbriar condominium units and 495 free-standing single family homes.

Parcel 3

Although the Master Plan proposes single-family development on parcel 3, Giese observed that the owners of the property "will contend, however, that the area plan is in error and because of the adjacent GHI development the property should be zoned for townhouses."

GHI property is zoned RPC (planned community) and the Master Plan designates the cooperative as R-T. Land on which 25 new GHI townhouses were constructed was rezoned to R-T. This property is located on the south side of Ridge between Research and Hillside.

According to Giese, there are about 9.8 GHI units an acre in the area of parcels 3 and 4. The density of GHI, including all of the cooperative's land, is reported to be 7 units an acre.

Since R-T permits up to 10 townhouse units per acre, about 100 new homes could be built on parcels 3 and 4 if the rezoning is granted. However, fewer homes would be constructed if the city is successful in obtaining mandatory dedication of 10% of the land area for park use, as required by the zoning ordinance. In the past the Planning Board has waived this requirement relating to developments within Greenbelt and, instead, the city has received a fee in lieu of mandatory dedication.

With respect to reserving land for the proposed perimeter road, the county can no longer withhold zoning from areas designated for future highway right-of-way, because of a court decision. The Master Plan shows the perimeter road crossing parcel 4 twice and parcel 3 once. If this road were con-

structed, the area available for development would be substantially reduced.

Giese told council that "Prince Georges County is discouraging most residential development except those kinds that will bring to the county high income residents with few children. It can be expected that the county will proceed very deliberately in considering this petition."

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