

GREATER OLNEY CIVIC ASSOCIATION AGENDA

Tuesday evening, December 12
Buffington RE/MAX Olney Community Room
3300 Olney-Sandy Spring Road

- 7:30 CALL TO ORDER
Introduction (Name, Association, Representative/Alternate/Guest)
Approval of November Minutes
Approval of December Agenda
- 7:35 PUBLIC COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS
- 7:40 Olney Library, MCPL Update -- Carolyn Bogardus, Acting Branch Manager
- 8:10 Law Enforcement Update -- Captain Marc Yamada 4th District Commander
Lt Joe Onderko Deputy Commander,
(oversees Greater Olney)
- 8:50 OFFICERS/COMMITTEES/LIAISON REPORTS
Transportation Committee Emmet Tydings
Public Policy & Community Affairs Committee (PP&CAC) Billy Becker, Greg Intoccia
- The PP&CAC will present a proposed resolution with the intent of providing GOCA will a greater voice in property development in the Town Center. Board members will vote on the proposed resolution.
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| Robert Hambrecht – proposed 2018 budget | Treasurer |
| Correspondence Report | Jackie Benn |
| Mid-County Citizens Advisory Board | Greg Intoccia |
| Olney Town Center Advisory Committee | Lydia Rappolt |
| Nominations Committee | Barbara Falcigno |
- 9:15 OLD BUSINESS
- 9:20 NEW BUSINESS
Water Tower – Greg Intoccia
- 9:30 ADJOURNMENT

Next Meeting: January 9, 2018

PRESIDENT's REPORT

Deadline - Affordable Care Act Enrollment is Dec 15th

There are several changes to the Affordable Care Act (ACA) but health insurance coverage is *STILL* available through the ACA. The enrollment period is December 15, so residents must enroll early to not miss the chance for affordable health coverage. You can browse and compare plans and find out what documents you need to enroll by clicking <https://www.marylandhealthconnection.gov/> Financial assistance is available for those who qualify. You may attend December 9 an enrollment event 9:30am-3:00pm at Germantown Regional Service Center, 12900 Middlebrook Road, 2nd Floor, Germantown, MD 20743. At the event there will be a last chance to get free, in-person help signing up.

Linkages to Learning Seeks Donation of Gift Cards for Teen Holiday Gift

The Linkages to Learning (LTL) program seeks gift cards as holiday gifts for teens served by the program. LTL is a community school partnership between Montgomery County Health and Human Services, Montgomery County Public Schools and non-profit service providers which provides needed health and social services to over 5,400 students and family members in 29 elementary and middle school communities with high rates of poverty. Each holiday season, gifts are provided to children and teens. Gift cards can be of any denomination and suggested stores include Target, Walmart, BestBuy, local movie theaters and restaurants. The goal is to collect 500 gift cards. Gift cards can be mailed to Linkages to Learning, 1401 Rockville Pike, Suite 310, Rockville, MD 20852 or staff is available to pick up cards.

For more information, call Haifa Krakaur at 240.777.1291 or email Haifa.Krakaur@montgomerycountymd.gov.

Matching Funds Available for Neighborhood Events

The Neighborhood Events Matching Fund was established by Montgomery County to encourage capacity building, networking and to stimulate the local economy. Maximum grant amount is \$1,000. Funds must be matched and the event must take place this Fiscal Year - by June 30, 2018. To apply contact your Regional Services Area Director at 240-777-8101. There is no deadline for application, but funding is limited.

RESOLUTION for VOTE:

The following Resolution is presented on behalf of the Greater Olney Civic Association.

WHEREAS, the Greater Olney Civic Association was established in 1978 as a not-for-profit community association representing the interests and concerns of the Olney citizenry through their various homeowner and civic associations, which at this time consists of 36 individual associations; and

WHEREAS, it is acknowledged with the presentation of the Olney Master Plan prepared by the Maryland-National Park and Planning Commission and approved by the Montgomery County Council (15 March 2005) that the development of the Olney Town Center would occur with input from the community;¹

WHEREAS, both the Olney Master Plan and the Greater Olney Civic Association intend to preserve the “satellite town concept” for this community so as to provide a network of safe and convenient sidewalks and bike paths to connect the Olney Town Center and the adjacent residential neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, with the passage of time and increased residential development there has been in the greater Olney area a correspondingly larger demand for more commercial development and retail services in the immediate area; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Olney Civic Association has a strong public interest that this growth, both commercial or retail, shall occur in a manner that not only meets threshold functionality requirements of intended property use but also ensures safety for pedestrian and vehicular traffic, does not result in additional vehicular traffic congestion, is complementary in style to the Olney Town Center, and considers aesthetics; and

WHEREAS, the current zoning procedures permit smaller parcels of land, usually those less than 10,000 square feet, to be developed by way of a site plan without a heightened level of review and community input;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN that henceforth it is

RESOLVED, that the Greater Olney Civic Association shall be considered an interested party for any and all future development within the Olney Town Center so that any notice of planned development, regardless of lot size, be it individual lot size or the aggregate of lots, shall include the Greater Olney Civic Association, P. O. Box 212, Olney, Maryland 20830 (www.goca.org) as an interested party for such development before all planning and site review authorities; **and it is**,

RESOLVED, to achieve and maintain a long term solution, that in the instance of any commercial or retail development within the Olney Town Center – regardless of lot size – that the Greater Olney Civic Association supports a minor master plan amendment that all commercial or retail development in the Olney Town Center, both commercial or retail, must first demonstrate through public input that property development will occur in a manner that: reasonably supports the property’s intended use, ensures safety for pedestrian and vehicular traffic, does not result in additional traffic congestion, is complementary in style to the Olney Town Center, and is aesthetically pleasing.

ADOPTED:

The hereinabove was adopted at a general meeting of the various associations that comprise and are current members the Greater Olney Civic Association on the 12 day of December, 2017.

Gregory F. Intoccia
President,
Greater Olney Civic Association

Stacy Levine
Recording Secretary,
Greater Olney Civic Association

¹ See page 141 of the Approved and Adopted Olney Master Plan.

