

MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council

FROM: David J. Deutsch, City Manager

SUBJECT: ***Status Report***

DATE: June 14, 2012

Status Report

1. Police Vehicles

The FY13 Equipment Acquisition and Replacement Fund allows for the purchase of two (2) new police vehicles and seven (7) replacement police vehicles (#510, #511, #513, #515 and #599). Two of the vehicles to be replaced (#503 and #509) will be placed in backup status. The vehicles are available on the 2011 bid from the State of Maryland and the City will not accept delivery prior to July 1, 2012. Six replacement units will be marked cruisers at a cost of \$23,708 each; one replacement unit will be an unmarked command staff/detective car at a cost of \$23,929. One new unit will be a marked SUV at a cost of \$25,580; and one new unit will be an unmarked command/detective car at a cost of \$24,471. The total purchase amount is \$216,228, which is within budget. As provided by Section 62 of the City Charter, this will serve as the required seven (7) day notice of intent to purchase these vehicles.

2. Economic Development Committee (EDC)

The Bowie EDC held their regular monthly meeting June 13 and bid farewell to its departing members – Mr. Campbell and Mr. Onwezi. Additionally they conducted a critique of the May Business Recognition Awards luncheon and will make changes and improvements for next year's ceremony. Members were reminded to forward the arts survey link to their networks and contacts. Officer elections were held: Mr. Michael Ahearn was elected as Chairman, pending City Council ratification; and Mr. Alan Coppola was reelected Vice Chairman. A Secretary will be elected at a future meeting. Finally, the EDC identified possible topics and issues for the coming year's meeting cycle. A final determination about topics and issues will be made at the July meeting. The next regular meeting of the EDC is July 11, 2012 at 7:30 a.m.

3. Development Update

Mill Branch Crossing - Council is aware that a Preliminary Plan of subdivision was re-submitted for the Mill Branch Crossing property and a hearing was advertised for today's County Planning Board meeting. Due primarily to the developer's need to coordinate further with the Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) on their recent comments regarding future right-of-way impacts from the US 301 upgrade, the developer requested a postponement of the County hearing until sometime next month.

Hall Station - A revision to the approved Specific Design Plan was submitted to substitute the pharmacy with approximately 14,000 square feet of infill retail space. This revision is consistent with the approved plans. [City public hearings](#) are scheduled for June 26th with the BAPB and July 2nd with City Council.

Proposed CVS at Mitchellville Road - A Preliminary Plan of subdivision and Special Exception application were submitted to the County. This site lies on the west side of US 301, between the proposed car wash previously reviewed by City Council and Mitchellville Road. A City Stakeholders Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 20th, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. [City public hearings](#) are scheduled for June 26th with the BAPB and July 9th with City Council.

Medical Office Building on former Tia's Restaurant Site - The developer is in the process of submitting a Detailed Site Plan to the County for a two-story, medical office building redevelopment on the footprint of the former Tia's restaurant, located at the southwest corner of Excalibur Road and US 301, adjacent to Ruby Tuesday. A City Stakeholders Meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, July 17th, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. City public hearings are tentatively scheduled for August 28th with the BAPB and September 4th with City Council.

4. Old Chapel Road at MD 197

Based on a request from the City and a resident, State Highway Administration (SHA) performed a warrant analysis for the “northern” intersection of MD 197/Old Chapel Road. As the [attached letter](#) indicates, this location still does not meet warrants for the installation of a traffic signal.

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City of Bowie

15901 Excalibur Road
Bowie, Maryland 20716

June 12, 2012

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Specific Design Plan Revision #SDP-0801/01

Proposal: Revise perimeter fencing along MD Route 214 frontage of residential area, add a building-mounted sign to the Credit Union building, replace pharmacy use with other retail uses and review architecture for approved coffee house building

Site Area: 14.6 Acres

Current Zoning: L-A-C (Local Activity Center)

Location: MD Route 214 (Central Avenue) and Hall Road

Applicant: Cenhall, LLC

Dear Business Owner, Resident or Interested Party:

Cenhall, LLC has filed an application for a Revised Specific Design Plan (SDP) for the purpose of: revising perimeter fencing along MD Route 214 frontage of the residential area; adding a building-mounted sign to the Credit Union building; replacing the pharmacy use with other retail uses; and, reviewing architecture for the approved coffee house building. The subject property contains 14.6 acres, is located along MD Route 214 (Central Avenue) and Hall Road, and is zoned L-A-C (Local Activity Center).

The City has established the following public hearing schedule for this application:

BOWIE ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD: Tuesday, June 26, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.
CITY COUNCIL: Monday, July 2, 2012 at 8:00 p.m.

Both of these hearings will be held in the new Bowie City Hall, which is located at 15901 Excalibur Road, Bowie, MD. Your attendance and participation are welcome at these meetings. In the interim, should you have any questions regarding this project, please do not hesitate to contact me during business hours at 301-809-3047.

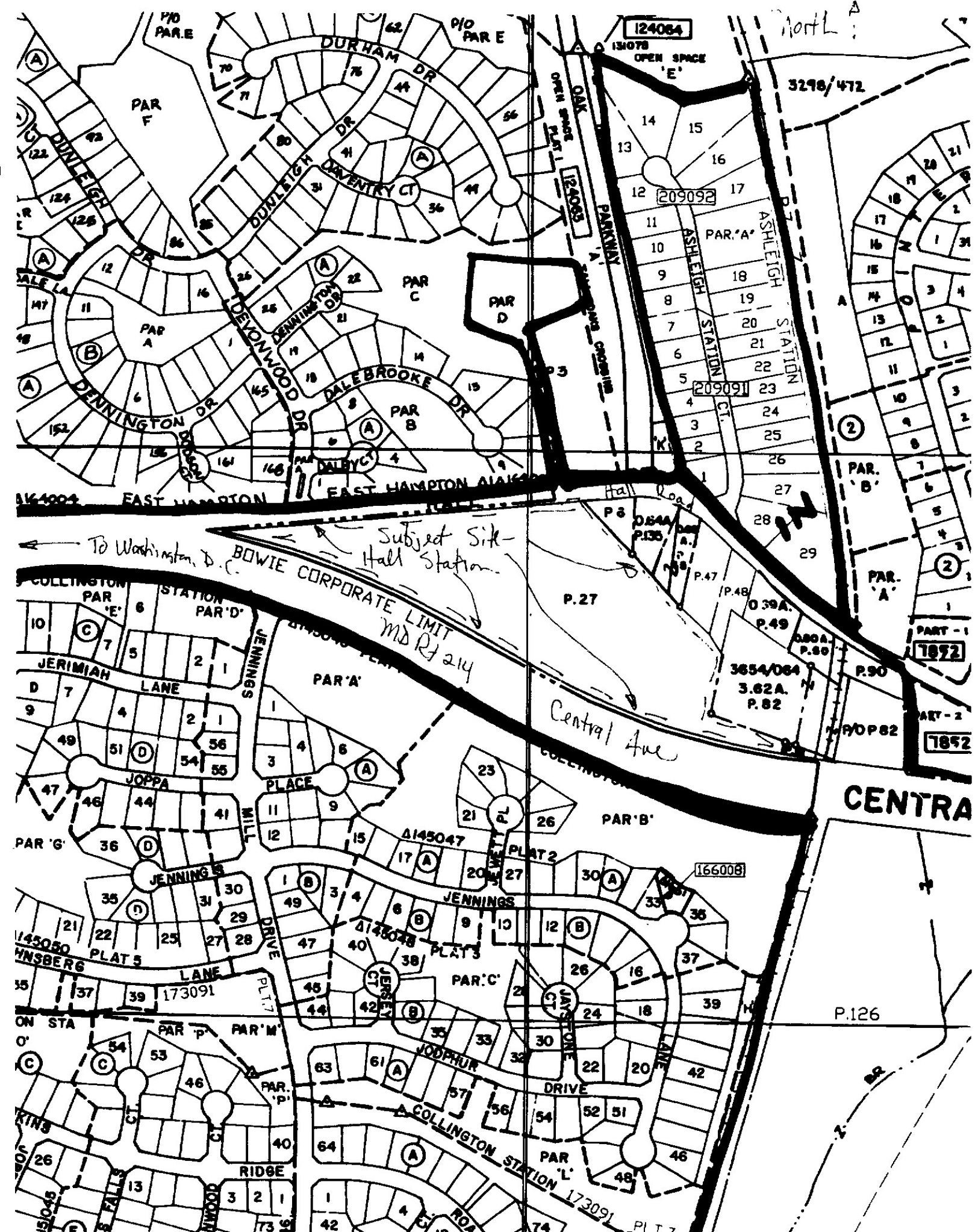
Sincerely,

Frank Stevens, AICP
Department of Planning and
Economic Development

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June 12, 2012

NOTICE OF STAKEHOLDERS MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

Special Exception #SE-4726 and Preliminary Subdivision Plan #4-11032
Proposal: 13,225 Sq. Ft. CVS Pharmacy with On-Site Parking & Loading Spaces
Site Area: 2.68 Acres
Current Zoning: C-M (Commercial Miscellaneous)
Location: Northwest Corner of U.S. Route 301 & Mitchellville Road Intersection
Applicant: The Velmeir Companies

Dear Business Owner, Resident or Interested Party:

The Velmeir Companies has filed applications for a Special Exception and a Preliminary Subdivision Plan for the purpose of locating a CVS Pharmacy store with a drive-through window and on-site parking and loading spaces on a 2.68-acre property, which is located at the intersection of U.S. Route 301 (southbound) and Mitchellville Road. The subject site is zoned C-M (Commercial Miscellaneous).

The City has established the following schedule for a Stakeholders Meeting and public hearings for these applications:

STAKEHOLDERS MEETING:	Wednesday, June 20, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.
BOWIE ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD:	Tuesday, June 26, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.
CITY COUNCIL:	Monday, July 9, 2012 at 8:00 p.m.

All of these meetings will be held in the new Bowie City Hall, which is located at 15901 Excalibur Road, Bowie, MD. Your attendance and participation are welcome at these meetings. In the interim, should you have any questions regarding this project, please do not hesitate to contact me during business hours at 301-809-3047.

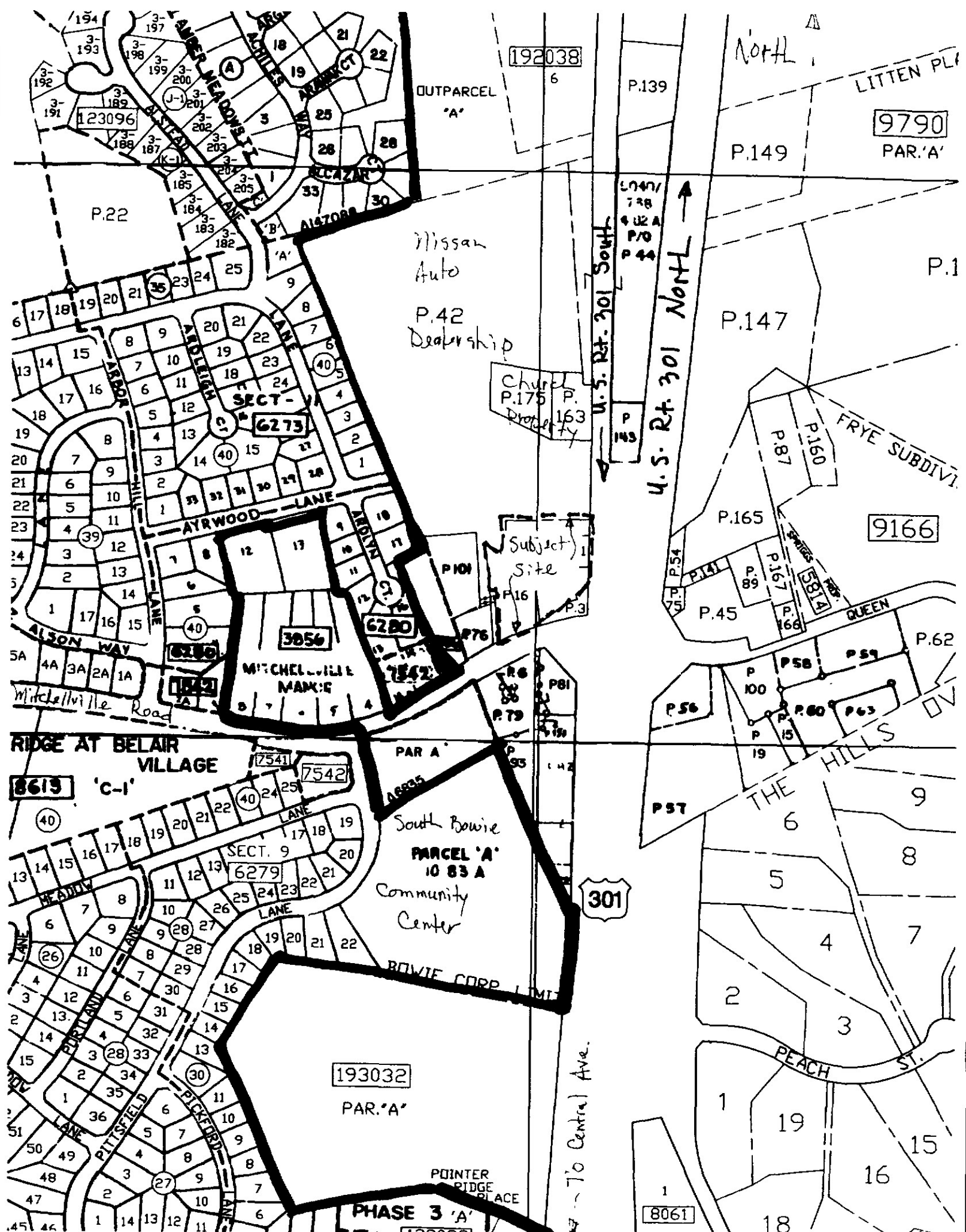
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City of Bowie

Ms. Nancy Maisel
13512 Arrowwood Lane
Bowie MD 20715

Dear Ms. Maisel:

This is in further response to your request for a traffic signal at MD 197 (Laurel Bowie Road) and Old Chapel Road, north of Bowie Plaza. The State Highway Administration (SHA) District Three Traffic Office has completed its review, and is writing to provide you the results.

The SHA follows the nationally-accepted *Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices* (MUTCD) as a guideline to when and where traffic control devices should be installed. These guidelines are nationwide in scope and endorsed by the Federal Highway Administration. As a highway operations agency, the State Highway Administration assumes an obligation to follow these guidelines.

A traffic signal warrant analysis was performed based on a recent turning movement counts at the intersection. Numerous factors were analyzed such as traffic volumes, crash history, sight distances, operational delay, and prevailing speeds at the intersection. A 13-hour traffic volume count was taken at MD 197 at Old Chapel Road and the volume count revealed the vehicular and pedestrian volumes do not meet the threshold for installation of a traffic signal. The measured delays for the eastbound approach on Old Chapel Road were not excessive; the peak period averages were approximately 35 seconds in the morning and 48 seconds in the evening, and the highest recorded delay was 90 seconds. A review of the history of reported collisions from the past three years did not reveal a pattern of crashes that could be corrected by installation of a traffic signal. Field observations revealed that, with consideration given to the prevailing speeds, there is more than adequate intersection sight distance for motorists to turn safely onto MD 197. Based on the results of the analysis, a signal is not recommended at this time.

Thank you again for sharing your concerns. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact my Team Leader for Traffic, Ms. Shaneka Owens, at 301-513-7424 or 1-800-749-0737. Ms. Owens will be pleased to assist you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Felecia C. Murphy".

Felecia Murphy
Assistant District Engineer-Traffic (Prince George's County)

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