



VILLAGE OF NORTH CHEVY CHASE
MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
November 8, 2018

NOVEMBER VILLAGE MEETING

November 20, 2018; 8 PM; NCC Christian Church

Tentative Agenda Items:

- Approval of October meeting minutes
- Treasurer's Report
- Permits (if any)
- Update on Small Cell Tower Ordinance
- Discussion of winter/spring Village tree replacements/plantings

HIGHLIGHTS FROM OCTOBER VILLAGE MEETING

Please note that the official minutes of the October 16 meeting will be approved at the next Village meeting and will be posted on the website after.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer was unable to attend the meeting so the Village's September and October financial reports will be presented at the November meeting.

Permits: Washington Gas sent an approval request related to replacing service at 3803 and 3809 Montrose Dr. The Council discussed the Village's requirement for public utilities to restore excavated street in a 26' x 26' square (curb to curb), which has been reaffirmed in the approval process for these properties.

Capital Projects: Three new bus benches were installed on the western side of Kensington Parkway in mid-October, along with a trash receptacle at the end of Kenilworth/Inverness near the chain link fence. The Village's waste management company is scheduled to empty that trash receptacle, along with the three other trash receptacles at the three referenced bus stops, during the regular Tuesday and Friday trash pick ups for the Village.

Composting: There was ongoing discussion about the value of composting and how best to move forward as a Village in supporting it. The Village plans to survey households about their

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interest/willingness to compost and their perspectives on Village funds going towards that. It was decided that a survey will be going out to residents electronically through the listserv (around November 9) and in hard copy to maximize household response (please see survey attachment to this newsletter). It is anticipated that results will be available for discussion at the December or January Council meeting.

ADDITIONAL ISSUES AFFECTING OUR COMMUNITY

I-495/I-270 Managed Lane Study: MDOT SHA is continuing Section 106 consultation on the I-495/I-270 Managed Lanes Study. Two new documents are available for comment. The documents are posted at <https://sftp1.mdot.state.md.us/> and include:

1. **MDOT SHA's Gap Analysis**, that outlines previously evaluated and unevaluated portions of the corridor, the fieldwork evaluation methodology. This version has minor redactions to protect specific archaeological site location information.
2. **Draft Suburbanization Context Addendum**, that describes historical trends, property types, and significance assessment considerations for properties dating from the 1960-1980 period in Montgomery and Prince George's counties. (MDOT SHA is, in general, using a 1978 cut-off date to evaluate properties that may turn 50 years old during the ultimate course of the project).
3. As a reference only, and at the request of consulting parties, SHE is posting the original 1999 suburbanization context, that the new document supplements (please do not provide comments on this document!).

Please note the username and password to access these documents:
Username: MLSResource
Password: I495I270

Residents are invited to the next consulting party meeting – **Tuesday, November 13, 2018, 10:00am at MDOT SHA's District 3 office (9300 Kenilworth Ave, Greenbelt, MD 20770)**. Prior to the meeting, a call-in number will be provided for those unavailable to join in person (and distributed on the listserv as well as posted on the Village website). At the meeting, SHA will discuss the documents, fieldwork updates, and next steps in Programmatic Agreement development. Any comments on the documents may be emailed directly to Steve Archer, Cultural Resources Team Leader, Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration, Environmental Planning Division at sarcher@sha.state.md.us or provided at the consulting party meeting on 11/13. For SHA to fully consider comments and incorporate them into any revisions, comments should be provided no later than **Monday, November 19, 2018, close-of-business**.

Small Cell Ordinance: The Village of North Chevy Chase is collaborating with over 10 neighboring municipalities to establish a uniform ordinance related to small cell deployment for expansion of 5G technology. Given the nature of the technology, the range of small cells is measured in feet and not miles and while some small cells will attach to existing utility style poles, others require new poles. The Federal Communications Commission, after a September vote, has capped the fees jurisdictions can charge on applications and right-of-way usage and limited the time allowed for processing applications (this ruling may be challenged in court before it goes into effect in mid-January). At the state level, an industry-friendly bill was defeated during the 2018 session but another could be taken up in 2019. At the County level, the Council deferred action on zoning measures which would balance demand for wireless internet service with the visual impacts of

antennas. The Maryland Municipal League is advocating for municipalities' authority to properly vet applications (which could include public hearings and determination of location according to community values and aesthetics). It is hoped that by the Village being part of a uniform ordinance for a large geographical area, it can better direct the deployment of this technology.

Chevy Chase Lakes Development: Demolition has begun at the site. The website related to the development, <http://www.chevychaselake.com/> does not appear to have recent updates. Village management will be communicating with the developer, Bozzuto, about our community's strong interest in receiving timely updates on the project.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

School Safety: A Safe Schools Maryland Tip Line was recently launched by Governor Hogan to help Maryland residents report threats to the safety and/or well-being of students. Students, parents, faculty, staff, and members of communities throughout Maryland may use the anonymous, app- and web-based reporting system to share their concerns, such as: mental health crises, bullying, school and community violence, drug activity, abuse, harassment, and other issues affecting Maryland students. More information can be found at www.SafeSchoolsMD.org. The hotline number is 833-MD-B-SAFE (833-632-7233) and app is SafeSchoolsMD. Trained technicians will respond to reports 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year.

Website/Listserv: For those who have not yet signed up on the Village's listserv and/or

subscribed to updates on the website, we strongly encourage you to do so. Please send your email address to nccinfo@northchevychase.org (include name, street address, and contact number) or text that information to the Village mobile at 301-654-7084 and the Village Manager will sign you up. When sending that information, please confirm whether you would also like to be included in the online directory (password protected on the Village website).

Dog Waste: A number of residents have requested that a reminder be made to please dispose of waste, particularly related to dog droppings, in the Village trash bins or at one's own residence. Thank you for your consideration.

Village Trees: Many residents have notified Village management about Village trees that may need pruning or a health assessment. The Village arborist has assessed over a dozen trees within the past two months, the majority of which are scheduled for pruning and other support (i.e. fertilization, systemic insecticide treatments) during November and December. Please note that the Village Manager will notify residents when pruning, etc. is scheduled on a Village tree at their property. Residents are encouraged to continue to reach out to the Village Manager if they have any questions about a Village tree. The Village is still awaiting the updated tree inventory and will post that to the website. Per the tentative agenda items for the November meeting, the Council will be discussing how best to address any needed Village tree replacements in an inclusive/participatory way as well.

Snow Removal: The Village has signed the annual contract for snow removal, which stipulates that the snow contractor will

automatically be mobilized upon snow accumulation of 2" in depth. Time will tell how much that contract will be utilized!

Washington Gas Approvals: The Village has provided permission this past month for Washington Gas to install additional service to 3717 Stewart Drwy and 8911 Kensington Pkwy. Washington Gas has committed to restoring all portions of street excavated to as good a condition as before the excavation was made.

Donations: When the temperature drops, many of the parents in our community have to make the impossible decision between paying the month's rent, or getting their child winter clothing that fits. National Center for Children and Families (NCCF) is an organization that works to create healthy living environments for vulnerable children, youth and families. A member of our community will be collecting gently used winter clothing (boots, coats, gloves, hats, mittens) to donate to this organization. Infant and children's items are especially needed. Please drop all donations off at 3602 Stewart Dr. (front porch is perfect) by Nov. 30th.

Pet of the Month: The Village would like to continue to honor the wonderful pets in the neighborhood. Please send a photograph,

accompanied by a brief narrative text, of your pet to the Village Secretary (Maury Mechanick) at secretary@northchevychase.org. Even if your family pet is not selected for this month, your pet would be eligible for a following month!

REMINDERS

Leaf Pick up: Leaf collection is underway.

While the vendor is making every effort to come to the Village by Monday or Tuesday each week, the day of the week may change due to inclement weather. Some weeks the vendor will (and has) come multiple days. Please note that leaves are to be placed curbside and made accessible for leaf pick up by truck. Please also note that sticks, trash, rocks and other debris will not be collected and leaves should not be shredded. Leaf pick up is scheduled through January 15, 2019.

Bulk Trash Pickup: The next bulk trash pickup will be **Saturday, December 15.**

CALENDAR (2018/2019)

Date/Time	Event	Location
Tuesday, November 20 8-9 PM	Village Meeting	Community Lounge, NCC Christian Church
Saturday, December 15	Bulk Trash Pickup	Front of House/Curbside
Tuesday, December 18, 8-9 PM	Village Meeting	Community Lounge, NCC Christian Church
Tuesday, January 15, 2019 8-9 PM	Village Meeting	Community Lounge, NCC Christian Church

COMPOSTING SURVEY
VILLAGE OF NORTH CHEVY CHASE
(November 2018)

Please find below a brief, 4-question survey that should take no more than 2 minutes to complete. The Village of North Chevy Chase is assessing residents' interest in participating in a community-wide composting program. While a number of residents may already be composting their leaves and other yard material, this survey relates to composting food waste and other organic/biodegradable material from one's house (such as food scraps, paper products, tea/coffee leftovers) that would be placed in tamper proof bins, picked up weekly by a vendor, and ultimately processed into rich compost for garden use. The ultimate goal of composting is to help limit the amount of waste going to Maryland's landfills, in support of Montgomery County's recent "Strategic Plan to Advance Composting, Compost Use and Food Scraps Diversion" (found at:

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/SWS/Resources/Files/foodwaste/Strategic%20Plan%20to%20Advance%20Composting%2C%20Compost%20Use%2C%20and%20Food%20Scraps%20Diversion%20in%20Montgomery%20County%2C%20MD.pdf>).

The Village is sending out this survey on its listserv to be completed electronically. The Village is requesting that only one survey be completed per household. For those households who would prefer to complete the survey in hard copy, please fill out this survey and mail it to PO Box 15887, Chevy Chase, MD 20815 by November 30, 2018. The Village will present the results of the survey at the December or January monthly meeting. If you are not yet included in the listserv, please send an email to the Village Manager requesting that you be added. Please contact the Village Manager at nccinfo@northchevychase.org or by mobile phone at 301-654-7084 if there are any questions. Thank you.

Please circle your answers and please complete only one survey per household.

- 1) Are you currently a resident of the Village of North Chevy Chase?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No

- 2) How interested is your household in composting food scraps and other organic/biodegradable material (that would go in protective bins for weekly pick up)?
 - a. Already compost
 - b. Very interested
 - c. Somewhat interested
 - d. Not interested

- 3) Would you participate in a community-wide compost program where participating households are fully responsible for paying for the weekly pick-up service each month (assume price could range from \$22-\$27/month)?
- a. Very likely
 - b. Somewhat likely
 - c. Not at all
- 4) Would you support the Village subsidizing the monthly costs for each household that participates in a compost program (participating households would cover the remaining cost) and if so, at what percentage?
- a. 25%
 - b. 50%
 - c. 75%
 - d. 100%
 - e. Would not support Village resources funding composting

Your Address (optional): _____

Thank you for your time.