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TO INTERESTED PARTIES:

RE: Ellicott City Historic District Design Guidelines Project

Beginning in the Fall of 2017, the Historic Preservation Commission will be updating and revising the *Ellicott City Historic District Design Guidelines*, which can be found at www.howardcountymd.gov/Departments/Planning-and-Zoning/Conservation-and-Preservation/Historic.

The project is being administered by Department of Planning and Zoning (DPZ) staff in coordination with the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC). As the existing Guidelines were published in 1998, the goal of this project is to create a user-friendly document that is up-to-date with current preservation standards. The project will also address issues such as sustainability, the use of compatible substitute materials, flood mitigation, and the Historic District's public spaces.

The project will begin with a public kickoff meeting:

Date: December 7, 2017 at the regularly-scheduled HPC meeting

Time: 7:00pm

Location: George Howard Building
C. Vernon Gray Room
3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City.

DPZ will present a tentative outline and timeline for revisions along with upcoming opportunities for public input. Information and materials can be found on the project website: www.howardcountymd.gov/ECdesignguidelines. In addition to website updates, a Constant Contact email list will provide periodic updates on the process. If you would like to sign up to be on the Constant Contact email list, please visit the website to subscribe.

If you have any questions about the Historic District Design Guidelines update, please contact Renee Novak at Preservation@howardcountymd.gov for assistance.

Sincerely,

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