



**TECHNICAL STAFF REPORT**

Planning Board Meeting of November 5, 2015

**Case:** Street renaming of a portion of Scaggsville Road, located north of Route 216 on the west side of Route 29, to be renamed Buch Way

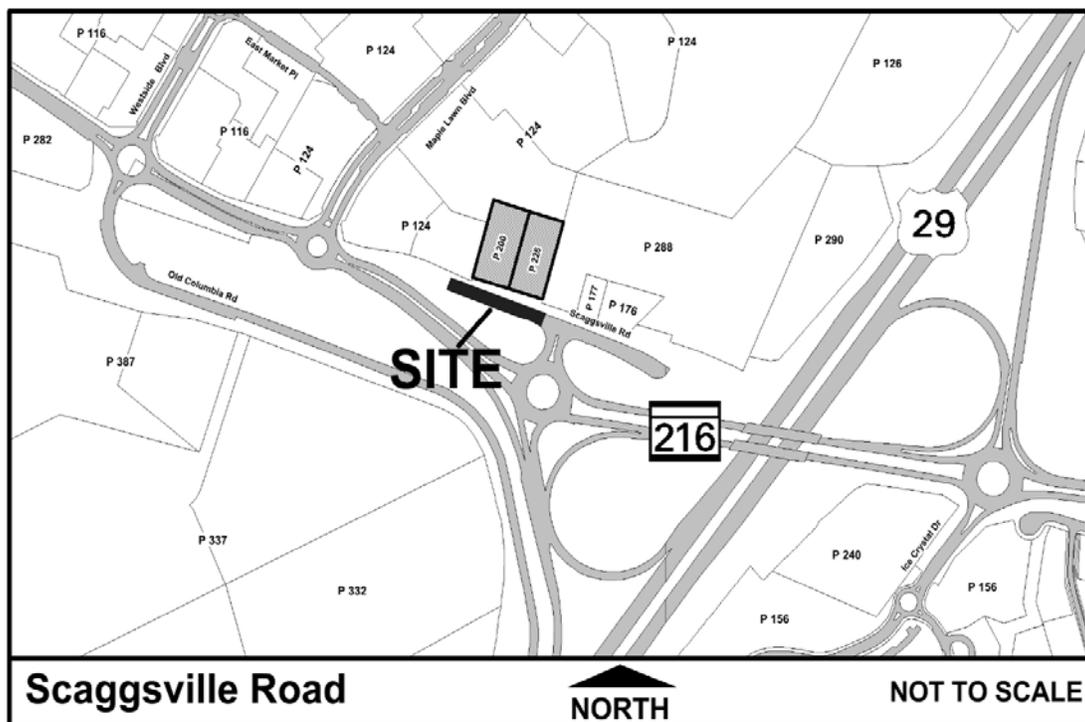
**Petitioner:** Buch Construction, Inc.

**DPZ Planner:** Eric Buschman, 410-313-0729, [ebuschman@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:ebuschman@howardcountymd.gov)

**Request:** To rename a portion (approximately 400 feet) of Scaggsville Road to Buch Way

**Recommendation:** *Approval, subject to any conditions imposed by the Planning Board*

**Location:** The subject road is located on the west side of Route 29, directly north of the traffic circle at the intersection of Route 216 and southbound Route 29 in the Laurel/Fulton area, as shown on Tax Map 46 in the Fifth Election District of Howard County, Maryland. This street renaming will affect two existing residential properties.



Analysis:

This public street renaming request has been initiated by Buch Construction, Inc. to rename a portion of Scaggsville Road to Buch Way. The Buch family recently purchased 11292 and 11296 Scaggsville Road. The properties once fronted directly on Route 216, but Route 216 was relocated in 2001 and the properties no longer have direct access. Instead, a remnant portion of the old Route 216 exists as "Scaggsville Road". The portion of Scaggsville Road west of the traffic circle is proposed to be renamed and will affect the two properties recently purchased by the Buch family. The other portion to the east which provides access to the Scaggsville Fire Station, two parcels zoned "B-1" (Business- Local) and a retail shopping center will remain as "Scaggsville Road".

This portion of Scaggsville Road is owned by the State Highway Administration (SHA). Per a letter dated September 16, 2015 from Mark W. Crampton, SHA District Engineer, to the Howard County Dept. of Planning & Zoning, SHA has no objection to the renaming of the roadway to Buch Way or other name selected by the County. The naming of minor State routes is usually a decision left up to the local jurisdictions. This portion of Scaggsville Road is a remnant portion of Route 216 and SHA is currently in the process of disposing of this public road right-of-way.

Section 16.400 of the Howard County Code authorizes the Planning Board to rename a street or highway on request of one or more residents of the street provided that the change does not cause duplication in street names and ninety percent of the residents agree in writing to the change.

The Buch family initiated the street renaming request and owns all properties that will be affected by the change. The Department of Fire & Rescue Services, 9-1-1 Center and the US Postal Service have reviewed and approved the proposed street name.

Legal advertisement appeared in both the Howard County Times and the Baltimore Sun on Thursday October 1, 2015.

Recommendation:

The Department of Planning & Zoning recommends that the Planning Board approve the street renaming for the requested portion of Scaggsville Road to be renamed Buch Way.

  
Valdis Lazdins, Director  
Department of Planning & Zoning

10/15/15  
Date

**Please note that this case file is available for public review at the Department of Planning and Zoning's public service counter, Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.**