

LAND USE COMMITTEE UPDATE Questions: Contact guidahome@comcast.net

1. **REMINDER:** Special Land Use Committee Meeting on Comprehensive Rezoning on 2/23/2013 at 10 am at Miller=s Court Apartments (enter at Northwest entrance off Howard Street) to review the proposed new zoning map changes for Charles Village from 33rd to 21st Street and from Howard to Greenmount. Kathleen Imbriano, Northern District Planner, Dept of Planning, will be present at the 2/23/2013 meeting. A written summary of differences between the existing map and the proposed new map will be available online at www.charlesvillage.net early this coming week in advance of the meeting. You can also review electronic copies of the text and maps, and important background information, at the Dept of Planning website on Comprehensive Rezoning at www.rewritebaltimore.org .

2. 2436-2448 North Charles Street - (USE) USE GROUND FLOOR OF K/A 2438 N CHARLES ST FOR DIGITAL/GRAPHIC DESIGN, APPAREL, DERMOGRAPHICS (Tattoo Parlor) AND MODERN ART.

The land use committee is attempting to contact the owner to attend its next meeting on March 5 at 7 pm at 2434 St. Paul Street to make a presentation before making a recommendation to the CVCA Board. You may access more information by visiting the following website and searching by address:

http://cels.baltimorehousing.org/Search_BMZA_Map.aspx

The appeal is scheduled to be heard on April 2, 2013 by the Board of Municipal Zoning Appeals. BMZA hearings are held in Room 215 of City Hall (100 N. Holliday Street). Please note that photo identification is required to enter the building. If you wish to put your comments in writing, you may fax (410-625-8422), mail or email comments, with a copy to guidahome@comcast.net , to:

Mr. David C. Tanner
Executive Director
Board of Municipal & Zoning Appeals
14th Floor, 417 E. Fayette Street
Baltimore, MD 21202
david.tanner@baltimorecity.gov

3. Notice: Annual Liquor License Renewal Process and Right to Protest:

Since March 31st is a Sunday, protestants will have until Monday, April 1 to file protests of renewal at the following office:

Jane M. Schroeder, Deputy Executive Secretary, Board of Liquor License Commissioners for Baltimore City 231 E. Baltimore Street – 6th Floor Baltimore, Maryland 21202 (410) 396-4385

If you are interested in filing a Petition for NonRenewal of any Liquor License in Charles Village and you would like to obtain the assistance of the CVCA Land Use Committee, please notify guidahome@comcast.net and be prepared to mobilize your neighbors to obtain the required number of protestants signatures.

Notice
 Holders of Alcoholic Beverage Licenses in Baltimore City
and
Community Residents

All holders of alcoholic beverage licenses in Baltimore City must file a renewal application between March 1 and March 31, 2013 at the Board's office at 231 E. Baltimore Street, 6th Floor. A \$50 processing fee must be paid at the time the renewal application is filed, and applications filed after March 31st will be subject to a \$50 per day penalty. **Even if a licensee has been notified of a hold on his or her renewal license, the renewal application must still be filed by March 31, 2013.**

By law, a protest against the renewal of a license must be filed at least 30 days before the license expires on April 30th. **All protests must be received at the Board's office by 4 p.m. on April 1, 2013**, and must be signed by not less than ten residents, commercial tenants (who are not holders or applicants for any liquor license), or real estate owners in the immediate vicinity where the licensed place of business is located. **Protests must be based on specific complaints as to the operation of the establishment.**

4. Comments requested: Baltimore's Proposed Credit Program for the Stormwater Restoration Fee

Theresa Bruton, citywide volunteer, met with the Committee on 2/5 in search of input from City residents about the proposed Credit Program which is still in the planning stages. Below is the letter that she provided to the committee. Please review and send questions, comments, input to guidahome@comcast.net on or before 2/22. The committee will review before making a recommendation to the CVCA Board. The DPW has told us that credits are ongoing reductions in stormwater service charges for activities or practices that reduce demand on the stormwater management system, or reduce the City's cost of service; a credits program will help both the Bureau and ratepayers meet their goal of reducing the demand on the stormwater system and reduced fees. To gather feedback on developing the credits program, DPW asked each attending discipline to select a person that will represent them at future smaller meetings. Theresa was chosen to represent City residents at future meetings.

Hello Baltimore City friends,

I recently attended a City public meeting to discuss the new stormwater fee and volunteered to coordinate community outreach so I would really like your input.

The State of Maryland passed a bill last year that requires all municipalities to create a stormwater fee (HB 987). This basically means that you will see a new fee on your water bill, starting this July, for approximately \$18 to \$36 per quarter which is \$72 to \$144 per year for residents. This will be significantly more for non-residents such as churches and non-profits.. The fee will also be calculated differently for apartment and condo residents. Industry will be charged \$18/1050 per square foot of impervious area per quarter.

The City is required to create a credit program where citizens can either volunteer or install stormwater devices to reduce their bill. The committee suggested a max of 8 volunteer hours could reduce your bill up to \$8 per year. My question to you, would this credit inspire you to volunteer and apply for the credit? Or what amount of money would inspire you to volunteer or install a stormwater device such as a rain barrel?

Additional details and information can be found at the website:

<http://www.cleanwaterbaltimore.org/>

Thanks for your input and let me know if you want more information or if you want to be updated as this moves forward. Theresa Bruton

5. 25th Street Station Development Update:

The Developer, WV Urban, is working through several predevelopment items right now and hopes to bring an update to the community associations very soon. Representatives have been in touch with community association leaders, have expressed their gratitude for the community's support of the project, have reinforced their intention to honor the community commitment letter signed by Rick Walker during the PUD process, including but not limited to, informing us of any trade informational and hiring fairs conducted by the General Contractor so that we can provide advance notice to residents and local businesses of employment and contract opportunities during the Construction Phase and thereafter. The LU committee will continue to work in partnership with Old Goucher Community Association, Greater Remington Improvement Association to coordinate with the Department of Transportation on the completion of the Traffic Matrix improvements, the Mayor's Office of Employment Development on providing to local residents other employment opportunities, and with WalMart, and any other big box retailers, on providing its assistance in the development and growth of local business associations. The Traffic Matrix and the Developer's Letter Agreement can be found online at www.charlesvillage.net where continuing updates will also be posted.