

FW: Town of Cheverly Nomination to National Register of Historic Places

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Letter to Mayor of Cheverly - Approval of FY 2018 Project Funds 6.7.18.pdf; Application_Resolution_R-1-18.pdf;

Hello Mayor Riazi I'm glad we had a chance to speak this morning and have this opportunity to give you an update on the project. I will let you know as soon as I can confirm a date.

As an good example of an intact, early twentieth-century suburb in a park-like setting, the historic portion of Cheverly has long been considered eligible for listing in the [National Register of Historic Places](#). Listing was supported by the Cheverly community in creating the [2017 Approved Greater Cheverly Sector Plan](#). See Strategy HN 2.1, page 74 and Strategy CH 1.1 page 92. (The final version of this plan, incorporating District Council amendments, has not yet been published).

Listing in the National Register of Historic Places is largely honorary and is non-regulatory; properties that are identified as contributing to the district would be eligible to apply for the [Maryland Heritage Structure Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program](#): homeowners have the opportunity to earn a state income tax credit equal to 20 percent of qualified rehabilitation expenditures. There are over 100 National Register properties and districts in the county already. Districts include Old Town College Park, University Park, College Heights Estates, Greenbelt, Riverdale Park and Mount Rainier.

Via Resolution 1-18 adopted May 24, 2018, (attached) the Town of Cheverly resolved to apply for financial assistant to the Prince George's County Planning Department to prepare a draft nomination. The Prince George's County Planning approved the application in June (attached) and M-NCPPC engaged [The Ottery Group](#) as a consultant (contract amount is \$33,430). Since Fall 2018, team members from Ottery have been undertaking the survey, research, photography, documentation and writing work required to prepare this nomination. The draft nomination is now finished, and has been approved by the Maryland Historical Trust (MHT --the State Historic Preservation Office).

Next steps:

1. January 21, 2020: Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) hearing: The HPC reviews the nomination and forwards it to the County Executive, who endorses it and sends it to the GCC (the Governor's Consulting Committee).
2. *Tentative*: Presentation to town on the nomination by Ottery.
3. February 18, 2020: GCC scheduled to meet to endorse the nomination, after which Cheverly (the historic core) will be listed the National Register of Historic Places.

M-NCPPC also has a [webpage](#) on the project but I have not updated it yet with the new information because I did not want to do that before I talked to the town.

Please let me know when you have questions. I look forward to working with you and the new administration.

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