

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2003 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-74-2003
Proposed by The Chairman (by request – County Executive)
Introduced by Council Member Shapiro
Co-Sponsors _____
Date of Introduction October 28, 2003

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 State of Maryland Neighborhood Partnership Program

3 For the purpose of approving the project submitted by the Neighborhood Design Center to the
4 Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for participation in the
5 Neighborhood Partnership Program.

6 WHEREAS, Article 83B, Sections 4-701 through 4-706 of the Maryland Annotated Code
7 established the Neighborhood and Community Assistance program, which includes the
8 Neighborhood Partnership Program, to assist nonprofit organizations in carrying out approved
9 projects in designated revitalization areas, to encourage businesses to invest in designated
10 revitalization areas, and to strengthen public-private partnerships; and

11 WHEREAS, Article 83B, Section 4-705(c) of the Maryland Annotated Code provides that
12 the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development may not approve a proposal
13 for participation in the Neighborhood Partnership Program unless the proposal is approved by
14 the governing body of the county in which the designated revitalization area benefited by the
15 project is located; and

16 WHEREAS, the Neighborhood Design Center (“NDC”), a nonprofit organization, proposed
17 to expand its Community Design Works! Program to address the growing number of school
18 greening and playground improvement projects requests from inner-beltway communities in
19 Prince George’s County (the “Project”); and

20 WHEREAS, NDC provides pro bono design and planning assistance to low- and moderate-
21 income communities in distressed inner-beltway communities; and

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1 WHEREAS, working closely with the community, NDC substantially beautifies local
2 school grounds and strengthens community preservation, neighborhood revitalization, and
3 citizen participation; and

4 WHEREAS, NDC has applied to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community
5 Development for approval of the Project for participation in the Neighborhood Partnership
6 Program; and

7 WHEREAS, the County Executive expresses approval of the Project, as described above.

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's
9 County, Maryland, that the application for approval of the Project, as described above, submitted
10 by the Neighborhood Design Center ("NDC") to the Maryland Department of Housing and
11 Community Development for participation the Neighborhood Partnership Program be and the
12 same is hereby approved.

Adopted this 25th day of November, 2003.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Peter A. Shapiro
Chairman

ATTEST:

Redis C. Floyd
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: _____

BY: _____
Jack B. Johnson
County Executive

ATTACHMENT A

PROJECT INFORMATION SHEET
Neighborhood Design Center
(NDC)

NDC Office is in COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT 2
NDC Services offered throughout Prince George’s County

APPLICANT: The Neighborhood Design Center (NDC) is a non-profit organization that provides pro bono design assistance to low and moderate-income communities in Prince George’s County. NDC volunteers include architects, landscape architects, engineers, interior designers, planners, developers, and other building industry professionals. NDC work offers a self-help resource to community groups in the planning and implementation of projects to enhance their neighborhoods.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The NDC has applied to participate in the Neighborhood Partnership Program operated by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development. The Department will set aside an allocation of tax credits for NDC, which will support the expansion of their *Community Design Works!* program to address the growing number of school greening and playground improvement project requests received from the County’s inner-beltway communities. NDC will provide community design services to schools to develop plans, presentation drawings, cost estimates, and implementation/maintenance plans for school grounds.

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FINANCIAL AND LOCAL CONTRIBUTION: None

NEIGHBORHOOD/LOCALITY: Projects are located within inner-Beltway communities.