

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**  
**SITTING AS THE DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**2016 Legislative Session**

Resolution No. CR-41-2016

Proposed by The Chairman (by request – Planning Board)

Introduced by Council Members Glaros, Franklin, Taveras, Davis, Patterson, and Harrison

Co-Sponsors \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Introduction May 31, 2016

**RESOLUTION**

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Historic Site Designation of County Properties

3 For the purpose of designating the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Exchange/Old Stone  
4 Building (79-117) and the Wagner House (83-032) as Prince George’s County historic sites.

5 WHEREAS, Section 29-120.01 of the Prince George’s County Code provides a process for  
6 the owner(s) of an historic property to petition for designation as an historic site with the Prince  
7 George’s County Historic Preservation Commission; and

8 WHEREAS, as authorized by County law, record owner Prince George’s County Office of  
9 Central Services for the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Exchange/Old Stone Building,  
10 located at 14500 Church Street, Upper Marlboro, petitioned for consideration and designation as  
11 an historic site by the Prince George’s County Historic Preservation Commission; and

12 WHEREAS, after consideration of the petition, the Historic Preservation Commission  
13 found that the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Exchange/Old Stone Building meets two of the  
14 nine criteria for designation as an historic site set forth in Section 29-104(a) of the Prince  
15 George’s County Code, namely Criterion (1)(A)(IV), as it is a building that housed one of the  
16 largest public service agencies in the state of Maryland, the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone  
17 Exchange, which exemplifies the cultural, economic, industrial, social, political or historical  
18 heritage of the County and its urban and rural communities; and Criterion (2)(A)(V), as the  
19 Historic Preservation Commission found the building serves as an example of a stone utilitarian  
20 building existing at the juncture of two historic roadways, and the location of the building

1 represents an established and familiar visual feature of the neighborhood, community, or  
2 County, due to its singular physical characteristics or landscape; and

3 WHEREAS, as authorized by County law, record owner Holliday B. Wagner for the  
4 Wagner House, located at 1910 Bryan Point Road, Accokeek, petitioned for consideration and  
5 designation as an historic site by the Prince George's County Historic Preservation Commission;  
6 and

7 WHEREAS, after consideration of the petition, the Historic Preservation Commission  
8 found that the Wagner House is significant as the first post-World War II Modern Movement  
9 house constructed in Accokeek, as a notable work of Charles F. Wagner, Jr., I designer and  
10 builder linked to the colony's early days, as well as the area's postwar reimagining as the  
11 Moyoane Reserve, which is an environmental preserve for family life; and

12 WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission found that the Wagner House meets  
13 seven of the nine historic site designation criteria of Section 29-104(a), Prince George's County  
14 Code, Historic and Cultural Significance Criteria (1)(A)(i), (1)(A)(iii), (1)(A)(iv); and  
15 Architectural and Design Significance Criteria (2)(A)(i), (2)(A)(ii), (2)(A)(iii), (2)(A)(v); and

16 WHEREAS, it is the finding of the District Council that each of the properties serves as a  
17 significant example of their respective types, periods of construction, and locations; and

18 WHEREAS, after proper posting and notice was given as required by law, the Prince  
19 George's County Historic Preservation Commission conducted respective public hearings on the  
20 subject petitions for designation on December 15, 2015; and

21 WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission recommended that the Chesapeake &  
22 Potomac Telephone Exchange/Old Stone Building (79-117) and its 0.119-acre Environmental  
23 Setting (part of Triangle Lot EQ 5180 square feet, Tax Map 101, Grid E-2); the Wagner House  
24 (83-032) and its Environmental Setting and its 12.06-acre Environmental Setting (Parcel 73, Tax  
25 Map 150, Grid F-2, Bond's Retreat), qualify for historic site designation based on the historic  
26 site designation criteria described above; and

27 WHEREAS, the Prince George's County Council, sitting as the District Council, and the Prince  
28 George's County Planning Board of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning  
29 Commission held a duly advertised joint public hearing on the significance of these properties  
30 with the Prince George's County Planning Board on April 5, 2016; and

31 WHEREAS, the District Council further finds that after a fifteen-day period for further

1 written comment, the record of public hearing testimony April 20, 2016, without any further  
2 testimony submitted to the public hearing record; and

3 WHEREAS, after consideration of the administrative record for each petition, as well as the  
4 record of joint public hearing testimony, the Prince George’s County Planning Board voted  
5 unanimously 4-0 on April 28, 2016, to recommend the designation of the Chesapeake &  
6 Potomac Telephone Exchange/Old Stone Building and the Wagner House as historic sites in  
7 Prince George’s County.

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's  
9 County, Maryland, sitting as the District Council for that part of the Maryland-Washington  
10 Regional District in Prince George's County, Maryland, that the Chesapeake & Potomac  
11 Telephone Exchange/Old Stone Building (79-117), 14500 Church Street, Upper Marlboro, and  
12 the Wagner House (83-032), 1910 Bryan Point Road, Accokeek,, are hereby designated as Prince  
13 George’s County historic sites.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Council be directed to mail copies of  
15 this Resolution to the Prince George’s County Historic Preservation Commission, the Prince  
16 George’s Planning Board, The Prince George’s County Office of Central Services, and Ms.  
17 Holliday B. Wagner.

Adopted this 31<sup>st</sup> day of May , 2016.

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COUNTY, MARYLAND, SITTING AS THE  
DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR THAT PART OF  
THE MARYLAND-WASHINGTON REGIONAL  
DISTRICT IN PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY,  
MARYLAND

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Derrick Leon Davis  
Chairman

ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Council