

# JOINT PUBLIC HEARING

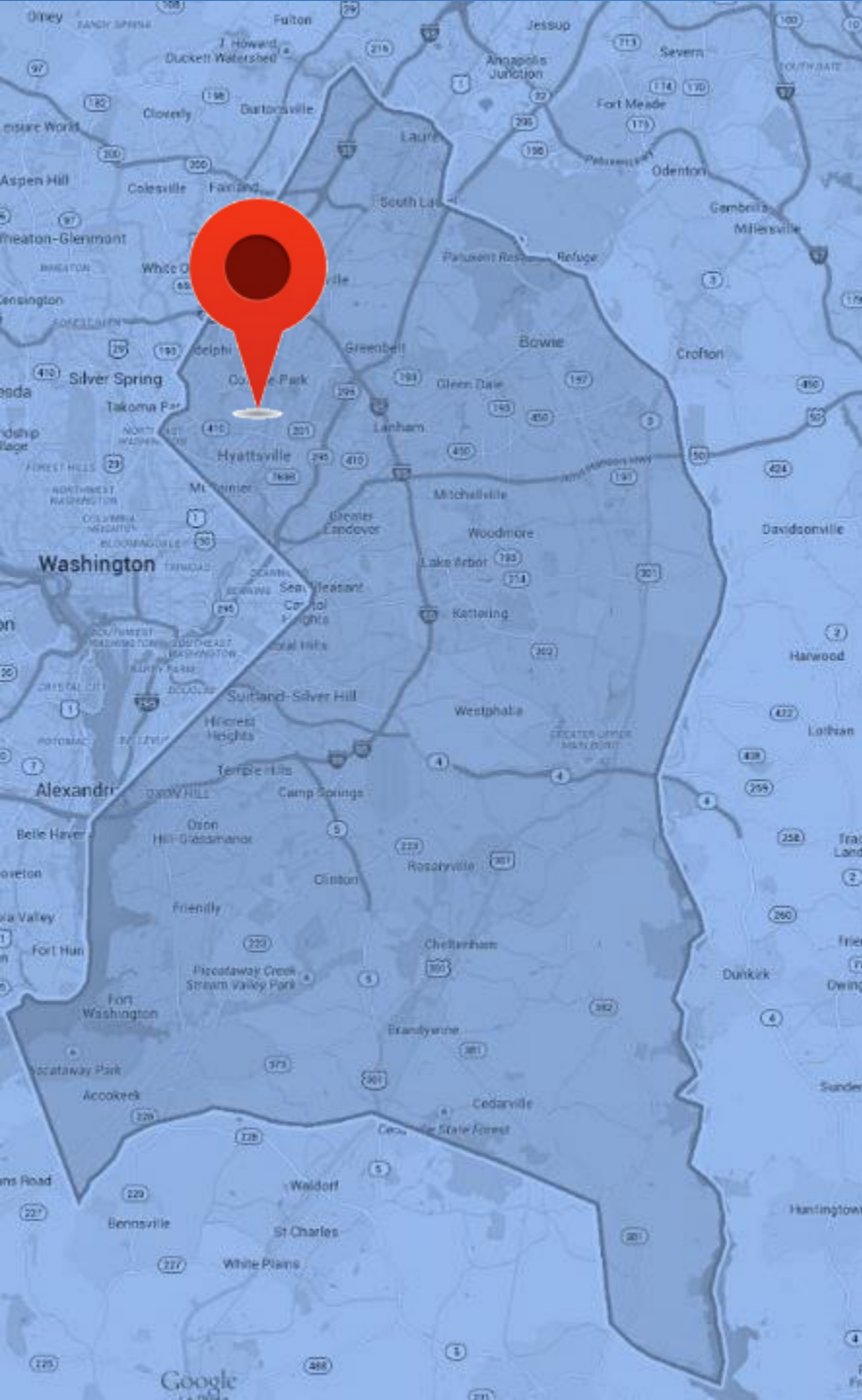
## PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE



**March 5, 2024**

# Proposed Historic Site Designation

Yates and Mary Boswell House  
6500 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue, University Park  
(Documented Property 66-029-09)







Yates and Mary Boswell House, southeast view, April 2023.





Yates and Mary Boswell House, rear elevation, April 2023.





Yates and Mary Boswell House, south elevation, April 2023.





Yates and Mary Boswell House, oblique aerial vicinity view, January 2021.  
(property location circled in red)

# Staff Conclusions

Staff concluded that the subject property could be found to meet four of the nine designation criteria of Subtitle 29-104(a):

- (1)(A)(iv) exemplifies the cultural, economic, industrial, social, political or historical heritage of the County and its urban and rural communities
- (2)(A)(i) embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period or method of construction
- (2)(A)(ii) represents the work of a master craftsman, architect or builder
- (2)(A)(v) represents an established and familiar visual feature of the neighborhood, community or County due to its singular physical characteristics or landscape

# HPC Recommendation

September 19, 2023

The Historic Preservation Commission recommended to the Planning Board and District Council that the Yates and Mary Boswell House, Documented Property 66-029-09, and its 0.24-acre Environmental Setting (Lot 1 of Block 21, “Section 5A, University Park”), be designated a Prince George’s County Historic Site as meeting the following criteria in Subtitle 29-104(a): (1)(A)(iv); (2)(A)(i); (2)(A)(ii); and (2)(A)(v).



# Joint Public Hearing

## January 16, 2024

- Staff presentation on property and HPC recommendation
- Testimony received:
  - Darragh McNally (property owner)  
Provided oral testimony in support of the proposed historic site designation
  - No other testimony was received before the close of record on January 31, 2024.



# Planning Board Recommendation

## February 15, 2024

The Planning Board voted 5-0 to recommend to the District Council that the Yates and Mary Boswell House, Documented Property 66-029-09, be designated as a Prince George's County Historic Site.