# Minor Amendments to the Gateway Arts District (GAD) Development District Overlay Zone

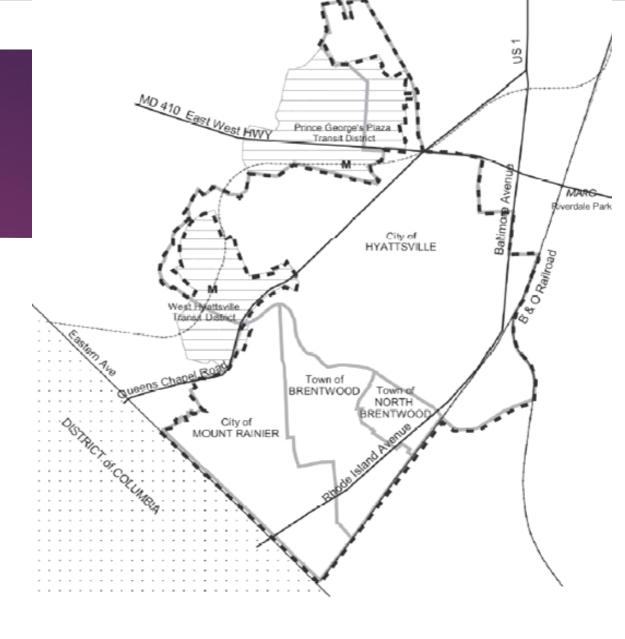
JOINT PUBLIC HEARING - DISTRICT COUNCIL AND PLANNING BOARD

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## Location

#### Planning Area 68:

- ▶ City of Hyattsville
- ► City of Mount Rainier
- ► Town of Brentwood
- ► Town of North Brentwood



 Prince George's County Gateway Arts District Sector Plan and Sectional Map Amendment Boundary

Municipalities

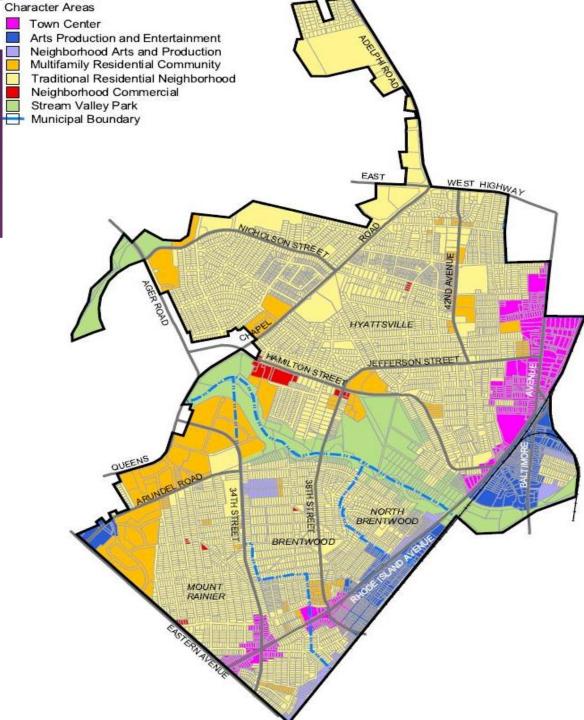
Transit District

### D-D-O-Z Vision

- ► 2004 Approved Sector Plan and Sectional Map Amendment for Prince George's County Gateway Arts District
  - "Focal point for art activities of all types and a place for entertainment, socializing, dining, shopping, and living, but retains its core to the heart of four small municipalities Mount Rainier, Brentwood, North Brentwood and Hyattsville."
  - ▶ Allows development of more lively commercial and mixed-use centers in seven character areas.

# Gateway Arts District Character Areas

- Town Center (TC)
- 2. Arts Production and Entertainment (APE)
- 3. Neighborhood Arts and Production (NAP)
- 4. Multifamily Residential Community (MRC)
- 5. Traditional Residential Neighborhood (TRN)
- 6. Neighborhood Commercial (NC)
- 7. Stream Valley Park (SVP)



# Legislative Background

- November 30, 2004: District Council adopted Sector Plan and Sectional Map Amendment for the Prince George's County Gateway Arts District
- Previous amendments (2007, 2014):
  - ▶ Development District Standards in TRN Character Area City of Mount Rainier and City of Hyattsville (2007)
  - ▶ Bed and Breakfast Amendment (2014)

# Legislative Background

- ▶ **June 6, 2015**: District Council adopted CB-35-2015 creating a minor amendment process for comprehensive plans, functional plans, development district plans and associated approved Development District Overlay Zones
- ▶ **September 9, 2015:** District Council adopts CR-48-2015 directing the Planning Board to initiate three minor amendments to the Gateway Arts District D-D-O-Z.

# Gateway Arts DDOZ Minor Amendments

### TRN Area

(Amendment #1)

 Permit the exemption of replacement of freestanding signs for noncommercial properties

#### **TRN Area**

(Amendment #2)

 Limiting conversions of single-family homes to 2 dwelling units instead of 3 dwelling units

# Gateway Arts DDOZ Minor Amendments

#### Districtwide

(Amendment #3)

 Clarify prohibition of vehicle parts and tire stores with and without installation

### Amendment # 1 -

Exempt freestanding signs on non-commercial property TRN

▶ To amend the DDOZ standards to exempt, from compliance with any applicable development district standards for the Gateway Arts District, freestanding replacement signs on non-commercial property in the TRN Character Area, where replacement sign is of similar size and character as the existing sign on the property.

#### **ANALYSIS:**

- Freestanding signs are prohibited districtwide
- Modifications on freestanding signs require a DSP process
- Suggest adding height and width dimensions requirements to ensure that signs are equal to or not greater than 15% of existing freestanding sign in height or width

# Amend residential portion of Table of Uses Permitted in TRN

▶ To limit the number of dwelling units to a maximum of two (2) dwelling units in a converted single-family home.

#### **ANALYSIS:**

- ▶ Plan currently allows conversions up to three (3) dwelling units in a single-family home
- Amendment supports single-family residential neighborhood character of TRN in GAD

# Amendment # 3 – Amend Commercial Portion of Table of Uses Permitted

- ▶ To clarify that the approved 2004 development district prohibits vehicle parts and tire stores throughout the Arts District, irrespective of whether or not the commercial enterprise offers installation
- "Vehicle parts or tire store including installation facilities, provided all sales and installation operations are conducted in a wholly enclosed building with no outdoor storage" is currently prohibited from the Table of Uses Permitted

#### **ANALYSIS:**

- GAD explicitly prohibits vehicle and tire stores with installation
- Omission of vehicle parts or tire stores without installation creates ambiguity regarding its prohibition in the GAD districtwide