

# DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ZONING VALDIS LAZDINS, DIRECTOR

## **TECHNICAL STAFF REPORT**

### Planning Board Meeting of May 17, 2018

**Petitioner:** Howard County Department of Planning and Zoning

<u>Subject:</u> Street renaming of a portion of South Entrance Road to Symphony Woods Road,

located north of Swift Stream Place and South of Little Patuxent Parkway.

Request: The purpose of this hearing is to rename a segment (approximately 715 feet) of South

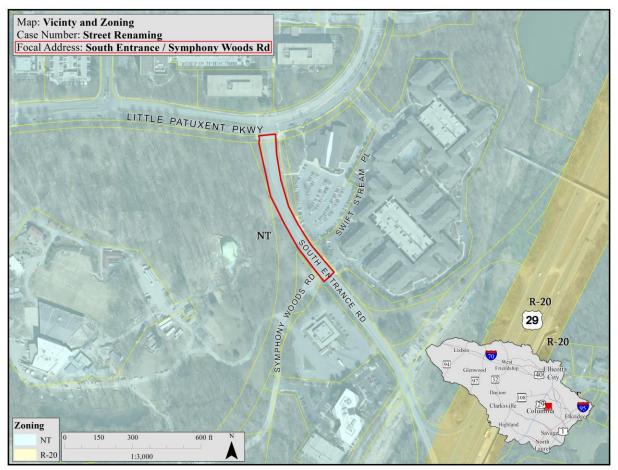
Entrance Road to Symphony Woods Road.

Location: The subject portion of road is located at the intersection with Swift Stream Place and

continues north to the intersection with Little Patuxent Parkway, in the Downtown

Columbia area of Howard County, as shown on Tax Map 36, in the Fifth Election District

of Howard County, Maryland.



#### Analysis:

This public street renaming request has been initiated by the Howard County Department of Planning and Zoning to ensure proper street names and the realignment of streets or highways. This street realignment is in accordance with the Downtown Columbia Plan – A General Plan Amendment.

The final subdivision plan F-16-114, Downtown Columbia- Crescent Neighborhood, Symphony Woods Road, was approved making Symphony Woods Road a public road and realigns the intersection so that South Entrance Road terminates at Symphony Woods Road, which becomes a higher classification road that continues to Little Patuxent Parkway (see attached exhibit A).

In accordance with Howard County Policy and Code, Section 16.400, the Planning Board may rename a street or highway at the request of the Department of Planning and Zoning for a valid governmental purpose such as the realignment of streets or highways.

There will be no addresses affected by this street name change. There are a total of six (6) properties which adjoin this section of Symphony Woods Road and South Entrance Road. There are no existing addresses on the subject portion of South Entrance Road and the existing addresses on Symphony Woods Road will remain the same.

A certified letter dated April 5, 2018 was sent to the six (6) owners of the adjoining properties at least 30 days prior to the May 17, 2018 public hearing.

Legal Advertisement appeared in both the Howard County Times and the Baltimore Sun on Thursday, April 12, 2018, and certifications have been received. All parties who expressed an interest in this petition have been notified by letter.

The Howard County Police Department, 9-1-1 Center is aware of this request, and is in support of this street renaming petition.

#### Recommendation:

The Department of Planning and Zoning recommends that the Planning Board approve this street renaming for the requested segment of South Entrance Road to be renamed Symphony Woods Road.

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Department of Planning and Zoning

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Date

Please note that this file is available for public review <u>by appointment</u> at the Department of Planning and Zoning's public service counter, Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

# **Exhibit A**

