## **City of Laurel Historic District Commission**



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## EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY SECOND MEETING TUESDAY – SEPTEMBER 16, 2025–6:00 P.M.

## \*This meeting was conducted in-person\*

**Convened**: 6:00 P.M. **Adjourned** 6:22 P.M.

**Commissioners Present:** 

Margie McCeney, Chair Oscar De La Puente Mary Eileen Leszcz Adrian Simmons, Councilmember **Staff Present:** 

Monta Burrough, Deputy Director, ECD Sydney Woodland, Admin. Assistant, ECD Alexis Williams, Planner I, ECD Charlotte Freedberg, Communications

Commissioners Absent: Two (2)

Citizens Present: Three (3)

Chairwoman McCeney called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and read the opening statement.

Chairwoman McCeney asked for a roll call. Four (4) Commissioners answered present, constituting a quorum.

Chairwoman McCeney asked if there were any corrections to the Minutes from the Regular HDC meeting held on July 22, 2025.

There were none.

On a motion by Councilman Simmons seconded by Mr. De La Puente, the minutes were <u>approved</u> on (4) four affirmative votes.

HDC-2025-0114 for 712 Main Street, submitted by Mallory Shriver, Applicant is seeking approval to replace the existing split rail fence with wood 6ft tall privacy fence and install a gate to secure the backyard.

The applicant was present.

Chairwoman McCeney stated the proposed color of the fence seemed dark and wanted to make sure it would match with what is already there. The applicant stated it would match as closely as possible to the fence that is between her house and the neighbors.

On a motion by Ms. Leszcz, seconded by Mr. De La Puente, the application was approved on (4) four affirmative votes.

HDC-2026-0003 for 425 Prince George Street, submitted by Michael Sciscenti, Applicant is seeking approval to remove dying Holly tree in the front yard and replace with native tree.

The applicant was not present.

Councilman Simmons made a comment that he will abstain from the vote because the applicant is the treasurer for his campaign.

On a motion by Mr. De La Puente, seconded by Ms. Leszcz, the application was approved on (3) three affirmative votes with Councilman Simmons abstaining.

HDC-2026-0019 for 349-2 Main Street, submitted by Aderemi Bello, Applicant is seeking retroactive approval to install 15-inch x 15inch circular vinyl yellow signage on four (4) windows and 19.5-inch x 19.5-inch circular vinyl yellow signage on one (1) front door. All signage will display "Crepes on Main Sweet and Savory".

The applicant was not present.

On a motion by Councilman Simmons, seconded by Mr. De La Puente, the application was approved on (4) four affirmative votes.

HDC-2026-0021 for 319 Main Street, submitted by J. Robb Cecil, Applicant is seeking approval to replace current awning and building signage from "Sandy Spring Bank' to "Atlantic Union Bank", awning will remain black. The signage on the awning will be 46-inches x 120-inches in white acrylic and vivid green. The signage on the building will be 13-inches x 139-inches in white acrylic, vivid green and cannon clay, building signage will be illuminated. Applicant is also seeking approval to replace current "Sandy Spring Bank" building signage to 10 ¼ - inch x 139-inch "McGowan and Cecil, LLC" in white acrylic and canon clay, signage will be illuminated.

The applicant was present.

The applicant presented more detailed documentation to the Commission and explained the proposal more in depth.

On a motion by Ms. Leszcz, seconded by Mr. De La Puente, the application was approved on (4) four affirmative votes.

## **Staff Approvals:**

HDC-2026-0001 for 500 Prince George Street, submitted by Diarra Gordon, Applicant is seeking approval to replace and paint rotted siding on shed "in-kind".

HDC-2026-0005 for 203 Stanley Place, submitted by Lisa Smith, Applicant is seeking emergency approval to replace the current light gray 3-tab roof with dark gray 3-tab

roof.

HDC-2026-0006 for 340 Laurel Avenue, submitted by Laverne Debnam, Applicant

is seeking approval to replace roof and gutters. Current roof is 3-tab shingles in Heather Blend; Current gutters are 5" aluminum k-style, seamless gutters in #30 white, all work

is "in-kind".

HDC-2026-0008 for 323 Prince George Street, submitted by Adam Wise, Applicant

is seeking emergency approval to replace current 3-tab shingles with Landmark Pro

Architectural shingles in same color.

HDC-2026-0009 for 318 Prince George Street, submitted by William Rice, Applicant

is seeking approval to replace damaged siding boards with same wood, style and color.

HDC-2026-0010 for 319 Laurel Avenue, submitted by Benjamin Lewis, Applicant is

seeking emergency approval to remove a Maple Tree that was damaged during a storm

and replace with Red Tree.

HDC-2026-0014 for 322 Montgomery Street, submitted by Amy Dunham, Applicant

is seeking approval to restore front double doors. Doors will be restored in the same

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style, color and material.

There was no discussion regarding the Staff approvals.

Minutes Approved: Sydney Woodand

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