

West Lanham Hills Citizen

MAY 2025

Next WLHCA Meeting:
Thursday, May 1 at 7pm
Park Building (7700 Decatur Road)

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President's Corner

By: Lan Tsubata, WLHCA President

I've spent most of my life in this neighborhood. My husband and I chose to buy a home and raise our family here because it's always been more than just a place, it's a community. Since I was two years old, I've attended, supported or led neighborhood cleanups, Santa's Workshops, ESL classes, financial literacy programs, dance classes, family fun days, movie nights, and so much more. So, when the opportunity came to serve as your association president, it felt like a natural way to continue building something meaningful with all of you.

It may be corny, but I believe that what we build in our own neighborhood, ripples outward, impacting our neighboring communities, our county, (and I hope) our country. The genius, creativity, and dedication in this neighborhood never ceases to amaze me. We are a community of problem-solvers, people who roll up their sleeves and find unique solutions that make a lasting, positive impact.

As I step aside from my role as president, I'm filled with excitement and hope for those stepping forward. I look forward to continuing to support, uplift, and collaborate with all of you as we preserve and grow this incredible place, we call West Lanham Hills.

May 1, 2025

Planning Board Hearing

1616 McCormick Dr.
Largo, MD 20774
10 AM

Attend virtually or in-person

The Prince George's County Planning Board will hear the application request for [Zoning Map Amendment ZMA-2024-003](#) which proposes rezoning the former Lincoln Dealership property near our neighborhood.

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May 1, 2025

CAT Advocacy Purple Line meeting

Virtual, 6 PM

Join the virtual Riverdale Park/New Carrollton/Glenridge CAT Meeting Spring 2025 Community Advisory Team (CAT) Meetings! The Purple Line team will provide the latest updates on the project and field questions from community members. Scan for more info:



May 13, 2025

Game Night

Park Building
7-8:30 PM

Games & Snacks Provided

Join us in the park building to play games and other fun activities. All ages are welcome! This is a great chance to meet your neighbors and make new friends.

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Reminder: WLHCA Annual Meeting May 1

Food (pizza, beverages, snacks) will be provided!

Reminder: Board Vote at May 1 meeting!

Reminder to join the **May 1st, 7:00 pm**, community association meeting as we vote for the Board Members for the next three years. We have a strong slate of candidates for most positions, but ***there are currently no nominees for Parliamentarian. We need your help nominating individuals for this important position!*** Nominations and self-nominations are welcome from any member until the election occurs. For business to occur (including the election) **at least 16 members must be present**. The full candidate list is below:

President: Michael Chodos (current Parliamentarian)

Vice President: Alicia Denning
Amanda Karam

Treasurer: Michael Driggers (incumbent)

Secretary: Sarah Tsubata (incumbent)

Parliamentarian: **Open position**

Questions or nominations? Please feel free to reach out to any member of the Nominating Committee:

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Scott Condren; scondren@gmail.com, 860-798-2337

Jason Finley (Chair); finleyj547@gmail.com, 636-485-9716

On the Agenda: May 1, 2025

Topics of discussion at the next WLHCA meeting include:

- WLHCA Board elections
- Approval of WLHCA Annual Budget
- Updates from Committees
- Councilman Eric Olson Town Hall & Resource Fair Report

Special Reminders:

- **We need you!** 16 members must be present
- **Come Hungry!** We are providing food (pizza, beverages, snacks) with plenty for all.

More details: Planning Board meeting, to include RST New Carrollton development on May 1

The Prince George's County Planning Board will hear the application request for [Zoning Map Amendment ZMA-2024-003](#) which **proposes rezoning the former Lincoln Dealership property**, a 4.29-acre site in Lanham, Maryland, **from** the Neighborhood Activity Center (NAC) Zone **to** the Neighborhood Activity Center Planned Development (NAC-PD) Zone. The site is located on MD 450, near MD 410 and the future Glenridge Purple Line light rail station. The rezoning aims to enable the development of up to 300 multifamily residential units, 3,000 sq. ft. of commercial or nonprofit space, and outdoor amenities. Additional information on the proposed zoning amendment can be found at: <https://pgplanningboard.org/participate/attend-contribute-to-a-planning-board-meeting/>

Anyone wishing to submit written comments or documents, speak (in-person or virtually), and/or become a party of record **must sign up and submit documentation by 12:00 PM Tuesday, April 29, 2025** by visiting: www.pgplanningboard.org/participate

PG County Resources & Reminders

Event Report: Councilman Eric Olson Town Hall and Resource Fair

Council Member Eric Olson hosted the 2025 District 3 Town Hall on April 11, sharing priorities and updates for Prince George's County. The **proposed FY 2026 budget**, totalling \$5.8B, addresses a \$170M gap and includes \$267M in expected federal grants. Olson highlighted fiscal concerns and revenue strategies, with funding increases planned for public safety, education, and infrastructure. Major projects include new schools like Margaret Brent Elementary, Purple Line progress, street repaving, and the East-West Bikeway. Over \$70M will support transforming the New Carrollton Transit Station into a multi-modal hub. Quality-of-life initiatives target neighborhood issues, school zone safety, and emergency services.

**Town
Hall
Slides:**



**Resource
Flyers:**



Recently Introduced Bills from Eric Olson

Clean the Curb Act 2025 ([CB-015-2025](#)) will stop people from leaving cones, buckets, and other objects on public streets to save parking spots or block access. These items clutter our roads, make parking unfair, and create hazards. This bill gives county agencies the power to remove them, keeping streets open and safe for everyone. The bill is still in the Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy and Environment (TIEE) committee. Updates are expected by the end of May.

An Act Concerning Non-Commercial Trailer Parking Restrictions ([CB-04-2025](#)) adds non-commercial trailers into the code. Allows the Revenue Authority to fine and possibly tow under the vehicle code guidelines. The bill passed the TIEE committee and we expect a final council vote by the end of April.

How to: Report Pollution to Maryland Department of Environment

To report an environmental emergency posing an immediate threat to health or the environment (e.g., spills of oil, hazardous chemicals, or radioactive materials), call toll-free at (866) 633-4686 (anonymous calls accepted). For non-emergency concerns like illegal dumping or pollution, submit a report at mde.maryland.gov/pages/reportpollution.aspx or contact a relevant program via mde.maryland.gov/Pages/numbers_to_know.aspx

PG County Residential Street Sweeping Program Feedback

Street sweeping for our neighborhood began on April 16, with more scheduled for April 23 and 30. With many parked cars in our neighborhood, it's hard for the sweepers to be effective. **Neighbors are encouraged to send feedback** to streetsweeping@co.pg.md.us to recommend that alternating sides of the streets are used for parking on sweeping days, or share other feedback.

Additional Information Available at:

Website: www.westlanhamhills.com | **Facebook:** www.facebook.com/westlanhamhillsmc
Email: westlanhamnews@gmail.com