

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES

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COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday, March 10, 2020

Salvatore Amato James Cherry Sherwin Collins Ronald S. Little, Jr. Wendy McClure Sally Neiderhiser Eion O'Neill James Sando Mark Tarlecki Gregory J. D'Angelo, Mayor

Call to Order, Date and Time Roll Call Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment
Discussion: HARB 2019 Annual Report
Consideration: Acceptance of Donation from Tex-Mex Connection
Consideration: Historic Commission Appointment, Term Ending 12/31/2021
Consideration: Ratification of Resolution 2020-016
Discussion: Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Zoning Text Amendment
Consideration: Authorization of 2020 U.S. Census Partnership

8. Proclamation: Designation of April 2020 as PA 811 Safe Digging Month 9. **Consideration: Minutes: February 25, 2020** 10. **Old Business/Committee & Board Reports/Zoning Applications** 11. Solicitor / Mayor / Council / Chief of Police / Manager

Adjournment

Mayor's Office Hours

2nd & 4th Tuesdays 2:00 - 4:00 PM 2nd & 4th Wednesdays 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Monthly Meeting Information:

Boards and Commissions

Borough Council 2nd & 4th Tuesday of Month 1st Tuesday of Month as Needed **Zoning Hearing Board Planning Commission** 1st Wednesday of Month 3rd Wednesday of Month **HARB** 2nd Thursday of Month Park & Recreation Board 2nd Thursday of Month **Shade Tree Commission** 2nd Thursday of Month – 7:30 PM Nor-Gwyn Pool Commission

3rd Tuesday of Month **Historic Commission**

All above meetings begin at 7 P.M. in the Municipal Building, unless noted otherwise.

2nd & 4th Wednesday of Month **North Wales Water Authority** 5:00 PM, 200 W. Walnut Street

Please note: The meeting is being digitally recorded.

HARB Annual Report - 2019

- (1) Any recommendations for changes in this article? No.
- (2) The number and types of cases reviewed?

0219-01 – David Deratzian – 417 E. Montgomery Ave. Replace 5 windows and re-build dormers – Approved.

0219-02 – Juliet Harowtunian – 125 S. Main St. Replace door and jamb, repair lintel – No action (completed before review).

0219-03 – Theodore Craig – 256 N. Third St. Replace second floor windows – No action (completed before review).

0219-04 – Wm Quigley and Elaine Brick – 415 S. Main St. Enclose side porch – Approved with qualifications.

0219-05 – Fred and Michele Oskanian – 132 W. Walnut St. Replace porch flooring and railing – Approved with qualifications.

0219-06 – Alyssa Messina and Kevin Wilkinson – 410 E. Montgomery Ave. Replace metal roof with asphalt roof – Approved.

0419-01 – Jeryl Knechel – 316 E. Walnut St. Rebuild current flat roof into a gable roof – Approved.

0619-01 – Rinal Patel – 118 N. Third St. Replace existing roof - No action (completed before review).

0619-02 – Lara and Josh Brush – 453 Beaver St. Replace front porch floor – Approved with qualification.

0619-03 – David Romeo – 218/220 S. Main St. Replace built-in gutter and cornice - Approved with qualifications.

0719-01 – Donna Forbes – for 413 E. Montgomery Ave. New Asphalt shingle roof – Approved.

0719-02 – Tom and Chris Rorer – 112 School St. New roof and related moldings – Approved.

0819-01 – Madelyn Vesci – 300 Shearer St. New Asphalt shingle roof – Approved. 1019-01 – Michael Hunsberger – 122 N. Swartley St. Replace windows, porch railings and front door – Approved with qualifications.

1119-01 – Susan and Frank Dowd – 211 E. Walnut St. Install a pent roof on the street facing façade – Approved.

15 Total Applications

- (3) The number of cases for which a COA was either approved or denied. 12 approved and 3 no-actions.
- (4) Number of HARB meetings which each member attended 8 Meetings total for 2019.

Charlie Guttenplan – 8 Jim Schiele – 8 Joe DelCiotto - 8 Amy Smith – 3 Ray Tschoepe – 6 Erick Myers - 1

(5) Historic Preservation related training which each member attended Charlie Guttenplan – Training workshop with the PA Historic Preservation Office reviewing HARB practices and procedures.

Ray Tschoepe – Interior wood repair techniques: Detailing, Repair and Reconstruction sponsored by Rutgers university.

(6) A narrative summary describing the state of preservation in the North Wales Borough Historic Preservation District with recommendations in policy, goals and objectives for North Wales Borough Council consideration.

The state of Historic Preservation in the borough district is improving. To this point and in response to the request by HARB last year, the borough manager, assistant manager and building inspector have all increased their surveillance and inspection of historic properties undergoing contract work. In addition, they have followed up with in-process inspections to assure compliance with the decision of council based on HARB recommendations.

Further, we understand that they have increased awareness of the district with new residents.

Still, it is too often that HARB is asked to review work that has already been completed. In most cases, this is a simple act of ignorance of the district guidelines. I know the borough has outlined measures for this action. It is hoped that increased communication with homeowners, particularly new ones, will reduce the number of un-reviewed alterations to buildings in the historic district.

Finally, we are pleased to hear that borough management will attend HARB meetings on a periodic basis to assist with complex applications that might require a more in-depth understanding of the processes surrounding approval than we can offer.

February 26, 2020

To North Wales Council:

I Lloyd Nicholas Paulson (Nick) would like to apply for the vacancy on the North Wales Historic Commission.

The current members on the NWHC were on the 150th Book Committee with me. That committee gave me the desire to learn more about the Borough. I believe I would be a good fit for the Commission.

Yours,

L.N.Paulson 428 S. 9th. St. North Wales, PA (215) 619-5281

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES RESOLUTION 2020-016

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE 2020 ROUND OF THE MONTCO 2040 IMPLEMENTATION GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE CENTER STREET PEDESTRIAN CONNECTION AND GATEWAY PROJECT

WHEREAS, Montgomery County has established the Montco 2040 Implementation Grant Program as a competitive funding program to assist municipalities in implementing the goals of the county comprehensive plan, *Montco 2040: A Shared Vision*; and

WHEREAS, the County is accepting applications for projects that advance specific goals under either of the county comprehensive plan's three themes: Connecting Communities, Sustainable Places, and a Vibrant Economy; and

WHEREAS, applications and projects must meet all stated requirements within the Montco 2040 Implementation Grant Program Guidebook; and

WHEREAS, North Wales Borough wishes to obtain \$154,725 from the Montco 2040 Implementation Grant Program to provide funding to undertake the Center Street Pedestrian Connection and Gateway project; and

WHEREAS, this project has been identified as a high priority by the North Wales Borough 2040 Comprehensive Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES hereby approves this project and authorizes application to the Montco 2040 Implementation Grant Program in the amount of \$154,725; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the application is granted, the Borough commits to the expenditure of matching funds in the amount of \$32,445, plus \$7,500 awarded to the Borough by the PECO Green Region Grant Program, for a total match offer of \$39,945 necessary for the project's success.

ADOPTED this 25th day of February, 2020.

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES

BY:

James Sando, President

ATTEST:

Christine A. Hart, Secretary

TO: North Wales Borough Council

FROM: Greta Martin Washington, Chair, North Wales Borough Planning Commission

RE: North Wales Borough TOD Zoning Text Amendment

At their meeting of March 4, 2020, the Planning Commission reviewed the latest draft, dated February 26, 2020, of the TOD zoning text amendment and voted 5-0 to recommend that Council authorize the Borough Solicitor to prepare the TOD zoning amendment for consideration by Council.

Attachment

cc: Alan Guzzardo, Assistant Borough Manager/Zoning Officer

Christine Hart, Borough Manager

North Wales Borough Planning Commission

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JOHN COVER, AICP INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Wednesday, January 29, 2020

SUBJECT: Update to the North Wales TOD Zoning District

TO: North Wales Borough Council, North Wales Planning Commission FROM: Maggie Dobbs, AICP, Montgomery County Planning Commission

The Montgomery County Planning Commission has been working with the North Wales Planning Commission on updating the language regulating the Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Zoning District. This zoning text update was identified in the borough's comprehensive plan as a priority project because the existing language was found to be inconsistent with the desired goals for future development/redevelopment within the district. The purpose of the update to the TOD was to tailor the language to specifically address the site characteristics of the zoning district, and to strengthen design guidelines to manage future redevelopment. The TOD District is limited primarily (but not exclusively) to those properties located between Walnut Street and Beaver Street, which creates unique circumstances for lot configuration that was not being adequately addressed through the zoning code.

The purpose of a TOD, by definition, is to locate appropriate densities near transit-accessible destinations, and to encourage a less car-dependent population by providing housing and retail in proximity to transit. TOD districts in general support closer building setbacks and strong pedestrian standards to support multi-modal movements. A review of the zoning code during the comprehensive planning process identified the current zoning standards as missing key requirements that would result in this style of development should any of the properties undergo redevelopment. Updates to the TOD District as part of this zoning text amendment include revisions to the list of permitted uses, more tailored building setback standards that consider the unique lot configurations found in the district, stronger pedestrian and streetscape standards that will more closely resemble development patterns found on Main Street in the borough, and updated parking and driveway standards. Architectural standards were also amended to strengthen the connection between buildings in the TOD and the adjacent historic district. These changes made will work to ensure future redevelopment of properties will result in pedestrian-oriented designs that adequately incorporate landscaping to protect neighboring districts and enhance the visual appearance of this key gateway area of the borough. Revised driveway standards, parking standards, and building setbacks are right-sized for the limits of the district and will support safe vehicular circulation.

The North Wales Planning Commission reviewed draft edits and gave feedback to the MCPC planning consultant throughout the process. MCPC designers tested multiple design scenarios for each of the parcels within the district to determine parking requirements and residential densities appropriate to the district. The resulting zoning text amendment reflects the final result of this process and is supported by the Planning Commission for adoption by Borough Council.

ARTICLE XII Transit Oriented Development District (TOD)

§ 208-101. Purpose and applicability.

A. General Purpose

- (1) The Transit Oriented Development District (TOD) is established as a zoning district to encourage the development of transit-supportive mixed-use neighborhoods that foster economic viability, pedestrian activity, and a sense of community. It recognizes the importance of existing public transit as a valuable amenity by permitting appropriate densities and a mix of land uses within walking distance of transit stops while, at the same time, providing sufficient off-street parking to uses both within and adjacent to the TOD.
- (2) The intent of this Article is to allow development that decreases auto dependency and mitigates the effects of congestion and pollution. The regulations create accessible neighborhoods and promote and protect the health, safety and general welfare of the citizens of North Wales Borough.
- B. These general goals and objectives include the following specific purposes:
 - (1) Encourage mixed-use development oriented to the rail station that is complementary to the needs of transit riders;
 - (2) Promote well-integrated residential, commercial, office, and civic development in close proximity to the local transit station that has an urban scale development pattern supportive of multi-modal transportation and walkable neighborhoods;
 - (3) Support new development that includes diverse pedestrian-friendly, higherdensity, and transit-friendly architectural and site designs that minimizes distances between destinations by requiring linked sidewalks and pedestrian oriented access;
 - (4) Expand economic development opportunities by encouraging mixed-use development to provide jobs, services, and retail supported by higher density residential;
 - (5) Provide incentives for the creation of mixed-use buildings in keeping with the character, scale, and architecture of the neighborhood, while using development design guidelines to promote compatibility of uses and stimulate pedestrian activity;
 - (6) Maintain a balance and variety of retail, professional, and residential uses to promote the livability and anchor the identity of the neighborhood;
 - (7) Enhance the visual character and physical accessibility of the district by

minimizing pedestrian and vehicular conflicts and encouraging the renovation and/or construction of buildings and storefronts that provide direct connections to the street and sidewalk;

- (8) Provide improved access to alternative modes of transportation through improved pedestrian amenities and biking facilities to decrease the dependence on automobile use and reduce traffic congestion, particularly for local trips;
- (9) Encourage the development of shared parking and attractive and convenient offstreet parking facilities to reduce on-street congestion and facilitate vehicular and pedestrian circulation;
- (10) Improve health outcomes by creating a more walkable and transit-friendly community that results in increased physical activity to accomplish daily tasks and a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions.

§ 208-102. Use regulations.

A building may be erected or used and a lot may be used or occupied only for the purposes listed below. The applicant is encouraged to create a mixed-use development. Developments shall adhere to the Subdivision and Land Development requirements in Chapter 184 (Borough Council is encouraged to waive provisions of the SALDO that inhibit the type of pedestrian oriented development intended by the TOD).

A. Residential Uses

- (1) Multifamily.
- (2) Mixed-use buildings where retail, commercial, office, and/or residential uses are integrated in the same building, provided that only non-residential uses shall occupy the ground floor.
- (3) No-impact home-based businesses in accordance with the standards set forth in §208-139.C, with the added provision that the business activity may not occupy more than 50% of the habitable floor area.
- (4) Accessory uses on the same lot with and customarily incidental to any of the above permitted uses, including above ground or below ground parking structures and fitness centers, provided any fitness centers are incorporated into a multifamily residence intended for the use of tenants and their guests but is not open to the public.

B. Non-residential/Commercial Uses

- (1) Adult or child day care center, or nursery school.
- (2) Bank or other financial institution, excluding drive-thru facilities.
- (3) Professional or medical office.
- (4) Full service restaurant, including walk up windows and food for take-out, but excluding drive-thru facilities.
- (5) Bakery, confectionery or specialty food retail for the production and display of articles to be sold at retail on the premises.

- (6) Copy centers and graphic design centers.
- (7) Parking structures that are pedestrian oriented in both design and scale.
- (8) Retail store, including specialized retail.
- (9) Personal services including, but not limited to, tailors, barbers, hair and nail salons, shoe repair, or similar type use.
- (10) Religious institution.
- (11) Grocery store.
- (12) Theater, dance, art, or martial arts studio.
- (13) Pharmacy.
- (14) Brewery or distillery.
- (15) Hotel or bed and breakfast establishment.
- (16) Accessory use on the same lot with and customarily incidental to any of the above permitted uses, including above ground or below ground parking structures and fitness centers.
- (17) Any use of the same general character as any of the uses hereinbefore specifically permitted, when approved by conditional use.
- (18) Storage use, as an accessory use to any permitted residential multifamily or mixed-use provided the storage area doesn't occupy more than 10% of the total floor area.
- (19) Parks, open space uses, and plazas.

§ 208-103. Dimensional standards for development.

- A. Building setbacks. For the purposes of this section, building setbacks shall be defined as the distance measured from the inside edge of the curb to the primary front façade of the building.
 - (1) Front building setbacks.
 - (a) Minimum front yard building setback for primary front façade: All buildings shall have a front yard setback of not less than eight (8) feet, which shall include the required sidewalks.
 - (b) Maximum front yard building setback for primary front façade:
 - i. For properties with frontage on Walnut Street: 16 feet
 - ii. For properties with frontage on all other streets: 12 feet
 - (c) Projecting features such as overhangs, porticos, upper floor balconies, loggias, arcades, covered (non-enclosed) bicycle parking, pergolas and similar architectural features placed on the front façade of the building may extend beyond the front yard building setback up to three (3) feet, but the edge of which shall extend no closer than five (5) feet to the curb line.
 - (d) All properties shall provide streetscaping amenities within the front yard setback. Landscaping shall include street trees, shrubs, and other flowering plants located in mulched beds, tree pits, and/or planters. Alternatively, or in addition to landscaping, enhanced pedestrian spaces that include seating

- or bicycle parking may be incorporated into the area between the edge of the sidewalk and the building façade. If a building façade sits at the minimum setback, decorative planting containers are encouraged but only street trees planted in accordance with §208-105.E shall be required.
- (e) All primary building façades shall be connected to the sidewalk network by a pedestrian walkway. Building entrances shall be located along the primary front façade and shall be distinguishable by a canopy, portico, or other similar architectural detail. Secondary building entrances may be located along other building façades and shall connect into the front pedestrian walkway where feasible.
 - i. For properties with side or rear frontage on Railroad Street, pedestrian pathways should be provided to connect side or rear building access points to the regional rail station.
- (2) Buildings shall meet the following side yard setbacks:
 - (a) Side yard building setback when side property lines do not abut a street:
 - i. Where buildings share a party wall: 0 feet
 - ii. Where buildings do not share a party wall: Minimum: 5 feet, maximum: 10 feet
 - (b) Side yard building setback when side property lines abut a street:
 - i. Minimum: 8 feet, maximum: 12 feet
 - (c) Side yard building setbacks shall be a minimum of 10 feet and a maximum of 15 feet for properties adjacent to properties in the RM Residential and C Residential Districts.
 - (d) Pedestrian walkways shall be provided to connect sidewalks to internal walkways and parking areas. Paved concrete walkways shall be a minimum of four feet wide and shall connect side and/or rear building entrances and parking areas to the pedestrian sidewalk network in the front yard, and shall also provide connections to the regional rail station, where applicable.
- (3) Rear Yards.
 - (a) Where a lot is adjacent to another lot within the TOD, no rear yard setback is required.
 - (b) Where a lot is adjacent to another lot zoned in the RM Residential or the C Residential District, a 20 foot rear yard setback is required.
 - (c) Where a lot is adjacent to a railroad right-of-way, a 10 foot rear yard setback is required.
- B. Minimum Lot Width

- (1) Single use buildings, including multifamily: 60 feet
- (2) All other non-residential and mixed-use buildings: 50 feet

C. Maximum Impervious Cover

- (1) Single use buildings: 80% of the lot area.
- (2) Mixed use building: 90% of the lot area.

D. Building Height

- (1) The minimum height of any building shall be two (2) stories or twenty-eight (28) feet.
- (2) The maximum height of any building shall be three (3) stories, exclusive of a basement, or thirty-six (36) feet, whichever is less.

E. Density

- (1) A minimum density of twenty (20) residential units per acre shall be required.
- (2) A maximum density of thirty (30) residential units per acre shall be permitted.
- (3) Bonus density
 - (a) Maximum density may be increased up to 35 residential units per acre provided an existing or consolidated lot meets or exceeds a minimum lot size of 0.7 acres (30,492 square feet) and utilizes a mixed-use building.

F. Landscape Buffers

- (1) Rear Yard
 - (a) Softening buffers shall be required where a property within the TOD abuts a residential use in a residential zoning district, Railroad Street, or a railroad right-of-way. Buffers shall be located in the rear yard setback, as required for the property outlined in §208-103.A(3).
 - (b) The landscape buffer shall be planted with a variety of high and low level plantings. A masonry wall, fence, or a similar architectural detail that satisfies the purpose of the buffer requirement may be used in addition to or in lieu of the plantings in accordance with §184-26.F.2.

(2) Side Yard

- (a) Side yards shall be landscaped with grass, shrubs, or other vegetation in the area not used for the pedestrian walkway. Landscaping shall be designed in a manner that mature vegetation will not block or impede the walkway area.
- (3) Parking Lot Buffers
 - (a) In lieu of the screening requirements required by SALDO §184-26,

- parking and exterior loading areas shall be screened from streets and sidewalks by the provision of a landscaped buffer with a minimum width of four (4) feet and planted with a continuous row of 3-foot-high shrubs or grasses. A decorative fence or seating wall not less than two (2) feet and no more than three (3) feet high may also be permitted in combination with the landscaping.
- (b) For properties abutting residential uses in residential districts, parking and exterior loading areas shall be screened from view by a 6-foot-high wall, fence, or hedge.
- (b) Shade trees shall be provided in the landscape buffer to provide shade to parked cars, and shall meet species and spacing requirements for street trees. Shade trees may also be located in planting islands interior to the parking area, provided planting areas are at least equal to the size of a parking space (9'x18').
- (c) Parking lot landscaping shall be designed to serve as stormwater basins to capture and infiltrate stormwater through the use of best practices, as outlined in the MCPC publication, "Sustainable Green Parking Lots."
- (4) Areas used for trash receptacle purposes shall be located within buildings where feasible. Outside trash storage areas shall be screened from adjacent properties through the use of a fence or vegetation on at least two sides.

§ 208-104. Parking and loading requirements

- A. Off-street parking shall be provided for all uses. Where existing parking standards differ, those provided herein shall apply to properties within the TOD District.
 - (1) At-grade, above- or below-ground parking and loading facilities shall be permitted.
 - (2) Surface parking and exterior loading areas shall be located to the side or rear of a property and shall not be located closer than 5 feet to a property line. Parking lots, loading zones, and other auto-related areas shall be prohibited at or in front of the primary building façade. This section shall not prohibit a boarding area along a street for a train station or a transit bus stop.
 - (a) On a corner lot or on a lot with two street frontages, the parking and loading areas shall be located to the side and/or rear of the structure fronting on the street of lower classification. Parking areas shall not extend beyond the front building façade, provided surface parking areas (excluding driveways) shall not occupy more than 30% of the total lot width at the front building setback line.
 - (b) Properties shall only be allowed one driveway curb cut per each street frontage, unless an entrance-only or an exit-only driveway is proposed along the same street frontage as a full-movement driveway for properties greater than 50 feet in width.

- i. The applicant shall provide directional indicators on the preliminary and final site plans showing the proposed turning movements within the site to demonstrate which entrance is the single turning movement and which is the dual turning movement.
- (c) If properties have frontage on two different roadways, up to two (2) full-movement driveways are permitted for the site provided each street frontage is limited to one full-movement curb cut.
- (d) Driveway entrances shall not exceed 24 feet in width.
- (e) Curb cuts located along Walnut Street shall obtain highway occupancy permits from PennDOT.
- (3) Shared Parking.
 - (a) Shared parking and shared site access is encouraged between adjacent properties. Shared parking will be eligible for shared parking credits, as established in §208-104.C. Property owners shall establish a shared usage, access, and maintenance easements over shared driveway access and parking areas if this option is utilized.
- (4) The primary front façade of a parking structure facing a roadway shall be pedestrian oriented and scaled. Building design shall follow design standards found in this section, in terms of building materials and architectural pattern, and shall seamlessly incorporate into the primary structure if the parking structure is attached to the primary structure.
 - (a) Cars shall be visually screened from adjacent buildings and the street and such screening shall be in keeping with the rest of the building's architectural style and materials.
- (5) Parking structures shall not occupy more than 50% of the ground level floor area if they are integrated into the primary structure. Primary structures shall follow the building setbacks of this Section. Retail store fronts or other non-residential uses permitted in this district shall be required to occupy the remaining ground level floor area and shall front onto Walnut Street or Beaver Street.
- B. Parking requirements for single-use and mixed-use structures
 - (1) One bedroom -1 parking space
 - (2) Two bedrooms -1.5 parking spaces
 - (3) Per 1,000 square feet commercial space 3 parking spaces (one space/333 sf)
- C. Shared Parking Credit. The parking spaces in the above standards may be reduced when two or more uses share the same parking area, whether on the same lot or on abutting

lots, subject to the following conditions. No parking credits shall be awarded for single-use buildings that do not have a shared parking agreement with an abutting lot.

- (1) For every 2 residential parking spaces, one parking credit will be awarded for one shared on-site parking space required by the commercial use (to be deducted from the overall parking requirements). For example, a mixed-use property requiring five residential spaces and six commercial spaces may reduce the overall parking requirement from eleven to nine utilizing shared parking credits.
- (2) The applicant shall show all required parking spaces for all uses on the property on the site plans, the number of parking credits applicable, and the total net parking requirements.
- (3) When land uses on adjacent lots within the TOD establish shared parking agreements with circulation paths and access points that are under common ownership or controlled by a reciprocal easement agreement, the collective parking requirements for development on those properties may comply with the shared parking credit as provided for under §208-104.C(1).

D. Bicycle Parking

- (1) Convenient bicycle facilities shall be provided either interior and/or exterior to the building, as follows:
 - (a) For residential uses, there shall be one bicycle space or locker for each three dwelling units or portion thereof.
 - (b) For commercial uses, there shall be one bicycle space or locker for every 250 square feet of gross floor space.
 - (c) Borough Council may, by conditional use, hold in reserve or reduce the number of required bicycle parking spaces if the applicant demonstrates that there are ample facilities available for use nearby. Bicycle parking spaces at the SEPTA train station shall not count as nearby spaces to offset on-site bike facilities.

§208-105. Development Design Standards

A. General Purpose and Master Plan

- (1) The purpose of this section is to require pedestrian oriented buildings and to require building entrances to be oriented toward the streets, sidewalks and/or public access ways. Windows must facilitate views into and out of buildings. Requirements for orientation and primary entrances are intended to:
 - (a) Provide for convenient, direct and accessible pedestrian access to and from public sidewalks, transit facilities, residential and commercial uses;
 - (b) Provide a safe, pleasant and enjoyable pedestrian experience by connecting activities between buildings in the TOD and within a structure to the adjacent sidewalk and/or transit stop; and
 - (c) Promote use of pedestrian and mass transit modes of transportation to access residential and commercial facilities.

- (2) All properties proposed for development shall be developed in accordance with a master plan that has been reviewed by an architectural consultant in accordance with the design review process of §208-106 and approved by Borough Council, and shall meet the following requirements:
 - (a) Master plans shall be prepared when any property is proposed for subdivision or land development. This shall apply to any property that exists at the time of adoption of this ordinance, or is created through lot subdivision or lot consolidation.
 - (b) Borough Council may require changes in the master plan in order to meet the legislative intent and other standards of the TOD District.

B. Building Orientation and Primary Entrance

- (1) All new and rehabilitated buildings shall comply with the following general standards:
 - (a) Buildings shall be designed with window space, public access points and signage facing the street and sidewalk.
 - (b) To the greatest extent feasible any new vehicular access point shall be located on a side lot line and shared with adjacent lots.
 - (c) Driveways, parking areas, and traffic circulation patterns shall be designed as shared facilities whenever feasible. The design of these elements shall create a unified site plan between the lots. The goal is to gain parking efficiencies, reduce the number of access points and improve internal and external vehicular circulation patterns.
 - (d) When one or more lot(s) is redeveloped such that one-hundred and fifty (150) feet or more of new building façade is constructed along the primary front facade, a pedestrian access way shall be provided (i.e. through a lobby or alley) to reach available shared parking facilities.
- (2) Primary building entrances shall be articulated and visible from the street, except where units internal to a property are accessed through a private drive and have an entrance on a pedestrian walkway, green court or drive.
 - (a) Building entrances shall incorporate arcades, porches, alcoves or awnings that protect pedestrians from the sun and rain.
 - (b) If the building has frontage on more than one street, the building shall provide two primary entrances oriented toward both streets, or a single entrance on the corner where the two streets intersect. Corner entrances may utilize a vestibule design, or may be angled, as a chamfered corner.
 - (c) Loading doors, service doors, and loading docks shall not be located along the primary building façade but shall be oriented toward the side or rear of the building along the façade fronting the street of lower classification.
 - (d) No properties shall locate the primary façade along Railroad Street.

C. Architectural Design Standards

The architectural design standards have been incorporated into this district to ensure that the size and proportions of new buildings relate to the scale of the existing structures, especially at the street level. All subdivision and land development applications shall

submit building elevations with site plans during the preliminary plan submission process for review to determine compliance with the standards set forth below.

- (1) New and renovated buildings must be either traditional in their architectural character or be a contemporary expression of traditional styles and forms, respecting the scale, proportion, character and materials of structures found within the commercial areas of the Borough's Historic District.
 - (a) If the subject property is located in the North Wales Borough Historic District, the new construction and any changes to the exterior of the building that can be seen from a public way shall reflect and be an example of the character of that building and district in compliance with Chapter 130 of the North Wales Borough Code and the Secretary of the Interior Standards for Rehabilitation.

(2) Building Design Standards

- (a) The massing of all buildings shall be de-emphasized in a variety of ways to reduce their apparent overall bulk and volume, to enhance visual quality, and to contribute to pedestrian-scale development.
 - i. Buildings must have at least a three (3) foot break in all front façades. Such breaks in the facades and roof lines shall occur not more frequently than 25 feet nor less frequently than 50 feet. Breaks may be met through the use of projecting and recessed elements such as porches, windows, and roof dormers, building extensions or recesses, or other similar architectural treatment.
 - ii. All buildings shall articulate the line between the ground floor and second floor with a pent roof, cornice, canopy, balcony, arcade, change in building material, or other visual device.
 - iii. Walls or portions of walls where windows are not provided shall have architectural treatments designed to break up the bulk of the wall, including at least four of the following treatments: masonry but not flat concrete block, concrete or masonry plinth at the base of the wall; belt courses of a different texture or color; projecting cornice; decorative tilework; trellis containing planting; medallions; opaque or translucent glass; artwork; vertical/horizontal articulation; lighting fixtures; or a similar architectural element not listed above, as approved by Borough Council. Applicants shall list which of the four treatments are being provided on the site record plans.
- (b) Exterior wall materials may include stucco, wood clapboard (including aluminum imitation clapboard siding), stone, or brick of a shape, color and texture as that found within the Historic District. Specifically prohibited shall be T1-11 or other similar plywood siding, exterior insulation and finishing systems (EIFS), and metal buildings.
 - i. Except on side or rear walls, not visible from any public way, all forms of concrete block shall be prohibited.

- ii. Borough Council may approve a prohibited material if it can be demonstrated that the material can be installed to have the same appearance and texture as any of the approved materials.
- iii. Stucco or artificial materials, except fire clay products such as brick, shall not occupy more than 50% of the building façade unless Borough Council makes a specific finding that more than 50% is appropriate, and similar to architectural features on other comparable buildings in the borough.
- iv. Rear and side façades shall have colors and materials that are similar to the front façade. Any development with more than one building on the site shall have a common and coherent architectural theme throughout the development.
- (c) Buildings shall provide clear windows interspersed along the building facade. Smoked, reflective, tinted, or black glass in windows is prohibited.
 - i. Clear window openings shall be vertical, and at least twice as high as the width of those openings.
 - ii. To the greatest extent possible, individual window units in the second floors and above shall be vertically aligned with the location of windows and doors on the ground level, including storefront or display windows.
 - iii. For multifamily residential uses:
 - 1. All floors shall contain an average of 40% to 45% clear windows and doors. This percentage may be increased up to 70% clear windows and doors for the portion of the ground floor that is used for shared amenity space, such as a lobby area servicing the entire building, but not for private residential units.
 - 2. If no residential units are located on the ground floor, the building shall comply with the standards for mixed-use and nonresidential buildings.
 - iv. For mixed-use buildings and nonresidential buildings:
 - 1. The ground floor shall contain an average of 65% to 70% clear windows and doors and may incorporate recessed or projecting display window cases, such as bay windows.
 - 2. Second floors and above shall contain a minimum of 50% of the horizontal width of the facade as clear windows along the primary front facade.
 - 3. Required window areas must allow views into working areas or lobbies, pedestrian entrances, or merchandise display windows and views shall not be blocked by advertisements or other decals.
 - 4. The maximum sill height above the adjacent sidewalk elevation shall be two feet or lower.
 - 5. Window heads shall be nine (9) to twelve (12) feet above sidewalk level.

- 6. The top of the display window shall be at least as high as door height.
- v. All windows on buildings with residential uses on the first floor and all windows on the second floor and above, regardless of use shall have muntins positioned between two layers of glass.
- (d) Buildings shall be topped with either pitched roofs with overhanging eaves or flat roofs with articulated parapets and cornices. Pitched roofs shall have a minimum slope of 4:12.
 - Pitched roof material may include slate (either natural or manmade), shingle (either wood or asphalt composition) and metal formed to resemble "standing seams" or other similar materials. Specifically prohibited are white, tan, or blue shingles and corrugated plastic or metal.
 - ii. Roof fascias, dormers, gables, or similar architectural features shall be employed on pitched roofs to provide a varied roof for increased visual interest. Gables, if provided, shall be functional.
 - ii. Flat roofs shall be constructed to accommodate rooftop decks for residential use, either as a shared amenity or provided for individual units, and/or as green roofs to capture stormwater management.
 - iii. All roof-top features and amenities including mechanical equipment, antennas, or decks shall be screened visually and acoustically. Such screening shall be an integral to the architectural design of the building, such as through the use of parapets.
- (e) Grade level exterior doors that swing onto a public walkway that is less than six (6) foot wide shall be set into the building to avoid conflict with pedestrians. Doors swinging out that do not project into a required public walkway shall include a barrier to prohibit doors from swinging into pedestrians.
- (3) Borough Council may, by conditional use, approve the use of architectural concepts and designs which differ from those set forth above, if the applicant demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Board that such concepts and designs are in furtherance of the legislative intent of this article and of this subsection.
- (4) Standards for public walkways:
 - (a) Any sidewalks along Walnut Street shall be constructed of brick, concrete pavers, stamped concrete or integral colored concrete with brick borders consistent with existing decorative treatments found on Main Street.
 - (b) Sidewalks shall have a minimum unobstructed width as set forth in Chapter 184, Subdivision and Land Development. Where an existing building is being preserved with an existing public sidewalk that is less than the required width, the existing sidewalk width must be improved to

meet the minimum district standards.

- i. The unobstructed width of an existing public sidewalk may be reduced to four (4') feet where adjacent to tree pits to accommodate the installation of street trees when shown on the approved development plan.
- ii. The minimum unobstructed width for public sidewalks used for outdoor dining in front of a building that exists as of the effective date of this ordinance may be reduced to six (6') feet. The reduced width must remain completely unobstructed to permit the free passage of pedestrians.
- (c) New sidewalks shall be installed to contribute toward creating a completely linked network of walkways connecting transit stops, commercial centers, institutional facilities and residential uses including parks and other open space areas.
- (d) Sidewalks shall not be used for exterior storage.
- (e) Outdoor seating for food and drink establishments or other pedestrianoriented accessory uses, such as outdoor sales display are permitted, provided the minimum unobstructed walkway is maintained.

D. Signage

- (1) Signs shall be permitted in accordance with the provisions of Section 208-161 of this Chapter, with the following exceptions:
 - (a) Ground signs shall be monument type only and shall have a maximum height of 10 feet. Ground signs shall not be placed within or blocking the pedestrian sidewalk.
 - (b) Internal illumination shall only be permitted for façade signs and when such is used, the illumination shall follow the form of the letters, numbers or symbols on the sign; box signs with the entire box illuminated on which copy is affixed shall be prohibited.

E. Street/Shade Trees

- (1) Street trees shall be planted, maintained, and trimmed by the developer and/or property owner along all public rights-of-way in compliance with Chapters 174 and 184 of the North Wales Borough Code. If properties already contain healthy and mature trees that comply with the street tree requirements, additional plantings may not be required. All properties must have at least one or more street trees.
- (2) Street trees shall be planted in Borough approved tree pits or in planter areas at least four (4) feet long by four (4) feet wide with a minimum soil capacity of at least 1,000 cubic yards. Structural soils or modular underground pavement systems like Silva Cells shall be used to provide additional capacity for tree roots

to enhance tree health and manage stormwater.

- (a) Decorative tree grates shall be placed over planting areas to protect the tree roots and maximize functional sidewalk width.
- (b) Trees shall be located within the front yard setback area.

F. Lighting Standards

- (1) Adequate lighting for pedestrians and vehicles shall be provided in all areas open to the public.
- (2) Lighting shall be shielded to meet the following requirements:
 - (a) No light shall shine directly from a light source onto the ground, into the windows, or onto improvements of an abutting property, although incidental light may be permitted to fall on abutting property.
 - (b) No light, except street lights, shall shine directly onto public roads.
- (3) No parking lot lighting standard or building fixture designed to illuminate the ground shall exceed eighteen (18) feet in height from grade level, and no pedestrian lighting standard shall exceed fourteen (14) feet in height from grade level.

G. Open Space and Plaza Design Standards

- (1) Areas not used for buildings, parking, pedestrian walkways, or required landscape buffers, including landscaping required in the front yard setbacks, shall be planted with a vegetated ground cover.
- (2) Applicants are encouraged to provide enhanced open space features such as plazas, "pocket parks", or gateway elements at corner properties where a property fronts on two roadways in order to beautify the district, provide additional pedestrian amenities, and develop properties with acute angles that may otherwise be underutilized for the public good. Coordinating landscaping, seating, pathways, public art, gateway signage, or other treatments shall be included in these open space features, and shall be designed and reviewed as part of the master plan.
- (3) If open space or plaza areas are provided on a property, they shall be designed as focal points within the development and shall make public access as easy and straightforward as possible. Public access shall be guaranteed through a deed restriction or other means acceptable to Borough Council.

§208-106. Design Review Criteria

- A. Applicability. The Borough shall appoint a licensed architect or landscape architect consultant to review all master plans submitted to the Planning Commission and Borough Council for subdivisions and land developments within the TOD District. The consultant shall submit a written recommendation to the applicant, Planning Commission, and Borough Council regarding the manner in which the master plan is compliant or deficient with regard to the design standards of this Section.
 - (1) The consultant may also review plans that include the modification of the exterior design features of an existing structure which involves a change in the exterior materials in existence on such structure. "Modification of the exterior design features," as used herein, includes but is not limited to the addition, deletion or modification of surface materials (masonry, wood, brick, stucco), windows, doors, overhangs, porches, porticos, chimneys, outdoor public space, cornices, etc.
 - (2) Design review is not required for non-structural changes to a building such as repainting of surfaces or the repair, restoration or reconstruction of exterior design features where such work maintains the outer dimensions and surface relationships of the existing structure. Design review is not required for the replacement of doors, windows or other transparent surfaces that currently exist, provided windows and transparent surfaces are not replaced with nontransparent materials and the surface area of the replacement door, window or other transparent surface does not exceed the dimensions of the existing feature by more than 10%.
- B. Standards and criteria for review. In reviewing a proposed master plan or building modification plan, the consultant shall consider the requirements of §208-105, development design standards, and the following general criteria, where applicable:
 - (1) General architectural features, including the character, scale and quality of the design, including building materials and colors, to ensure compatibility with the surrounding community and the existing historical architectural character of North Wales.
 - (2) That the plans indicate proper consideration for the relationship between proposed or existing buildings and buildings which are located or are proposed within the general area and enhance the intent of the TOD District.
 - (3) That the plan for the proposed building or material change indicates a manner in which surrounding properties are protected against noise, vibrations and other factors which may have an adverse effect on the environment and the manner of screening for mechanical equipment, trash, storage and loading areas.
 - (4) That buildings, parking areas, signs, and illumination indicate proper consideration has been given to both the functional aspects of the development,

- such as pedestrian and vehicular circulation, and the visual effect of the development as a gateway into the borough, and a transit amenity.
- (5) That landscaping considerations, including location, type, size, color, texture and coverage of plant materials, including maintenance and protection, have been considered to ensure visual enhancement of the streetscape and promote sound stormwater management.
- C. Ownership. Any land area proposed for development shall be in one ownership or shall be subject to a joint application filed by every owner of the land area proposed for development, under single direction, using one overall master plan and complying with all requirements of the TOD District.
- D. Application process.
 - (1) All master plans shall be submitted in writing to the consultant at the same time or before a subdivision or land development plan is submitted to the borough for review. The consultant shall review the proposal and submit written comments to the Borough Planning Commission and Borough Council within 30 days of receipt.
 - (2) The master plan shall be submitted in accordance with the standards outlined in Article IV of Chapter 184, Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance §184-33.
 - (3) Borough Council may require changes in the master plan in order to meet the legislative intent and other standards of the TOD District.
- E. Approval process.
 - (1) For all master plan submissions, the Borough Council shall render a written decision on the application within 30 days of receipt of the plan.
 - (2) The Borough Council shall consider comments and recommendations of the reviewing body and the Planning Commission prior to approving or denying the proposed plan.
 - (3) Approval of the proposal shall expire two years after the date of approval by the Borough Council or the signing of the development plan, whichever is later, if the applicant fails to obtain a building permit, use and occupancy permit, or other applicable permit, unless the Borough Council or Borough Code Enforcement Officer has agreed, in writing or on the record, to an extension of time.
- F. Appeals. The appeals process shall be in accordance with Article XXI of this chapter.

ARTICLE II

Definitions and Word Usage

§ 208-8. Definition of terms.

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

PRIMARY FRONT FAÇADE – All above-ground exterior walls of a building oriented parallel to a street frontage. In the event there is more than one street frontage, the primary front façade shall be oriented toward the street of higher classification. Primary façades shall contain a main entrance connected to the sidewalk by a walkway, or shall front directly on a sidewalk.

CHAPTER 184 – Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance ARTICLE III Design Standards

§ 184-8 Streets.

- F. In the Main Street and Walnut Street Corridors, as well as all non-residential areas, streetscape shall be provided consistent with the decorative pavement treatments for sidewalks and street intersections, street tree plantings, and period lighting existing on Main Street.
 - (a) Street furniture shall be provided and include (though not limited to) benches, trash and recycling receptacles, planters, and bike racks. Street furniture shall be decorative, functional, and appropriately scaled to the space.
 - (b) Street furniture shall be properly maintained by the property owner and be constructed of durable materials such as cast iron, aluminum, stainless steel, or similar materials.
 - (c) All furniture and streetscape infrastructure shall be offset from the curb by a minimum of 1.5 feet. Furniture intended for seating shall be set back from the curb by a minimum of five feet from roads.
 - (d) Sidewalk mounted trash receptacles shall have at least three feet clear on all sides from any standing object including, but not limited to, lights and sign posts.
 - (e) Freestanding planters and protective devices, such as bollards, shall be installed between sidewalks and adjacent vehicular traffic to help shape the pedestrian environment.
 - (f) Pedestrian-oriented street lighting shall be provided and spaced 40' 60' on center. They should be centered on a line 20 inches from the face of curb. Street lamps shall be designed to be consistent with those found on Main Street.

§ 184-9 Sidewalks and curbs.

- C. In Commercial, Mixed-Use (including ROR, OR, and TOD districts), Government, and Industrial zoning districts, sidewalks shall have at least an 8-foot wide area that is not obstructed by street trees, lampposts, mailboxes, or other street furniture.
- D. In all other residential zoning districts, sidewalks shall be 5-feet wide.
- E. In mixed-use areas, sidewalks shall be 8-feet wide and shall be located directly adjacent to the curb. Lampposts, street trees, and other street furniture or amenities such as benches and trash cans may be located in the sidewalk area provided at least four feet of passable sidewalk remains unobstructed where those features are located.

F. Regardless of zoning district, all properties with frontage along Main Street and/or East Walnut Street shall apply sidewalk standards of §184-9.C. Residentially zoned properties on East Walnut Street shall apply sidewalk standards of §184-9.D.

§ 184-26 Planting and Buffers.

D. Screen planting requirements. Each multifamily development, mixed-use development, or nonresidential use shall be screened as a necessary safeguard to the character of an adjacent area. Such screening shall be permanently maintained and replaced where necessary to present an attractive appearance. Screen plangent requirements shall be applicable to parking lot facilities, along the side and rear areas fronting streets, and along the area adjacent to other properties.

§ 184-33.E(3) Minor and standard preliminary plan requirements.

- (3) The following additional information is required to be provided as part of the master plan submission required under §208-105 for preliminary subdivision or land development plans located on properties within the TOD District:
 - (a) Building design, including:
 - i. The elevation of each building and composite elevations, if multiple buildings are proposed. Elevation must indicate the natural color of materials to be applied, including the colors of any paint or manufactured product on the exterior buildings, walls or addition.
 - ii. Architectural drawings that identify the type and finish of all materials to be applied to the exterior surface of the building, walls, or addition.
 - iii. Exterior lighting to be used for walkways, drives and parking lot, including signs and light cast from the building's interior which are or will be visible from surrounding properties.
 - iv. Existing or proposed streetscape amenities, such as artwork, sculptures, lighting, benches, fountains and other ornamental or decorative features.
 - v. The location and design of all proposed signs.
 - (b) Other site design, including:
 - i. Locations and entrances to streets and alleys, with vehicular directional signage for one-way circulation patterns, if applicable.
 - ii. Pedestrian and bicycle amenities including sidewalks and bike parking locations, and bike rack design.
 - iii. Any other site elements proposed in the plan not specifically mentioned here, or as requested by Borough Council.

CHAPTER 174 – Shade Trees Ordinance

§ 174-9 Trimming.

- A. All shade trees shall be kept trimmed by the owner of the property on or in front of which they are located so that considerations set forth in § 174-7A will be satisfied. If any such property owner shall neglect or refuse to trim any shade tree as required by these regulations or in accordance with an order of the Commission, upon written notice by the Commission and within the time limit specified therein, the Commission may cause such trimming to be done at the owner's expense and the costs thereof shall be a lien upon said premises and a claim therefore shall be filed and collected by the Borough Solicitor in the same manner as municipal claims are filed and collected. The written notice provided for herein shall be delivered to such property owner by personal service or by certified mail, return receipt requested.
- B. Mature street trees located within sidewalk areas in commercial or mixed-use zoning districts shall be limbed up from the sidewalk to seven (7) feet to enhance pedestrian safety and reduce potential damage to the tree.

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES RESOLUTION 2020-XXX A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PARTNERSHIP WITH THE U.S. CENSUS BUREAU FOR THE 2020 CENSUS COUNT

WHEREAS, the U.S. Census Bureau is required by the U.S. Constitution to conduct a count of the population and provides a historic opportunity to help shape the foundation of our society and play an active role in American democracy;

WHEREAS, North Wales Borough is committed to ensuring every resident is counted;

WHEREAS, federal and state funding is allocated to communities, and decisions are made on matters of national and local importance based, in part, on census data and housing;

WHEREAS, census data helps determine how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives and is necessary for an accurate and fair redistricting of state legislative seats, county and city councils and voting districts;

WHEREAS, information from the 2020 Census and American Community Survey are vital tools for economic development and increased employment;

WHEREAS, the information collected by the census is confidential and protected by law;

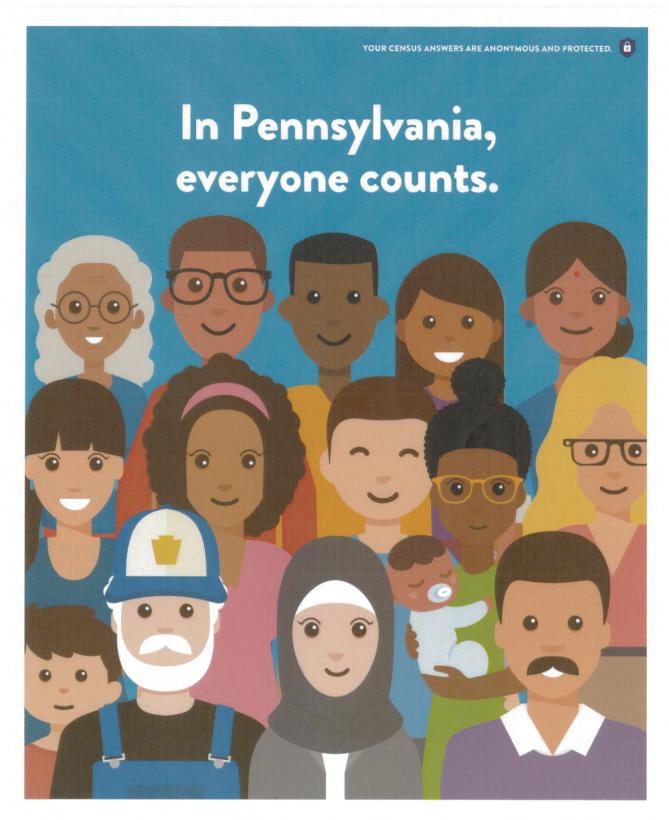
WHEREAS, a united voice from business, government, community-based and faith-based organizations, educators, media and others will enable the 2020 Census message to reach more of our citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES is committed to partnering with the U.S. Census Bureau and the State of Pennsylvania and will:

- 1. Support the goals and ideals for the 2020 Census and will disseminate 2020 Census information.
- 2. Encourage all Borough residents to participate in events and initiatives that will raise the overall awareness of the 2020 Census and increase participation.
- 3. Support census takers as they help our Borough complete an accurate count.
- 4. Strive to achieve a complete and accurate count of all persons within our borders

ADOPTED this 10th day of March, 2020.

	BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES
	BY:
ATTEST:	
Christine A. Hart, Secretary	



PARTICIPATE IN THE CENSUS TO SHAPE YOUR FUTURE IN PA.

Our communities and families benefit when you participate in the U.S. Census. Our population count determines the federal support Pennsylvanians receive for the next ten years for education, healthcare, housing, food assistance, roads, and more. When your invite arrives, you can respond online, by mail, or by phone. Be a good neighbor and spread the word.

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Proclamation

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES

WHEREAS, the month of April 2020 is recognized as "Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month" across our Commonwealth, an initiative supported by Pennsylvania 811, a utility notification information center celebrating its 48th year of continuous service to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and

WHEREAS, this unique service provides an easy to use one-call notification about excavation projects which may endanger workers and jeopardize utility lines while promoting workplace and public safety, reducing underground utility damage and minimizing utility service interruptions while protecting the environment, and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania One Call System began with only six utility companies in Western Pennsylvania and now serves more than 100,000 excavators and over 3,600 critical underground infrastructure owners throughout the Commonwealth, and

WHEREAS, the service annually receives more than 900,000 notification requests and transmits more than seven (7) million notifications, providing protection to utility companies, their employees, customers, and the general public, and

WHEREAS, economic development throughout North Wales Borough and Pennsylvania is growing, and it is important to minimize the damage to underground utility lines, danger to workers, environmental pollution, and the loss of utility services, and

WHEREAS, we are thankful for the service provided by Pennsylvania 811 and encourage all residents, engineers, designers, excavators and homeowners to dial 8-1-1 at least three business days in advance of an excavation project such as planting a tree, installing a mailbox post, building a deck or swimming pool or replacing a driveway.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that North Wales Borough does hereby proclaim April 2020 as "Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month" in North Wales Borough.

James Sando, Council President	Date

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES 300 SCHOOL STREET NORTH WALES, PENNSYLVANIA

MEETING: February 25, 2020 7:00 PM, EST

CALL TO ORDER made by President Sando.

ROLL CALL: Salvatore Amato Present

James Cherry Present Sherwin Collins Present Ronald S. Little, Jr. Present Wendy McClure Present Sally Neiderhiser Absent Eion O'Neill Present James Sando Present Mark Tarlecki Present Present Mayor Gregory D'Angelo

Also, in attendance were Gregory Gifford, Borough Solicitor, Alan Guzzardo, Assistant Borough Manager and Michael Eves, Chief of Police.

President Sando led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

There was none at this time.

Consideration: Planning Commission 2020 Work Items

Mayor D'Angelo presented the Planning Commission's 2019 Annual Comprehensive Plan review and 2020 Work Items.

Council deliberated on the schedule of work items. Assistant Manager Guzzardo requested Council to direct the Parks and Recreation Bord to conduct an accessibility audit of the Borough's parks and grounds and the Shade Tree Commission to conduct a Shade Tree inventory.

Linda McAdoo, 412 Shearer Street and a Planning Commission member, provided further clarification on the work tasks supported Mayor D'Angelo and Assistant Manager Guzzardo's points.

Member Tarlecki made a motion to approve the Planning Commission's 2020 Work Items List as referenced in its letter to Council dated February 19, 2020. Member O'Neill seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Montco 2040 Grant Application Submission

Manager Hart provided an overview of the Center Street Pedestrian Connection and Gateway Project and requested Council to authorize submitting a Montco 2040 Grant Application, to be utilized for the construction phase of the project. Assistant Manager Guzzardo provided further clarification on the project's details.

Member O'Neill made a motion to approve submission of the Montco 2040 Grant Application. Member Little seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Certificate of Appropriateness: 137-141 S. Main St.

Frank Baxter, President of the North Penn Volunteer Fire Company, provided an overview of the proposed additions and renovations to the front portion of the property, along South Main Street.

Council members supported the application and applauded the Fire Company for their service.

Member McClure made a motion to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness for 137-141 South Main Street. Member Collins seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Minutes: February 11, 2020

Member McClure made a motion to approve the minutes of February 11, 2020. Member O'Neill seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Disbursements: \$53,489.12

Member Little made a motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$53,489.12. Member O'Neill seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Old Business/Committee & Board Reports/Zoning Applications

There were no reports or applications to discuss.

Solicitor / Mayor / Council / Chief of Police / Manager

Solicitor Gifford announced an executive session was held after the previous Council meeting to discuss a legal matter and education for Council members on the Sunshine laws and Right-to-Know laws. He then stated an executive session will be held to discuss a personnel matter, a legal matter and a real estate matter and he anticipated no action would be taken afterward.

Member Collins provided an update on the Technology Subcommittee's activities and stated he would follow up at the next Council meeting.

Vice President Cherry spoke on behalf of the Shade Tree Commission's activities and stated he is working with Assistant Manager Guzzardo on updating the Shade Tree Ordinance.

Mayor D'Angelo thanked Chief Eves for assisting with logistics for a recent funeral mass. He then stated he attended a meeting to discuss the 2020 U.S. Census at the North Wales Area Library. He then expressed his support for the recent streetlight LED upgrades and wished the Borough had even more streetlights.

Member McClure thanked Member Collins for his thorough Technology Committee Report.

Council members thanked Manager Hart for the Regional Streetlight Program update. Manager Hart announced the Borough will receive a rebate from PECO for the upgrades and once she is able to calculate the actual savings per month, she will provide it to Council so they are aware of the savings.

Manager Hart announced the Borough will be holding its annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 4 in Weingartner Park. She then reviewed services being offered by State Senator Collett's office and encouraged residents to utilize their services.

Member O'Neill made a motion to adjourn. Member Collins seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Meetin	g adjourned at 7:58 P.M.
Attest:	
	Christine A. Hart
	Borough Manager



North Wales Borough Police Department

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Michael Eves Chief of Police meves@northwalesborough.org

March 6th, 2020

Attached please find the report for Borough Council.

Happenings in February:

- Full time officers completed their annual wellness physicals.
- All police officers completed off-duty employment checks and approvals for second jobs.
- All officers are in the process of completing their annual Mandatory In-Service Training (MIST).
- Residents and businesses dropped off cookies and baked goods to the department for National Law Enforcement Day. We are very grateful!
- New Part-Time Police Officer Dan Carr started field training.
- We continue our drop in visits to the library and North Wales Elementary. It is pleasant to catch
 up with residents and the children.

Respectfully,

Tara Claffey Administrative Assistant to Chief Eves, NWPD

NORTH WALES POLICE DEPARTMENT

Agency Activity Report

By CFS Classification

From Date: 2/1/2020 To Date: 2/29/2020

Report Date: 3/5/2020 8:47:52 AM

Classification code	Description	Total Events	0000-0800	0801-1600	1601-2400
0100	Murder	0	0	0	0
0200	Rape	0	0	0	0
0300	Robbery	0	0	0	0
0400	Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0
0500	Burglary	1	0	1	0
0600	Theft	3	0	1	2
0700	MV Theft	0	0	0	0
0800	Other Assaults	0	0	0	0
0900	Arson	0	0	0	0
1000	Forgery Counterfeit	0	0	0	0
1100	Fraud	2	0	2	0
1200	Embezzlement	0	0	0	0
1300	Stolen Property	0	0	0	0
1400	Malicious Mischief	0	0	0	0
1500	Weapons Offense	1	1	0	0
1600	Prostitution Vice	0	0	0	0
1700	Sex Offense	0	0	0	0
1800	Narcotics Drug Laws	1	0	1	0
1900	Gambling	0	0	0	0
2000	Family Offense	3	0	2	1
2100	Liquor Laws Drunk Driving	1	0	0	1
2200	Liquor Laws Possession	0	0	0	0
2300	Public Intoxication	0	0	0	0
2400	Disorderly Conduct	3	1	1	1
2600	All Other Offenses	14	0	10	4
2900	Runaways	1	0	0	1
3800	Homeland Security	0	0	0	0
4000	Non Criminal Investigations	29	5	11	13
4100	Fire Related	3	2	1	0
4500	Deaths / Suicides	1	0	1	0
5000	Lost Found Missing Persons	7	0	2	5
5500	Animal Complaints	9	0	6	3
6000	Traffic Accidents	11	0	8	3
6300	Traffic Enforcement	173	26	48	99
6500	Parking Enforcement	8	0	4	4

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NORTH WALES POLICE DEPARTMENT

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6600	Traffic Services	6	2	4	0
7000	Public Services	174	55	54	65
7500	Assist other Agency	8	1	4	3
7600	Special Unit Activity Codes	0	0	0	0
8000	Warrants	0	0	0	0
8100	Warrants Other	0	0	0	0
8200	Warrant Tracking	1	1	0	0
8300	Corrections	0	0	0	0
8500	Deparmental Services	1	0	1	0
9000	Administrative	215	44	94	77
	Total:	676	138	256	282

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Borough Boards & Commissions Vacancies

- Historical Architectural Review Board Term Expires: 12/31/2023
 Must be a licensed real estate broker.
- Historic Commission Term Expires: 12/31/2021
- Parks & Recreation Board Term Expires: 12/31/2020
- Parks & Recreation Board Term Expires: 12/31/2022
- Parks & Recreation Board Term Expires: 12/31/2023
- Zoning Hearing Board Term Expires: 12/31/2023

Please submit a letter of interest for any one or more of the above listed openings, addressed to the North Wales Borough Council in care of the Borough Manager. Letters can be submitted electronically to chart@northwalesborough.org.

North Wales Arts & Cultural Center 125 N. Main St., North Wales Borough art classes and programs run by the North Penn Arts Alliance

Fused Glass Workshop: Ages 15-Adult

Instructor: Jill Fielding

Saturday, February 8, noon-2 p.m. Cost: \$55 plus \$18 supply fee payable

to instructor

Glass Suncatcher Workshop

Instructor: Jill Fielding

Thursday, February 20, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Cost: \$55 plus \$18 suppy fee payable

to instructor

Pen & Ink Workshop for Kids Age 12+

Instructor: Barbara Moss Buscher

Two Tuesdays, February 4 & 11, 4-5:30 p.m.

Cost: \$50

Watercolor for Beginners & Intermediates

Instructor: Barbara Moss Buscher

Tuesdays, February 25-April 14, 1-3 p.m.

Cost: \$130

Tricks of the Trade: Advanced Watercolor Workshop

Instructor: Kass Morin Freeman

Two Saturdays, March 7 & 14, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Cost: \$80

North Wales Borough Residents: Take One Class Get One Free! Find more classes and registration information online.

Get involved in the North Wales Arts & Cultural Center!

Learn something new or share what you know! What classes or programs would you like to see? Let us know! 215-393-9110 or email info@northpennarts.org

www.northpennarts.org

Make Art Monday

Third Monday of the Month \$5/person. All ages!

Feb. 17: Illuminated Letters Mar. 16: Foam Printmaking Apr. 20: Earth Day Project May 18: Paper Flowers June 15: Medicine Shields

Free Speaker Series

First Wednesday of the Month

Feb. 5: Tony Williams Woodworking

Mar. 4: Kim Robbins Animal Illustrations

Apr. 1: TBD

May 6: Leo Sewell

Found Object Sculpture
June 3: Kathy Mueller
Graphic Design

Open Mic Poetry Monthly. Free.

Paint & Sip Parties

\$40 Go home with a finished painting!

Instructor: Vicky McGarry Thursday, April 2, 6-9 p.m.

"Lilac Breasted Roller"
Thursday, June 11, 6-9 p.m.
"Summer Sunset Over Water

With Flowers"

Gardening Classes Coming in the spring!



JANUARY THROUGH MARCH 2020

LOCAL AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S EVENTS

Historical Society of Hilltown Township

Wednesday; March 25, 2020, 7:00 P.M.

NEARLY FORGOTTEN ARTISTS OF HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP

Bucks County has been the home of many well-known artists. However, who are the artists that actually lived in Hilltown Township? One nearly forgotten artist is John Falter, who illustrated more than 100 magazine covers while living near Blooming Glen from 1940 to the early 1950's. Falter used local scenes and events to create Saturday Evening Post covers. Many of Falter's illustrations and accomplishments will be shown by Power Point and by viewing the original covers.

Artwork of Margaret Merritt Jurin will be shown and briefly described. Mark McCoy, a resident of Hilltown Township will display a few of his oil paintings. A silent auction and raffle of original Saturday Evening Post issues with Falter covers will be held benefitting the Historical Society.

Free Donations Appreciated

Held at the Hilltown Municipal Building 13 W. Creamery Road & Rt. 152 Hilltown, Pa. 18962

Info? Call 267-614-9174

Hatfield Museum & History Society

Tuesday January 28, 2020 7:00 P.M.

The topic of the January Museum & History Society Community Program will be "History of Hatfield Quality Meats". The presentation will tell the fascinating history of this large pork processing business, from humble beginning to the international business it is today. The program, presented by Society President Larry Stevens, will be held in the Hatfield Fire Company Banquet Hall. All are welcome to this free presentation and refreshments will be served.

Tuesday March 24, 2020 7:00 P.M.

"History of Hatfield Museum & History Society" will be the topic of the March Hatfield & History Society Community Program. The program, presented by Society Founder & President Larry Stevens, will look at how the Society was started, and what the Society has accomplished over the past 28 years. Included in the program will be a pictorial presentation of the renovations to the new museum building. The program will be held in the Hatfield Fire Company Banquet Hall. All are welcome to this free presentation and refreshments will be served.

Lansdale Historical Society

The Lansdale Historical Society will present the second and third installments of "The Decades" series in the coming months.

January 9th, 2020 7:30 P.M.

AN ERA OF REAGAN and RUBIK'S CUBE

A lot happened in the 1980s: it was the decade of big hair, big phones, pastel suits, Cabbage Patch Kids, Yuppies, Live Aid, Thriller and Pac Man. More importantly it was an era of iconic moments that changed the world, from the U.S.A. hockey team defeating the Soviet Union to the fall of the Berlin wall.

We will look at cultural, political, and news events that shaped this decade along with how it affected us here, locally, around the Lansdale area—events like the end of the beloved West Point Park or the conversion of the old Lansdale Post Office to a new Borough Hall.

There are many subjects to cover during this decade of materialism and consumerism for our second community program of the 2019-20 season to be held Thursday, January 9 at 7:30 P. M., at Lansdale Borough Hall, I Vine Street.

The 80s is the second part of a five-part series, covering news, trends, sights and sound here at home and on the national level from the 1940s through the 1980s.

This second presentation will be narrated by Bill Henning. As usual, there is no admission charge but donations are appreciated.

February 13, 2020 7:30 P.M.

ROCK 'n' ROLL and NORTH PENN, too

The Society's third Community Program of the season will feature the days when rock "n" roll was born, far too many Americans died in a far-away place called Korea, the nation liked lke, tail fins and interstate highways.

We learned to "duck and cover" and dance to Bandstand. Television invaded every household, introducing us to Uncle Milty, Howdy Doody and Sgt. Joe Friday.

Here at home, Hatfield and North Wales high schools faded into memory while Lansdale High morphed into North Penn and took in students from the entire region.

There was the Rec, the turnpike extension, sock hops, WIBG and Hy Lit, and something new downtown called the Madison Parking Lot. Clemens moved to the edge of town and one of those new-fangled shopping centers sprang up on South Broad Street. The Mart arrived in Montgomeryville, complete with Fleck's Sticky Buns.

These were the 1950s, the third in our Decades series. It will be presented Thursday, February 13, 7:30 P.M. at Lansdale Borough Hall. The presenter will be Steve Moyer who has hosted many of our shows in the past.

As usual, there will be no admission charge but donations are greatly appreciated. No program is scheduled for March.

Perkasie Historical Society

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

Tuesday, March 3, 2020

The 100th Anniversary of the American Legion will be presented by Paul Clymer. The Perkasie Historical Society has regular dinner meetings featuring a speaker or program. Meetings are at 6:30 P. M. at the St. Stephens Church, 110 N. 6th St., Perkasie. Reservations are necessary. Please call Pat Gahman at 215 257-9624 to reserve your seat. Dinners are \$12 payable at the door.

NORTH WALES AREA LIBRARY

Entertainment

Montgomery County Proceeds benefit the North Wales Area Library, an American Star Library

Taste samples from a variety of local restaurants, breweries, and other food establishments!

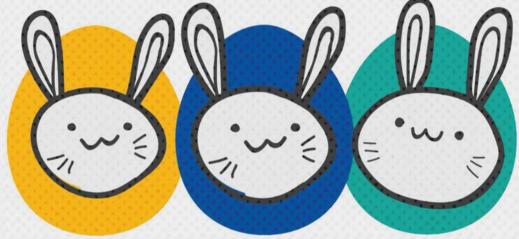
March 26 2020 | 5:30 - 8:00 Tickets for sale \$50 at www.northwaleslibrary.org or call 215-699-5410

> Held at College Hall and Cafeteria, Montgomery County Community College 340 DeKalb Pike, Blue Bell, PA 19422

the event and the College should not be contacted regardly of the program.

North Wales Parks and Recreation Board Present







JOIN US FOR A DAY OF FUN IN THE PARK

Saturday, April 4th,

Weingartner Park

Pre-K (2-4yrs) & Grades (K-1) & (2-3)

Rain Date: April 5th

LANSDALE AND NORTH WALES BOROUGH

CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO ATTEND THE

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOROUGHS ASSOCIATION

APRIL DINNER MEETING

ON

THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2020

AT

North Penn Fire Company Social Hall

141 S Main Street, North Wales, PA 19454

6:00 PM – COCKTAIL HOUR (CASH BAR) AND HORS D'OEUVERS

7:00 PM – DINNER

8:00 PM – GUEST SPEAKER, SHELLEY HOUK **PSAB DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH**

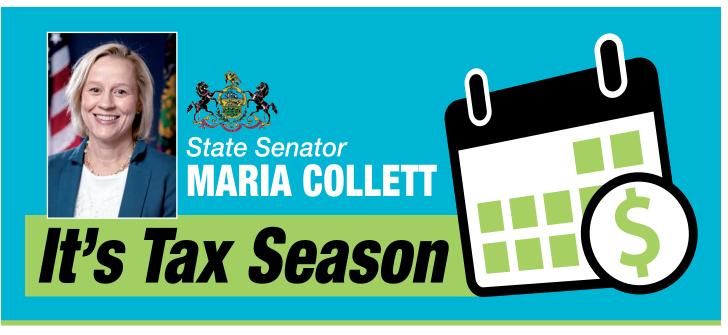
PLEASE R.S.V.P. BY APRIL 15TH CALL 215-699-4424, EXT. 113 OR EMAIL CBRUNING@NORTHWALESBOROUGH.ORG

COST IS \$15 PER PERSON, PAYABLE AT THE DOOR OR GROUPS OF 5+, PLEASE MAIL CHECK BEFORE DINNER

CHECKS MADE PAYABLE TO:

NORTH WALES BOROUGH 300 SCHOOL STREET NORTH WALES, PA 19454





AARP Foundation Tax-Aide

offers free tax preparation, and their program is particularly helpful for anyone 50 and older.

Contact one of the assistance locations below to make an appointment and find out what documents you should bring. Required documents are also listed online at bit.ly/TaxDocumentsAARP.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY	BUCKS COUNTY		
AMBLER SENIOR ADULT ACTIVITIES CENTER 45 Forest Avenue • Ambler (267) 469-0104	ANN'S CHOICE 22008 Anns Choice Way • Warminster (215) 346-6705		
GENERATIONS OF INDIAN VALLEY 259 North 2nd Street • Souderton (215) 723-5841	B.H. WILSON SENIOR CENTER 580 Delmont Avenue • Warminster (215) 672-8380		
HORSHAM TOWNSHIP LIBRARY 435 Babylon Road • Horsham (215) 443-2609	WARMINSTER TOWNSHIP FREE LIBRARY 1076 Emma Lane • Warminster (215) 672-4362		
UPPER MORELAND FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY 109 Park Avenue • Willow Grove (215) 659-0741	INDIAN VALLEY LIBRARY 100 East Church Avenue • Telford (215) 723-9109		
PEAK CENTER 606 East Main Street • Suite 1003 • Lansdale (215) 362-7432	SOUTHAMPTON LIBRARY 947 Street Road • Southampton (215) 322-1415		

Taxes are due April 15, 2020!

For more information, contact Senator Collett's office at 215-368-1429.









IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)

program provides free tax help for households making \$56,000 or less, persons with disabilities, and limited English-speaking taxpayers.

Receive assistance at the local offices listed below. Make sure to bring the correct documentation by calling the location or visiting bit.ly/TaxDocumentsIRS.

BUCKS COUNTY OPPORTUNITY COUNCIL VITA PROGRAM

St. Andrews United Methodist Church 999 York Road • Warminster Wednesdays: 4 pm - 8 pm & Saturdays: 9 am - 2 pm *No Appointment Required

WILLOW GROVE CDC WITH TEMPLE UNIVERSITY

210 Cedar Avenue • Willow Grove 215-366-5643 *Appointment Required

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY AMBLER

Temple Ambler Learning Center
580 Meetinghouse Road • Ambler
215-326-9519
*Appointment Required • Sign Language Accessible

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Senator MARIA COLLETT

presents

SENIOR SCAM PREVENTION

Learn how to spot scammers \$\protect yourself from fraud.

Wednesday, March 11 10 am - 12 pm **Montco SAAC Ambler** 45 Forest Ave. • Ambler, PA

- Hear from Senator Collett and the PA Attorney General's Office about the latest scams.
- Talk with local organizations like Montco Senior Services and the SeniorLAW Center about protecting yourself and your family.

For more information, contact Senator Collett's Warminster office at 215-674-1246.



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Coffee



State Senator

MARIA COLLETT

Thursday, March 12 8:30 a.m. – 10 a.m.

Wake Coffee Roasters 133 S. Main Street Ambler, PA 19002

Hear what I've been up to in Harrisburg and around our district, get your questions answered, and enjoy some delicious locally-brewed coffee!

For more information, contact Senator Collett's office at 215-368-1429 or senatorcollett@pasenate.com

