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2015 ANNUAL REPORT

Executive Summary

Arnold Preservation Council (APC) continues to have a positive reputation for making things happen in Arnold and on the Broadneck Peninsula. APC, as a result, has a seat at the table. Several times this past year, the county requested an opinion from APC and invited APC to initial planning meetings. In addition, developers offered to meet with APC before submitting plans and several times met with constituents before hosting their required county community meetings to hear what the neighbors had to say.

Although we have enjoyed numerous successes this past year, APC recognizes that with Annapolis High School being closed in 2017 to new development in the Annapolis area, the Broadneck peninsula and Arnold in particular will be targeted. APC will continue to working closely with the county and potential developers to limit the creeping industrialization and abundance of townhouses.

APC will continue to strive in 2016 to expand and capture more Homeowner and Community Associations to ensure the citizens of Arnold are represented. We know the larger our membership, the stronger our voices.

REVIEW OF 2015 GOALS

APC worked closely with Growth Action Network, Broadneck Council of Communities, and Greater Severna Park Council to improve the county planning & zoning code. Although it is a long process, a VERY long process, we have made progress and hope to see new proposed legislation in 2016.

The County Executive has agreed to revise and update the Small Area Plans and APC will be part of it when it begins.

APC continues to monitor new proposed county legislation. We testified when needed and supported our fellow neighbors against such proposals as grandfathering non-conforming uses, farm breweries, road functional reclassifications, reductions in developer's fees and grocery stores on smaller lot sizes.

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SUMMARY

APC was started in early 1999, a result of a small group of Arnold residents being concerned that Ritchie Highway north of Arnold Road was being targeted for commercial development. We formally became a non-profit in 2004, and gave birth to Growth Action Network, which has since grown into its own non-profit watchdog group for all of Anne Arundel County.

APC is often asked, “What do you do?” APC is the watchdog of the Arnold area and Broadneck Peninsula. We try to work with state, county and local governments, as well as other organizations like us, to ensure the place you have chosen to live is where you choose to stay. We know it will change, so it is up to us and YOU to have a voice and ensure we are heard.

Please support us so we can continue our mission - to unite the community of Arnold, preserve its rural heritage, and enhance its environment by advocating responsible growth, linked neighborhoods, local businesses, and excellent schools.

We have a strong network of dedicated and committed volunteers, however we need to grow. We need new volunteers to fill board positions, represent their communities, network and carry on the Arnold Preservation Council legacy.

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