

On November 14, 2007 Carter Willson, Bryan Whittington, and Jan Wessling of Renewing Montgomery (RM) met with Village of Chevy Chase Section 3 Council members to discuss issues relating to home construction and remodeling in established neighborhoods. Bryan lives in Section 3 and has built or remodeled several homes in the area.

Carter, Bryan and Jan explained how RM was formed by a group of independent homebuilders in early 2007, and shared the goals of the initiative. They also addressed how potential changes in County rules and regulations could impact the rights of homeowners and property owners in Section 3.

Council members expressed their appreciation of the ongoing commitment by RM to meet with organizations throughout the County, and to communicate with residents through these meetings and www.renewingmontgomery.com. The Council also shared RM's interest in helping to make sure responsible building practices were maintained and enhanced within Section 3 neighborhoods.

After the initial RM presentation there was a lengthy conversation about current and potential future code and zoning changes. Council members were quite interested in possible changes in various rules and regulations, and were a bit surprised that many changes are being discussed by the County Council without input from Section 3 homeowners.

Carter, Bryan and Jan concluded their presentation by thanking the Council members for inviting RM to their meeting, and promised to continue to keep the Council members informed on the issues and topics discussed.