

The Property Maintenance & Improvements Team of Walker Chapel United Methodist Church

BACKGROUND

The cemetery has long wanted a place to store landscaping and gravestone repair tools and supplies in the cemetery. Currently all such items are stored in an office in the basement of the Chapel administrative building and it is a real struggle to carry them to the cemetery when needed.

Our need has been heard and answered ... a small shed has been donated to the cemetery. The shed is only $4' \times 8'$ and the side eaves are about $4 \cdot 1/2$ feet tall. Show here in the donor's home.

Arlington County Permits has told us no permit is needed given the small size of the shed. Arlington County Zoning has told us no zoning permit is require as long as it is set the required distance from the property line.



PI ACEMENT

A location has been selected at the rear of the cemetery that is hidden from view from the main cemetery by 30' tall decades old box woods and trees. It is convenient to the rear entrance to the cemetery used by heavy equipment bringing in concrete vaults, backhoes, and trucks. It is at a high point in elevation so that all parts of the cemetery grounds are down-hill from the shed. Below is a Photoshop rendition of the shed in place.

We have three 6' tall boxwoods that must be moved due to the approved replacement of the retaining wall around the cemetery, now in progress. We would like to replant the three boxwoods rather than throw them away. The proposal

is to plant two of the boxwoods to the left side of the shed and one to the right.. This way the shed would be hidden by natural vegetation from the left, right, and front. It is hidden from the back by a 6' tall wooden fence installed by the homeowner on the other side of the fence.

We believe the placement of the shed is subject to the review and approval of the Historic Affairs Landmark Review Board and request a CoA.





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View from the Cemetery

This is the view from the main cemetery. The back fence is barely visible between the large boxwoods and trees.

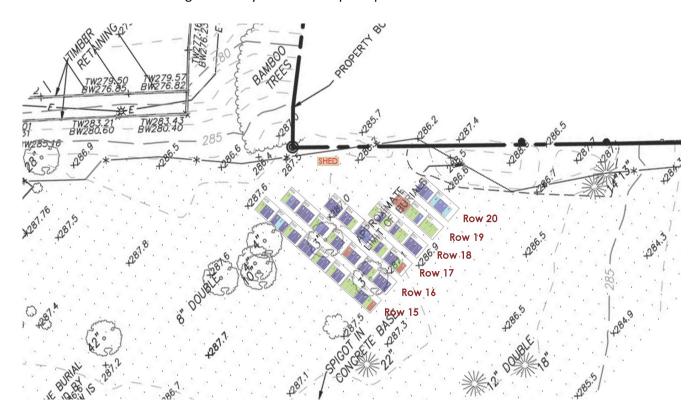


Survey Documentation

The complete grounds of Walker Chapel were recently surveyed and that document is included as an attachment. The proposed

location of the shed is shown below on a close-up of the survey.

The general area contains rows of gravesites and that information is shown below from left side row 15 to the last row, row 20. A graphic by grave status is attached that indicates gravesites from available to occupied. Finally, a closeup of the area of the shed is show using the survey document superimposed with rows 15-20.





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View from the Neighbor

There is a home on the other side of the fence at the back of the cemetery. The fence was erected by the homeowner.

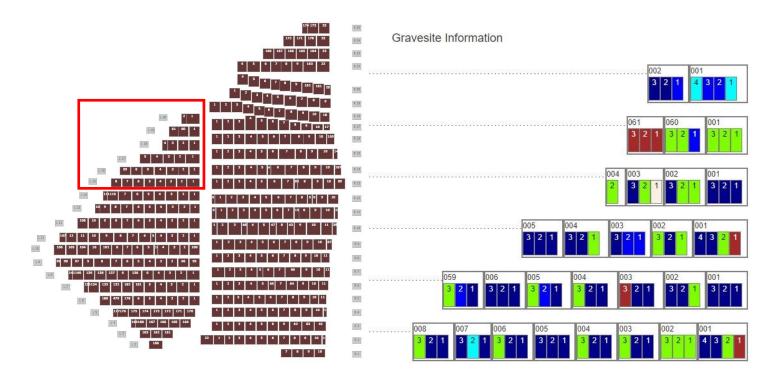
The ground falls away quickly from the fence to the home. When standing at the base of the hill, the top of the shed will not be visible.

The shed and the home are similar in style and color.



Gravesites

The layout of the cemetery is shown below. The area of the shed is shown enlarged rows L15 to L20.

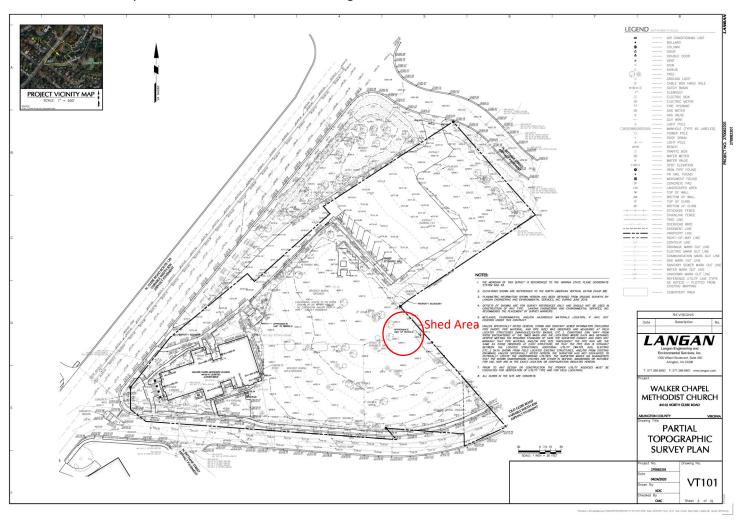




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Survey Document

Also included as a separate attachment for better viewing. .



We welcome you to a tour of the cemetery...it is most interesting now that Phase I of the Historic Cemetery Project which the HALRB approved is well underway.

See https://www.wcpmit.org/HCP01/ for a week-by-week view.







