



Town of Bladensburg, Maryland RESOLUTION NO. 17-2026

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A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF BLADENSBURG SUPPORTING THE REDEVELOPMENT AND ADAPTIVE REUSE OF THE BOSTWICK HOUSE AS A MUTI-PURPOSE EVENT SPACE WITH A TASTING WINERY IN THE ADAPTIVE REUSE OF THE OUT BUILDINGS

WHEREAS, the Town of Bladensburg is committed to advancing economic development, historic preservation, tourism, and community revitalization; and

WHEREAS, the Bostwick House is a historically significant property owned by the Town, representing an important cultural and architectural asset that contributes to the identity and heritage of Bladensburg; and

WHEREAS, the preservation and adaptive reuse of historic structures is a proven strategy to stimulate local economic activity, increase community amenities, and enhance community character; and

WHEREAS, the Town recognizes the opportunity to reposition the Bostwick House as a vibrant destination through its redevelopment into an event space and wine tasting that will serve residents, visitors, and regional stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, such a redevelopment will activate underutilized space, create jobs, support small business development, increase tourism, and generate new revenue streams for the Town; and

WHEREAS, the proposed use aligns with broader economic development goals, including placemaking, downtown activation, and the attraction of private investment; and

WHEREAS, the Town seeks to leverage public-private partnerships, grant funding, historic preservation incentives, and other financial tools to support the successful redevelopment of the Bostwick House; and

WHEREAS, The Aman Memorial Trust has demonstrated a commitment to historic preservation, cultural stewardship, and community engagement, and is uniquely positioned to support the planning, fundraising, programming, and implementation of the Bostwick House redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Town Council desire to formally express their prioritization and support for this project to strengthen applications for local, state, and federal funding opportunities, as well as private investment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF BLADENSBURG, MARYLAND, THAT:

1. Support for Redevelopment

The Town hereby expresses its strong support for the redevelopment and adaptive reuse of the Bostwick House into an event space and wine tasting through a partnership with The Aman Trust.

2. Economic Development Priority

The redevelopment of the Bostwick House is hereby designated as a priority economic development initiative for the Town of Bladensburg.

3. Designation of Official Partner

The Town hereby designates **The Aman Memorial Trust** as an official partner in the redevelopment of the Bostwick House, to collaborate with the Town on planning, fundraising, community engagement, and implementation of the project, subject to the execution of any necessary agreements.

4. Commitment to Preservation

The Town affirms its commitment to preserving the historic integrity of the Bostwick House while enabling its productive and sustainable use.

5. Pursuit of Funding and Partnerships

In partnership with The Aman Memorial Trust The Town supports and encourages the pursuit of:

- State and federal grants
- State and federal Historic Preservation Tax Credits
- Federal New Market Tax Credits
- Tourism and cultural funding sources
- Private investment and public-private partnerships

6. Marketing and Promotion

The Town will actively promote the Bostwick House redevelopment as a signature project to attract investment, visitors, and regional attention.

Attest:

Brian Wood
Interim Town Administrator/ Acting Town Clerk

Takisha D. James, Mayor