

## **Open Space Advisory Committee Responses to Resident Speak-Out July 18, 2018**

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*The following questions and answers relate to the July 18, 2018 Resident Speak Out Meeting:*

#### Question A) Control of Debris Dumping onto CA Open Space

**Answer:** Columbia residents should not deposit trash, lawn clippings, tree branches, etc from their private property onto CA Open Space. Residents may report violation to CA at [open.space@columbiaassociation.org](mailto:open.space@columbiaassociation.org) or by calling the CA Open Space Management Division at 410-313-6330.

#### Question B) Control of resident property extension onto CA Open Space

**Answer:** The Columbia Association is initiating a new program to monitor and control the unauthorized expansion of resident's property onto Open Space. See <https://patch.com/maryland/columbia/ca-working-protect-open-space-property-encroachments>

#### Question C) Proper Pathway Maintenance (tree cuttings)/Adequate Line-of-sight

**Answer:** Regarding tree cuttings or fallen trees on or near open space pathways and/or inadequate pathway lines-of-sight, residents may report concerns to CA at [open.space@columbiaassociation.org](mailto:open.space@columbiaassociation.org) or by calling the CA Open Space Management Division at 410-313-6330. Priority will be given to unsafe situations. Other pathway debris removal will be removed depending on CA Open Space Management Division's work schedule and work priorities.

#### Question D) Woods encroachment onto mowed areas vs historical commitment to home owners

**Answer:** See the Open Space Assessment Report at <https://d2814gcejiq38s.cloudfront.net/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/OpenSpaceAssessmentReportFinal.pdf> and <https://d2814gcejiq38s.cloudfront.net/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/MapsOSA.4.15.17Web.pdf> This concern will be addressed as part of the effort described in these documents.

#### Question E) Review of the number and location of tot lots

**Answer:** See answer to question (D) above.

#### Question F) Proper funding for Open Space Maintenance

**Answer:** See answer to question (D) above.

Question G) Control of Invasive Species vegetation

**Answer:** See answer to question (D) above.

Question H) Follow-up with Open Space Assessment Report Progress

**Answer:** See answer to question (D) above.