

Montgomery County Commission for Women



Nancy Floreen Montgomery County Council

Since 2002, Nancy Floreen has been an at-large member of the Montgomery County Council, serving as Council President in 2010. She chaired the Council's Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy and Environment Committee (T&E) until 2010 when she became Chair of the Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee (PHED).

A Democrat, Nancy brings to the Council a wealth of experience and expertise based on more than three decades of service in local, state and federal government, including her leadership as Mayor of the Town of Garrett Park.

In 1986, Nancy was appointed a Commissioner on the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, where she served until 1994. As a member of the County Planning Board, she was involved in the development of master plans across the county and on balancing the need for growth with preservation of open space and protection of existing county neighborhoods.

Throughout her tenure on the County Council, Nancy has been a tireless advocate for better transportation and transit options, expanded affordable housing, enhanced environmental protections and improved access to jobs and economic development.

She introduced and championed revisions to the County Road Code to make new residential streets friendlier, safer for pedestrians and better for the environment. She has sponsored a Job Search Workshop and Information Fair to help unemployed and underemployed residents get back to work, a workshop for building contractor issues, a town hall on common ownership community matters, and an in-depth cable television program on Montgomery County poverty.

As Council President, Nancy presided over the unanimous passage of the Great Seneca Science Corridor Master Plan and the White Flint Sector Plan, both of which will generate new, high-quality jobs in the county. Also as Council president, she introduced a requirement that the Council include in its budgeting process a six-year projection. This fiscal plan remains an important part of the Council's work each year and helps to protect against future budget gaps and lessen the impact of severe economic downturns.

As Chair of the Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee, Nancy managed the Council's review and adoption of a new zoning ordinance, which adds transparency, predictability and clarity to complex land use rules, as well as the Council's review and approval of master plans in Ten Mile Creek, Glenmont, Long Branch, Chevy Chase Lake, Wheaton, Kensington and Takoma-Langley Park.

Nancy earned a Bachelor of Arts from Smith College and a law degree from Rutgers University. She is married to attorney/writer David O. Stewart and has three adult children as well as a beautiful red-headed granddaughter.