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MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN

July 9, 2010

The Honorable Phyllis Marcuccio
Mayor, City of Rockville
Rockville City Hall
111 Maryland Avenue
Rockville, Maryland 20850

SUBJECT: Municipal Growth Element of the City of Rockville's Comprehensive Master Plan

Dear Ms. Marcuccio:

At our regular meeting on July 8, 2010, the Montgomery County Planning Board reviewed the City of Rockville's proposed Comprehensive Master Plan Amendment to include Municipal Growth and Water Resources Elements, as required by the State of Maryland.

The Planning Board approved the technical staff recommendation to modify the proposed Maximum Expansion Limits (MEL). David B. Levy, Chief of Long Range Planning and Redevelopment for the City, informed the Board that no portion of Rock Creek Regional Park is included in the MEL. Therefore, the third comment in the enclosed technical staff report is deleted from our recommendation.

The Board supports Montgomery County Executive Isiah Leggett's recommendation to exclude the Montgomery County Service Park (CSP) from the proposed expansion limits. The County has spent significant public resources on property acquisition to redevelop the CSP into a mixed use urban village as recommended in the Shady Grove Sector Plan. We believe it is more appropriate that the United States Postal Service, Great Indoors, and the vacant Casey 3 properties along Shady Grove Road be included in MEL. The Planning Board also supports Montrose Road as the logical terminus to the City's expansion limits.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the Municipal Growth Element of the City of Rockville's Comprehensive Master Plan.

Sincerely,

Françoise M. Carrier
Chair

Enclosure: Staff Report

cc: David Hill, Chair
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