

## MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

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TO:

Montgomery County Planning Board

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Montgomery County Animal Shelter and Laytonia Recreational Park-

· Northwest Corner of the Intersection of Muncaster Mill Road and Airpark Drive,

RE-1 Zone, Upper Rock Creek Master Plan

## INTRODUCTION

The attached reports provide the staff recommendations for the Montgomery County Animal Shelter and Laytonia Recreational Park. The staff reports include recommendations for the following:

- A. Water Quality Plan: Animal Shelter and Laytonia Recreational Park
- B. Forest Conservation Plan: Animal Shelter and Laytonia Recreational Park
- C. Park Facility Plan and PDF Update: Laytonia Recreational Park
- D. Mandatory Referral No. 2010711-DGS-1: Montgomery County Animal Shelter

## DISCUSSION

The recommendations for the Montgomery County Animal Shelter and Laytonia Recreational Park represent the collaboration between two county agencies, the Department of Parks, and several divisions in the Planning Department. The staff review was completed within the required 60 day, time limit for Mandatory Referrals.

In addition to the Mandatory Referral, the Water Quality Plan and Forest Conservation Plan, a Park Facility Plan is also included. During the review process, several alternative locations for each element of the plan were considered. The result of the collaboration is a combined plan that that will produce the best results for Montgomery County.

## CONCLUSION

The staff recommends **approval** of each of the elements of the Montgomery County Animal Shelter and Laytonia Recreational Park as described in the attached reports.

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