MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

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MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: White Flint Implementation Advisory Committee

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Appoint two new members to the White Flint

Implementation Advisory Committee

BACKGROUND

On September 20, 2010, the Planning Board appointed 24 members to the White Flint Implementation Advisory Committee as required by the Approved and Adopted (2010) White Flint Sector Plan. Since then, the Committee has met on a monthly basis to discuss issues related to the redevelopment of the Plan area. Committee members include property owners, residents, and representatives of the Executive Branch.

Meetings are typically held on the second Monday of each month at Wall Local Park/Montgomery County Aquatic Center. Two members of the committee have resigned, Mr. Karl Girshman, a resident of the Wisconsin Condominium, and Mr. John Fry, a resident of the Fallstone townhouse community. To replace Mr. Girshman and Mr. Fry, staff notified several associations within and surrounding the Plan area, as well as members on the Implementation Committee of the two vacancies.

NEW MEMBERS

Mr. Paul Meyer and Ms. Mary Ward Ph.D. have submitted their applications to replace Mr. Girshman and Mr. Fry, respectively.

Paul Meyer: Mr. Meyer is a resident of the Wisconsin Condominium, which is a highrise, multifamily building on Nicholson Lane within the Plan area. He has served on the Wisconsin's Board of Directors for more than 10 years and was President of the Board from 2006 to 2009. He has lived in the Wisconsin for 16 years. Now retired, Mr. Meyer worked for the Federal Government 38 years.

He is actively involved with the Friends of White Flint, a local non-profit that promotes redevelopment in White Flint, and has participated in prior community workshops on the Plan's development. Mr. Meyer is also a Commissioner on the County's Disability Commission.

Mary Ward, **Ph.D**: Dr. Ward is a long-term resident of the Crest of Wickford townhouses, which is a residential community immediately south of the White Flint Plan area.

Dr. Ward's involvement in White Flint began when she testified on behalf of the Crest of Wickford at the Planning Board's public hearing on the draft Sector Plan. She also served as a Board member of the Crest of Wickford condominium association. Dr. Ward is a member of the White Flint Community Coalition that represents several homeowners associations within the surrounding area.

Dr. Ward works at the National Institutes of Heath/National Cancer Institute and bicycles to work on most days on Executive Boulevard. She is a committed bicyclist; a member of Washington Area Bicyclist Association (WABA); and has a particular interest in improving pedestrian and bicyclist access in White Flint and surrounding areas.

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