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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Montgomery County Planning Board

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SUBJECT: East County Science Center Master Plan Citizens Advisory Committee

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Appoint a new Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)

member

## **BACKGROUND**

On February 3, 2011, the Planning Board approved the East County Science Center (ECSC) Master Plan Scope of Work. The Scope of Work outlined an overall outreach strategy for this Master Plan, including the appointment of a Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC). On March 31, 2011, the Planning Board appointed 23 members to the ECSC Master Plan CAC. The CAC has met five times since its formation.

## **NEW MEMBER**

Deanna Murphy, Director of the Office of White Oak Services for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has requested that the original FDA representative on the CAC. Gerald Hines, be replaced by Marc Bloom. Mr. Bloom is Director of the Division of Logistics Services and Facilities Operations in the Office of White Oak Services. He has been a member of and served as the FDA liaison to Labquest for the past six years. Mr. Bloom has extensive background in transportation planning, community outreach, and FDA's facilities and operations. He has worked on a variety of transportation management programs to help mitigate the impact of the FDA's consolidation on the local community. Mr. Bloom has attended several CAC meetings as well as a June 28 Community Forum on the Master Plan. Staff recommends that the Planning Board formally replace Mr. Hines with Mr. Bloom, as requested by the FDA.

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