



Public Hearing: Subdivision Staging Policy – 2012 Draft Transportation Policy Area Review (TPAR) Report

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Description

The 2012 Draft Transportation Policy Area Review (TPAR) is the proposed new area-wide transportation test developed as a replacement for the current area-wide transportation test, Policy Area Mobility Review (PAMR). The Planning Board will hear testimony on the 2012 Draft TPAR report presented to the Planning Board on April 5, 2012:

http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/research/growth_policy/subdivision_staging_policy/2012/index.shtm

Public comment on the Draft 2012 TPAR report may also be submitted in writing until April 23, 2012. The testimony will be addressed as the report is refined and during upcoming worksessions scheduled during early May.

Summary

The methodology, originally proposed by the County Executive, was discussed extensively with a stakeholders group and various business and civic organizations in 2010. The Council's Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee reviewed the 2010 report and requested that the Planning Board undertake a full application of the methodology and prepare a proposal for implementation as part of the 2012 Subdivision Staging Policy. Additional consultant funding was provided to accelerate the process and prepare this application two months in advance of the deadlines for the full Subdivision Staging Policy. The 2012 Draft Transportation Policy Area Review Report is attached to this agenda item.

After the Planning staff's presentation of the draft 2012 TPAR report to Planning Board on April 5, 2012, a Stakeholders Meeting was conducted on April 9, 2012. This meeting was attended by representatives of County civic groups, the local business community, Montgomery County Department of Transportation, the TPAR Study consultant team and Planning staff. Suggested language for

incorporation in a County Council resolution will be prepared in advance of the Planning Board worksessions.

Relevant upcoming TPAR Project events and dates are outlined below:

- **May 3, 2012** – Subdivision Staging Policy – 2012 Draft Transportation Policy Area Review Worksession #1
- **May 10, 2012** – Subdivision Staging Policy – 2012 Draft Transportation Policy Area Review Worksession #2
- **May 20, 2012** – Delivery of the 2012 Draft Transportation Policy Area Review to the County Council
- **June and July** – Council public hearing and worksessions.

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Attachment 1 – 2012 Draft Transportation Policy Area Review