






**White Oak Science Gateway Master Plan Staff Draft Presentation**

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**Staff Recommendation:**

Approve the Staff Draft White Oak Science Gateway Master Plan as the Public Hearing Draft White Oak Science Gateway Master Plan and set the public hearing date for May 23, 2013.

**Summary**

On April 4, 2013, the Planning staff will present the Staff Draft White Oak Science Gateway Master Plan to the Planning Board. The Staff Draft is a comprehensive amendment of portions of the following plans: the 1997 *White Oak Master Plan* and the 1997 *Fairland Master Plan*. The Planning Board approved the Scope of Work for the Master Plan amendment on February 11, 2011. A 23-member Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) was formed in March 2011 and 12 meetings were held over 15 months. Four community forums were held to provide information and solicit input from the broader community. In addition, staff presented Master Plan information at 17 meetings of citizen associations and other organizations. The preliminary recommendations were presented to the Planning Board on September 20 and 27, and October 4, 2012.

In November 2012, when the County Council approved the Subdivision Staging Policy, the Planning Department was instructed to redo the traffic modeling for this Master Plan using the Transportation Policy Area Review (TPAR) analysis rather than the Policy Area Mobility Review (PAMR) test that had already been performed. The TPAR analysis is complete and its results are summarized in the Staff Draft.

Staff recommends approval of the attached Staff Draft as the Public Hearing Draft and requests that the Board set the public hearing for the draft Plan on May 23, 2013.

**Next Steps**

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| May 23, 2013         | Planning Board Public Hearing   |
| June – July 2013     | Planning Board Worksessions   |
| September 2013       | Planning Board approval and transmission of Planning Board Draft Master Plan to the County Council and County Executive |
| November 2013        | County Council Public Hearing   |
| January – March 2014 | PHED Committee and Council worksessions, Council approval   |
| April – July 2014    | Commission adoption, Sectional Map Amendment  |