



Combined Worksession on the Public Hearing Drafts of Rock Spring and White Flint 2: School Issues



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Summary

The Planning Board’s public hearing on the Rock Spring Master Plan was held on December 1, 2016 and the public hearing for the White Flint 2 Sector Plan was held on January 12, 2017. The Board has held three worksessions on the Rock Spring Master Plan and two worksessions on White Flint 2.

The February 16 Planning Board worksession will be for both Rock Spring and White Flint 2, focusing on school issues. Both plans are within the Walter Johnson cluster. Both plans make recommendations for potential school sites. The Grosvenor-Strathmore Metro Area Minor Master Plan, currently underway, is also within the Walter Johnson cluster. Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) has not yet included the potential residential densities for these three plan areas in their long-range forecasts. Joel Gallihue, Director of the Division of Long-range Planning at MCPS, will attend the February 16 worksession and will provide an overview of the approach MCPS is taking to solve the current capacity issues in the Walter Johnson cluster. We will also discuss the master plan-related potential solutions to solving the longer term needs that may result from future development that could occur as a result of the three master plans currently underway in the Walter Johnson cluster.

At the March 2 worksession for Rock Spring, we will present the final, revised zoning recommendations and discuss any outstanding issues. At the March 16 Rock Spring worksession, it is staff’s intention to provide the Board with a redline copy of the Planning Board Draft Master Plan for review and approval to transmit to the County Council and County Executive.

Rock Spring Master Plan schedule:

- December 15, 2016 Planning Board Worksession #1
- January 19, 2017 Planning Board Worksession #2
- February 2, 2017 Planning Board Worksession #3
- February 16, 2017 Planning Board Worksession #4 (Joint worksession with White Flint 2)
- March 2, 2017 Planning Board Worksession #5
- March 16, 2017 Planning Board Worksession #6
- March 2017 Planning Board Draft transmitted to County Council and Executive
- May 2017 County Council Public Hearing

Summer 2017
Fall 2017

County Council Worksessions
Commission adoption, Sectional Map Amendment

White Flint 2 Sector Plan schedule:

January 26, 2017	Planning Board Worksession #1
February 9, 2017	Planning Board Worksession #2
February 16, 2017	Planning Board Worksession (Joint worksession with Rock Spring)
February 23, 2017	Planning Board Worksession #3
March 9, 2017	Planning Board Worksession #4
March 23, 2017	Planning Board Worksession #5
March 30, 2017	Planning Board Worksession #6

The Planning Board should bring their copies of the Public Hearing Drafts that were previously distributed to them.