



MECKLENBURG COUNTY
Park and Recreation Department
MEMORANDUM

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TO: Michael Cataldo
Charlotte Mecklenburg Planning Commission

FROM: Brian Conroy, Central Region Park Planner
Capital Planning & Alliance Development Division

DATE: May 22, 2009

RE: Rezoning Petition # 2009-039 Charlotte Area Transit BOD Facility

We suggest that these requests be incorporated into the Planning Commission's staff review notes and written into the Staff Analysis to the fullest extent possible. These steps should ensure MCPR's comments are conveyed to and incorporated by the petitioner during plan revision.

The petitioner's property is located in the Central Park Region, directly adjacent to Alexander Street Neighborhood Park. Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation makes the following requests:

1. Provide continuous pedestrian access from the existing park access trail on the property to North Alexander Street; allowing access between Little Sugar Creek Greenway, the Park, McGill Rose Garden and First Ward Residents.
2. Consider design of the water quality measure shown as a rain garden, accessible to public; whose design compliments the adjacent park, is an educational tool for schools within walking distance and adds to the overall green space of the neighborhood.
3. CATS has expressed willingness to permit shared public parking evenings and weekends. MCPR wishes to continue those talks should the need arise for additional park parking in the future.

If you require additional information, please contact me at your earliest convenience at 704.336.7694.

Copy to: James R. Garges, CPRP, Director MCPR
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