



**MECKLENBURG COUNTY**  
Park and Recreation Department

MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** Michael Cataldo, Associate Planner  
Charlotte Mecklenburg Planning Department

**FROM:** Gwen Cook, Greenway Planner  
Greenway Planning & Development Services

**DATE:** September 15, 2010

**RE:** Rezoning Petition #2010-067 (Four Mile Creek Greenway)  
Mecklenburg County Greenway Parking Lot

This is the first communication concerning this rezoning petition. We encourage staff and the Planning Commission to consider Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation Department's (MCPR) comments. We suggest that these comments be incorporated into the staff review notes and written into the Pre-Hearing Staff Analysis to the fullest extent possible. These steps should ensure MCPR's notes are conveyed to and incorporated by the petitioner during plan revision.

Located in the South Park District, this parking lot is necessary to serve the very popular Four Mile Creek Greenway which opened in 2009. On-street parking has not been sufficient to allow for residents who need to access the greenway by driving to it.

Greenway staff has worked closely with the Charlotte Department of Transportation and the manager of the adjacent commercial development to improve greenway access. Seeking an optimal balance between the parking lot and the adjacent floodplain, reduction of the setback is necessary to accommodate the needed parking.

Please let me know if you have further questions.

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