

MECKLENBURG COUNTY

Park and Recreation Department

MEMORANDUM

<u>SENT ELECTRONICALLY THIS DATE</u> NO HARDCOPY TO FOLLOW

TO: Michael Cataldo, Associate Planner

Charlotte Mecklenburg Planning Department

FROM: Kevin Brickman, Planner

Capital Planning Division

DATE: July 12, 2012

RE: Rezoning Petition #2012-081 (Lower McAlpine Creek Greenway)

Charlotte Mecklenburg Planning Commission (PID #223-231-47)

This is the first communication concerning this property. 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 near the intersection of Johnston Road and I-485 on the east side of Lower McAlpine Creek, this parcel includes a greenway corridor that has been approved as part of the 2008 Greenway Master Plan.

MCPR recognizes and accepts Note #19 from the original rezoning petition #2007-103 for access to the Lower McAlpine Creek Greenway. We request all greenway access easements be a minimum of 40' wide for trail constructability and maintenance.

We will be happy to discuss any questions or comments with the petitioner.

Copy to: James R. Garges, Director

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