



MECKLENBURG COUNTY  
Park and Recreation Department

MEMORANDUM

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

**FROM:** Gwen Cook, Planner  
Capital Planning Division

**DATE:** October 19, 2012

**RE:** Rezoning Petition #2012-085 (Clems Branch Greenway)  
Charlotte Mecklenburg Planning Commission (PID #223-531-05, 223-531-06)

This is the fourth 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 Marvin Road on the north side of a tributary of Clems Branch, this parcel includes a greenway corridor that has been approved as part of the 2008 Greenway Master Plan.

MCPR is in agreement with the conveyance of property per the revised site plan dated 10.5.12. The dedication of land and the greenway easement are noted on the site plan and in the Development Standard notes. MCPR appreciates the dedication of these areas for the future Clems Branch Greenway. Concerning the greenway trail itself, construction of the greenway by the petitioner as noted in Development Standards notes 4(g) can be discussed. The greenway must be publicly owned and operated. Private greenway trail on County property is not acceptable. Private construction and maintenance can be discussed and considered in a separate agreement. This possibility is being discussed with the County attorney, but recommendations are not available at this time. The timing of the dedication should be before the first C.O. The petitioner should contact Gwen Cook at 704.432.1570.

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