



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: October 21, 2010

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

This is the second communication (9.15.10) 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 2008. 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 presence of adjacent floodplain, reduction of the setback is necessary to accommodate the needed parking. The public meeting is scheduled for 6:00 pm at the William R. Davie Park conference center on Monday, November 8, 2010.

Please let me know if you have further questions.

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