

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: Gwen Cook, Greenway Planner

Capital Planning Division

DATE: April 27, 2012

RE: Rezoning Petition #2012-041 (Walker Branch Greenway)

Charlotte Mecklenburg Planning Commission (PID #201-431-04)

This is the third communication (3/15/12) 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 at the intersection of Steele Creek Road and Sledge Road, Walker Branch runs directly through this parcel. MCPR requests as a minimum the conveyance of approximately 10 acres of property as greenway and park. There will be no programmed ball fields provided at this location. Staff has discussed this request with the petitioner.

MCPR requests that this conveyance be show on the drawings approved for rezoning and has no further comments.

Copy to: James R. Garges, Director

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