

## 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 Greenway Planning & Development Services
DATE:	December 22, 2011
RE:	Rezoning Petition #2011-083(Hoover Creek Greenway) Charlotte Mecklenburg Planning Commission (PID #219-061-10)

This is the third communication (12/22/2011) 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 Walker Branch Drive and on the north side of Hoover Creek, this parcel includes a greenway corridor that has been approved as part of the 2008 Greenway Master Plan. Hoover Creek Greenway will connect to the larger system proposed for Walker Branch Greenway and Steele Creek Greenways.

MCPR would like to request, as previously noted, that the RZ-1 and RZ-2 reading 100' SWIM buffer to be dedicated to Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreations" be changed to read "100' SWIM buffer to be conveyed to Mecklenburg County". Conveyance will require working with Jacqueline McNeil at (704.432.3502) of the Business Services and Agency.

We will be happy to meet with the petitioner to address any questions. Coordination will be very important.

Copy to: James R. Garges, Director W. Lee Jones, Division Director, Capital Planning Services Patricia Poteat, General Manager, South Park District Jacqueline McNeil, Real Estate Manager, Business Support Services Agency Jay Higginbotham, Project Manager, Asset and Facilities Management