

March 12, 2015

Mr. Al Roshdieh Acting Director, Montgomery County Department of Transportation Executive Office Building 101 Monroe Street Rockville, Maryland 20950

RE: White Flint West Transportation, Phase 1 CIP No. 501116-1 Mandatory Referral No. 2015005

Dear Mr. Roshdieh:

At our regularly scheduled meeting on March 12, 2015, the Planning Board approved the Mandatory Referral of the above project with the following comments:

- 1. Consider providing separated bike lanes on the realigned segment of Executive Boulevard, which could be accomplished by eliminating the proposed left turn lane in addition to reducing the proposed travel lane widths to meet the requirements of the recent Urban Road Code changes.
- 2. Provide curb extensions on Market Street to meet the requirements of the recent Urban Road Code changes and provide handicap ramps to cross all four legs of the Executive Boulevard/Market Street intersection. Locate the proposed handicap ramps to minimize pedestrian crossing distances.
- 3. All handicap ramps that accommodate bicyclists on shared use paths should be widened to ten feet wide (min.), including the handicap ramp in the proposed traffic island at the conference center driveway on the east side of Executive Boulevard.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this project and for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions or comments concerning our review, please call Larry Cole at 301-495-4528.

Sincerely,

Casey Anderson

Chair