



DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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MEMORANDUM

July 13, 2012

TO: Agricultural Advisory Committee Members (AAC)

FROM: Jeremy V. Criss, Agricultural Services Manager
Department of Economic Development

SUBJECT: Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting Tuesday, July 17, 2012

Please be advised that the Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, July 17, 2012 at the Up County Regional Services Center 12900 Middlebrook Road Germantown in Room B at 7:00 p.m.**

The meeting agenda is on the next page.

The other attachments for our meeting will be posted on the Agricultural Services web site. Due to the County's paper reduction mandate, please print these attachments out and bring them with you to the meeting.

See you on July 17, 2012.

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Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda –July 17, 2012

1. Introductions:
2. Approval of the AAC Minutes from June 19, 2012. (See Attachment A.)
3. Discussion with MNCPPC staff Pamela Dun on the Zoning Rewrite Process-Outstanding agriculture issues for the Zoning Rewrite Process - (See Attachment B.)
4. Discussion with Royce Hanson-Agricultural Reserve Conference-Farming at Metro's Edge- (See Attachment C.)
5. Update on the Bill 16-12 Trees-Utility Vegetation Management- The Council agenda states the July 10, 2012 Public Hearing has been cancelled. No further consideration of the bill is planned at this time.
6. AAC Recommendation-Amendment to Chapter 50 of the County Code-Subdivisions- Conditions of approving record plats for subdivisions. This surrounds House Bill 722 and Senate Bill 1100 that failed during the 2012 MD Legislative Session. Recommendation to create a new condition that prohibits the developer, HOA, or any future designee from recording private covenants in the land records that are in conflict with the legislative Intent of the RDT zone after the MNCPPC approval of the record plat. (See Attachment D.)
7. Farmland Preservation Purchase Periods Update:
AEP-Offers made to 4 landowners covering 287 acres totaling \$2.0 million in GO Bonds
BLT-Offers made to 5 landowners covering 466 acres acquiring 9 BLTs totaling \$2,491,875
8. County Council Action- July 10, 2012- ZTA 12-03 Agricultural Zones-Wineries-Approval with Amendments
9. PHED Committee Work Session- July 30, 2012 2:00 pm Land Use and economic trends in the Agricultural Reserve.
10. Next Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting August 21, 2012 @7:00 PM in Germantown-Does the AAC want to have this meeting following the County Ag Fair?
11. The AAC is scheduled to meet on September 18, 2012 @ 7:00pm in Germantown

Upcoming Meetings and Events:

Bob Raver's 80th Birthday Party-July 22, 2012

23rd Annual Farm Tour-July 28 and 29, 2012 @ 10:00 am-4:00 pm **Brochures Handed Out**

PHED Committee-Land Use and economic trends in the Agricultural Reserve-July 30, 2012

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