

July 5, 2007

Mrs. Martha Hendley Chair, Prince William County Planning Commission 1 County Complex Ct. Prince William, VA 22192-9201

Dear Mrs. Hendley,

Thank you for the invitation to a Planning Commission work session to discuss the three chapters the Community Coalition of Concerned Citizen Groups drafted on Parks, Open Space and Trails, and submitted to the Planning Commission on April 18.

After the Planning Commission forwarded the drafts to the Park Authority for their review and comment, we have focused our efforts on working with that group to clarify their questions and address their concerns.

We plan to speak to the Park Authority Board at their July 11 meeting to ensure that the content of the three chapters is clearly understood. We plan to modify our draft chapters to incorporate feedback from the Park Authority Board and staff. We will request their endorsement of our revised chapters at the July 25 Park Authority Board meeting and had already committed to attend that meeting prior to your letter.

We recognize the enormous challenge you face in trying to schedule the Comprehensive Plan updates while also processing the standard Planning Commission workload. Unfortunately, since we have already committed to the July dates with the Park Authority, we cannot attend a meeting with the Planning Commission on the 25th. We sincerely regret that we cannot participate in more than one meeting on those dates.

We are extremely interested in an interactive session with the Planning Commission. We hope to have a plan to present to you that is endorsed by the Park Authority after July 25th. We also hope there is an option to schedule an interactive meeting with the Planning Commission after that date without further delaying the timeframe for the review of these Comprehensive Plan Chapters. In case this is not possible, we will seek to meet with Planning Commissioners individually to ensure that everyone is familiar with our proposal, including any revisions made to incorporate Park Authority comments.

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