

PUBLIC HEARING ON DRAFT FIRE-RESCUE MASTER PLAN UPDATE

A Public Hearing concerning the draft “Update of the Fire, Rescue, Emergency Medical Services, and Community Risk Reduction Master Plan” (“Master Plan Update) will be hosted by Montgomery County Fire Chief Richard R. Bowers on Monday, November 30, 2009 at 7 p.m. in the Lobby Auditorium of the Executive Office Building, 101 Monroe Street, Rockville. Public parking is available on the lower level of the nearby County Office Building Parking Garage located at Monroe Street and East Jefferson Street.

The draft Master Plan Update includes proposed changes to response time goals, delivery of advanced life support services, and four-person staffing implementation, among other changes. The document also proposes additional recommendations addressing various aspects of fire-rescue related risk. Major revisions, additions and deletions being proposed in the document could require amendments to the “Fire, Rescue, Emergency Medical Services, and Community Risk Reduction Master Plan.” The draft Master Plan Update can be viewed at the Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service headquarters at 101 Monroe Street, any of the County’s Regional Services Centers, or on- line at www.mcfrrs.org.

Those wishing to testify during the Public Hearing must contact Cecilia Johnson no later than November 24 at 240-773-8945 or at Cecilia.johnson@montgomerycountymd.gov. The opportunity to testify will be given to the first 30 persons requesting to testify.

Individuals representing themselves or their household will be given 3 minutes to testify, and those representing a group or organization will have 5 minutes. Those testifying are asked to provide a written copy of their testimony to Chief Bowers at the Public Hearing.

Persons having disabilities that need any services or aids to participate should contact Mrs. Johnson no later than November 23.