



DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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MEMORANDUM

April 11, 2012

TO: Agricultural Advisory Committee Members (AAC)

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

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

Please be advised that the Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, April 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 April 17, 2012.

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Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda –April 17, 2012

1. Introductions: If needed
2. Approval of the AAC Minutes from March 20, 2012. (See Attachment A.)
3. Update on the UME-Agronomy Educator Position-Response from the UME-Central Md Counties on how to collectively fund the position.
4. Response regarding the AAC letter dated January 17, 2012 regarding Local Map Amendment G-909 in Bethesda Central Business District. (See Attachment B.)
5. New Appointments to the Agricultural Advisory Committee- We are now moving forward on the new appointments.
6. Montgomery County Local Bills- House Bill 723 MC 7-12 Septic Easements passed both the House of Representatives and the Senate. The Bill will be effective July 1, 2012 unless it is vetoed by the Governor. House Bill 722 Recorded Covenants passed the Senate and was rejected by the House of Representatives and is therefore dead. SB 1100 was introduced.
7. Discussion surrounding the April 17, 2012 Zoning Advisory Panel: (See Attachment C.)
8. Proposed ZTA from the DED-DEP on Solar Installations in the Agricultural zones.
9. Follow up on the Development Impact Tax and how it is applied to accessory structures and accessory dwellings at the same full rate as primary structures. (See Attachment D.)
10. Discussion on amending Chapter 22A-5 Forest Conservation-Timber Harvest permit.
11. Discussion regarding the Agricultural Reserve Conference-Farming at Metro's Edge-Sustaining Agriculture in Frederick and Montgomery Counties-Friday and Saturday November 9&10, 2012. <http://mocoalliance.org/2012/03/farming-at-metros-edge-conference-full-brochure/>
12. The County received a \$1.0 million payment from the Designee of the Crown Farm Village LLC that went bankrupt. The Sun Brook Partners Inc. must remit the final payment in the amount of \$1.0 million once the final lots are recorded for the mixed use planned development.

Upcoming Meetings and Events:

Montgomery County Farm Bureau Board of Directors, May 1, 2012@7:00pm

Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board, May 8, 2012@7:30 pm

Montgomery Soil Conservation District Board of Supervisors, May 11, 2012@9:00am

Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting, May 15, 2012@7:00 pm-Germantown