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The Honorable John R. Leopold
County Executive for Anne Arundel County
Arundel Center, P.O. Box 2700
Annapolis, Maryland 21404-2700

Re: Bill 2-12, Amendments to the Anne Arundel County Master Plan for Water Supply and Sewerage Systems

Dear Mr. Leopold:

Section 532 of the Anne Arundel County Charter establishes the Planning Advisory Board (PAB). Section 532 (b) establishes that the PAB shall make advisory recommendations to the Planning & Zoning Officer and the County Council relating to various matters including various Master Plans. Among those documents reviewed and for which advisory recommendations are rendered by the PAB is the *Master Plan for Water Supply and Sewerage Systems (Master Plan)*. The current Master Plan was adopted by Bill 84-07 and amended in Bills 93-08, 89-09, and 60-11.

The Planning Advisory Board (PAB) met on January 4, 2012, and was briefed by staff from the Office of Planning and Zoning, Long Range Planning Division (OPZ) regarding seven proposed map amendments and one text amendment to Table 3-17, to the above referenced Master Plan. The map amendments involve service category changes for specific properties. The PAB received the staff testimony and reviewed the proposed amendments.

The OPZ staff noted that there was insufficient capacity at the Maryland City Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) to justify including all petitions reviewed by staff in preparation of Bill 2-12. The PAB notes that there is significant growth in the forecast for this service area and recommends an evaluation of the WRF's capacity to meet the needs of present and future development.

The Board also received verbal testimony from three persons, one in support of amendments noted in Bill 2-12, one requesting the Board to support an application not included in the Bill, and one in opposition to an amendment proposed by the OPZ staff and included in the Bill. On January 25, 2012, the PAB met in session to discuss and prepare this Deliberation Letter for Bill 2-12 and by a vote of 5 to 1 the PAB adopted an advisory recommendation of approval for the Bill.

Should you desire clarification or further information on this topic, please contact George Cardwell or Sharon Faulkner at extension 7440 or 7432, respectively.

Respectfully Submitted,



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