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23	WILLIAM M. DOERNER, Commissioner
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2	MADAM CHAIR: I need the Board, unless the Board,
3	okay.
4	MR. TEDESCO: Madam Chair, you missed a smooth
5	landing too.
6	MADAM CHAIR: I'm sure I did. I'm sure I did.
7	But we're going to have to have another one. I kept trying
8	to stop you all, but we were frozen over here, I was making
9	every kind of gesture to stop. So I never did hear what
10	happened to the next Condition V. So I have to go back to
11	that. You have proposed language for V, proposed revisions?
12	MR. BOSSI: Yes, Madam Chair, I'm happy to pick it
13	up there.
14	MADAM CHAIR: Okay. I'm sorry.
15	MR. BOSSI: My apologies, I missed the chats
16	asking me to stop.
17	MADAM CHAIR: Okay.
18	MR. BOSSI: I was on a roll.
19	MADAM CHAIR: I'm sure you were.
20	MADAM VICE CHAIR: And you were great, wonderful.
21	MADAM CHAIR: And it was smooth, we know that.
22	Okay.
23	MR. BOSSI: All right. Well thank you and we'll
24	work, glad we got through that technical difficulty.

MADAM CHAIR: Yes.

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MR. BOSSI: So regarding Condition 1V, this was 1
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MADAM CHAIR: Okay.

MR. BOSSI: -- here the applicant did request to strike that condition and applicant, excuse me, and staff is proposing instead of that to add new language to replace the language for Condition 1V. So that's language that I would like to read into the record today and that reads as follows. Add a new general note to the plan indicating that all site features and amenities associated with the development of each building shall be completed with their associated building. This shall include recreation facilities and streetscape features as applicable.

I think I then went on, Madam Chairwoman to note that I believe that the city and the applicant are in agreement with those changes that staff has read into the record today.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Now let me stop you for -MR. BOSSI: And would you like me to go --

MADAM CHAIR: No. Let me stop you for a second, because this is a new condition, 1P was easier for me to amend, I couldn't write as fast as you just spoke. So if and when, depending on how this goes and depending on what the motion is, if we need it, we're just going to have you read it into the record again. Okay? So that --

1	MR. BOSSI: Happy to do it.
2	MADAM CHAIR: would help the motion maker if we
3	go that route. Okay. So now you went on to say what?
4	MR. BOSSI: I went on to conclude our
5	presentation, Madam Chair, to say that staff is pleased to
6	recommend that the Board do adopt the findings and
7	conditions to the Technical Staff Report and approve DSP-
8	20020 and the associated Tree Conservation Plan which is
9	TCP2-030-00-01 for the redevelopment of Beltway Plaza Phase
10	1. This is with the conditions as modified by Applicant's
11	Exhibit 1, except for Conditions 1P and 1V, where staff
12	recommends incorporation of the language as read into the
13	record here today. With that, Madam Chair, we're happy to
14	answer any questions.
15	MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Very smooth, Mr. Bossi, thank
16	you so much. Let's see if the Board has any questions of
17	you, they may have started this already, but Madam Vice
18	Chair?
19	MADAM VICE CHAIR: No questions, thank you.
20	MADAM CHAIR: Commissioner Doerner?
21	COMMISSIONER DOERNER: Yes, I just have a quick
22	question, it's related to 1P, where I think you made kind of
23	a recommendation on 193. Can you provide or have maybe one
24	of the staff provide a little bit more description unless

this would be better handled by Mr. Tedesco, on what the

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Share-O's (phonetic sp.) would be like on 193? Because I literally was just walking right there yesterday morning and it is hairy on that street. And I would not want to be on a bike with an unprotected bike lane, it's just a painting on the street right there. I was on the sidewalk and cars and were just flying by, and this was in routine traffic in the morning. So I was wondering if there's going to be any kind of elevated protection on the street or some way to protect people from not getting hit, and either hurt or killed by a car.

MR. BOSSI: Thank you for that question,

Commissioner Doerner and it's one you know the city had
expressed concerns with that as well. It's my understanding
that through the DSP here with the Share-O Exhibit, the
applicant is committing to providing those markings which
has been, you know, discussed both with DRD, I believe
talked with SHA who did not provide really many comments
regarding that with this application. And they've also
talked with the city as well. So there is agreement that
the Share-O should be provided but in terms of a long term,
you know, bike lane or protected facility, you know as we
know that's ultimately going to be up to SHA as the
operating agency of Maryland 193.

I do not believe that there is a plan to provide full protected bike lanes as part of this project or these

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frontage improvements, but I believe that this is intended to be a step in that direction. But that's something that perhaps Mr. Tedesco and his team could elaborate on.

COMMISSIONER DOERNER: Yes, that would be great because I don't think it would acceptable to put people's lives in jeopardy just to get them on the street with no protection. And it can easily be done with some of the reflectors or kind of they're not quite bollards, but they're like plastic kind of things that come up in the air a little bit that you can put in the pavement. So it's not totally a protected bike lane, but it would at least have some division between the bikes and the cars. I think having the access on the road is great, but I've walked both on the north and south side of that road there and then also east of Kenilworth and it's not totally safe for pedestrians if we're just going to be putting them on the road with bikes and just some painting on the road, because people do not necessarily slow down for pedestrians or bikers in that area.

MR. BOSSI: The point is well taken, Commissioner Doerner, thank you.

MADAM CHAIR: Is that it for you Commissioner Doerner?

COMMISSIONER DOERNER: Yes, that's just one of my major concerns over there, I don't want somebody getting hit

	and nurt of killed right there.
2	MADAM CHAIR: Okay.
3	COMMISSIONER DOERNER: I want them to get out and
4	exercise, but we've got to be careful. I just had a friend
5	who got hit and got a concussion over the weekend by a car,
6	and I just don't want to see that happen anywhere else.
7	MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Thank you. No, we don't want
8	that. All right, Commissioner Geraldo?
9	COMMISSIONER GERALDO: I just want to dovetail off
10	of what Commissioner Doerner said. Is there parking on the
11	roadway in that area? Do you know, Mr. Bossi?
12	MR. BOSSI: On Greenbelt Road, no there is not.
13	COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Okay.
14	MADAM CHAIR: Is that it?
15	COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Commissioner, is that your
16	concern is Greenbelt Road one?
17	COMMISSIONER DOERNER: Yes.
18	COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Okay. I was thinking
19	because I noticed how we do the bike lanes here and I was in
20	Pennsylvania a couple of months ago and it was interesting
21	because they had the bike lanes running right next to the
22	curb and the cars would park away from the bike lane. So
23	the vehicles would actually protect any bikers.
24	MADAM CHAIR: So it was like a sandwich?
25	COMMISSIONER GERALDO: And I haven't seen

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MADAM CHAIR: I mean it was like sandwiching in 1 2 between the curb and the cars? COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Right. And I haven't seen 3 4 that anywhere here and I found it really interesting because the bike lanes would run, you know, parallel to the curb, a nice size lane, and then the cars would park closest to the 7 roadway. And I haven't seen that here and I thought it was a great concept because the cars are there to, they're 9 actually protecting the bikers. But I had one other question and it's minor and I don't know if I'm reading it 10 11 right or not, but if you look on page 25 of the Staff Report 12 it says in the second sentence it says no and I think it's a 13 typo it should say not. So I don't want to bear any confusion there. 14 15 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 16 MADAM VICE CHAIR: What page is that, Mr. Geraldo? 17 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: That's page 25, second 18 sentence. 19 MADAM VICE CHAIR: (Sound.) 20 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Let me go there. MADAM CHAIR: You mean with the conditions? 21 22 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Yes. No, not in the 23 conditions, no, findings. So --24 MADAM CHAIR: On page 25?

COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Page 25 of the Staff

Report. 1 2 MADAM VICE CHAIR: No. MADAM CHAIR: So my 25 is conditions. 3 4 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Okay. Then I'm --5 MADAM CHAIR: For the alternative development district standards. 6 7 MADAM VICE CHAIR: Right. COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Hold on, let me make sure. 8 9 MADAM VICE CHAIR: Yes, that's what I have. 10 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Am I looking at a different 11 Staff Report? 12 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Well, I hope not. Okay. 13 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Okay. Wait a minute. MADAM CHAIR: Okay. So --14 15 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: It is page 25, it is so it has access off street parking lots and structure parking, 16 17 when alley secondary fronts or side streets are not present. 18 MADAM CHAIR: Well, what page? I mean what 19 sentence are you on? 20 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: I'm looking, it's page 25, number 5. 21 22 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Item 5. 23 MADAM CHAIR: Oh Item 5 at the bottom, okay. 24 Okay. Got it.

COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Right.

1 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 2 MADAM VICE CHAIR: Oh, okay. 3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: He's right. 4 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 5 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: He's absolutely right. MADAM CHAIR: Okay. You're right. 6 7 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: That should be not. MADAM CHAIR: You're right, yes. Okay. 8 9 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Okay. 10 MADAM CHAIR: You're right. I was looking at the top one, the second sentence. Okay. All right. 11 12 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Okay. Sorry about that. 13 MADAM CHAIR: That's okay, was that it for you? COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Yes. 14 15 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. And we are going to fix that, thank you. 16 17 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Oh no, I'm sorry, I had one 18 other question. So and I don't know if there's anything 19 that could be done, but I saw that they're not recommending 20 any pervious paving because the soil is so what compacted, is that it, Mr. Bossi? 21 22 MR. BOSSI: Yes, that's correct, Commissioner Geraldo in the DSP. 23 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: So even with the 24

disturbance that there will be, it'll still be too

compacted? I'm just thinking about it's a lot of runoff that's going to be there.

MR. BOSSI: Yes, that is correct and that is what DPIE has essentially signed off on with their approval of the Storm Water Concept Plan. So the applicant did provide that information in the DSP that speaks to the soil conditions not being supportive of that type of onsite storm water treatment.

COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Okay. Thank you. No further questions.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay.

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COMMISSIONER DOERNER: Madam Chair, could I ask one more thing that I forgot?

MADAM CHAIR: My mic. Okay. Yes, Commissioner Doerner.

COMMISSIONER DOERNER: So in this, while we're on this aerial map right now, on the east side of the parcel where it abuts the historic district and the Greenbelt Middle School and (indiscernible) parking lot, is there going to be a fence that's going to running all along there that will be persistent throughout the whole construction phase, just to protect the kids that are in that area? Because that also feeds over to an elementary school right next to it as well.

MR. BOSSI: Thanks for that question, Commissioner

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Doerner. That's one I'd have to defer to Mr. Tedesco and
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   his team on regarding any of those construction time
    controls. You know, I don't believe that there is a
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   permanent fence specified on the DSP up along the top of
    that slope.
                It is a fairly steep slope, generally, all the
   way up to about Breezewood Drive along that eastern property
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    line. So it does kind of provide a bit of a divide itself,
   but up in that top corner where the tiered park will be, I
    don't believe that there's any permanent fencing along the
   property line there, as far as construction --
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             MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Let me stop --
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             MR. BOSSI: -- type controls again, that would be
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   Mr. Tedesco could answer that.
             MADAM CHAIR: And I don't want him to answer now,
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   because it is about 1 o'clock straight up and it is
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    lunchtime. So before you get into a good presentation, Mr.
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    Tedesco, and before Mr. Nelson gets into his presentation
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   and you have a lot of speakers, we're going to break now for
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    lunch and we will take more than 45 minutes, we'll be back
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    1:45 p.m. Okay.
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              MR. TEDESCO: Thank you, Madam Chair.
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              MADAM VICE CHAIR:
                                 Thank you.
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             MADAM CHAIR: Thank you. Okay.
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              (Whereupon, a luncheon recess was taken.)
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              (End of Tape Number 1.)
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1 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. And Mr. Nelson do you have 2 everyone you need, Ms. Grover, Mr. Thomas, and Mr. Green, 3 can you tell? 4 MR. NELSON: I believe they're all --5 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. I'll just do a check. 6 Grover, are you on? 7 MS. GROVER: Yes, I'm here. MADAM CHAIR: Okay, Mr. Thomas, are you on? 8 9 MR. THOMAS: I'm present, Madam Chairman. 10 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. And Larry Green? Lawrence 11 Green, are you on? 12 MR. GREEN: Present Madam Chair. 13 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. And Ms. Hruby, are you on 14 representing Greenbelt? 15 MS. HRUBY: Yes, present. 16 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Okay. So it looks like we're 17 good to go. Okay. Mr. Tedesco, you are on. 18 MR. TEDESCO: Good afternoon, Madam Chair and 19 members of the Planning Board. For the record, Matthew 20 Tedesco with the law firm of McNamee Hosea, in Greenbelt. 21 The great city of Greenbelt, I should say with our friends 22 from Greenbelt on the line. 23 As you mentioned, we have a number of folks with 24 me this morning and as I've said repeatedly on many cases,

and this one is no exception, it takes a full team effort.

And, in particular in this case, you know, our team is made up of not only the owner and the applicant and his joint venture partners, Atapco Properties and Dolben Company, but also members of the city and when I say that I really mean everybody involved in this project including your staff and I know Madam Vice Chair indicated that it starts with leadership and we've experienced that in this case without exception, not only from your staff and from your leadership but also from the city and Ms. Hruby and her staff and its leadership as well as the various bodies.

As you all may know the City of Greenbelt is made up of various different interests and they have many different organizations and groups and when these development applications go through the City of Greenbelt often times we are asked to present to many of them and I'll get into a little bit more detail on that. But I did want to just thank them from the outset.

Also I did you know kick around with reaching out to Mr. Flannigan (phonetic sp.) to have you know Kool and the Gang playing as I started speaking for Celebrate, because you know we are beyond thrilled to be here before you today, notwithstanding the unfortunate circumstances that Mr. Nelson and his client to oppose this application, but nevertheless, we are ecstatic at this opportunity. It has been a long time in the making and I don't mean just

since I've been involved in this development application, because it predates me. We all know Beltway Plaza, I think during the Preliminary Plan of Subdivision case which was on February 20th I mentioned I don't think there's, at that time we were doing them virtually, that was pre-pandemic, right before the pandemic hit actually. I think it was one of our last cases altogether in person. But I think I mentioned the fact that I think that everybody in that room which was a jammed packed room that night knows where Beltway Plaza is, or has been to Beltway Plaza.

It is a staple in Prince George's County. I want to publically thank my client made up of GB Mall Limited Partnership, care of Quantum Companies, who is represented here today by Mr. Fred Wine, who unfortunately had to leave due to a scheduling conflict, but was on this morning.

Also, David Sullivan who is with me, sitting to my left off camera and Kap Kapastin, who is on the line. Quantum and GB Mall Limited Partnership has been a solid companion partner not only in the City of Greenbelt for decades, but also the county and the Sector Plan for this area has recommended through different iterations the ultimate redevelopment of the Beltway Plaza and the most recent one in 2013 rezoned the property to M-U-I purposely to accommodate and provide for a mixed-use infill development at the mall and I'm going to go into some reasons why that was.

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But throughout that process, this ownership has been there the whole time, has made improvements to the mall as best it can, has accommodated tenants to the best that it can, including during the pandemic and to have this case before you today is a herculean task. They have invested just in the entitlement process to date over seven figures and that's not inconsequential, especially when we have opposition to our north that that property has basically remained as is for decades. So we're actually trying to improve upon not only the city but also the county. We are trying to implement the Sector Plan and its recommendations in the zoning. And with the help of your staff and with the help of the city and its active involvement, we are here today again to celebrate being hopefully one step closer to seeing actual dirt moved and construction commence within the next year for phase 1 of the ultimate redevelopment of Beltway Plaza.

I mentioned that, you know, it takes a team and I did want to highlight a couple of things. Throughout this journey, not you know exclusive of the Conceptual Site Plan which was reviewed back in 2017 and approved in, excuse me, 2017, 2018 and approved in the early spring of 2019. And exclusive of the Preliminary Plan of Subdivision that went through the process in 2019 and approved in early 2020, just this Detailed Site Plan alone we have had four Advisory

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Planning Board hearings with the City of Greenbelt's APB, Advisory Planning Board dating back to October of last year. We've had two Parks and Recreation Advisory Planning Board hearings. We've had two Green Aces, which is Greenbelt's Advisory Committee on environmental capability, and we've had five Council either work sessions or regular hearings, regular meetings. Not to include countless number of conversations, meetings with Ms. Hruby and her staff. made the joke back in February of 2020 that I think Ms. Hruby has seen me more than she ever probably would have hoped. But we've all done this together and it's been no easy feat, it's been no inexpensive feat, and I really as I told the City Council back on August 9th when they voted 5-1 to support this, which I can appreciate, I hope the importance of that recommendation to this Board understanding kind of the history of the City of Greenbelt and its Council, that is no easy feat to obtain and we were able to garner their support. Not only for the Conceptual Site Plan, the Preliminary Plan but of course this DSP. And I would be remiss if I didn't also acknowledge

And I would be remiss if I didn't also acknowledge our neighbors to the south in Berman Heights. We did meet with the on two occasions, their town council.

I do want to acknowledge for the record that we do have an agreed upon Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Greenbelt. We are in the processing of updating

that to and include the most recent entitlements and all of the most recent conditions that we've agreed to with the city. That is in the works. I did want to acknowledge that for the record, that that is something that we will enter into with the city to and include all of their conditions which were provided to you I believe on August 16th. It's in your backup. And that MOU really frames the basis for the majority of our request in modifications and conditions, in Applicant's Exhibit 1 which we'll get into at the appropriate time.

And so I just again want to publically thank Ms. Hruby, her staff, the City Council and all of the volunteers I should mention of all of the different advisory boards at the City of Greenbelt. I certainly want to thank Mr. Bossi, the Urban Design Section, Environmental Planning Section, the Transportation Planning Section, Community Planning Section, we had a lot of interaction and engagement with them from before SDRC to post SDRC and leading up to today and they've all been instrumental in preparing this application and presenting it to you as smoothly has Mr. Bossi did and as he always does.

Before I get too ahead of myself, I do want to indicate for the record that we otherwise further incorporate and adopt as our testimony the statement of justification that was presented in this case, which was

fairly robust. I'm sure the Board had had an opportunity to at least skim through that. I would not be overly upset if all 85 pages weren't read page by page, but I know they took time to go through it --

MADAM CHAIR: Oh we --

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MR. TEDESCO: -- and we do incorporate and adopt, I see, so we do incorporate and adopt that as our testimony because you know that really does frame the basis for a lot of the substantial evidence in the record, to and include the plans and all the exhibits that have been submitted. Which as you can see through your 40-deck slide is quite extensive.

In addition, Madam Chair and members of the Board, notwithstanding --

MADAM CHAIR: So one of the things you said, so hearing everything that you've just said thus far before you get into the real substance, you thanked an awful lot of people because you indicated it takes teamwork, so basically you're saying it's a we thing, it wasn't an I thing. It was a we thing.

MR. TEDESCO: It's a we thing, and you know and what I was trying to convey, Madam Chair, is by that pronoun it's really we for every citizen of Prince George's County because this project will impact and have far reaching positive benefits not only for the City of Greenbelt

immediately, the county and the residents of the immediate area, but really, the entire county. Because of its impact and because of what it stands for, we've talked a lot about what do we do with these older large mall facilities in the county and how do we transform them successfully. This is the example of doing it pursuant to implement a plan and the Sector Plan as well as all of the other planning documents and tools, but also doing it in a way that's collaborative and feedback.

There is no doubt from where we started in 2016 to where we are with this Phase 1 that this project is anything but better than where we even first conceived it, and that's because of the involvement of everyone that's been involved. Again, notwithstanding recent opposition.

And that includes our outreach which I was getting ready to get to. Our Exhibit 3 in your backup which is quite voluminous --

MADAM CHAIR: Yes, it is.

MR. TEDESCO: -- we did an extensive amount of outreach and that outreach really to credit to a lot of the citizens was because we heard at different work sessions among the City Council, hey you know can you do a little more? So we had two days of outreach in the mall itself and that was similar to what we did at the time of the Preliminary Plan. Those notifications were sent to the same

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mailing list and addresses that we get from your department with respect to informational mailing and acceptance mailings and parties of record. There are members on this line who attended those, who are here to speak in opposition, they were there. We did that for two days, we did that notification both in English and Spanish. presented on various message boards, there was a commercial that was run which you'll see in your Exhibit 3, newspaper articles in the Greenbelt News Review, we published it there. We also did an outreach at the Greenbelt Station Verde which is the project to the west. We met with them and all of these occurred in July, so fairly recently and they were in person. And that's kind of before the kind of delta variance kind of started rearing its ugly head and so we were able to actually get out and meet with folks, of course all masked and everything else, but it was great. And the vast majority of people that attended those were very positive and supportive, ultimately leading to the City Council's support for this application.

So that's our Exhibit 3. Exhibit 2 we can pull that up if it's easier, or Mr. Flannigan or one of the folks at your end can pull that up. I do want to run through our Exhibit 2 because it does show some different perspectives of the additional backup.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay.

1 MR. TEDESCO: I see that being pulled up. 2 MADAM CHAIR: Yes, I do. There we go. 3 MR. TEDESCO: Yes, we can start there. 4 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 5 MR. TEDESCO: That's okay, if we can zoom those 6 in. 7 MADAM CHAIR: Do we want to go back one? Okay. MR. TEDESCO: Yes, slide 6. 8 9 MADAM CHAIR: So the top one. Okay. 10 MR. TEDESCO: And if there's a way to enlarge 11 that. 12 MADAM CHAIR: Yes. He will. Slide 6. Okay. Here 13 we go. 14 MR. TEDESCO: So this is a perspective of and 15 we've kind of labeled it so you can see, but it's what we 16 refer to as the Triangular Park. Breezewood Drive is on 17 your right, the open space amenity is kind of in the middle 18 of the screen and then Buildings 1B and 1C, 1B is the middle building, 1C is the western building. And this was really 19 20 to add some actually some additional details. Although that 21 flyover was --22 MADAM CHAIR: Wait a minute. 23 MR. TEDESCO: -- very impressive --24 MADAM CHAIR: 1B is the one with the blue?

MR. TEDESCO: Correct.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. All right.

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MR. TEDESCO: The teal, correct.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay, the teal. Excuse me, teal.

MR. TEDESCO: And we want to thank your staff for that flyover slide, that was very informative and impressive. These were also rendered to provide some depth and perspective for the improvements. That Triangular Park was something and it's in our justification statement, I don't want to reread our justification statement but providing that amenity for not only the residents, future residents but existing residents having a 10-foot wide side path along Breezewood Drive paralleled by a 5-foot wide sidewalk on either side of that open amenity providing yard, green space, open space, passive recreational space, was something that evolved in through different iterations, but we're very proud of it. It does provide some offing of the massing with respect to Breezewood Drive and it's just going to be a really awesome improvement to Breezewood Drive and this overall project. If we can go to the next slide?

So this is a perspective again, Breezewood Drive is to your left, this is looking kind of northeast a little bit. That is Building 1B at the entrance of Street B. One of the things we heard is in addition to Share-O's and pedestrian bike connectivity and friendliness to provide a median for Road B, which is what you see kind of in the

middle spot, right where the cursor is, that's a median for Road B to improve upon that entrance and also obviously the other side, or the eastern side of the triangle plaza in the middle of the screen, with Building 1B in the foreground.

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MADAM CHAIR: And the art deco sign. Okay.

MR. TEDESCO: Yes. This is the trail between
Building 1A and 1B which is actually a Master Plan trail.
So on the left of the screen is the parking garage
associated with Building 1B and on the right is Building 1A.
To the top of the screen it's kind of hard to see, that's
Breezewood Drive out to the top of the screen and then to
the bottom of the screen would be where this Master Plan
trail amenity intersects with Road A, and there will be
other slides that depict that. Next slide.

MADAM CHAIR: That's a lot of landscaping. I hope you --

MR. TEDESCO: A lot of landscaping and you know, Sheryl Fisher from Rodgers Consulting is on the line, who is our landscape architect. We probably would need another day's worth of hearing for her to go through all the different elements in landscaping features. We've got a lot of really cool features with the landscaping to and include different edible varieties and things of that sort, and we'll get into that when we get to some other slides.

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The next one is the tiered park. This is adjacent to the middle school on the east side of the project, Building 1A is kind of in the foreground. And then this tiered park is purposeful in the sense that there's significant grade on that side of the property, so we've tiered this park to provide seating areas, lawn areas, seating areas. You can see there's somebody playing guitar. We've really envisioned this area to be programed and amenitized to include just somewhat passive, but also you can have yoga classes, you can have some music and then what we also heard was having some actual active recreation. you can kind of see it in the left side of the screen, we have like a boulder park, a natural type facility that will provide climbing features and things of that sort for not only the residents of this new development, but the citizens you know walking along the 10-foot side path along Breezewood Drive. Next slide.

This is just another perspective of again

Breezewood Drive to your lower right, Building 1A in the

foreground, the tiered park kind of in the middle and you

can kind of see the kind of boulder play area, park area to

the left of the screen. Next slide.

Just another perspective a little bit more at ground level so you can kind of get the height of the dimension. You can kind of see the road and the property

really slopes down at this location. Next slide.

And I'm sure Sheryl and others at Rodgers are probably chopping at the bit for me to say more, but I'm trying to be sensitive of time and you know a picture says a 1,000 words, so forgive me if I'm not hitting every highlight, but this is another perspective of the Master Plan trail separating right at Street A where it intersects Building 1A is to your right and the garage and Building 1B is to your left. Again, you'll see the significant landscape features and art screening, natural screening on that garage along this Master Plan trail. Next slide.

A different perspective of kind of looking north, I'm sorry, yes, north, I guess east it would be of the Master Plan trail. We've got a water feature associated with that right there, and then to the left of the screen is where it would intersect with Road A to the north would be Breezewood. Again Building 1A on your right and the garage to Building 1B and part of Building 1B on your left, again with the screening on the garage.

MADAM CHAIR: Is there directional signage there?

MR. TEDESCO: A lot of directional signage --

MADAM CHAIR: Way finding?

MR. TEDESCO: -- a lot of way finding signage.

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25 to knock Phase 1 out of the park to get to Phase 2, Phase 3,

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Phase 4 and so we really, we show a lot of way finding, a lot of features, place making as well as true you know, our vision from this from day one was making this a true mixed-use lifestyle center that Prince George's County really deserves and honestly doesn't have. I mean I would venture maybe next to National Harbor which has some cues that from these types of elements, we don't really see this level of development in detail and so this is really not only a trendsetting development, but a generational development. Next slide.

So this is a perspective of Road A and on the left hand side is the repurposed and redeveloped, rebuilt currently Laugh Out Loud space that will be, some of it will be demolished and razed, the other of it will be redeveloped and constructed to provide the 27,000 square feet, which originally it was 20,000 then it was 25,000 and we've increased it to 27,000 square feet of an indoor recreational amenity that will be provided to the city, it will be run and operated and programmed by the city as their facility. That's otherwise 27,000 square feet of commercial retail leasable space which is a very significant sacrifice to the owner applicant to give up that amount of square footage. But during the time of the Preliminary Plan of Subdivision you know we heard the call that Greenbelt West utterly lacks indoor recreational space 365 days a year, and so this

applicant again building upon its decade's long relationship and commitment to the city and to the county agreed with the city to provide that space and we just think that's just going to be something that's not only going to be needed and well utilized, but just a really nice component of its overall development to have that indoor recreational facility. So that's on the left. Next slide.

This is the proposed or the shown dog park, I shouldn't say proposed, the dog park associated with Building 1A. To the right is Road A, you can see Share-O's and sidewalks along the street. We will also have sidewalks within the dog park. The dog park will have features which are more detailed on the Detailed Site Plan for the pets. There will be water fountains for the dogs as well as for humans and we are working on potentially providing a dog wash station for the residents associated with Building 1A for their pets. There is some gray there, so you can see this area sits up above the sidewalk on the street, adds some separation but it's a really, really nice feature that obviously a lot of multifamily projects are moving towards to accommodate for pets. Next slide.

Another perspective of the dog park just looking back towards the north. Next slide.

So this area is kind of sits to the south of Building 1A, to the right hand side is the mall structure

Road A, it kind of wraps around to the left. You can see the very significant gray, the middle school is up on the top of that hill to the left. There is a retaining wall at the bottom of that area and really this has been a couple of different things throughout this review process. Ultimately we've settled on it being a community garden, which is something that the city and a lot of the stakeholders really wanted and asked for us to make that work. And so you can see raised planters and just the community garden space with picnic tables, fencing to separate it from the road and the sidewalks. It will be lit and provide all the necessary tools needed for a community garden. And the next one is the last slide.

And this is again just another perspective of that community garden space.

So I just wanted to go through, thank you for your indulgence for allowing us to go through that. If that was Mr. Flannigan taking us through that, I thank you for assisting me in that.

MADAM CHAIR: It was.

MR. TEDESCO: Yes, thank you. And with that,

Madam Chair, I just wanted to say that we are in agreement

with staff's recommendations. We are in agreement with not

only the recommendations for the modifications to the

Development District Standards which are not only summarized

in your Staff Report with respect to findings, but also justified quite extensively in our statement of justification. We are also in agreement with the conditions as modified in Applicant's Exhibit 1 to and include the two revisions that Mr. Bossi went through with you earlier this afternoon with respect to Condition 1P as in Paul and 1V as in Victor. We are in agreement with those additional edits.

And with that, Madam Chair, I'm happy to go through the rest of the conditions as modified, if desired.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. So first, let's see if anyone has any questions for you at this time. Madam Vice Chair?

MADAM VICE CHAIR: No questions at this time.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay.

MADAM VICE CHAIR: Well, yes, of the City of Greenbelt's conditions, were most of them incorporated into the final conditions that were submitted?

MR. TEDESCO: If I may answer that? There were a number of them that were, a lot of the ones that we've asked to be deleted, I think Applicant's Exhibit 1 are more, are basically more or less conditions that we've agreed to with the city, but they're more appropriate between the applicant and the city. I think your staff and your legal counsel agreed that it was probably not appropriate for this Board to impose some conditions that are covered in our MOU or that will be covered in our MOU and agreed to by the

applicant and the city. 1 2 MADAM VICE CHAIR: Okay. MR. TEDESCO: So there are a handful that are and 3 4 there's a few that were taken out just because of, I'm 5 sorry. 6 MADAM VICE CHAIR: Okay. Thank you. 7 MR. TEDESCO: Sure. MADAM CHAIR: Perhaps some are tweaked a little 8 9 bit. Okay. Was that it for you, Madam Vice Chair? 10 MADAM VICE CHAIR: Yes. 11 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 12 MADAM VICE CHAIR: Yes. 13 MADAM CHAIR: Commissioner Doerner? COMMISSIONER DOERNER: Yes, Mr. Tedesco, I don't 14 15 know if you show the Share-O's on 193 or potential like 16 authority of maybe doing them a little bit differently. It 17 doesn't have to be a huge construction project, but just 18 something in there to be a bit more protective of folks here 19 in that area. 20 MR. TEDESCO: Yes, Commissioner, thank you for 21 that question. So as you know I mean you were at the site, you mentioned, and I know you're very familiar with this 22 23 area of the county. There is an existing bike lane on portions of 193 that end, at portions of the frontage of 24

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by State Highway. State Highway is ultimately the regulatory agency with respect to that. We do understand that there is a work force, or a work program to look at possible improvements to Maryland 193 to provide additional improvements. However, I don't know the current status of that. Ms. Hruby probably has a better handle on that than I do.

So where we have the ability to provide the continuation of the bike lane, we're seeking to do that although that's very limited through the vast majority of our frontage. So we did show those Share-O's again subject to SHA. We are also providing, which currently doesn't exist through the majority of the frontage of this project, outside of, you know, with this DSP but somewhat not necessarily contiguous with it, through a promise and commitment we made with the city is to do frontage improvements that include additional sidewalk, you may recall that the sidewalk kind of starts and stops and then doesn't exist at all through some of the frontage. are going to continue that sidewalk, that sidewalk is more than 5 feet setback from the face of curb. We will have landscaping behind that and there's existing overhead utility lines in between the grassed area, curbed grass area and then the new sidewalk. So completely understand your comment and your concern. We share in that concern but you

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know ultimately it's SHA's call and you know SHA will have to decide whether the Share-O's are sufficient or appropriate and if so, in what locations.

COMMISSIONER DOERNER: Okay. I understand the authority that they have, but it would be good as an applicant if you could proactively suggest just stuff, it doesn't even have to be permanent, like you could get the reflectors and if you go in D.C. over by like Catholic University and the hospitals that are over there, there's a nice kind of median of in there, and as you kind of transition into it, they have these nice reflectors that come up and there's also examples like in Shaw and a couple of other places in D.C. We don't have a ton of that in this area and Greenbelt and the College Park areas hasn't had a good history of pedestrian friendliness, it's not a good history of being a dangerous situations that overnight they might have changed that and alter that environment. So if you guys could proactively suggest that, I think that would be helpful. Because they might be amenable to just going ahead and thinking about it and trying it out.

MR. TEDESCO: Yes, and Kap Kapastin is on the line, takes an active role in the Greenbelt Road Task Force and so that's certainly something that we will take back.

Mike Lenhart who is our traffic engineer is on the line and our representatives of Rodgers are taking note of that for

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COMMISSIONER DOERNER: Okay. And then do you want to talk about maybe the fence that I asked about also, that separates Greenbelt Middle and the northeast park portion of your parcel?

MR. TEDESCO: Yes, I want to make sure I understood your question clearly. Were you talking about during the construction phase, the typical temporary fencing to secure the site to protect it from pedestrians as well as the site itself?

COMMISSIONER DOERNER: Yes --

MR. TEDESCO: Or are you talking more of a permanent fence at the top of the hill?

COMMISSIONER DOERNER: Both. So I wanted to make sure that during construction that you weren't going to have kids or folks wondering like around on that site but then also like more permanently that the children will be protected so that way at least from the school's perspective they could sort of funnel the kids in certain places.

Because there's, right now, Greenbelt Middle has that like large field over there, I think they walk across if they got up the slope. And the kids at Dora Kennedy, they're right there. They're all like free for all playing outside in various areas around there, in like the trees that are on the northeast section of that parcel and the crowd just kind

of get socially distanced. And I don't want to have somebody kind of walking on to either of those school properties and potentially causing any kind of problems as we're trying to maintain social distancing with the children.

MR. TEDESCO: Understood. No, good question. So reverse, I'll take them in the order that they were presented. So yes, of course during the construction phase the site will be secured as most construction sites are secured with temporary fencing to ensure not only the safety of the residents and the citizens, but also you know the work site itself from different types of things that can occur on a construction site with respect to the safety of the materials and things of that sort. So yes, that will absolutely be done.

As far as permanent fencing between the school and this site, no, that's not shown or proposed. Again, that area between the two sites is very significant. There's a retaining wall at the bottom to hold back and there is fencing where the cursor is now I do believe where the ball fields are, there is fencing at least there. I don't think that fencing continues all the way north but I believe there is fencing near the ball fields to some extent. Somebody could correct me if I'm wrong on that, but for some reason I had a memory of seeing that once before.

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But with that being said, we don't currently have an issue with any of the school children in either of those locations traversing that slope. I think the slope in and of itself is a deterrent and a distraction. Even with this development being proposed that slope will be continued to be forested and wooded as part of our TCP2 area, and as far as you saw the significant landscaping between the Building 1A and the tiered park and those facilities. We do continue the 10-foot wide side path along Breezewood Drive to make those sidewalk connections. So somebody would have to be up to no good to really be trying to get over there and we just don't see that as being a problem. We do understand that (indiscernible) principles are being implemented here with that landscaping. I think the landscaping and the hill alone will provide that deterrent. As far as just school kids being school kids, we haven't experienced that to date for many, many years that those schools have been there.

COMMISSIONER DOERNER: And can you just do me the favor and reach out to Greenbelt Middle and ask if they would want that?

MR. TEDESCO: Sure thing.

COMMISSIONER DOERNER: I realize that you haven't had it to date, but we also haven't had kids really on site for a year and a half almost. And I know for a fact right now that the elementary school kids are just being disbursed

throughout that area, and they're at more of a danger potentially than the middle school kids from anyone kind of wondering on. And it's very easy just to walk from either the south end or the north end of your sites onto those properties. So I just want to make sure that if the school would feel more comfortable with security now that the kids are back and they're a little bit more active and outside, potentially, in a greater variety, not kind of concentrated, that you could provide that additional security if it's desired.

MR. TEDESCO: Sure. Happy to reach out to them.

COMMISSIONER DOERNER: Okay. Thank you.

MR. TEDESCO: Sure.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Commissioner Geraldo? You have to unmute.

COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Thank you so much, Madam Chair. Thank you, Mr. Tedesco for the presentation. So I have a very good idea by looking at the Staff Report and looking up the additional backup materials, but I would like to know what is, there seems to have been a lot of community involvement and community meetings. So I'd like to know what is your understanding of the opposition to this development?

MADAM CHAIR: Well --

MR. TEDESCO: So what we believe is really the

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introduction of additional multifamily housing in that
location is the main ire of the owners of the Franklin Park
community.

COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Okay. And that's it?

MADAM CHAIR: And we have, no, well we have people signed up so you know I know you asked for his understanding of what it is, and I think that's what he shared. But, I guess he might be reluctant to put words in the mouths of the opponents who have signed up today.

COMMISSIONER GERALDO: No, and I don't want him to do that. I just wanted to see what the developer's -
MADAM CHAIR: Yes.

COMMISSIONER GERALDO: -- understanding was of the objection and --

MADAM CHAIR: Yes.

COMMISSIONER GERALDO: -- and perhaps efforts were made, if any, but there seems to have been some to alleviate or if not alleviate, lessen, the opposition, if I'm making sense.

MR. TEDESCO: Yes, so you are and I will say that there have been efforts, there have been communication. I will just say in the spirit of private conversations and not to expand upon those is that some of the things that probably would result in the opposition being satisfied are just things that are somewhat, if not impossible, very

difficult for my client to promise.

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COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Okay. Thank you. I have no further questions, Madam Chair.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Thank you. Okay. Do you want to touch on these, your proposed amendments to conditions in Applicant's Exhibit 1A?

MR. TEDESCO: Happy to do so. So Condition 1F -- MADAM CHAIR: Not just 1A, but 1.

MR. TEDESCO: -- just clarifying again, one thing I failed to mention that in kind of applauding the efforts of providing the indoor recreational facility for the city which was provided at the time of the Preliminary Plan, is that as you all probably know, the City of Greenbelt is outside of the Metropolitan Washington District. So there is no recreational amenity requirement, so to speak, from the mandatory dedication perspective. Again, that's more of a Preliminary Plan issue.

And so notwithstanding that requirement was met through the accommodation of providing the 27,000 square feet interior space. However, from marketability overall projects high level importance of providing high quality housing, as well as kind of just the arms raised with respect to multifamily and the amenities that have to be provided, this applicant and the development team show as you saw in a number of slides, a lot of amenity features

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associated with the multifamily development. And so this

Condition 1F revision really gets to the fact that to add a

note to the Detailed Site Plan identifying one of the

features in Building 1A is a rooftop amenity and providing

some more general specificity to what those amenities

features will be at the time of certification. We did show

some on the DSP and so staff had asked us to show more

specificity so this was a negotiated resolution to that with

all things being considered.

Condition 1H, again Condition 1H was another very lengthy discussion with staff as well as the city, with respect to the garages. You saw in your slides that the majority of the garage façades have been treated with screening, whether art or other types of screening as well as a decorative spandrel systems. So this Condition 1H really gets to softening appearances of the other parking garages and other façades that your staff had requested for additional treatments to be determined at the time of certification with consultation with the city. And also because the south side of Garage 4 currently faces the mall structure, we wanted to provide language in here that if at future phases of this project Phases 2 or 3 in particular, there is open views or mews or something of that sort to that Garage 4 that staff has the opportunity to request and ask for additional screening treatment than what may be

shown on the certified plan. Understanding that some level of additional features need to be provided at this time.

M as in Mary, that's just tying that condition back to Condition 11D of the Preliminary Plan. Condition 11D was the BPI's exhibit and so there was a need to make sure we address those requirements and so we're just adding the words revised to BPI's exhibit for consistency with Condition 11D.

Condition 1N as in Nancy, same logic. Condition 11F was the BPI's exhibit and so we were asked to provide the bus shelter on that BPI's exhibit pursuant to the Preliminary Plan condition.

Condition 1P, Mr. Bossi, I think effectively spoke about. We are in agreement with Mr. Bossi, with the changes that you see on our exhibit to and include the changes that Mr. Bossi read into the record.

Condition 1S, that's being requested to be deleted because that 10-foot wide sidewalk trail along Breezewood is already shown on the plans that were submitted after SDRC.

Condition 1V as in Victor, we had asked for that to be deleted. Staff had requested additional, excuse me, new language which Mr. Bossi read into the record which we are in agreement with.

Condition 1W, again that was already provided and shown on the submittal package post SDRC in July, so that

1 can be deleted. That's been done.

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MADAM CHAIR: Same thing with Y?

MR. TEDESCO: The same thing, well --

MADAM CHAIR: No.

MR. TEDESCO: -- 1X, I'm sorry, Madam Chair.

MADAM CHAIR: 1X.

MR. TEDESCO: 1X, that's just to provide clarity so there's no confusion because that area where Street B, Building 1B and 1C, there's the median and there's actually two sidewalks and so we just wanted to provide clarity of where that crosswalk would be. And so that connecting sidewalk is along the south side of Breezewood Drive (indiscernible) makes it clear for everybody the sidewalk location. It's just a clarifying comment.

1Y, that goes to one of my answers to Vice Chair, that is covered in the city's conditions by our MOU, and we did not feel like it was appropriate for this Planning Board to impose that.

Condition 1BB, that's for consistency. That's a city condition the cast and stamped concrete is something that we've agreed to with the city. So Condition 1BB aligns with the city's condition in that regard.

Condition 1EE, is talked about in the, I think Mr. Bossi referenced it in his presentation. Staff had asked that we delete some of the freestanding monument signs, but

the wall sign we had requested be allowed. That wall sign is only a few inches, how far, it's 18 inches tall. The wall itself is two, two and a half feet, two feet. It's more of a sitting wall and it's got the Beltway Plaza art deco lettering on it and we really didn't feel like that was really a freestanding sign, and so staff agreed and so we wanted to make sure that that condition clarified that the wall sign was permitted.

Condition 3, we show that as deleted because that approved plan was provided with the resubmittal back in July.

Condition 6, again a city condition covered in the MOU and I'll say Condition 7 again covered in the MOU with the city and also I think staff's request for new Condition 1V really tries to get at Condition 7.

And then Conditions 8, 10 and 11 are all effectively covered in the MOU with the city.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Got it. Thank you.

MADAM VICE CHAIR: Madam, was that 8, 10 and 11?

MR. TEDESCO: 8, 10 and 11 are city conditions that will be governed by the MOU that the parties will enter into.

MADAM CHAIR: Yes.

MR. TEDESCO: Again, we have an agreed upon MOU but it's got to be updated, which I'm in the process of

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             MR. TEDESCO: It is, Madam Chair, for now. We
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             MR. TEDESCO: (No audible response.)
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             MADAM CHAIR: Mr. Tedesco? You don't need them
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             MR. TEDESCO: I don't need them right now. I do
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   want to clarify one thing, I'm sorry.
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             MADAM CHAIR: Then we're going to go to Ms. Hruby
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             MR. TEDESCO: I know we're ready to move on
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             MADAM CHAIR: I want to go to Ms. Hruby when
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   you're finished.
             MR. TEDESCO: I was just informed that our TCP2
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   does show a fencing along that preservation area. So I
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some fencing in that tree preserve area to separate the two sites. But I'll drill more into that as Mr. Nelson is going forward just to make sure, but that's my understanding. So there actually is some fencing up there.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Thank you. I'm now going to turn to Ms. Hruby, representing the City of Greenbelt.

MS. HRUBY: Yes, thank you. Good afternoon, Madam Chair and members of the Board. For the record, Terri Hruby, Director of Planning Community Development for the City of Greenbelt. I'm here on behalf representing Greenbelt City Council.

As referenced in your backup materials as Mr. Tedesco referenced, the City Council voted 5 to 1 to conditionally support the Detailed Site Plan. It's been a very long road, we've been working for, as Mr. Tedesco mentioned, many, many months to refine the original DSP that was submitted and we are encouraged, if you will, with the progress that has been made over the last several, many, almost a year now, on the Detailed Site Plan. As indicated, with the agreement of the applicant to enter into an MOU with the City of Greenbelt we feel our issues that were quite significant on the onset, will be satisfactorily addressed as the development moves forward. We look forward to working with them as well as your staff on the future phases of this development. It's really our hope that we

can, as we move forward, if you will, include some diversity in housing choices and address some affordability. So those are goals that we plan to work with with the applicant as we see more residential development in future phases.

I want to thank Adam Bossi and the rest of your staff. We really had a great and active dialog throughout their development review process. I think that's where, how we ended up here today in conditional support. We don't have an objection to the staff recommendation as it was amended by both Mr. Bossi and the applicant today.

As indicated, we feel confident that our concerns and our conditions will be incorporated into an MOU. Thank you.

MADAM CHAIR: Thank you, Ms. Hruby. So and Holly Simmons had signed up but I don't know if she was on, but you've covered everything that we need to cover for the City of Greenbelt, is that correct?

MS. HRUBY: Yes, I have. Thank you very much.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Thank you. I don't know if the Board has any questions right now of Ms. Hruby. Madam Vice Chair?

MADAM VICE CHAIR: No questions, but I like her term of active dialog.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Commissioner Doerner?

COMMISSIONER DOERNER: No questions, thank you.

MADAM CHAIR: And Commissioner Geraldo? 1 2 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: No questions, Madam Chair. 3 Thank you to the City of Greenbelt. 4 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Thank you. Okay. 5 Nelson, you're on. 6 MR. NELSON: Thank you. Can you hear me 7 adequately, Madam Chairwoman? MADAM CHAIR: We can hear you very well now. 8 9 Thank you. 10 MR. NELSON: Macy Nelson, counsel for the citizen protestants. I've been authorized to speak on behalf of 11 12 three residents of Franklin Park. The first is, let me just 13 identify them for the record, Natalie Williams (phonetic sp.) , she resides at 9119 Spring Hill Lane, Darryl Martin 14 15 (phonetic sp.) he resides at 9000 Breezewood Terrace, and Shirley George (phonetic sp.) she resides at 6126 Breezewood 16 17 Drive. In addition I've been authorized to speak on behalf 18 of the owners of Franklin Park. They are Cosiv Kazarnovsky 19 K-A-Z-A-R-N-O-V-S-K-E-Y --20 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Hold up. 21 MR. NELSON: -- Ralph --22 MADAM CHAIR: Say it again, K-A-Z what? 23 MR. NELSON: K-A-Z-A-R-N --24 MADAM CHAIR: Yes.

MR. NELSON: -- O-V-S-K-Y.

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1 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 2 MR. NELSON: His partner, Ralph Rieder, R-I-E-D-E-3 R, and the company is Empirian Village, E-M-P-I-R-I-A-N 4 Village of Maryland, LLC. So I'm here on behalf of those 5 six persons or entities. 6 My clients are concerned about the excessive 7 density of the proposed project, traffic congestion, storm water problems, and the incompatibility with Franklin Park. Those are the general themes of the opposition. But please understand that my role here as an advocate of this case is 10 11 to review the application and I do that by pushing hard to 12 assemble all the relevant documents and to have those 13 documents reviewed by appropriate consultants. But there's a preliminarily issue that I need to raise with the Planning 14 15 Board. 16 At page 22 of the Staff Report --17 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Hold on. 18 MR. NELSON: -- talks about --19 MADAM CHAIR: Hold on. Hold on a second, let me 20 get to it. There' so many things. Okay. Is everyone where 21 you need to be? 22 MR. NELSON: Okay.

MR. NELSON: I'm on page 22 and the last few sentences of paragraph 13 just before the bolded 14. It's

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Okay.

talking about, the Staff Report is addressing the TCP2, we can all read what it says, but it says that there's a proposal for offsite mitigation, 2.1 acres of which have already been met and recorded for this site under Liber 9255 Folio 460. Well we obtained that declaration and by my reading it bore no relevance to this project. Indeed it refers to an easement or protection for a separate plan, 4-92091. I raised that question with the Planning Department yesterday and was informed this morning that was a mistake, and in fact there is a second deed with Liber 13871 Folio 204. I pulled that deed, that declaration. I see no relevance to this DSP 20020.

So the TCP2 issue is an important part of this case. I'm unable to properly and thoroughly analyze the proposal because the Staff Report was flawed. The deeds that have been cited appear to have no relevance to this project, so for that reason I'm requesting that the outset a postponement of this hearing so we can get complete and accurate information with respect to the offsite mitigation. So at this moment, I move for a postponement for that reason.

MADAM CHAIR: Well, you know what, that would have been nice to know earlier on, that you were going to request a continuance. So I would like to turn to our staff, because I was unaware of the Liber Folio issue. So I'd like

for someone to respond either Mr. Bossi, Mr. Hunt, Mr. 1 Warner, someone to address that. I mean someone --2 MR. BOSSI: Yes, Madam Chair. 3 4 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 5 MR. BOSSI: For the record, Adam Bossi. Yes, Mr. Nelson did raise this issue with staff yesterday, and we did 6 7 look into that. And I believe Ms. Nickle from the Environmental Planning Section did some research into that 9 and is available to speak to that. Suzanne Nickle, are you available? 10 MS. NICKLE: I am available. So both deeds are 11 referenced in the previously approved TCP2 for this site, 12 13 that case number is TCP2-030-00. The offsite easement was recorded in the earlier deed which is Liber 9255 Folio 460, 14 15 and that easement was assigned to fulfill the requirement of 16 the Target Corporation, who was the applicant of that TCP2 17 and that is recorded under Liber 1387 Folio 204. 18 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Wait a minute. MS. NICKLE: So it is referenced --19 20 MADAM CHAIR: Hold on, let me make sure I 21 understand because you're citing 9255 and 460, which is 22 correct, which you're then saying refers to 1387, is that 23 what you're saying? No?

MS. NICKLE: The reverse, 13871 Folio --

MADAM CHAIR: Okay.

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MS. NICKLE: -- 204 does reference this offsite 1 2 easement that is recorded in Liber 9255 Folio 460. MADAM CHAIR: So what I'm trying to understand is 3 4 Mr. Nelson is raising an issue that he was unable to find the documents pertaining to this TCP2, because of a faulty of a site. Are you saying that it is easy, he could find 7 this by looking at 9255 460, or no? MS. NICKLE: So both of these records are listed 8 9 on the prior TCP2 --10 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. MS. NICKLE: -- that's for this site. That's 11 12 TCP2-030-00. 13 MADAM CHAIR: So he would have to look at the prior TCP2, is that what you're saying and not --14 15 MADAM VICE CHAIR: No. MS. NICKLE: Yes, because that's what's recorded 16 17 on this site and that requirement is still valid --18 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 19 MS. NICKLE: -- and has already been fulfilled for 20 the current TCP2. 21 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Now, Mr. Warner, is there 22 anything you care to add to this? 23 MR. WARNER: Right, Mr. Nelson did bring this to both my attention and Adam's yesterday. We took a look at 24

it, we recognized that that additional liber reference that

he mentions would have been helpful to include in the Staff Report as well. However, as Ms. Nickle pointed out, all one needed to do was look at TCP2 030-0001 and would have seen the references necessary to evaluate the TCP2. So I don't think there's any error here that would justify a continuance from a legal point of view.

MADAM CHAIR: So you're saying he would have looked at TCP1 in order to get, is that what you're saying? Let me make sure I didn't miss something.

MR. WARNER: I'm saying that TCP2-030-00 -- MADAM CHAIR: Okay.

MR. WARNER: -- which divided the site into five separate phases is referenced in the Staff Report and looking at this as Ms. Nickle pointed out would have found the references to the assignment.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay.

MR. WARNER: I know that the applicant can also speak to why this particular liber was cited in the Staff Report for additional information, if you need it. But in any case, we also provided Mr. Nelson the copy of the other liber reference that he claims doesn't make sense. We did provide him a copy of that this morning, so he's had adequate time to see that.

MADAM CHAIR: That's the 13871 and Folio 204?

MR. WARNER: Exactly.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. All right. And you're 1 2 directing me now to Mr. Tedesco to add something? Mr. 3 Tedesco, do you have something --4 MR. TEDESCO: I'll be very --5 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 6 MR. TEDESCO: Yes, I'll be very brief. I think 7 it's important to understand that there's a difference between a Detailed Site Plan and a Tree Conservation Plan. And not all TCP2's accompany Detailed Site Plans, some TCP2's stand on their own for permitting purposes. And I 10 understand Mr. Nelson's confusion but if you would have just 11 read the paragraph before, the very last sentence, and I'll 12 13 read it, page --14 MADAM CHAIR: Yes. 15 MR. TEDESCO: -- 22, last sentence of the 16 paragraph at the top of the page, the previously approved 17 and implemented TCP2-030-00, which Mr. Warner just cited to 18 19 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 20 MR. TEDESCO: -- was not phased and only converted 21 a portion of the subject property, only covered a portion of 22 the subject property. Nevertheless, it covered the subject property. The revised TCP2-030-00-01 has also divided 23

the site into five separate phases with this DSP covered in

the phase. So all, as Mr. Warner said, all one would have

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to do is pull those TCP2's, you would have seen the liber and folio reference and confirmation of the 2.10 acres of mitigation already secured for the site.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Mr. Nelson?

MR. NELSON: Oh yes, thank you. I appreciate that information and I also appreciate Mr. Warner's, Mr. Bossi's prompt revision of the liber and folio for the second deed, I appreciate that and of course we can pull those off the record.

But my clients shouldn't be required to be detectives that would pull the deeds. If you read the deed there's no reference to this application. There's nothing in this declaration, either declaration, that makes it clear that these deeds are related to the subject property. That was really the basis of my objection and that's the reason I wanted a postponement to further investigate that issue. Thank you for allowing me to present that part of it.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay.

MADAM CHAIR: So when you had a chance to look at it, when they were provided to you, did something jump out at you?

MR. NELSON: I'm sorry, I didn't hear the question.

MADAM CHAIR: When you had, so I understand that

the information was in fact provided to you. That's what

Mr. Warner has indicated and also Ms. Nickle.

MR. NELSON: Well what was provided to me is the assignment, Liber 13871/204, a document dated May 16, 2000, relating to Summerset LLC and the Target Corporation, which refers to Liber 9255 Folio 460, which says that the grantee is about to file for a building permit and the grantee is Target. I see no reference to the subject property that's at issue in this Detailed Site Plan. But yes, they provided the liber and folio and I appreciate that production of that document because I'm able of course to obtain the declaration on line.

MR. JUBA: Hi Madam Chair --

MR. TEDESCO: May I be heard?

MR. JUBA: -- this is Marc Juba from the Environmental Planning Section, I just want to point out that on the liber and folio on paragraph 6, it does actually reference the TCP2 that was a standalone TCP2 which is TCP2-30-00 as being the beneficiary. So I just wanted to put that out there.

MADAM CHAIR: Thank you, Mr. Juba. Okay.

MR. TEDESCO: Mr. Juba said what I was going to say, the sixth wherefore paragraph of that reference --

MADAM CHAIR: Okay.

MR. TEDESCO: -- cites back to the same TCP number

that's in the Staff Report. I'd also like to note for the record that Mr. Nelson has hired a former employee of Park and Planning, who certainly knows how to find things and doesn't have to be an investigator to find a TCP2 or know who to contact to obtain that. So I would object strenuously to the request for a continuance and respectfully ask the Board to move this along if we could.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. So I'm going to look to the Board now to see if there's any desire on the part of any Board member to continue. Although I would say you know if you were going to do that, Mr. Nelson, it just would have been helpful before we got so far into the case. Yes. And that's something as a courtesy sometimes that you know I don't know if you shared that with Mr. Tedesco earlier or not, but it's just something that, we have several attorneys here in terms of that courtesy, that would have been helpful because we could have figured out whether to go forward or not earlier. We're hours into this case now.

MR. NELSON: I acknowledge the Chair's comments, we're on a pretty fast schedule here. I got this document at 6:30 this morning. So we didn't have the luxury of time, but I acknowledge the Chair's comments.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Well, I will see if the Board has any desire to continue. I don't see a motion at this point. Okay. All right. Mr. Nelson, what's next on your

list then?

MR. NELSON: I'm sorry, I didn't hear the Chair.

MADAM CHAIR: I was asking what's next? There doesn't appear to be a desire on the part of the Board, I've asked if there's a desire or a motion to continue, there doesn't appear to be one.

MR. NELSON: Very well, I'll move on with our opposition. I'll present a summary of our opposition but let me just say that three witnesses are going to testify, Ruth Grover, a land planner, James Thomas, a storm water engineer and Larry Green, a traffic engineer. But let me now just give a brief overview of the concerns that my clients have about this project.

The theme of their opposition is that the applicant is seeking a level of density for this proposed project not permitted by law. We believe that the Detailed Site Plan conflicts with Plan 2035 which calls for low to medium density development of this project, and we would urge you to look again at staff's video, the aerial video of the Buildings 1A, 1B, and 1C, because I believe that video is our best evidence of the intense density of this project which we assert conflicts with the Plan 2035. We also believe it conflicts with the applicable Sector Plan because it's not a genuine mixed-use project.

In summary, the project is too dense and it's not

sufficiently mixed-use. Ruth Grover will address those points in greater detail.

My clients are concerned about the deviations.

The staff identifies the 13 different deviations at pages 12 through 16 of the Staff Report. Their recommendations of approval appear at pages 25 and 26 of the Staff Report. And we assert that the record lacks evidence to support the grant or the approval of each of these deviations. We also assert that the deviations separately and cumulatively improperly allow the applicant to increase the density in violation of Plan 2035 and the Sector Plan.

I have a few technical points to make, the first is regard to the compliance or not with the requirements in a Conceptual Site Plan. The Staff Report at page 17 addresses the requirement for sidewalks. Mr. Bossi discussed this in his comments and slide 27 shows it, there is a sidewalk on only one side of Street A in the northeast corner of the site. Applicant asked to be relieved of the obligation of sidewalks on both sides of that street, staff agreed. Our lead position is that there is no legal authority that staff or the Planning Board can rely on to exempt the applicant from the requirement that appears in the Conceptual Site Plan. That typically in these circumstances, the applicant goes back and modifies the Conceptual Site Plan, or at least attempts to. Right now

staff is recommending the elimination of that requirement, 1 2 we object to that. 3 James Thomas, a storm water engineer will address 4 the deficiencies in the Storm Water Plan. But I wanted to note a few points. The first is DPIE has submitted no 5 6 comments to this case. The Staff Report at page 23 confirms that DPIE has submitted no comments. That's contrary to 7 standard practice. 8 9 It's significant because if we go to the backup and if staff could bring up the backup at page 155 would be 10 11 helpful, it would streamline my next point, please. 12 backup page 155. 13 MADAM CHAIR: Is that what you want? MR. NELSON: Yes, could we just blow it up just a 14 15 little bit? 16 MADAM CHAIR: A little bit more, maybe? 17 MR. NELSON: Yes, just a little. 18 MADAM CHAIR: You have to move it over. Whoops. 19 Okay. 20 MR. NELSON: All right. Thank you. I'm not sure 21 who's doing that work but I appreciate it. 22 MADAM CHAIR: It's --23 MR. NELSON: I know it's cumbersome, but thank you 24 for doing it.

MADAM CHAIR: -- Mr. Flannigan.

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MR. NELSON: Mr. Flannigan, thank you. I'm
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             MR. NELSON: -- revised conditions.
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MADAM CHAIR: Right, I'm trying to direct them to

it. 1 2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: We have everything in one 3 file, we're trying to get --4 MADAM CHAIR: Yes, everything is in one file 5 they're just trying to get to it. Okay. Just hold on. you know what, frankly, Mr. Bossi or someone can share their 6 7 screen and solve this problem. MR. NELSON: I think you're in the wrong file. 8 9 This is the additional backup that was filed yesterday. 10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible). MADAM CHAIR: Not yesterday, they have it but, 11 right there. 12 13 MR. NELSON: Yes, that's right. 14 MADAM CHAIR: Yes. There we go. Okay. 15 have mine back, please. Thank you. Okay. Thank you. What 16 page do you want, Mr. Nelson? 17 (No audible response.) MR. NELSON: 18 MADAM CHAIR: What page are you looking at? Mr. 19 Nelson? 20 MR. NELSON: (No audible response.) 21 MADAM CHAIR: Can you hear me? He's there. 22 MR. NELSON: Page 4, count the pages. 23 MADAM CHAIR: Page 4. Okay. 24 MR. NELSON: All right. Good, that's it, if you

could blow that up please that would be very helpful.

MADAM CHAIR: The whole page. Okay. Oh boy. 1 2 Okay. Does that help? Or do you need --3 MR. NELSON: I'm trying to get Condition 3 at the 4 bottom of the page. 5 MADAM CHAIR: Okay, 3, scroll --6 MR. NELSON: Scroll up just a little. 7 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. There we go. 8 MR. NELSON: That's good. 9 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 10 MR. NELSON: Okay. You'll see in the revised condition the applicant has deleted Condition 3, which was 11 12 the condition that addressed the point that appears in the 13 Environmental Planning comment in backup page 155. clients object to the deletion of that condition. That the 14 15 explanation by the applicant, I believe, was well we 16 addressed that issue in July of 2021, but the Environmental 17 Planning Section is telling us that there's a conflict, so 18 we object to the deletion of that condition. 19 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 20 MR. NELSON: Thank you, Mr. Flannigan, for doing 21 that. Can the Planning Board hear me adequately? 22 MADAM CHAIR: Yes, we can hear you. 23 MR. NELSON: I can't hear the Planning Board now. 24 MADAM CHAIR: Uh-oh.

COMMISSIONER DOERNER: We're on mute.

MADAM CHAIR: We hear you, you can't hear us? 1 2 quess not. Can you type in --3 MR. NELSON: I'm fairly sure, but I can't hear the 4 Planning Board. 5 MADAM CHAIR: Ms. Grover, can you hear us? MS. GROVER: Yes, I can. 6 7 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Do you have a way to 8 communicate with Mr. Nelson that we can hear --9 MR. NELSON: I just received a chat message that you can hear me, but I can't hear you, so --10 11 MADAM CHAIR: Yes, we're trying to figure out --12 MR. NELSON: -- I'll proceed if there's a question 13 maybe you can present it on the chat board and I'll try to address it. I don't know what else to do. 14 15 MADAM CHAIR: Well, wait a minute. Is there a way you can --16 17 MR. NELSON: The --18 MADAM CHAIR: Hold on. Hold on. 19 MR. NELSON: -- with respect to traffic, Larry 20 Green will address the traffic and the theme of his 21 testimony will be the direct access between the road to the 22 parking garage, he'll address that point. 23 MADAM CHAIR: Ask him if he can phone in. Would 24 that help?

MR. NELSON: I want to address the woodland

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conservation issue. 1 2 MADAM CHAIR: But then he can't see. Okay. 3 COMMISSIONER DOERNER: He can still see, he can 4 just put his video on mute and just phone in and he'll still have all the visual. 6 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 7 MADAM VICE CHAIR: Because we can hear him. MADAM CHAIR: Yes. Okay. But he can't hear us, 8 9 in the chat can you ask him to phone in but mute his computer. I just want to make sure that we don't have an 10 interference with two, yes. Write him and say excuse me, 11 Mr. Nelson. Can you all give him the number to call in, 12 13 just to make sure. UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes. 14 15 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Tell him to check his e-mail 16 and he call in and still keep the screen up. He's checking 17 his e-mail for the phone number, yes. Tell him we're going 18 to take five minutes while we try to help him through this 19 process. We'll take a five minute recess. Okay. Can 20 someone, I guess I want someone to reach out to him. 21

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Jessica Jones from the Planning Board is on one.

MR. NELSON: Macy Nelson. Macy Nelson.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: He's connected now.

MR. NELSON: I'm sorry the access code wasn't

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              COMMISSIONER DOERNER: We can hear him now, if he
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             MADAM CHAIR: But we always could hear him, he
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    code, it didn't work, 755-476.
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             MADAM CHAIR: Some people, let's see if we've got
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             MADAM CHAIR: Oh, okay.
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the time. 1 2 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Unlike for some of us. Okay. 3 So now let's see, okay, where is Mr. Tedesco? Did he come 4 back yet? I just want to make sure we have everyone. Okay. 5 MR. TEDESCO: I'm here, Madam Chair. 6 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Hold on and where is Mr. 7 Bossi? Do we have you, Mr. Bossi? And Ms. Hruby? 8 MR. BOSSI: Yes, Madam Chair, I'm here. 9 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. And we have your, okay, and Ms. Grover? 10 11 MS. GROVER: (No audible response.) 12 MADAM CHAIR: We don't have Ms. Grover? 13 MS. GROVER: I'm sorry, it took me a minute to 14 unmute my mic, I'm here. 15 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Mr. Thomas? 16 MR. THOMAS: Present, Madam Chair. 17 MADAM CHAIR: And Mr. Green? 18 MR. GREEN: Present, Madam Chair. 19 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. So Mr. Grover, I mean Mr. 20 Grover, sorry, Mr. Nelson. I'm sorry. Do you want to 21 proceed in the order in which you would like to go? 22 MR. NELSON: Right, thank you for helping work 23 through that technical issue. I'm not sure what happened but I appreciate --24

MADAM CHAIR: No problem.

MR. NELSON: -- the help from --

MADAM CHAIR: No problem.

MR. NELSON: -- the technical folks. I believe that the Planning Board heard my argument with respect to the deletion of Condition 3.

MADAM CHAIR: We did.

MR. NELSON: Okay. Then the next, I wanted to talk, just say that Larry Green will address the traffic issue, which focuses primarily on the access to the parking garage. And I wanted to talk about a substantive issue with respect to woodland conservation.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay.

MR. NELSON: The Staff Report addresses this topic at page 22, Mr. Bossi addressed in his comments today. And Section 25-122(c) governs what the applicant must prove or the steps the applicant must go through in order to get approval for offsite afforestation or reforestation. And our legal position is that the record lacks any evidence that shows that the applicant was unable to satisfy the requirements by doing the reforestation on site. The law requires them to go through that process to prove it in a way that's analogous to variance or a variation. There's actually no evidence in this record on that subject. So we assert that the Planning Board should not approve the

the Detailed Site Plan.

So for all those reasons we respectfully suggest that the Planning Board disapprove the application for the DSP and at this point I would, with the Board's consent, ask Ruth Grover to address the Board.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. No problem. Ms. Grover?

MS. GROVER: Good afternoon --

MR. NELSON: So I'm going to take, okay.

MS. GROVER: Good afternoon, Madam Chair, members of the Board.

MADAM CHAIR: Good afternoon.

MS. GROVER: I'm here to present a planning analysis of DSP-20020. The subject plan should not be approved because it doesn't follow the vision or letter of the guiding comprehensive planning documents, implementation tools such as the Zoning Ordinance and the Subdivision Regulations, the tenants of good planning regarding desirable synergy created by a genuine mixed-use development, and the increased safety that comes from following the guidance of current transportation, engineering wisdom.

The project also does not comply with all prior conditions of approval and suffers from its phasings where we are asked to trust in future phases of development to bring it into full compliance. While starting with the

dense non-contextual for space which stands out in stark contrast to its surrounds, including Franklin Park as illustrated in the fly around that was offered as part of staff's presentation.

The basis for our recommendation on this project is more particularly as follows. It's contrary to the tenants of comprehensive planning. Comprehensive planning involves following the guidance of comprehensive planning documents which this project does not. The project is not in conformance with the county's principle planning document Plan Prince George's 2035. The growth and policy map of Plan 2035 shows the subject project in the established communities area classification indicating that over the next 20 years the most appropriate development would be context sensitive infill and low to medium density development. Plan 2035 also recommends maintaining and enhancing existing public services and infrastructure to insure that the needs of existing residents are met.

The subject project does not meet this requirement as the residential development proposed for the project is high density, exclusively multifamily development as clearly shown in the fly around. The project is not in conformance with the applicable Sector Plan, the approved Greenbelt Metro Area and Maryland 193 Corridor Plan and Sectional Map Amendment. The Sector Plan on page 103 describes Beltway

Plaza as a corridor node, envisioned for phased redevelopment over time. Page 105 of the Sector Plan includes policies and strategies for its redevelopment and specifies that it's to be a mixed-use development and redevelopment.

The Sector Plan also includes a comprehensive phasing plan on pages 106 to 108, which includes the vision for the redevelopment including a number of items which have not been included in this DSP. The vision for a vibrant mixed-use landmark where the site is examined comprehensively, the project is not genuinely mixed-use, it is predominately residential with one commercial use, the 92-room hotel, which may be deleted from the development if a future market study determines that the state of the market does not support its inclusion.

The project relies on future phases of the development to create genuine mixed-use as envisioned by the Sector Plan.

That the plan should include a commitment to interconnectedness with adjacent neighborhoods including Franklin Park. The project is largely ensecular (phonetic sp.) from adjacent neighborhoods, including Franklin Park. Coordinated plans which reflect lessons from Historic Greenbelt. Historic Greenbelt is a well-designed mixed-use post-depression town modeled after Ebenezer Howard's Garden

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Cities of Tomorrow in an effort to create a desirable living environment where people could live, work, shop and have recreational opportunities. The very dense non-contextual single use project presented here does not reflect the lessons learned from Historic Greenbelt.

Creating a sense of place. A sense of place is created by fostering a relationship between the people and the spatial environment and it's best accomplished multidimensionally and a mixed-use environment add layers of richness to this experience.

Focusing on sustainability. It's unclear how this project focuses on sustainability. In fact, the applicant has requested deviations from Development District Standards regarding water efficiency and recharge impervious paving that would promote ground water recharge and reduce storm water runoff quantity and flow rates. Sustainable measures be included in the project and the City of Greenbelt suggested multiple conditions exploring all electric buildings, greening the existing parking lots, running a farmer's market, providing a compost drop-off station in the building in order to make the project more sustainable. And half of Greenbelt's conditions weren't accepted into the recommendation.

Providing a mix of uses with ground floor retail, a range of housing types, and public open spaces. There is

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no genuine mix of uses nor ground floor retail. There is no range of housing types. All included units are multifamily residential.

Establishing gateways along Maryland 193 defined with multifamily buildings, multistory buildings, placed close to streets and publically accessible, with special landscaping and signage treatments. Though there are some improvements proposed to the Maryland 193 frontage as part of this project, the comprehensive redesign of Maryland 193, including buildings and special treatments has not been accomplished as part of this phase.

Following Development District Standards so as to create both form that is compatible with adjacent Franklin Park and this is from the Sector Plan. The applicant has asked for 13 amendments to Development District Standards in contravention of this guidance allowing very dense residential development which was not the vision of the Sector Plan for the subject location. The contrast was clear in the materials presented by staff.

Fostering a vibrant and safe pedestrian oriented environment. The application does not provide sidewalk on both sides of all streets as suggested in the Sector Plan, and is required by Condition 3 of the Conceptual Site Plan.

Following a coordinated parking management plan that minimizes the visual impact of surface and garage

parking. The visage of the parking was so unsettled that the City of Greenbelt included three recommended conditions to address the issue and staff included a Condition Number 8 stating that the applicant shall continue to collaborate with the City of Greenbelt to identify opportunities to soften parking garages further visually in future phases of the project. There were even further modifications today. The problem is, however, that the Detailed Site Plan should conform to the vision of the applicable Sector Plan and the details of the project should be set at the time of approval of the Detailed Site Plan, not a future time.

The Sector Plan on page 107 specifies that the first phase would include residential infill and integrated public open spaces constructed in the rear of the property along Breezewood Drive (indiscernible) street, new landscaping, lighting, pedestrian paths, it said should create a welcoming transition to Franklin Park at Greenbelt Station.

Line or uses and appropriate buffering should conceal the parking and the Maryland 193 streetscape should be improved with sidewalk, street tress and bicycle facilities. We suggest that the proposed dense multifamily land use as illustrated in the fly around is not the contextual residential infill with mixed-use land use envisioned by the Sector Plan. And that the desired

concealment of the parking has not been achieved. There's not even diversity in the types of residential land use.

Development District Standards. It's our opinion that these requested deviations don't meet the standard for approval in the Zoning Ordinance. It requires an implementation of the Sector Plan that it will not substantially impair its implementation. The requested deviations which staff is supporting, I'm sorry, includes a multiplicity of different requests. Development District Standards are supposed to help guide development to help fulfill the vision of the plan. The sheer number of variations requested as well as the cumulative impact of straying from the originally expressed intent of the plan to correct quality development results in nonconformance with the guidance of the plan.

Successful comprehensive planning requires that the development conforms to the requirements of implementation tools such as the Zoning Ordinance, which this project does not. The project is not in conformance with the purposes of the M-U-I District to implement recommendations and approved Master Plan, Sector Plan and encouraging residential and commercial infill development in the areas where properties are already developed to encourage innovation and planning and designing of infill development and to create community environments enhanced by

a mix of residential, commercial, recreational, open space, employment and and institutional uses, nor the requirement of having a mix of uses on the site. The land use is predominately residential which may, except for a hotel, which may be dropped from the design program and a small 27,000 square foot indoor recreational facility which will be dedicated to the City of Greenbelt. Which while an amenity for city residents doesn't make the project genuinely mixed-use as envisioned by the plans as commonly understood.

Successful comprehensive planning requires that development conforms to the requirements of implementation tools such as the Subdivision Ordinance which the project does not. The project should have required a variation at time of Preliminary Plan of Subdivision for the multiple access ease to Greenbelt Road as the project does not conform to 24-121(a)(3) of the Subdivision Regulations.

In conclusion, the project does not help fulfill the vision of the applicable planning documents, nor is it in conformance with the requirements of all applicable ordinances, nor does it comport with the accepted principles of traffic engineering, nor does it create the type and density of mixed-use development envisioned in the subject zone and by the applicable plans in the subject location. Therefore, the project should be disapproved.

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Thank you for your time. 1 2 MADAM CHAIR: Thank you, Ms. Grover. I'm going to 3 see if the Board has any questions of you at this time. 4 Madam Vice Chair? 5 MADAM VICE CHAIR: No questions, thank you. MADAM CHAIR: Commissioner Doerner? 6 7 COMMISSIONER DOERNER: No questions, thank you. MADAM CHAIR: Commissioner Geraldo? 8 9 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: I have no questions. you, Ms. Grover for your presentation. 10 11 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 12 MS. GROVER: You're welcome. 13 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. So Mr. Nelson, I think what 14 we'll probably do is keep going with your experts and your 15 presenters and then you may want to sum up and then we'll go back to Mr. Tedesco. And then we'll see if the Board has 16 17 any questions of anyone before we get back to Mr. Tedesco. 18 Okay. 19 MR. NELSON: (No audible response.) 20 MADAM CHAIR: You're muted. Okay. Hold on a 21 second. Can he unmute? Oh right, he's on a phone. Okay. 22 That's right. Okay. Sorry. Okay. Mr. Grover, you can use 23 your, I mean, I did this again. I'm sorry. So Mr. Nelson, 24 if you can use your phone, do you want to go into your next

MR. NELSON: Yes, I'm sorry. I thought you heard me. Our next witness is James Thomas, storm water engineer.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Thank you. Mr. Thomas?

Okay.

MR. THOMAS: Madam Chair, members of the Board, I appreciate your time. I am James Thomas, a professionally certified engineer licensed in the State of Maryland. I will begin my testimony with a brief synopsis of my educational and professional experience.

I am a a civil engineer, I specialize in water resources related to projects, including design and review of contract drawings, including storm water management, erosion sediment control and storm drainage design.

My educational background is I have a Bachelors of Science in civil engineering from the University of Maryland College Park. I graduated in the spring of 2014 with a concentration in water resources and a minor in environmental sustainability.

My professional background is I have seven years of job experience with Constellation Design Group, since graduating the university and I got my professional engineering licensure on October 2018. So I've been a professionally certified engineer for about three years.

As a design consultant, I'm directly involved in securing various storm water management, erosion sediment

control and grading permit approvals for various agencies including predominately Maryland State Highway

Administration, and securing approvals from both the Maryland Department of the Environment, MDE, and the Plan Review Division from the Maryland State Highway

Administration, PRD. And I have various project experience involving Baltimore City, Baltimore County, Frederick,

Carroll, Montgomery and Prince George's Counties, involved in small firms. And I also have experience with review of various design manuals including DPIE's Storm Management

Manual and MDE and PRD technical guidance, as well as supplemental documentation as well, that were addendums to the design manuals.

So moving on, I will get into my testimony here. So the documents that I reviewed was the following. I reviewed documents provided by DPIE on December 21, 2020, involving concept comments that were in response to one of the initial concept submissions by the applicant for storm management approval. As well as draft versions of the concept storm management report, and the draft concept plans. And then in May 25, 2021, I reviewed the approved versions of those documents, including the concept approval letter for storm water management and erosion sediment control from DPIE, the approved site development Concept Plan, the approved storm management report, and the

associated administrative documents associated with those.

So as a background, I also went in person to the site last week on September 2, 2021 to verify the existing field conditions of the site and the validity of the analysis presented in the concept approval package, submitted and approved by DPIE. And after field walking the perimeter of the site and walking through the various parking lots of the Phase 1 project area, I have confirmed that the existing features shown on the Concept Plans were accurate and representative of the actual field conditions.

So basically, getting into it and the applicant, so basically the applicant applied to DPIE the storm water management and erosion sediment control concept approval, which was granted by DPIE on April 27, 2021, as per the concept approval letter that's in the documentation.

So that was the application that I will be referencing today in my testimony. So the premise of the application is basically to obtain concept storm water management approval from DPIE for Phase 1 of this project only. So since Phase 1 of the project area has over 5,000 square feet within the Phase 1 limit of disturbance, LOD, that is why storm water management concept approval was required and that's the case for the Phase 1 area.

The project is redevelopment of an existing shopping center, which will be converted to mixed-use. So I

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1 will now reference an exhibit here, if the --2 MADAM CHAIR: Mr. Flannigan? 3 MR. THOMAS: -- technical --4 MADAM CHAIR: Mr. Flannigan? 5 MR. THOMAS: I'm sorry? 6 MADAM CHAIR: You want Mr. Flannigan to pull 7 something up for you? Yes, Madam Chair. 8 MR. THOMAS: 9 MADAM CHAIR: What? 10 MR. NELSON: Madam Chair, may I just tell Mr. Flannigan where this is? If he goes to the additional 11 12 backup at the very end of the backup you'll see two resumes 13 and two Site Plans. It's the Site Plans that the witness wishes to address, it's at the very end of the additional 14 15 backup. 16 MR. THOMAS: Right. Right, that is correct. it's on, I believe it's page 129 of the additional backup. 17 18 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Sound.) 20 MR. THOMAS: Okay. Thank you very much for 21 pulling that up, so continuing on here. So as you can see 22 in the exhibit shown on this page, this shows the existing 23 condition drainage area map, that also defines the drainage area boundaries shown in color, as well as the point of 24

investigations or POI's of those drainage area boundaries.

So the Phase 1 area of the site is covered in POI-1 or 1 2 drainage area 1, shown in the pink boundary that's dashed on the northern portion of the sheet. Exactly. Exactly. 3 4 that this the Phase 1 area in existing condition, the 5 preconstruction condition before the proposed improvements are installed. 6 7 So in the existing condition the project has --COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Madam Chair? 8 9 MR. THOMAS: Oh yes, I'm sorry. COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Madam Chair, I'm sorry, Mr. 10 Thomas, can Mr. Flannigan increase the size of that exhibit 11 please? It's difficult to see what --12 13 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 14 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: -- the witness is 15 referencing. 16 MR. THOMAS: Sure. 17 MADAM CHAIR: So just the part in pink, the top 18 part I guess is what we're talking about. 19 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Okay. 20 MR. THOMAS: Yes. That is correct, Madam Chair. 21 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 22 MR. THOMAS: The portion in pink is the portion of 23 the exhibit that I would want to focus on. 24 MADAM CHAIR: Is that good right there? 25

MR. THOMAS: That's good.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 1 2 MR. THOMAS: That's good and then if you scroll to 3 the left --4 MADAM CHAIR: It cuts out a little tiny portion. 5 MR. THOMAS: -- you'll see --6 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 7 MR. THOMAS: Yes, just scroll to the left further 8 you'll see on the left side of that page the POI-1 location. 9 MADAM CHAIR: Oh I see. Okay. MR. THOMAS: So basically it's at the end of the 10 11 flow arrows. 12 MADAM CHAIR: (Indiscernible) no, no, yes, right 13 there. MR. THOMAS: Where the flow color ends is the POI 14 15 location so the flow arrows in black. So basically at the downstream of the flow arrows will be POI-1. 16 17 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 18 MR. THOMAS: Okay. So basically POI-1 is 19 identified in the Phase 1 area of the project, and POI-2 20 which is on the southern portion of this exhibit shown in 21 purple, is for the future phase of the project, Phase 2 and 22 beyond. So that's just a background of the existing condition. 23 24 Let's move onto the second page of the exhibit, 25 please. Yes, exactly, there we go. So this page shows the

proposed condition or the post-construction condition. So in this proposed condition a new POI-3 shown in green, is created because 2.10 acres of drainage area is removed from POI-1 in the existing condition and in the post condition it's diverted into the new POI-3, point of investigation number 3. So you notice that 2.1 acres of drainage area was removed from POI-1 and it is now defined as a separate POI-3 in the proposed condition. Okay.

So this diversion in the proposed condition results in increase and discharge at POI-3 which receives no discharge in the existing condition. So this results in storm water management requirements that are both water quality and quantity requirements. So in terms of water quality requirements, there's a requirement called channel protection volume which is to manage the one year, 24-hour duration design storm for the impervious area in POI-3 in the proposed condition. As well as the 10 and 100 year design storm for storm water management quantity management. And the purpose of these water quality and quantity requirements is such that the discharge of POI-3 returns to the existing condition and in theory does not have an adverse impact to the surrounding community.

So in order to manage these requirements, the conditions on the concept approval letter from DPIE dictated for a 121,670 cubic foot underground storage facility to be

built in Phase 2 of this project, not Phase 1. So in the concept approval letter, they said as one of their conditions to defer the storm management quality and quantity requirements and deferred them to Phase 2 in the future, and not address them in Phase 1.

So in the report the applicant mentions that the environmental site design requirement is not fully managed at POI-3, and that there is still 30 percent of this storage volume that remains unmanaged in Phase 1 because the concept approval letter condition says this management is to be deferred to Phase 2 of this project. The report does not mention, the storm water management report does not mention how this portion will be managed, it only mentions this as a condition in the concept approval letter.

So the application and concept approval letter details the conditions for the approval. So I will define several important conditions in the concept approval letter that are relevant to this testimony.

So the first one is this project involves redevelopment of an existing developed site. So the site shall be designed to treat for 100 percent of the water quality volume of the impervious area within the proposed disturbed area and 100 percent of the channel protection volume for the new impervious area using environmental site design practices.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Let me stop you for a second. 1 MR. THOMAS: And so --2 MADAM CHAIR: Let me stop you, because I'm trying 3 4 to find --5 MR. THOMAS: Sure. 6 MADAM CHAIR: -- so you're reading now from the 7 concept approval letter? MR. THOMAS: That is correct, Madam Chair. 8 9 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. All right, because that would 10 just help. Okay. Thank you. You can keep going then. 11 MR. THOMAS: Okay. Okay. And then another approval condition is that adequacy analysis of the 12 13 receiving conveyance system is required. So this means that 14 basically the applicant in the storm water management report 15 did not provide the analysis that the downstream storm drain, existing downstream storm drain system from POI's 1 16 17 and 3, would have sufficient capacity to handle the increase 18 in discharge from the proposed impervious area at the 19 project site. 20 And that is relevant because adequacy now, because 21 it's important that that is checked in order to check that, 22 the downstream storm drain system can handle that increase 23 of discharge from the site. 24 The other condition from the concept approval

letter is prior to issuance of site development fine grading

permit, which is the approval after the concept approval, the developer must post a cash bond in the amount of \$243,200 for 100 year quantity control storm management fee in lieu. And the 100 year water quantity control of providing 121,670 cubic feet of storage volume for Phase 1 will be provided in Phase 2 of this project. So this comes back to the deferring the storm water management requirements to Phase 2.

So to put this in perspective here, an Olympic sized swimming pool is approximately 88,000 cubic feet. So this would be equivalent to about 1.4 Olympic size swimming pools of storage volume in this underground storage facility that would be proposed in Phase 2. And to note, it is as of now it is unknown where this underground storage facility will be proposed in Phase 2, as that information was not provided in the Phase 1 submission.

For Phase 2 and beyond, construct 10 and 100 year water quantity control via an underground storage facility for the entire site in Phase 2 as shown on the Concept Plan. Once the 10 and 100 year underground storage facility is built, the developer will be eligible for the refund of the cash and bond fee storm water management fee in lieu fee collected during Phase 1.

So the importance of this statement is if this underground storage facility is never built in Phase 2, the

developer would not be able to refund the \$243,200 fee in lieu amount.

So basically our concerns regarding these conditions and this underground storage facility, our concern is that no information was provided in any of the documents provided that were reviewed in terms of how the 121,670 cubic feet of required storage volume was derived, or how the storage volume would be managed in Phase 2 of the project.

Our other concern is that there is no timeframe provided as to when this quantity management underground storage facility will be managed from Phase 1 to Phase 2 of this project. So what does this mean with respect to the need for storm water management analysis?

So basically the applicant is required to address the water quality and quantity requirements outlined in the concept approval letter from DPIE. However, we believe that the considerations concerning providing adequacy analysis of the receiving conveyance system from POI's 1 and 3, as well as providing the design of the underground storage facility to manage the channel protection volume for water quality and the 10 and 100 year design storms for water quantity management at POI-3 is needed in Phase 1 of this project, and should not be deferred to Phase 2, to address potential flooding concerns at POI-3, because between Phase 1 and 2 of

the project, it is unknown what, if this will be several
years or what the timeframe would be between Phases 1 and 2.

So there could be a potential flooding concern there,
potentially.

So what regulations (indiscernible).

MADAM CHAIR: So I guess I'm trying to figure out, I want you to start, you know, wrapping up at some point, you know, say what you need to say, I'm not prohibiting you from doing that.

MR. THOMAS: Right. Right.

MADAM CHAIR: Because I want to be able to address this because you know they do have a concept plan approval and I'm just trying to figure out where that leaves us legally. Okay.

MR. THOMAS: Right, right.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay.

MR. THOMAS: So I will be concise in the rest of my testimony and go through my points.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay.

MR. THOMAS: Okay. Understood, Madam Chair. So
DPIE was required to verify the premise of this application
by both complying with the design criteria outlined in their
Storm Water Management Design Manual as well as ID Manual.
So basically, at POI-3 where the impervious increases from
existing conditions, this condition is currently not met.

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   protection volume for water quality management at POI-3 will
   be managed, and then concerning the water quantity
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   management component, Section 9.6.4 of DPIE's Storm Water
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   Management Design Manual for extreme 100 year sizing states
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    the following. If 100 year control is required for
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    approval, which in this case it is, then the structural
   storm water management best management practice must provide
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    computations for the water quantity control facility
   proposed in the report. But none of these, no computations
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MADAM CHAIR: -- they should have, but they did.

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1 So we --2 MR. THOMAS: So --3 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 4 MR. THOMAS: -- basically what we're presenting 5 here is that there's these several considerations that we believe should be taken into account prior to DPIE issuing 7 concept approval. MADAM CHAIR: Okay. So they don't tell us about 8 9 what to approve with a subdivision and we don't tell them what to do in terms of approving a Storm Water Management 10 11 Concept Plan. What we have is their approval and I'm just trying to figure out, we're not going to second guess their 12 13 approval. MR. THOMAS: I'm not --14 15 MR. NELSON: Madam Chair, Macy Nelson for the 16 citizens. I think it's a legal question as opposed to an 17 engineering question, which I'm prepared to address at the 18 appropriate time. But I believe, I understand the Chair's 19 question because you've made the point before and I think it 20 goes to a legal issue, not an engineering issue.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay.

MR. THOMAS: So I will now go, with your permission, Madam Chair, I will now go into my summary.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay.

MR. THOMAS: Okay. So do we feel that delaying

installation of the quantity management facility will have a negative impact to the adjacent community and POI-3? So we believe that if the outfall and downstream storm drain system from POI-3 which is receiving this additional 2.1 acres of drainage area in the post development condition is separate from POI-1, then yes, we believe that delaying installation of the quantity storm management facility would have a negative impact to the adjacent community. Existing drainage structures along the downstream storm drain system could potentially surcharge if its capacity is exceeded due to the additional flow being conveyed into POI-3 in the post development condition.

The surcharge of the existing system could result in downstream flooding depending on the results of the analysis of the adequacy of the receiving conveyance system. If POI's Number 1 and 3 share the same downstream storm drain system and are connected, then we believe that the impact of delaying installation of the storage facility would depend on the results of the adequacy analysis. So it would be a little bit more complex.

Since this analysis has not been provided it is unclear whether the Phase 1 improvements would result or would not result in downstream flooding. We believe this uncertainty is an issue and the project should not move forward without verifying this.

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MR. THOMAS: So --

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3 MADAM CHAIR: Okay.

MR. THOMAS: Yes, so basically in summary, we believe that that DPIE should consider providing information as to how the channel protection volume component of the required at POI-3 and Phase 1 of the project is to be Applicant should provide the adequacy analysis of downstream storm drain system to check for sufficient capacity of increased flow at POI-3. Applicant should provide backup information as to how the 121,670 cubic feet will be provided in Phase 2. Applicant addressing the regulatory water quality and quantity requirements at POI-3 via providing the underground storage facility design and layout in Phase 1, to provide that, and we believe that it would be a better approach to build the underground storage facility in Phase 1 of the project to satisfy the remaining storm management requirements that still need to be addressed at POI-3 rather than deferring to Phase 2 of the project to address.

That concludes my testimony, thank you.

MADAM CHAIR: Thank you. I'm going to see, Mr. Thomas, if there are any questions for you. Madam Vice Chair?

25 MADAM VICE CHAIR: No questions, thank you.

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1	MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Commissioner Doerner?
2	COMMISSIONER DOERNER: No questions. I would like
3	to hear from staff later on in terms of the storm water
4	management requirement.
5	MADAM CHAIR: I intend to get to that and legal as
6	well on that. Okay. Commissioner Geraldo?
7	COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Yes, my question is so
8	you're the expert, you're a civil engineer, you have issues
9	with the Storm Water Management Plan. What would be your
10	solution to get this project built?
11	MR. THOMAS: If I were the designer of the project
12	I would, in my professional opinion, would have the
13	underground storage facility installed in Phase 1 rather
14	than defer it to Phase 2. And I would also provide the
15	adequacy analysis of the existing downstream storage
16	system. That is a vital component to understanding if
17	there's potential for downstream flooding issues or not.
18	COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Okay. Thank you.
19	MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Okay. All right. Okay. Let
20	me see where we are with your experts.
21	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).
22	MADAM CHAIR: Hold on a second, so my next
23	question is do you want to put Mr. Green and then we can
24	MR. NELSON: Yes, I think that would be
25	appropriate. He'll be quite brief, I believe, so yes.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Okay. And then we're going to have --

MR. NELSON: Mr. Green?

MADAM CHAIR: -- and then we'll have our folks respond to some of these things and also Mr. Tedesco too. Okay.

MR. GREEN: Good afternoon, Madam Chair. For the record, my name is Lawrence Green, and I'm a registered professional engineer and a certified professional operation (indiscernible) the proposed Site Plan includes two direct access driveways to Breezewood Drive from large parking garages.

The normally required access design to parking garages would be to provide access only to the internal roadways on site so that the number of driveways to the public street network are minimized. However, due to the large size of this development the site designer had to apply for a waiver to create more driveway connections to the public street network. The direct access to parking garage number 3 on Breezewood Drive, which is located approximately 250 feet from the Cherrywood Lane section on the northwestern portion of the property. A total of 370 westbound Breezewood Drive vehicles will stop at this Cherrywood Lane, Breezewood Drive intersection and it's single lane during the a.m. peak hour.

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I'm concerned that the proposed driveway serving 1 2 garage number 3 will be blocked by the traffic from Cherrywood Lane. A total of 107 a.m. peak hour site 3 4 vehicles are projected to exit garage number 3 and turn left onto Breezewood Drive towards Cherrywood Lane. Cuing back into garage number 3 as well as undesirable left turn 6 7 movements into (indiscernible) traffic is possible due to this proposed access point on Breezewood Drive. 8 9 In conclusion, due to the significant size of this proposed development, the applicant needs to achieve design 10 waivers to accommodate the project, at the expense of 11 undesirable traffic conditions. Thank you. 12 13 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Are there any questions, Madam Vice Chair? 14 15 MADAM VICE CHAIR: No questions, thank you. MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Commissioner Doerner? 16 17 COMMISSIONER DOERNER: No questions, thank you. MADAM CHAIR: Okay. And then Commissioner 18 19 Geraldo? 20 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: No questions, Madam Chair. 21 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. I can see the way this is 22 going, it may not be immediate unless some Board member 23 raises their hands or so indicates, but at some point we'll

have to take a nature break, you know as this continues on.

Okay. So the next thing is, if that concludes your folks,

Mr. Nelson, do you want to make your legal argument and then
we'd like for our folks to address the storm water
management, I'd like to hear from Mr. Warner in our legal
department and was it Mr. Juba who was trying to get on to
respond as well?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Sound.)

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Madam Chair.

MADAM CHAIR: I couldn't hear who that was.

MR. HUNT: Madam Chair, this is James Hunt, yes,
Marc Juba was going to respond to the storm water management
question.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Well, why don't we do that at this point then? Unless, you know what, let me just check with Mr. Nelson first and make sure, because this is still his opposition portion of the presentation today. So let me check with Mr. Nelson first.

MR. NELSON: I have no additional witnesses. At the appropriate time I'd like two or three minutes to summarize our points, but I don't have strong views as to when I do that.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. All right. Well, Mr. Juba, why don't you go forward then? Okay.

MR. JUBA: Hi Madam Chair and members of the Board. This is Marc Juba with Environmental Planning Section for the record. With regards to the storm water

management concept that was submitted, it's a concept, it's not the final site design plan. A lot of the concerns that the applicant's, I guess it was (indiscernible) would be 3 addressed at time of the Final Site Plan by DPIE, and I would advise them to reach out to DPIE regarding their 6 concerns. Because these sorts of issues are not really 7 dealt with by us, we don't have authority over that. MADAM CHAIR: Did we lose him? Mr. Juba? 8 9 MR. JUBA: Can you hear me now? 10 MADAM CHAIR: Yes, we can hear you now. MR. JUBA: Can you hear me? 11 12 MADAM CHAIR: Yes. 13 MADAM VICE CHAIR: MADAM CHAIR: Yes. 14 15 MR. JUBA: Can you hear me now? 16 MADAM CHAIR: Yes. Maybe he can't hear us. 17 Juba, can you hear --18 MR. JUBA: Can you hear me now? Okay. Yes, I can 19 hear you, Madam Chair. 20 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. So we can hear you --21 MR. JUBA: Did you hear anything I said or do I 22 need to repeat? 23 MADAM CHAIR: Well, we don't know, you just kind of stopped abruptly, so I don't know what else you might 24

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have added towards the end.

MR. JUBA: Oh, okay.

MADAM CHAIR: Maybe you're delayed.

MR. JUBA: Basically what I was trying to get at is that DPIE ultimately has the authority of vetting the storm water management on site, and they will do so at the time of final concept. What's been submitted is just like, well a concept we have available right now. And on the plan I also do want to state that in Phase 2 it is shown that they're going to have an underground storage facility that will be placed on the western portion of the site. So they will be addressing that at that time.

But with regards to any issues with additional water going off site during Phase 1, I would recommend going to the District Engineer within the Site Road Division and bring up those concerns.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. And then I'm going to, well, Mr. Nelson has some legal arguments, so we'll hear those as well on the storm water management. Mr. Lenhart, you can address the transportation issue and then we'll need Mr. Bossi to address and Mr. Tedesco will have to address a lot of these things that were raised about the fact that the sustainability issues, the no mix of uses, you know residential except for the hotel, no range of housing types, not safe pedestrian environment, the parking garage, the applicant working with the City of Greenbelt but we wouldn't

know all of the improvements at this Detailed Site Plan stage, so those kinds of things. So I guess right now let me see Mr. Tedesco.

MR. TEDESCO: I'm here, Madam Chair.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Mr. Tedesco, are you ready to address some of the issues that were raised with your team?

MR. TEDESCO: I'd prefer for Mr. Nelson to conclude so that I can move into rebuttal.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. All right. So he's pretty much concluded except he has a legal argument. All right. Mr. Nelson, let's go with your legal argument.

MR. NELSON: All right. Thank you. I understand the Planning Board to be asking the question, well what authority do we in this hearing to revisit what DPIE did when they approved the concept storm water plan approval. And I believe the Planning Board has the authority to do that and should do that and just as an exercise, I reviewed the Staff Report and I reviewed all the backup material and I just put in a word search for storm water. And the record in this case is replete with instances of the staff relying on what the applicant has said to say there will be no adverse storm water impacts.

And the point of Mr. Thomas' work and the point of his testimony is to show that there were deficiencies in the storm water plan and indeed we've appealed that DPIE plan.

But we believe that you have the authority to vet it and ask yourself whether it achieves the purposes in the context of the applicable required findings. So we think you have that authority. In the past you've told me you've ruled that you don't, we assert that you have that authority and we think you should exercise it.

MADAM CHAIR: Mister --

MR. NELSON: And we believe --

MADAM CHAIR: Go ahead. I have a question for you when you're done though.

MR. NELSON: Yes, I didn't want to speak over you. We believe that the Planning Board should consider these issues, that staff has already considered the issues and we're presenting a contrary view, which we think has merit. Thank you.

MADAM CHAIR: Thank you. So you know sometimes we have to, we send out lots of referrals, as you know, and sometimes and the applicant has to consult with other entities too. And so sometimes we hear from the State Highway Administration and they may say something is, these are the transportation improvements that are needed and that's it, you know. And so then my question is do we then second guess the State Highway Administration? Do we second guess Public Works and Transportation? Sometimes the Council may make a zoning decision that we may have

recommended against and then sometimes citizens will come before us and say you know what we disagree with that zoning opinion, so should we then go back to the Council and say okay we question how you did that? You know, I mean where does it stop? We rely on the professionalism and the expertise of other entities, because we don't have the expertise in every conceivable area. So where does that stop? Do we have the right to question SHA if they make an approval? Do we have the right to disagree with, you know, like SHA or Army Corps of Engineers regarding the soils? Do we have the right to disagree with the Council on the zoning that they've implemented? I mean where does it stop?

MR. NELSON: Well what I would do is I would say well we've got to look at the required findings that govern the Planning Board's analysis and if one of the required findings is broad enough to encompass storm water and if your staff makes comments on the storm water as your staff has done, I think you have the authority to look at it.

If it's clear that the applicable required findings don't encompass these issues, I would say you don't have the authority to look at it. I believe that if we put on a piece of paper all the required findings that staff considered and the Planning Board will consider, you'll see that there are required findings that are broad enough to include these issues. That's my core point.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay.

MR. NELSON: But you know I understand your argument. You know we've been through it before, I understand it, I just didn't agree with it and I believe you have the authority to do it. And one of the reasons is you know everyone talks about DPIE as being a panacea, well, I'm probably the only person in this room who has done PIA request to DPIE. Getting information out of DPIE is next to impossible.

MADAM CHAIR: Yes, you've mentioned that before in other cases, I remember that. And also I don't know that I consider them a panacea but I do, I mean they have a certain area of expertise as do many other entities. So anyway, thank you for that and I'm going to turn to Mr. Tedesco at this point.

MR. TEDESCO: Thank you, Madam Chair. I'll try to be brief. I will need to call two witnesses to rebut two of Mr. Nelson's witnesses, Mr. Jason Staley and Mr. Mike Lenhart in response to those items. So I'll do that and then I'll conclude with responding, I guess to Ms. Grover's comment.

First and foremost I want to echo what Mr. Juba said in response to Mr. Thomas' testimony. We heard a lot from him and I appreciate his testimony and him going through everything and Mr. Staley from Rodgers Consulting,

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who is a professional engineer that prepared the Storm Water Concept Plan has been working diligently with DPIE can shed some light on a few things.

Although I do want to say I think it's misplaced. I do not believe the Board has any authority to question and or change any decisions or render any decisions based upon the fact that the concept approval has conditions imposed by The requirement is that there be a Site Development Concept Plan approved. That is the requirement of you to make sure that that's been done and that's been done. was approved in April, it's good until 2024. If there are issues with that approval there is a separate venue and process and Mr. Nelson indicated he is availing himself of to file an appeal to the Board of Appeals and or, I think he's filed both appeal to the Board of Appeals as well as a petition for judicial review against the county with respect to its approval. That has nothing to do with this hearing or this Detailed Site Plan inasmuch as those are two separate approving documents under two separate authorities, two separate codes and manuals.

I'm going to call Jason Staley to actually take over my seat because he's in the conference room with us and I'm going to allow him and I've instructed him to be very brief on just responding to a couple of things. Because I think there was some red herrings that were thrown out

there, some buzz words to maybe --

2 MADAM CHAIR: Yes.

MR. TEDESCO: -- some scare tactics of the Board to win favor in some way. But notwithstanding that, Mr. Staley will clarify those things as well as I just want to go on record by saying I disagree legally and certainly Mr. Warner can provide his legal comments, that you have any authority beyond what you know your authority is under this Detailed Site Plan with respect to the storm water. So then I'm going to have Jason join me on the camera, if that's okay?

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. That's fine.

MR. STALEY: Madam Chair, members of the Board, good afternoon and thank you for allowing me the opportunity to provide some responses to some of the questions or issues that were raised with respect to storm water management.

Just by way of background, I'm with Rodgers

Consulting as a professional engineer who did prepare the

plans for the storm water concept, 14 years in industry,

I've been a professional engineer since 2011 and wanted to

address some of the comments that were raised by Mr. Thomas

and will do so now.

With respect to POI-3 that's highlighted in green there, the conditions that are clearly outlined on the storm water management approval letter do require that we provide

downstream adequacy analysis for all the receiving storm drainage, which we are committed to do, we are required to do and will be doing so with our final engineering plans, which we are preparing currently. Any deficiencies that will arise from those final calculations or investigations, we will appropriately mitigate for and ensure that we are not causing any downstream flooding issues. And that has been made very clear to us by DPIE, you know it's something that we absolutely worked together with collaboratively with them for the many months that it took to get the storm water concept approved that you have here before you.

I will just note that the exhibits that were presented here today are not representative of the approved storm water concept set, so those are not part of that approval. But just want to continue with some of the responses to the comments.

With respect to the water quality, this site is considered redevelopment, the majority if, and most if not all of the area for Phase 1 is majority impervious area that has no storm water controls to date. And through the use of the numerous micro bioretention facilities, whether surface or planter boxes that surround the proposed buildings that we're proposing, all adequately provide water quality or what's referred to as ESD to the MEP, and that was vetted and agreed to again with DPIE through our many months of

working with them and their review staff to get this to where it is today.

I will also note that part of that impervious area, we are reducing almost over an acre of impervious area, again taking away a lot of the impervious area and then managing what would be left through the use of water quality devices such as micro bioretention facilities.

With respect to the quantity control computations, we did prepare those, we have those approved. They are part of the approved case and if they were not provided to Mr. Thomas, I'm not sure where the disconnect was there, but we do have those computations approved, which establish the 120,000 cubic feet of storage that's required for Phase 2 development, and will be included in the underground storage facility as part of Phase 2.

In terms of why how that ended up in Phase 2, was really a function of a lot of the existing site constraints in Phase 1, where in Phase 2 we'll have more of an area to provide the large facility that's really required to provide that volume. And again, working with DPIE staff, you know, we collectively found a spot in Phase 2 that would alleviate those concerns and provide adequate space to install an underground facility.

With that, I'll kind of just wrap up, but you know happy to answer questions, you know if you have any or at

Τ	this point I'll turn it back to Matt and go from there.
2	Thank you.
3	MADAM CHAIR: Okay. So let's see if the Board has
4	any questions of you. Okay. Madam Vice Chair, questions of
5	Mr. Staley?
6	MADAM VICE CHAIR: No questions at this time,
7	thank you.
8	MADAM CHAIR: Commissioner Doerner?
9	COMMISSIONER DOERNER: Just a quick question.
10	Where is the underwater storm facility going to be located
11	exactly in here?
12	MR. STALEY: It'd be towards the western middle
13	part of the site, currently where the Giant sits today.
14	COMMISSIONER DOERNER: Okay.
15	MR. STALEY: It's along the dashed line where the
16	blue and the pink are kind of separated, but in the middle
17	portion there, right where the cursor is.
18	COMMISSIONER DOERNER: Is the Giant going away? I
19	thought the majority of the mall was going to stay?
20	MR. STALEY: In front, it would be in front of the
21	Giant, excuse me.
22	COMMISSIONER DOERNER: Okay. Thank you.
23	MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Commissioner Geraldo?
24	COMMISSIONER GERALDO: No questions, Madam Chair.
25	MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Thank you. Mr. Tedesco?

1 MR. STALEY: Thank you.

MR. TEDESCO: Thank you, Jason. The only other thing I wanted to highlight in further support of Jason's testimony is just there was a reference to a fee in lieu, that was factually incorrect. What was required by DPIE and its provided quite clearly in the concept approval letter is a cash bond with respect to Phase 1. So I just wanted to make that clarification. Turning to --

MADAM CHAIR: Mr. Lenhart?

MR. TEDESCO: -- Mr. Green's testimony I'd like to have Mr. Lenhart address that. I do want to, again you'll probably hear this a couple of times from me. The last time I checked on the agenda today for this case it was a Detailed Site Plan.

MADAM CHAIR: Correct.

MR. TEDESCO: We're here on a Detailed Site Plan, we're not here on an appeal of a storm water concept approval. We're not here on a special exception, and we're certainly not here on a Preliminary Plan of Subdivision, which that was a six hour hearing back in February of 2020. But with that, I'll turn to Mr. Lenhart.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Thank you.

MR. LENHART: Good afternoon, for the record,
Michael Lenhart with Lenhart Traffic Consulting. I took a
few notes and I'd just like to briefly touch on a few

things.

MADAM CHAIR: And we do want to, you know we do consider access and traffic circulation, but we're done with APF.

MR. LENHART: Yes.

MADAM CHAIR: Because that was a Preliminary Plan issue. So but site plans --

MR. LENHART: Yes.

MADAM CHAIR: -- we do consider a little bit, so let's figure out, respond accordingly. Thank you.

MR. LENHART: Yes, thank you. And so Mr. Green did refer to some traffic conditions at Breezewood and Cherrywood, and I believe that would be considered an offsite issue. I think he did try to wrap that into consideration of where the driveway access is provided, however, I would point out that if you look at an aerial photo or look at the plan, you can see that starting from Cherrywood Lane and heading east along Breezewood, there's a gas station driveway that's about 110 feet east of the center line of the Cherrywood. There's a driveway on the north side of Breezewood and to the existing apartment complex that's about 230 feet from the center line of Cherrywood, both of those are closer, much closer than our proposed than our proposed driveway into the garage which is 360 feet, approximately, from the center line of Cherrywood.

I would point out that that 360 feet exceeds typical corner clearance guidelines, even along state roadways, it's a fairly significant clearance for a driveway. Site distance was evaluated at our driveway access point and site distance is more than adequate.

And I would point out that also there are two driveways proposed along the south side of Cherrywood and it relates to garage access, I'm sorry, south side of Breezewood. If you look along the north side of Breezewood to the existing apartment community, there are eight to 10 driveways along Breezewood, you know, I think it can be shown by our plan that we are two driveway access points to the garages. More than make a strong attempt to try to consolidate entrance points, reduce access on Breezewood by consolidating them into those two garage driveways.

And finally, I'd like to just offer that Mr. Green offered a lot of opinions and suppositions. But I didn't hear any evidence, an analyses, or other that would indicate that there are any issues or problems or concerns with the plan as shown.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay.

MR. LENHART: And so --

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Thank you.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Sound.)

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Mr. Tedesco?

MR. TEDESCO: Thank you, Madam Chair, and I would just elaborate on Mr. Lenhart's testimony that we did, at the request of the city, do a clearance study with respect to that access point, which was deemed satisfactory.

Also as Phase 1 is consistent with the Preliminary Plan of Subdivision with respect to 750 units was provided for in the Preliminary Plan for Phase 1, 750 units are proposed in this Detailed Site Plan. And at that time, all adequacy of Breezewood Drive and Cherrywood and the intersections passed all adequacy analyses. Although that's not germane to this Detailed Site Plan, I think it is responsive to Mr. Green's testimony.

MADAM CHAIR: Thank you.

MR. TEDESCO: And finally, I know Ms. Grover testified to a number of things. I would respectfully basically respond to Ms. Grover's testimony by saying it was 98 percent of it was somewhat irrelevant to the application that's before you. There was a lot of testimony with respect to conformity to Plan 2035, conformity to the Sector Plan and Master Plan. Again, conformity I looked, believe it or not I've had time today, I looked under Section 27-285(b) for the required findings that the Board has to make today, and I couldn't find any of that in there. So I would humbly respectfully contend that the vast majority of that testimony is irrelevant.

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That being said, allow me to kind of paint a different picture, if you would. In 2013 when this Sector Plan was adopted, recommended for adoption by this Board and ultimately adopted by the County Council, it did implement a Development District Overlay Zone for development standards to implement the Sector Plan, not necessarily conform, there's a difference between implementation and conformity, to implement the Sector Plan.

However, the County Council in Section 27-548.25(c) allows this Board discretion to deviate from the Development District Standards if the alternate Development District Standards benefit the development and the development district and will not substantially impair the implementation. Most, if not all of Ms. Grover's testimony dealt with conformity to the Master Plan or conformity to Plan 2035. She threw in the word implement towards the end with respect to the Development District Standards but offered no actual substantive evidence with respect to how it substantially impairs the implementation. contend as it's provided in our statement of justification that these cases must be looked at on a case by case basis. There's not a one size fits all, which is precisely why some of the Development District Standards are called out by the word should. Some have shall. The Zoning Ordinance allows for modifications for them pursuant to the section that I

just read.

This case is a very complicated case. There's a reason among many why this site hasn't yet redeveloped, and particularly the reason is because of the fact that it's over 800,000 leasable square foot interior mall surrounded by surface parking with various obligations for parking, leases, et cetera. It's not a vacant site where we can just kind of mix and match and put everything into a nice square box. We've got to contend with a lot of different things. So this is a multi-phase infill redevelopment of a large existing operational mall. It is not the case where the property is vacant and conformance to all of the Development District Standards from a ground up perspective exists, or even possible.

There must be a balancing. This whole case is about balancing. There must be a balancing and the applicant must work within the limitations of the existing development property while also maintaining the operational and functional components of the mall facility and its tenants.

For that reason, the Zoning Ordinance provides the flexibility and allows the Planning Board to apply modified Development District Standards, and that's articulated quite detailed in our statement of justification.

The other point that I want to make is Ms. Grover

made a comment about not having any, this not being a mixed-use project, yet Mr. Thomas testified that this will be converted to a mixed-use project. So both Mr. Nelson's witnesses contradict each other, one says it's not a mixed-use project the other one says it is a mixed-use project.

It is a mixed-use project, it's a mixed-use project as envisioned by the 2013 Sector Plan which uniquely, I think this is a critical fact, uniquely required a Conceptual Site Plan for the redevelopment of the Beltway Plaza Mall and the Beltway Plaza Focus Area, because of the complexity associated with the redevelopment such as this. The CSP covers and required the overall phasing of five different phases, for which we are in the first phase. Residential uses are proposed, the hotel is proposed, and 25,000, or excuse me, Ms. Hruby would slap my hand, 27,000 square feet of community recreational space is proposed.

In addition, you can't ignore the fact that it's all on the same property covered by the CSP, which has over 800,000 gross leasable area of various retailers. If this isn't mixed-use I don't know what mixed-use is.

There was testimony about the development not being consistent with the vision of the Sector Plan. I would cite you to, I think it's page 105 or 106 of the Sector Plan which shows graphically, I'm sorry, excuse me, strike that, page 107 of the Sector Plan which shows

graphically the Sector Plan's vision of the phasing of this overall project. And if you look at Phase 1, it very clearly shows three multifamily buildings.

Finally, you heard some testimony with respect to the over densification of this property. So the Conceptual Site Plan provided for 2,500 residential units as well as commercial retail. The Preliminary Plan of Subdivision was tested for 25,000 residential units. We're in Phase 1 which is 750, which is about 30 percent of the overall, entirely consistent with the prior approvals of this body.

There was testimony with respect to how this impedes or negatively impacts --

MADAM CHAIR: Okay.

MR. TEDESCO: -- the project to the north. If anything, the project to the north negatively impacts this project, since there's been no actual investment made in that property in decades. But that being the case I will say that the Sector Plan and the Development District Standards that the opposition so desperately wants us to adhere to every single of them, allows for six stories building height within this focus area. These buildings are at five stories and one instance, six stories, because of grade, but predominately five stories in height, below the maximum allowed by the Sector Plan. So I don't see how you can convincingly persuasively make an argument that this is

overbearing to the existing residents when the Sector Plan itself allows for six stories.

I don't think I need to tell anybody on the Board or on this hearing that Franklin Park, formerly known as Spring Hill Lake, existed in 2013. So when all of these development, when the Development District Standards with respect to locating the buildings and build to line which I'm going to get to, the building heights, knew exactly what was in the existing development in that area.

Interestingly enough, there is an argument that this is overpowering and overbearing and that over densification, yet we've asked for modifications to move the buildings away from Breezewood, i.e., further away from Franklin Park to accommodate a triangular linear park and the tiered park, as well as a 10-foot wide side path paralleled by a 5-foot sidewalk and amenity space. That was done specifically in response to design elements that we heard from the city and its various bodies who wanted additional open space and programmable areas with respect to recreation and green space along Breezewood Drive which is why that was done.

So I don't know how we can sit here on one hand saying it's overbearing at the same time I'm asking for a modification to the building form lot occupation and the build to lines.

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As we stated in our justification on pages 10 through 16 on that very issue, we believe and we think and your staff agreed, not only your Urban Design staff but Community Planning staff, who reviewed this against the Sector Plan, believed that the applicant's design does not substantially impair the implementation of the plan. Quite conversely, it actually implements a lot of the goals and visions of the plan by providing the modifications that the applicant has requested. Those modifications in particular to the argument that this is overbearing or too dense (indiscernible) the community to the north, our design actually, secures and preserves the health, safety and welfare for providing those open spaces and green spaces, its compatibility with the existing development, provides better pedestrian connections and circulation and provides for visual relief because each of the buildings kind of step back as you go down Breezewood Drive from east to west.

So we fundamentally have a disagreement with respect to that. Ultimately it's the Board's decision. I think there is substantial evidence in the record, both in the justification and the testimony that you've heard, as well as your expert staff, who provided its comments with respect to these Development District Standards. And we fundamentally believe it does benefit the project and the development and so for those reasons I think a proper

finding of fact in this case would be the approval of those Development District Standards for all those reasons.

I think at this point, Madam Chair, that would conclude our summation and our rebuttal.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Thank you. I'm going to turn to Mr. Warner right now. Mr. Warner, there's been some discussion obviously you consider transportation adequacy at the Preliminary Plan of Subdivision stage, and this is the Site Plan stage, although you do consider circulation. But I would like for you to respond to that and to respond to the issue of our reliance on DPIE. And one of the things I think Mr. Tedesco mentioned was even though Mr. Nelson indicated that he believes we do have the authority, he has noted an appeal he said of DPIE's position. I don't know what all that other noise is, so, okay. So he says he has noted an appeal of that so there is a venue for that.

But I'd like for you to respond to those two issues, please for the moment or any other issues that you think were relevant, but specifically those two for starters.

MR. WARNER: Thank you, Madam Chair. David
Warner, Principal Counsel. On those two issues first of all
transportation, I agree with your, the way you summed that
up and the way that the expert for the applicant summarized
the issue of offsite transportation impacts. Of course

those are important issues throughout the development process and the issue is dealt with at the time of Preliminary Plan of Subdivision in our Subdivision Regulations, and it was addressed in the Preliminary Plan of Subdivision.

Like you also mentioned, this is a Site Plan review, so we are evaluating the design of the site and we do have conditions in the Zoning Ordinance that allow us to evaluate whether circulation is appropriate, for instance within the parking lots and for pedestrians, for traffic, that kind of thing. Yes, that all becomes a part of our analysis at Detailed Site Plan. We don't evaluate at Detailed Site Plan whether sufficient transportation improvements have been made at an offsite intersection. That's what we do at Preliminary Plan and that is what was done at Preliminary Plan.

Secondly, with regard to storm water management, again of course a significant issue with any development and the Subdivision Regulations that the District Council has adopted direct us to evaluate that issue at the time of Preliminary Plan of Subdivision. And in fact, the Subdivision Regulations specifically direct the Planning Board to seek guidance from another agency for storm water management, which is of course what we do. The county has an over 600 page Storm Water Manual that has according to

the county all of the latest state and federal guidelines and best practices for measuring and evaluating storm water facilities, the impact a development will have on storm water surrounding properties, et cetera. And so we look to the county to provide us guidance on how a development's impact will, or what the impact the development will have on storm water and then again the Subdivision Regulations direct us to not approve a Preliminary Plan unless we get approval, an approved concept plan from the county. And so that was done at Preliminary Plan, and that's when this is dealt with.

The only issues regarding storm water at the time of an evaluation of a Detailed Site Plan within the D-D-O-Z is in the design standards that do address questions regarding storm water in relation to sustainability. That was the issue that we discussed earlier as to whether permeable parking lots would assist in the reduction of storm water and that got evaluated and so there are small issues regarding storm water that are addressed in the design of certain parts of this. But the issue of storm water management and those issues that were discussed at length by both parties are issues that are dealt with at Preliminary Plan, not at Detailed Site Plan.

So those are the two issues you asked me about. I would just also concur with Mr. Tedesco's legal analysis of

how the Sector Plan is implicated when you're at the DSP stage that we're at right now. And he correctly identified it's not a question of conformity, it's a question of whether the design will substantially impair, if we accept any changes to the design standards in the Sector Plan, whether any of those changes will substantially impair the development of the Sector Plan.

And then with regard to our CSP, yes, conformity is required when you're at DSP, not just because we're in a D-D-O-Z, that's always a requirement for a DSP when you're evaluating one where a CSP exists. Pardon me, my dogs.

However, conformity is not as, I think Mr. Tedesco mentioned, a question of a mirror. Conformity means is it consistent with and that's the question that our staff analyzed through its Staff Report when it evaluated the CSP, and whether this DSP conformed.

So I think those are the primary legal issues that I saw in the testimony that I think might assist the Board. But let me know if I've missed anything.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. I think that's fine. I have a comment or two to make, but I'm going to wait. Everyone has had their chance to present at this point. Everyone has had the chance to present their legal arguments in addition to their substantive arguments. The applicant has made, they have made theirs, Mr. Nelson has made his on behalf of

the opponents. All the experts have testified, the experts that we needed to testify have testified, so I think we're at the point of wrapping this up. So I'd like to see if the Board has any questions of anyone, just please, you know, raise your hand now so I can see. And if not, I'd like to get us to a motion, because this has been going on for hours and hours at this point.

COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Madam Chair?

MADAM CHAIR: Yes, you know --

COMMISSIONER GERALDO: I'm ready --

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Make a motion.

COMMISSIONER GERALDO: -- to make a motion.

MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Okay.

COMMISSIONER GERALDO: But if there was something else you wanted to add.

MADAM CHAIR: No, that's all right. That's all right, because I don't want to influence the motion, so just go ahead.

COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Okay. First of all, I want to thank everybody's participation and I think both sides presented compelling cases. But I think there was substantial evidence on the part of the applicant, so I would make a motion to approve DSP-20020, TCP2-030-00-01 and Variance from Section 25-122(b)(1)(G) along with the findings of staff with that one correction of the

typographical error on page 25, along with staff's 1 2 conditions as modified by applicant with the exception of Conditions 1P and 1V and as further modified by staff as 3 4 read into the record by Mr. Bossi of our planning staff. 5 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. And that includes approval of 6 the Development District Standards? 7 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Yes. 8 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. 9 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Yes, it does. 10 MADAM CHAIR: Thank you. Okay. MADAM VICE CHAIR: Second. 11 12 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: The approval of Development 13 Standards. MADAM CHAIR: Okay. We have a motion by 14 15 Commissioner Geraldo, seconded by Vice Chair Bailey. I do have a comment to make and you know we've listened intently 16 17 and obviously folks are very passionate about this and 18 understandably so. I do feel the legal issue regarding DPIE 19 has been addressed and you do have a venue for that, Mr.

But I want to remind everyone that this is mixed-use infill. And if you look at the definition of mixed-use infill it promotes smart, I'm reading it into the record now, it promotes smart growth principles by encouraging the efficient use of land, public facilities and services in

Nelson, as you have indicated.

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areas that are substantially developed. This area is substantially developed as Mr. Tedesco so indicated. So it's not vacant land.

And then further the definition says these regulations are intended to create community environments, which is what this is, enhanced by a mix of residential, which is what we have, also commercial, recreational, open space, employment and institutional uses in accordance with approved plans.

So I look at that and I say okay we have residential, we have the hotel, we have open space, you saw the tiered and the triangular park, we have recreational facilities. There are many of the things that are incorporated in the definition of mixed-use infill right here in the Zoning Ordinance in this application. So I disagree that there is not a mix of uses here.

And I think when you have a situation like this where the property has been developed for so long and then you have the surface parking as well, you have to work within those parameters and that's what this M-U-I is intended to do. It says in areas that are substantially developed. You couldn't be more substantially developed than Beltway Plaza. So I think Mr. Tedesco indicated this has been very complicated, and I don't doubt it and we do, I think the fact that the City of Greenbelt has supported

this, not necessarily immediately but through substantial 1 2 efforts, is pretty telling in this case. Because when they don't support they let you know real quick, and --3 4 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Yes. 5 MADAM CHAIR: -- so I just think it meets all the 6 requirements of the applicable laws, the Zoning Ordinance 7 and every other applicable law. But I think the definition of M-U-I says it all right there. 9 So we have a motion and a second. I do want to thank everyone for coming and participating. I want to get 10 11 to the vote. Madam Vice Chair? 12 MADAM VICE CHAIR: I vote aye. 13 MADAM CHAIR: Commissioner Doerner? 14 COMMISSIONER DOERNER: I vote aye. 15 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: Couldn't hear him. 16 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. He came on finally, he said 17 vote aye. 18 COMMISSIONER DOERNER: I vote aye. 19 MADAM CHAIR: Commissioner Geraldo? 20 COMMISSIONER GERALDO: I vote aye, Madam Chair. 21 And I agree wholeheartedly with your comments. 22 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. Thank you. And then I vote 23 The ayes have it, 4-0 at this point. So again thank you everyone and I hope that you continue to find a way to 24

collaborate and that's Item 7 is concluded at this point.

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1 I am now going to turn to Mr. Hunt. Mr. Hunt? 2 MR. HUNT: Yes, Madam Chair? 3 MADAM CHAIR: Mr. Hunt, is there any additional 4 business to come before the Planning Board today? 5 There's no additional business before MR. HUNT: 6 the Board today. Thank you. 7 MADAM CHAIR: Okay. The Planning Board is 8 I still would like to recommend that everyone continue to stay safe and really look out for one another. I mean again, these are tough times and we are not out of 10 11 the woods in terms of this pandemic. It's getting worse by 12 the second in terms of these variants and please just take 13 good care of yourselves, stay safe, look out for your 14 families, look out for one another. Mask up and backs up. 15 Thank you. The Planning Board is adjourned. 16 (Whereupon, the proceedings were concluded.) 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

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