

## PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

## OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

July 24, 2020

Robert S. McCord Secretary Maryland Department of Planning 301 West Preston Street, Suite 1101 Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Dear Secretary McCord:

Prince George's County transmitted its certification of its Priority Funding Areas (PFA) to the Maryland Office of Planning in September 1998. We would now like to make amendments to the county's designated PFA. These amendments are proposed to support and implement Plan Prince George's 2035 (Plan 2035), Prince George's County's General Plan, Bowie State University strategic planning efforts and County economic development initiatives.

The amendment adds several properties and rights-of-way to the Prince George's County Priority Funding Area at and surrounding the Bowie State Station along the MARC Penn Line, including properties designated by Plan 2035 as the Bowie State Campus Center, where Transit-Oriented Development is recommended, the Bowie State MARC Station, portions of the main Bowie State University campus and portions of MD 197 that connect these key growth locations to the City of Bowie.

Prince George's County, Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and Bowie State University are working closely with the Maryland Department of Transportation to secure Transit-Oriented Development designation for this area; as you know, this PFA amendment is a critical step toward this designation.

The attached staff report to the Prince George's County Planning Board contains additional details, a map of the proposed amendments and a list of the parcels contained in the amendment. We understand that this amendment will be filed by the Maryland Department of Planning, that the Department may include comments as part of the files and that the Department will coordinate with state funding agencies to inform them about this amendment to Prince George's County's PFA designated boundaries.

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If you have any questions about this amendment request or its certification, please contact Andrew McCray at Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Prince George's County Planning Department at Andrew.mccray@ppd.mncppc.org or 301-952-4737.

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Sincerely,

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Prince George's County Council

Attachment