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Chair, Planning Advisory Board

November 19, 2024

The Honorable Steuart Pittman, County Executive
Anne Arundel County
Arundel Center, P.O. Box 2700
Annapolis, Maryland 21404

RE: Bill 93-24: An Ordinance Concerning:
Planning and Development - Master Plan
for Water Supply and Sewerage Systems

Dear County Executive Pittman:


The Planning Advisory Board (PAB) is a citizen advisory board created by §532 of the Anne Arundel County Charter. Under § 533 (b) of the Charter, the PAB shall make advisory recommendations to the Planning and Zoning Officer and the County Council relating to various matters including Master Plans.

The PAB met on November 6, 2024 and received an overview of Bill 93-24 from the Office of Planning and Zoning staff. This Ordinance is for an amendment to the Water Sewer Master Plan. The amendment is to build a sewer pumping station and forcemain that will convey all flow currently received at the Piney Orchard Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) to the Patuxent WRF. The Piney Orchard WRF will be decommissioned once the sewer pumping station and forcemain are operational. This amendment will considerably reduce costs of providing required Enhanced Nutrient Removal (ENR) upgrades to the Piney Orchard WRF.

Following the presentation and discussion among the members of the PAB, the Board voted 7-0 to offer an advisory recommendation of approval of Bill 93-24. The PAB recommends automatically testing all decommissioned WRF sites for hazardous materials and soil contamination if this is not already required.

If there are any questions regarding our recommendation, please contact Michael Stringer in the Office of Planning and Zoning at PlanningAdvisoryBoard@aacounty.org.

Sincerely,



Gustav S. Kurtz, Jr.
Chair

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