

Item# MCPB 1/31/08

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

January 18, 2008

TO:

Montgomery County Planning Board

VIA:

Rose Krasnow, Chief 1869 Development Review Division

FROM:

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Planning Department Staff

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PROJECT NAME:

The Fairmont

CASE #:

9200700110

REVIEW TYPE:

Project Plan

ZONE:

CBD-2

APPLYING FOR:

Request for Extension for 34 multi-family dwelling units, including 6 MPDUs

on 0.21 acres

LOCATION:

Lot 644, Woodmont

Property is located on Fairmont Avenue, approximately 250 feet northeast of the

intersection with Old Georgetown Road, in the Woodmont Triangle area of

Bethesda

MASTER PLAN:

Bethesda CBD 1994, Woodmont Triangle Amendment 2006

REVIEW BASIS:

Division 59-D-2.11 of the Zoning Ordinance requires submission of a Project

Plan as part of the application for the use of optional method of development for

a CBD zoned property.

APPLICANT:

Fairmont, LLC

FILING DATE: HEARING DATE: November 29, 2006 January 31, 2008

The applicant filed the subject Project Plan application for The Fairmont on November 29, 2006. Section D-2.2 of the Zoning Ordinance provides that the Planning Board shall hold a public hearing no later than 90 days after the filing of a project plan. The Planning Board, however, can extend this time period.

Staff recommends extension of the review period for the Project Plan and postponement of the hearing in order to address issues related to access, public use and amenities. The hearing for the Project Plan application will be scheduled within 90 days of the January 31, 2008 hearing.

December 19, 2007



Dr. Royce Hanson, Chair and Members of the Montgomery County Planning Board 8787 Georgia Avenue Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Re:

The Fairmont (4931 Fairmont Avenue) – Project Plan No. 920070110 – Request for Additional Continuance

Dear Dr. Hanson and Members of the Planning Board:

On behalf of the Applicant, Fairmont, LLC, the purpose of this letter is to request an indefinite continuance of the Planning Board hearing on the above-referenced Project Plan. The Applicant requests the continuance so the County Council may consider and act on ZTA 07-10 concerning the CBD Zones.

We had previously been advised by Council Staff that ZTA 07-10 would be considered by the Council sometime in January. We now understand that might not occur. Therefore, rather than requesting another 90-day continuance that might not be sufficient, we are requesting an indefinite continuance of the public hearing. Once the Council acts on ZTA 07-10, we will contact Planning Staff to discuss the impacts of the ZTA, review any resultant changes to the project design, and request the matter be rescheduled for Planning Board consideration. Once a new hearing date is scheduled, we will send appropriate notices to all adjoining and confronting property owners and local citizens associations.

To our knowledge, no individuals have contacted the Planning Commission concerning this application other than the representatives of the public agencies with whom Applicant has been working to address agency comments. Accordingly, we do not believe the requested continuance will constitute prejudice or undue hardship to any interested party.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

ANOWES AND BLOCHER LLP

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