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## MARC Rail Communities Sector Plan – Community Design Workshop for the Boyds MARC Rail Station

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## Staff Recommendation

Briefing.

## **Summary**

Since the 2005 proposed closure of the MARC rail station in Boyds, the community, the County Council and the Montgomery County Department of Transportation have shared the goals of increasing ridership and access to the station for transit riders, pedestrians, bicyclists and drivers. After the Anderson properties, on the north side of the station at the intersection of Clarksburg and Barnesville Roads, were listed for sale in Fall 2016, and the County investigated their use for a bus turnaround and parking lot, the Boyds Civic Association and the Boyds Historical Society jointly organized a community charette in Fall 2018 to envision how this site and the historic Hoyles Mill can become an asset to the community for both continued MARC viability, and as a community hub.

The Boyds residents will present the ideas and recommendations that were developed by the community during the charette. The County acquired the Anderson properties on January 15, 2019.