Veirs Mill Corridor Master Plan: Working Draft

Staff Recommendation
Approve the Working Draft of the Veirs Mill Corridor Master Plan as the Public Hearing Draft and schedule the public hearing date for April 26, 2018.

Summary
The Veirs Mill Corridor Master Plan extends approximately four miles from the City of Rockville to the Wheaton Central Business District. The plan seeks to improve connectivity between transit and community uses, enhance safety in alignment with Montgomery County’s recent adoption of Vision Zero, and explore opportunities for redevelopment at strategic locations to provide walkable, neighborhood-serving development.

The Veirs Mill Corridor Master Plan was initiated by the Planning Department in January 2017. A kickoff meeting was held with the community on February 22, 2017 at the Sargent Shriver Elementary School. Staff organized five additional community meetings and participated in nine public events within and adjacent to the plan area in 2017.

The Planning Board approved the Scope of Work for the Veirs Mill Corridor Master Plan on March 2, 2017. Staff presented the preliminary recommendations to the community on December 13, 2017 and to the Planning Board on January 11, 2018. Staff will present the Working Draft of the Veirs Mill Corridor Master Plan to the Planning Board on March 8, 2018. The Working Draft is an amendment to portions of the approved and adopted 1989 Master Plan for the Communities of Kensington-Wheaton; 1992 North Bethesda-Garrett Park Master Plan; and 1994 Aspen Hill Master Plan.

Staff recommends approval of the Working Draft as the Public Hearing Draft and requests that the Planning Board schedule the public hearing date for April 26, 2018. The Veirs Mill Corridor Master Plan Appendices will be available on-line prior to the public hearing.

Attachment
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