

Item 10 - Correspondence

From: [Wellington, Meredith](#)
To: [MCP-Chair](#)
Cc: [Wright, Gwen](#); [Afzal, Khalid](#); [Stern, Tanya](#); [McCarthy, Caroline](#); [Spielberg, Debbie](#); [Iseli, Claire](#)
Subject: Fw: A simple edit to a misleading sentence in Thursday's Staff Report for Thrive 2050
Date: Tuesday, December 15, 2020 6:29:03 PM
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To the Chair and Members of the Planning Board:

Please see below the request for a correction of Thursday's Staff Report for Thrive Montgomery, along with the accompanying email discussion.

Thank you for your consideration.

Meredith Wellington

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Subject: Re: A simple edit to a misleading sentence in Thursday's Staff Report for Thrive 2050

Thank you, Khalid. I will forward my email to the Chair.

I look forward to working with you, too.

Meredith

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From: Afzal, Khalid <khalid.afzal@montgomeryplanning.org>
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[EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Hi Meredith,

As a standard procedure for all material posted for the Planning Board review, staff does not make any changes to staff memorandums and supporting material once they are posted on the Planning Board web site. Any correction to a posted staff report is done as part of the staff presentation to the Planning Board on that particular item.

As we discussed in our tele conversation earlier today, I agree that this sentence in the staff report needs to be modified to state that the request to extend the close of record of Thrive Montgomery 2050 public hearing came from some community groups as well as the County Executive's office. Therefore, I will make this correction as highlighted below in your email (and also correct the date of Clime Action Plan publication from 12/15 to 12/14) on Thursday during my presentation to the Board.

In the meantime, please address your email to the Planning Board (mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org) so it can be shared with the Board on Thursday and become part of the public record.

Thank you and I look forward to continuing to work with you on the draft Plan.

Khalid



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Subject: A simple edit to a misleading sentence in Thursday's Staff Report for Thrive 2050

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Hi Khalid,

As we agreed, the first sentence on page 5 of the Staff Report for the Thrive Montgomery 2050 work session this Thursday, December 17, is misleading. The best way to cure this is to rewrite the sentence, so that the Staff Report is accurate for all readers.

Here is the sentence in question:

"Additionally, the Planning Department and Planning Board Chair received a request from several organizations, transmitted through the County Executive Office, to extend the public comment period for Thrive Montgomery 2050 in order to link this review period with the release of the county's draft Climate Action Plan (CAP) on December 15th."

I have underlined the incorrect phrase. The sentence can be corrected by simply deleting the underlined portion, and inserting "the Office of the County Executive and several other organizations" in its place.

The sentence would then read:

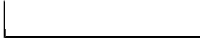
"Additionally, the Planning Department and Planning Board Chair received a request from the Office of the County Executive and several other organizations to extend the public comment period for Thrive Montgomery 2050 in order to link this review period with the release of the county's draft Climate Action Plan (CAP) on December 15th."

Khalid, you set a high standard of excellence. I am sure that we can resolve this before the work session.

Thank you very much,
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