Item 12 - Correspondence

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Hello,

Here is testimony from the Calverton Citizens Association for the hearing on Thursday, June 23 for Item 8.

Thank you for your time,

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Chair Casey Anderson Montgomery County Planning Board 2425 Reedie Drive Silver Spring, MD 20902

Re: Item 8 Hearing for Montgomery Industrial Park, Site Plan Amendment 81990069C & 81994026C

Dear Chair Anderson:

The Calverton Citizens Association (CCA) supports the Recommendations and Conditions listed in Section 1 pertaining to Site Plan Amendment 81990069C & Site Plan Amendment 81994026C. We are concerned about the new parking areas planned for both sites.

The CCA does have concerns regarding Section 1 Recommendations and Conditions. Our concerns are with #4 for 81990069C under Revised Conditions and #16 for 81994026C under New Conditions. You are requesting that the Applicant indicate where the code-required 50 parking spaces per each certified site plan are located and provide clear signage restricting their use to employees and customers and preventing their use for storage of inventory and trade-ins.

The Applicant does have a satellite vehicle parking lot on Broadbirch Drive. The satellite lot was packed with vehicles before the pandemic but since the pandemic the satellite lot has fewer cars. The lot on Broadbirch took the overflow vehicles off the public streets and off the street that leads to the Army National Guard Recruiting Station next to the Applicant property. Calverton is concerned that these additional 100 spots, 50 parking spaces per certified site plan, will eventually be used as overflow parking once the car selling business gets back to normal. How will these parking recommendations and conditions be enforced? Are these recommendations and conditions self-enforced? Who will respond to complaints from the community about vehicles parked on the streets around the Applicant's property?

The Applicant has been responsive and has worked with the Calverton community in the past when needed. The CCA hopes that the Applicant will continue to work with community if a problem arises.

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Thank you for your time.

Respectfully submitted,

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