SITTING AS THE DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR THAT PORTION OF THE MARYLAND-WASHINGTON REGIONAL DISTRICT WITHIN MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

Lead Sponsor: County Council

SUBJECT: Approval of the August 2021 Great Seneca Science Corridor Minor Master Plan Amendment

1. On August 9, 2021, the Montgomery County Planning Board transmitted to the County Executive and the County Council the August 2021 Planning Board Draft Great Seneca Science Corridor Minor Master Plan Amendment.

2. The August 2021 Planning Board Draft Great Seneca Science Corridor Minor Master Plan Amendment contains the text and supporting maps for an amendment to portions of the Approved and Adopted 2010 Great Seneca Science Corridor Master Plan. It also amends The General Plan (On Wedges and Corridors) for the Physical Development of the Maryland-Washington Regional District in Montgomery and Prince George’s Counties, as amended.

3. On October 19, 2021, the County Council held a virtual public hearing on the August 2021 Planning Board Draft Great Seneca Science Corridor Minor Master Plan Amendment. The Minor Master Plan Amendment was referred to the Council’s Planning, Housing, and Economic Development Committee for review and recommendations.

4. On November 1, 2021, the Planning, Housing, and Economic Development Committee held a worksession to review the issues raised in connection with the Planning Board Draft Great Seneca Science Corridor Minor Master Plan Amendment.

5. On November 9, 2021, the County Council reviewed the Planning Board Draft Great Seneca Science Corridor Minor Master Plan Amendment and the recommendations of the Planning, Housing, and Economic Development Committee.

Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, sitting as the District Council for that portion of the Maryland-Washington Regional District in Montgomery County, Maryland, approves the following resolution:
The Planning Board Draft Great Seneca Science Corridor Minor Master Plan Amendment, dated August 2021, is approved with revisions. County Council revisions to the Planning Board Draft Great Seneca Science Corridor Minor Master Plan Amendment are identified below. Additions to the text of the Plan are indicated by **underscoring**. All page references are to the August 2021 Planning Board Draft Great Seneca Science Corridor Minor Master Plan Amendment.

Page 3: Modify the first bulleted recommendation under “Recommendations” as follows:

- Create an interim stage, between Stage 1 and Stage 2, that shifts 400,000 square feet of non-residential development from Stage 2 to this interim stage. Release 400,000 square feet of non-residential development capacity immediately through this interim stage. The 400,000 square feet of non-residential development capacity is limited to the LSC North, LSC Central, and LSC South districts. New development capacity allocations through this interim stage are prohibited in the LSC West and LSC Belward Districts. The additional capacity of 400,000 square feet is only available for non-residential development and is not eligible for conversion to residential development under the staging requirements.

Page 30: Modify the first bulleted recommendation under “Recommendations” as follows:

- Create an interim stage, between Stage 1 and Stage 2, that shifts 400,000 square feet of non-residential development from Stage 2 to this interim stage. Release 400,000 square feet of non-residential development capacity immediately through this interim stage. The 400,000 square feet of non-residential development capacity is limited to the LSC North, LSC Central, and LSC South districts. New development capacity allocations through this interim stage are prohibited in the LSC West and LSC Belward Districts. The additional capacity of 400,000 square feet is only available for non-residential development and is not eligible for conversion to residential capacity under the staging requirements.

**General**

All illustrations and tables included in the Plan will be revised to reflect the District Council changes to the Planning Board Draft Great Seneca Science Corridor Minor Master Plan Amendment (August 2021). The text and graphics will be revised as necessary to achieve and improve clarity and consistency, to update factual information, and to convey the actions of the District Council. Graphics and tables will be revised and re-numbered, where necessary, to be consistent with the text and titles.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

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