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## Case No. /Petitioner and Owner: <br> Project Name:

SDP-15-068, Howard Hughes Corporation
Downtown Columbia, Crescent Neighborhood, Parcel A-1 through A-3 and Future Parcel E, updated - Major Plan Revision (Parcel A-2)

Request: For the Planning Board to approve a Major Plan Redline Revision to SDP-15-068, a Site Development Plan for Downtown Revitalization, "Crescent Neighborhood Area 1, Parcels A-1 thru A-3 (Block C.1.1) and Parcel E (Block C.4)", in accordance with Section 125.0.G. of the Howard County Zoning Regulations. The purpose of this Major Plan Redline Revision is to show the final footprint and plan details for a proposed mixed use office/retail building on Parcel A-3. The Site Development Plan (SDP) encompasses a plan submission area of 6.32 acres. Parcel A-2 will be improved with 114,129 SF of office and 15,456 SF of retail (including restaurant) for a total building square footage of $129,585 \mathrm{SF}$. The updated site development plan also revises Parcel A-1 square footage and minor details to reflect the final building plans, and adds Downtown Community Commons to the site. The total cumulative development permitted on the site development plan is $322,036 \mathrm{SF}$ of office, $5,093 \mathrm{SF}$ of retail and $19,679 \mathrm{SF}$ of restaurant. No changes are proposed to the temporary 162 space surface parking lot on future Parcel E, which partially offsets the loss of Merriweather Post Pavilion parking due to development on Parcels A-1, A-2, and A-3.

In accordance with Sections 125.0.G. of the Howard County Zoning Regulations, the Planning Board shall evaluate and approve, approve with conditions, or disapprove the Site Development Plan at a Public Meeting.

Recommendation: The Department of Planning and Zoning recommends approval of a major revision to SDP-15-068, "Downtown Columbia, Crescent Neighborhood Parcel A-1 thru A-3 and Parcel E. It finalizes details for Building $B$ and the Downtown Community Commons proposed at this site, as well as reflects final building details for Building A-1, subject to adequately addressing all the conditions of approval listed in Attachment A. A note must be provided on the plan addressing how land intended for common or quasi-public use will be held, owned, and maintained in perpetuity.


Location: The subject parcels A-1 thru A-3 are identified as part of Parcel 527, Parcels A-1 and A-3 on Tax Map 36 and are located at the southeast corner of the Broken Land Parkway/Little Patuxent Parkway intersection. Future Parcel E is identified as part of Parcel 527 on Tax Map 36 and is located on the south side of Little Patuxent Parkway, just west of the existing private drive to Symphony Woods and Merriweather Post Pavilion. All parcels are zoned New Town (NT) and are designated as Downtown Mixed Use area per the Downtown Columbia Plan. The remainder of Parcel 527 is proposed to be subdivided with F-15-106, which includes Future Parcel E, and is tentatively approved. Parcel A-2 is the southeast parcel and sits at the intersection of Divided Sky Lane and Grantchester Way.

## Vicinal Properties:

North: Both Parcel A (A-1 through A-3) and Parcel E are bordered to the north by Little Patuxent Parkway. Office buildings and parking structures, part of a set of properties collectively known as Columbia Corporate Center, are on the opposite side of Little Patuxent Parkway. Parcel A-2 is bounded on the north by Parcel A-1.

South: Parcels A-1 through A-3 are bordered to the south by undeveloped land in the Crescent Neighborhood. Some of this land includes existing parking fields serving Merriweather Post Pavilion (locations of future development), as well as areas that contain environmental features. These features will be part of environmental restoration efforts for the neighborhood. Parcel E is bordered on the south by a private drive into the Symphony Woods and Merriweather Post Pavilion properties. Parcel A-2 is bounded on the south by Divided Sky Lane.

East: Parcel A is bordered by undisturbed land that will be part of the planned environmental restoration for the neighborhood. Parcel E is bounded to the east by Symphony Woods. Parcel A-2 is bounded on the east by Grantchester Way and undisturbed land.

West: Parcel A is bordered on the west by Broken Land Parkway. On the opposite side is a residential condominium development. Parcel E is bounded by undeveloped land that will be used for the future Crescent Road A (a.k.a. Merriweather Drive) and land that will be part of the planned environmental restoration for the neighborhood. Parcel A-2 is bounded to the west by a plaza and the Parcel A-3 garage.

Neighborhood: The Downtown Columbia Plan describes the Crescent Neighborhood as a "mixed-use live-work neighborhood", as well as an employment center. The Crescent Neighborhood Design Guidelines envision it as an "urban live/work neighborhood overlooking Merriweather-Symphony Woods" that is defined by tall buildings set amongst lower lying, environmentally sensitive lands.


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## I. General Information:

## A. Relevant Site History:

Parcels A-1, A-2, and A-3 are part of Crescent Neighborhood Area 1, as shown on Final Development Plan (FDP-DC-Crescent-1) for Downtown Revitalization. When this site development plan was originally approved the sites were wooded and did not contain environmentally sensitive features. The sites have since been graded and are under construction. The recent history is as follows:

- FDP-DC-Crescent-1 encompasses the majority of land within the Crescent Neighborhood and includes four designated development areas, a network of roads that expand the overall Downtown road network, and a network of land designated for environmental restoration and Downtown Parkland. The Crescent Neighborhood Concept Plan, the Crescent Neighborhood Design Guidelines, and the Crescent Neighborhood Implementation Plan were included as part of the FDP package, which was reviewed and approved by the Planning Board on March 19, 2015. The Decision and Order was signed on April 16, 2015. The plans and documents were recorded on July 2, 2015. (An amendment to this FDP, FDP-DC-Crescent-1A, is currently in process, but there are no changes that would impact this site development plan).
- An Environmental Concept Plan (ECP-15-074) for Crescent Neighborhood Parcels A and E was signed approved on September 18, 2015.
- F-15-098 was submitted on May 21, 2015 for the subdivision of Parcels 527 to create Parcels A-1, A-2, and A-3. It also allowed the construction of Divided Sky Lane and a portion of Merriweather Drive, connecting to Little Patuxent Parkway. The road construction drawings were signed December 9, 2015 and the plat was recorded December 17, 2015.
- SDP-15-068 was submitted for review May 27, 2015. The plan was deemed approvable as of September 29, 2015 and received Planning Board approval on October 15, 2015. The originals were signed December 18, 2015.
- F-15-106 was submitted July 2, 2015 to subdivide the remainder of Parcel 527 into buildable parcels (including Parcel E) and open space lots. It also allowed the construction of a portion of future Merriweather Drive and the future Hickory Ridge Road extended. The plan was deemed technically complete on March 23, 2016. The road construction drawings were approved August 3, 2016. The developer's agreement must be completed by September 19, 2016 and the plat originals must be submitted for recordation by November 18, 2016.
- WP-16-024 was submitted August 21, 2015 to waive Section $16.119(f)(1)$ of the Subdivision and Land Development Regulations. This would allow a private commercial driveway to access an arterial road. The Subdivision Review Committee has submitted comments and DPZ is drafting a report recommending approval to the Planning Director. The justification is that access to this driveway would be limited to trash pickup and deliveries and there would not be a potential for cutthrough traffic. SRC comments on the SDP include approval subject to the approval of this waiver petition.
- A Redline Revision/Major Plan Revision request to SDP-15-068 (the subject plan) was submitted on May 16, 2016 and was deemed approvable July 18, 2016, subject to Planning Board Approval and addressing agency comments (See Attachment A).


## B. Posting:

Per Section 125.0.G. of the Howard County Zoning Regulations, the property must be posted a minimum two weeks prior to the public meeting. The subject property was properly posted with two official Planning Board meeting notices. These signs were posted beginning on or before August 4, 2016. In addition, electronic notifications regarding the public meeting were sent to each Columbia Village Board, the Columbia Association, Howard County Council members, and pre-submission meeting attendees who provided email addresses.

## C. Regulatory Compliance:

Site Development Plans are subject to the following items:
(1) The Downtown Columbia Plan: Council Bill No. 58-2009, which approved an amendment to the

Howard County General Plan.
(2) The Zoning Regulations: including sections enacted as part of an amendment to the Zoning Regulations as Council Bill No. 59-2009 (ZRA 113).
(3) Downtown-Wide Design Guidelines passed as Council Resolution 138-2010.
(4) The Adequate Public Facilities Act amended for Downtown Columbia as Council Bill 47-2010.
(5) The Sign Ordinance amended for Downtown Columbia as Council Bill 56-2010.

In addition, the petitioner met the following pre-submission requirements:
(6) A Pre-Submission Community Meeting was held on March 26, 2015 in accordance with Section 125.0.H.1.a. of the Zoning Regulations and Section 16.128(b)-(g), of the Subdivision and Land Development Regulations. Building B was included as part of the concept plan described during this meeting and shown on the submitted and a placeholder was included on the current approved plan. The tentative square footage was also approved. Therefore, no new pre-submission community meeting is required.
(7) The Design Advisory Panel (DAP) reviewed Parcel A-2/Building B based on the approved Neighborhood Specific Design Guidelines on March 9, 2016. This was in accordance with Section 125.0.H.1.b. of the Zoning Regulations and Title 16, Subtitle 15 of the County Code. Per Section 16.1504(f) of the Howard County Code, the Planning Board may consider DAP recommendations when making a final decision for Site Development Plan approval for Downtown Revitalization. See Attachment B for a summary of recommendations and the applicant's response for the recommendations.

## D. Definitions:

Downtown Columbia Definitions: Please refer to the attached definitions (Attachment ' $D$ ') of terms relating to Downtown Columbia revitalization as excerpted from Section 103.0.A.38-60 of the Zoning Regulations as needed.

Crescent Neighborhood Definitions: See also Section 7.0 ("Definitions") of The Crescent Neighborhood Design Guidelines.

## II. Description of the Site Development Plan Proposal:

Site Improvements: This Site Development Plan (SDP) encompasses 6.32 acres of which 5.71 acres will be disturbed. When the original SDP was approved on December 2015 Parcel A-2 was reserved for a future office building. It required additional DAP and staff review and Planning Board approval. This Major Plan Redline Revision proposes a 129,585 SF, 6 story office building with retail and restaurant uses. The developer estimates $114,129 \mathrm{SF}$ of office, $4,031 \mathrm{SF}$ of retail, and $11,425 \mathrm{SF}$ of restaurant uses. The cumulative development permitted per the revised SDP is 322,036 SF of office, $5,093 \mathrm{SF}$ of retail, and $19,679 \mathrm{SF}$ of restaurant uses. These cumulative totals account for a more precise calculation of uses for Building A-1, as reflected on the construction plans. With the construction of the new building an internal plaza (a Downtown Community Commons) will be constructed between Building B and the garage. Building B also has an upper level terrace that is part of the Commons. There are no changes to the Parcel E parking lot, as shown on the previously approved SDP.

Environmental Concerns: There are no current environmental concerns. When the original SDP was approved Parcels A and Parcel E were fully wooded, but did not contain wetlands, wetland buffers, streams, stream buffers, steep slopes ( $25 \%$ or greater), erodible soils, or a 100-year floodplain. Parcels A-1 and A-3 are currently under construction, and Parcel A-2 has been graded.

Stormwater Management: A combination of techniques will serve to adequately filter and manage stormwater per the 2010 Stormwater Management Act. The Site Development Plan proposes various types of Environmental Site Design (ESD) practices to address stormwater management. The plan utilizes micro-bioretention facilities, pervious pavement, a green roof on Building B, and an underground rain harvesting system.

The underground rain harvesting system will collect water from the Building A roof, pipe it to a Stormceptor filtering device where it will be pretreated, and then it will be stored in a cistern under the loading area on the west side of the building. The water will be released into a seepage berm that will enhance the wetlands on the west side of the parcel.

Micro-bioretention facilities along the east side of the parking garage will treat rainwater from the garage, allowing it to infiltrate. Under-drained ESD facilities and pervious pavers in the pedestrian plaza will address larger storms. The green roof on Building B will also directly treat stormwater and underdrains will collect it and then direct it to a storm drain.

Roads: In addition to Broken Land Parkway and Little Patuxent Parkway, the site is served by three new roads currently under construction. These were approved through Final Plan F-15-098 and the original SDP-15-068. Merriweather Drive (off-site of this SDP) is a major neighborhood avenue (Avenue Type 3 per the Crescent Neighborhood Design Guidelines) at the boundary of the Crescent and Merriweather-Symphony Woods Neighborhoods. Divided Sky Lane is a public road (Street Type 3 per the Crescent Neighborhood Design Guidelines) located along the southern boundary of Parcels A-2 and A-3. It connects Broken Land Parkway and Merriweather Drive. A private road, Grantchester Way, is being constructed as part of this SDP along the east side of Parcels A-1 and A-3. It is the east frontage street for the new building and goes from Little Patuxent Parkway south to intersect with Divided Sky Lane.
The intersection of Broken Land Parkway and Divided Sky Lane, as well as the intersection of Little Patuxent Parkway and Merriweather Drive, will only allow right in/right out turns. Access to the parking garage and Building A will be via Divided Sky Lane and an internal driveway from Grantchester Way. The intersection at Little Patuxent Parkway and Grantchester Way will be right-in only. Cars exiting from the parking garage to Grantchester Way will have to travel south to Divided Sky Lane. Cars exiting the parking garage at the Divided Sky Lane may travel west to Broken Land Parkway or east to Grantchester Way or Merriweather Drive.

Pedestrian and Bicycle Connections: The pedestrian and bicycle connections shown on the approved site development plan remain. This updated plan also shows a new north-south pedestrian connection through the central plaza, along with a meandering boardwalk, located above a microbioretention facility, which provides handicap access. The existing sidewalk along Broken Land Parkway is currently being widened to 6 ' to comply with the Crescent Neighborhood Design Guidelines and a $6^{\prime}$ sidewalk is proposed on the west side of Grantchester Way. The Downtown Multi-use Pathway fronts both Parcels A and E.

Divided Sky Way is identified as a primary bicycle connection in the Crescent Neighborhood Design Guidelines and FDP-DC-Crescent-1. There will be an 8 ' sidewalk on the south side of Divided Sky Lane to accommodate bicycles, which will also have full use of a street lane. An 8' sidewalk on the north side of this road will accommodate larger crowds during events at Merriweather Post Pavilion.

Building Height: Per FDP-DC-Crescent-1, the maximum building height for Parcels A-1 thru A-3 is 15 stories or 170'. The proposed mixed use office/retail building on Parcel A-2 is proposed with 6 stories and a mean height of 85'. No changes are proposed for the Parcel A-1 and A-3 buildings currently under construction.

Forest Conservation: The property is exempt from the requirements of Section 16.1200 of the Howard County Code for Forest Conservation because the property is zoned NT and received preliminary plan approval prior to 12/31/92 per Section 16.1202(b)(1)(iv).
Setback Requirements: While there are no setback requirements, the Crescent Neighborhood Design Guidelines recommend a 15-25' setback from a public or private right of way, which the proposed building meets.

Landscaping: There are no major changes to landscaping based on the approved plan. However, some microbioretention planters along the plaza side of Building $B$ will be removed because the footprint of the building has increased. A hedge located between the Building A terrace and the Downtown Multiuse Pathway will also be removed and replaced with a $3 \frac{1}{2}$ ' stone veneer wall (depicted in an elevation on Sheet 37 of the proposed revised plan).

Parking: A Parking Needs Analysis, based on Section 133.0.E. 3 of the Zoning Regulations (Downtown Revitalization Trip Reduction), was updated to reflect changes in Building B uses and the size of Building A. According to the updated study, 1,102 automobile parking spaces are required for both buildings. The SDP
proposes 1,127 credited automobile parking spaces within the parking garage and 7 on-street parking spaces on the north side of Divided Sky Lane. The total parking supply is therefore 1,134 credited parking spaces. Adequate handicap accessible parking spaces are also being provided and bike racks are proposed at the front and rear of the building and within the garage, per the currently approved plan.

The proposed development displaces approximately 500 parking spaces currently available for Merriweather Post Pavilion patrons. Per FDP-DC-Crescent-1, all displaced Merriweather Post Pavilion parking due to development of the Crescent Neighborhood must be mitigated:


#### Abstract

"Mitigation for Merriweather Post Pavilion parking lot to development pursuant to this FDP must be specified with the site development plan that shows the demolition of the existing parking. For each SDP proposing demolition of existing parking, the petitioner must submit a parking analysis to demonstrate the proposed mitigation will either (i) replace within existing or proposed parking area(s) located within Downtown any demolished parking calculated on a shared parking basis; or (ii) propose other mitigation, which could include parking management practices, that will mitigate the loss of the demolished spaces. As with past practices, large festival events may include parking outside the Downtown area."


To partially meet this requirement, a temporary surface parking lot containing 162 spaces is proposed on Parcel E. There is also excess capacity in existing garages on the north side of Little Patuxent Parkway to accommodate any remaining displaced spaces. Temporary easements are recorded in the Land Records of Howard County to ensure there is no net loss of parking spaces during construction. The parking garage still under construction will be utilized for Merriweather Post Pavilion event parking when finished; accommodating about 805 parking spaces for events.
III. Planning Board Review and Approval Criteria: In accordance with Section 125.0.H.3. of the Howard County Zoning Regulations, the Planning Board is to evaluate and approve, approve with conditions, or deny a Site Development Plan that proposes Downtown Revitalization based on whether the petition satisfies the following criteria:

## A. The development conforms with the adopted Downtown Columbia Plan.

The proposed development conforms to the Downtown Columbia Plan when considering all of the conformance criteria. Conformance is specifically addressed in Section 125.0.A.2.b of the Zoning Regulations:
"When a provision in this section requires that an action "will conform", "conform with", "conforms with" or "conforms to", the Downtown Columbia Plan or any part of the plan, the action being taken shall further, and not be contrary to, the following items in the Downtown Columbia Plan:
(1) Policies;
(2) Timing and implementation of the plan;
(3) Timing of development;
(4) Development patterns
(5) Land uses; and
(6) Densities and intensities."

The Downtown Columbia Plan envisioned the Crescent Neighborhood as a mixed-use, live-work neighborhood, and employment center. It was to be densely built and located adjacent to environmentally sensitive areas. This revised SDP completes the vision of the previously approved plan with a second mixed use office building within the heart of Downtown. It complements the existing office buildings on the north side of Little Patuxent Parkway. The proposed development also includes a Downtown Community Commons at its center, which provides a quasi-public open space, as envisioned in the Downtown Columbia Plan.

Downtown Phasing - This proposal falls within the Phase I threshold of the Downtown Revitalization Phasing Plan. It states that Downtown Columbia cannot proceed to Phase II until there are between 6562,296 new residential units, between 100-640 new hotel rooms, between 1 million to 1.5 sf of new office and conference space and between 300,000-676,466 sf of new retail space (See chart below).

With this proposed Revised Site Development Plan, 817 residential units, 322,036 SF of office, and 100,503 SF of retail (including the restaurant) would be approved for development under Downtown

Revitalization provisions or constructed. To date, a hotel has not been proposed for Downtown.
Existing and approved development in Downtown does not exceed the maximum limits for any use categories for Phase 1.

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| PHASEI |  |  |  |  | PHASE II CUMMULATIVE |  |  |  |  | PHASE III COMPLETION |  |  |  |
| Use Type | Min |  | Max |  | Use Type | Min |  | Max |  | Use Type | Up To <br> Units |  |  |
|  | Units | SF | Units | SF |  | Units | SF | Units | SF |  |  | SF |  |
| Retail |  | 300,000 |  | 676,446 | Retail |  | 429,270 |  | 1,100,000 | Retail |  | 820,730 | 1,250,000 |
| Office/ Conf ${ }^{*}$ |  | 1,000,000 |  | 1,513,991 | Office/ Conf* |  | 1,868,956 |  | 2,756,375 | Office/ Conf* |  | 2,431,044 | 4,300,000 |
| Hotel Rms** | 100 |  | 640 |  | Hotel Rms** | 200*** |  | $540^{2 * *}$ |  | Hotel Rms** | 440 |  | 640 |
| Residential** | 656 |  | 2,296 |  | Residential** | 1,442 |  | 4,700 |  | Residential** | 4,058 |  | 5,500 |

(*, **, ***: See Page 73 of Downtown Columbia Plan for Chart and Notes)

CEPPAs: DPZ has also evaluated the SDP for conformance with all applicable Community Enhancements, Program and Public Amenities (CEPPA) Requirements. See the attached CEPPA Conformance Chart (Attachment C). The development proposed with this SDP approaches, but does not exceed the $1,300,000$ SF threshold for CEPPAs \#14-16. Therefore Building B does not trigger these CEPPAs requirements.

| CEPPA Tracking* |  |  |  |
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|  | Parcel/Project | Block | Square Footage |
| Project Approved - Issued Building Permits |  |  |  |
| SDP-13-007 | Parcel D/Metropolitan | W-1 | 454,328 |
| SDP-13-016 | Mall | M-1 | 33,289 |
| SDP-14-024 | Parcel C-2Narfield | W-2 | 247,903 |
|  | Parcel C-1 Warfield | W-5 | 188,765 |
| SDP-15-068 | Parcel A-1/Crescent/Bldg A | C-1.1 | 217,223 SF |
|  |  | SUBTOTAL | 1,141,508 SF |
| Project Approved - Pending Building Permits |  |  |  |
| None |  |  | 0 SF |
|  |  | SUBTOTAL | 0 SF |
| Projects Approved - No Pending Permits |  |  |  |
| None |  |  | 0 |
|  |  | SUBTOTAL | 0 SF |
| New Projects |  |  |  |
| SDP-15-068 | Parcel A-2/Crescent/Bidg B | C.1.1 | 129,585 SF |
| SUBTOTAL |  |  | 129,585 SF |
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| CUMULATIVE TOTAL - INCLUDING SDP-15-068 REVISION - BUILDING B |  |  | 1,271,093 SF** |
| * Only tracks projects not exempt from CEPPA requirements <br> ** Building permit SF is estimated except for issued building permits; square footage may change prior to issuance. |  |  |  |

B. The development implements and conforms to the approved Final Development Plan or Final Development Plan Amendment including all applicable Final Development Plan approval criteria and conditions.

The Final Development Plan (FDP-DC-Crescent-1) proposes a mix of land uses throughout the neighborhood. This SDP is proposed within Area 1, as shown on the FDP. The SDP proposes 322,036 SF of office and 24,722 SF of retail/restaurant uses on Parcels A-1 and A-2. While primarily an office development, the SDP does propose some street-level retail and restaurant uses.

The FDP indicated that there would be approximately $600,000 \mathrm{sf}$ of office and $25,000 \mathrm{sf}$ of retail/restaurant uses and 250 hotel rooms in Area 1 (although that amount could change). The proposed development is consistent with the FDP in terms of land uses and their proposed size. While additional development may be envisioned for Parcel B within Area 1 there are currently no plans in process.

FDP BLOCK DEVELOPMENT CHART

| PARCEL |  |  | Uses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  | Retail/ <br> Restaurant (SF) | Office (SF) | Cultural/Community (SF) | Hotel |  | Residential* |  | Total Development (GFA in SF) |  |  |
| Parcel | Area (SF) | Area (Acre) |  |  |  | Rooms | GFA (SF) | DU | GFA (SF) | Demolition | New | Net New |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { A \& B } \\ \text { (Area 1) } \\ \text { (Blocks C } 1.1 \text { \& C 1.2) } \end{gathered}$ | 264,874 | 6.08 | 25,000 | 600,000 | 0 | 250 | 150,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 775,000 | 775,000 |
| C (Area 2) (Blocks C 2.1 \& C 2.2) | 187,056 | 4.29 | 30,000 | 300,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 500 | 590,000 | 0 | 920,000 | 920,000 |
| D (Area 3) (Blocks C 3.1 thru C 3.7) | 930,880 | 21.37 | 252,000 | 400,000 | 225,000 | 0 | 0 | 1,800 | 2,124,000 | 0 | 3,001,000 | 3,001,000 |
| E (Area 4) (Block C4) | 97,197 | 2.23 | 6,500 | 175,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 181,500 | 181,500 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Crescent Total } \\ & \text { This FDP } \end{aligned}$ | 1,480,007 | 33.98 | 313,500 | 1,475,000 | 225,000 | 250 | 150,000 | 2,300 | 2,714,000 | 0 | 4,877,500 | 4,877,500 |

Conditions of approval for FDP-DC-Crescent-1 are in Attachment E. One condition requests an open recreation area in the undeveloped parts of the neighborhood, such as Area 1. An open, un-programmed recreation area is not shown on this SDP, but there is potential for one as part of a future SDP for Parcel B. However, DPZ recommends that any future un-programmed amenity areas be located near future residential uses.

The FDP identifies part of Parcel A, the corner of Broken Land Parkway and Little Patuxent Parkway, as a location for a signature building. This remains unchanged and was addressed in the approved SDP.

Mitigating the loss of Merriweather Post Pavilion parking was a concern discussed during Crescent Final Development Plan FDP-DC-Crescent-1; however, all displaced parking has been adequately accounted for with this site plan. Section II shows that the loss of 500 parking spaces has been partially offset with a 162 space temporary surface lot on Parcel E. Additional parking to offset losses is in the Columbia Corporate Center parking garages, north of Little Patuxent Parkway. These are to be used during the 2016 concert season. Once completed, the parking garage associated with this development will be used for Merriweather Post Pavilion parking, providing an estimated 805 spaces for concerts. It is targeted to be available for the 2017 concert season.
C. The development is well-organized in terms of location of buildings and structures, downtown community commons, landscaping, pedestrian and vehicular circulation systems and other Downtown Revitalization features.

Both Building A and the parking garage are oriented externally and introduce an urban edge to Broken Land and Little Patuxent Parkways. The siting of Building $B$ also provides a consistent building orientation around an interior community space; while the retail/restaurant uses help activate it. The central north/south orientation of the community space helps establish a critical circulation link between Parcel A and adjoining parcels to the south and east. This is consistent with the goals of the Crescent Neighborhood Design Guidelines neighborhood concept. It calls for pedestrian links between development areas that are separated by preserved environmental features. The development makes good use of landscaping as part of stormwater management, which is incorporated throughout the site and augments the overall design.

Pedestrian circulation is provided along the periphery and internal to site, as described in Section II. The sidewalk to the south (on the north side of Divided Sky Lane) will be 8' wide to accommodate larger crowds walking to Merriweather Post Pavilion events. Bicyclists may choose to use Divided Sky Lane, but they can also use an 8 ' wide multi-use sidewalk. It is proposed on the south side of the road to accommodate cyclists who may be intimidated by traffic to and from the parking garage. Bicycle racks are provided in the plaza, in front of the buildings, and in the garage.

As a condition of approval DPZ recommends that the maintenance agreement for the Downtown Multi-use Pathway be amended. It should require the building owner to maintain that portion of the pathway in front of the building on Parcel A-1, along Little Patuxent Parkway. An Amended Maintenance Agreement is currently under review and should be executed prior to signature approval of the revised plan.
D. If the development provides Downtown Community Commons and/or Downtown Parkland, they are reasonable and appropriate given the location, scale and anticipated intensity of adjacent uses in accordance with the Downtown Columbia Plan.

A minimum 14,000 SF of Downtown Community Commons is required in Area 1 per FDP-DC-Crescent-1. This SDP proposes a 20,000 SF internal, terraced plaza as Downtown Community Commons. The large microbioretention facility on the east side of the parking garage has been retrofitted with an ADA compliant boardwalk that links the lower and upper ends of the site. The plaza includes an upper level terrace that is incorporated into the design of Building B. This commons will be activated with seating and open air dining. The heavily landscaped microbioretention will provide a respite for office workers and other visitors to the Downtown area, and is appropriate solution. The FDP and the approved Crescent Neighborhood Documents envision this as one of several public spaces throughout the neighborhood that will be loosely connected by pathways through environmental areas.
E. The maximum permitted building heights will conform to the Final Development Plan.

Per the Downtown Columbia Plan, the Crescent Neighborhood Design Guidelines, and FDP-DC-Crescent-1, the maximum building height is 15 stories or $\mathbf{1 7 0}^{\prime}$. At 6 stories and $85^{\prime}$, the proposed building meets that requirement.
F. The development satisfies the Downtown Public Art Program approved with the Final Development Plan or Final Development Plan Amendment approval.

Per Section 125.0.A.9.f.2.of the Howard County Zoning Regulations, 1\% of the building construction costs (or a fee-in-lieu) must be allocated to public art. To address this, the developer has identified public art on the west façade of the parking garage. However, it is unclear if this satisfies the $1 \%$ cost requirement associated with both buildings. DPZ has not yet received construction costs for either Building A or the proposed art. A condition of approval should require additional locations identified for art should the current proposal be inadequate. DPZ further recommends that public art be considered for the east façade of the garage. This would help enhance the plaza and soften the harsh concrete.
G. The Site Development Plan satisfies the affordable housing requirements in accordance with the Final Development Plan.

This SDP does not propose housing; however, per CEPPA \#27, it is subject to an annual assessment for the Downtown Columbia Community Housing Fund.
H. The development satisfies the Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance, if applicable.

SCHOOLS: NA - housing is not proposed.
ROADS: In accordance with the Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance (Title 16, Subtitle 11 of the Howard County Code), this development was tested for adequate transportation facilities based on an updated traffic analysis. Transportation improvements are coordinated with the construction of both public and private roads, as described in Section II of this report. With the proposed network in place (Grantchester Way, Divided Sky Lane, and Merriweather Drive between Little Patuxent Parkway and Diamond Avenue) and in the context of the existing road network, the traffic study found the proposed development to be in compliance with the Downtown Columbia provisions of the Adequate Public Facility Ordinance and the SRC concurred.
I. The development indicates the manner in which any land intended for common or quasi-public use, but not proposed to be in public ownership, will be held, owned and maintained in perpetuity for the indicated purposes.

The developer proposes that all common facilities located within Parcel A and the private street accessing Parcel A will be maintained by the property owner. DPZ will require a note on the plan to address the ownership, operation, and maintenance of the Downtown Community Commons, the private road (Grantchester Way), and sidewalks along the right-of-way, as identified on the plan.
J. The petition is accompanied by documentation demonstrating membership in the Downtown Columbia Partnership including the required annual charges.
The SDP contains a note indicating the property owner will participate in the Downtown Columbia Partnership
and pay the charges assessed for each square foot of gross leasable retail space to the Downtown Columbia Partnership per CEPPA \#25 and \#27. See General Note \#43 on Sheet 1.

SRC Action: The Subdivision Review Committee has recommended approval subject to the technical comments issued in the letter dated July 18, 2016.

Please note that this file SDP-15-068 is available for public review by appointment at the Department of Planning and Zoning public service counter, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Recommendation: The Department of Planning and Zoning recommends approval of this major revision to SDP-15-068, "Downtown Columbia, Crescent Neighborhood Parcel A-1 thru A-3 and Parcel E. It finalizes the details of Building B and the Downtown Community Commons proposed at this site and reflects final building details for Building A; subject to adequately addressing all the conditions of approval listed in Attachment A and providing a note on the plan addressing how land intended for common or quasi-public use will be held, owned, and maintained in perpetuity.


Staff Report Prepared by: Jill Manion-Farrar
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# SPEED MEMO <br> HOWARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT' OF PLANNING \& ZONING <br> DEVELOPMENT ENGINEERING DIVISION <br> (410) 313-2420 

To: Jay Hariharan


Date: July 19, 2016
Reviewer: Heather Pandullo \# of sheets revised: $58(35 \mathrm{rev}$,23add)

## Subject: PROPOSED SITE DEVELOPMMENT PLAN REVISION

SDP-15-068 - Downtown Columbia - Crescent Area - Parcel A
This division has reviewed the revised site development plan for the referenced development submitted with a letter dated June 27, 2016 showing the following changes on sheet(s) $1-35$ of 35 . (1-5,7,9,11-24,26-28,32-35 will be replacement sheets, $36-58$ will be additional sheets)

Revise site for Building B.

## X THE REVISIONS ARE APPROVED, SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING: <br> ALL CHANGES MUST BE DONE IN BLACK INK ON THE ORIGINALS.

DPZ/DED: Please revise the label "Reserved Space for Future Bikeshare Station" to read "Concrete Pad for Future Bikeshare Station". Please revise the floor use areas for A-2 as shown on the attached markup provided by email on $7 / 18 / 2016$. Revise sheet numbers on all sheets for a total of 58 sheets. On sheet 1 please remove 37A from the index and renumber sheets.
DPZ/DLD: Approved subject to comments and Planning Board Approval. Planning Board is scheduled for August 18 , please respond to comments by July 28,2016 with updated plans.

YOU ARE REQUIRED TO INCORPORATE THE REVISIONS ON THE ORIGINAL APPROVED SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN (SDP) on file with Large Format Imaging Services located at 3430 Courthouse Drive., WITHIN ONE WEEK OF RECEIPT OF THIS MEMO AND PRIOR TO ANY SUBSEQUENT CHANGES REQUESTED. A DATED NOTE MUST BE MADE ON THE PLAN IDENTIFYING THE CHANGES. Arrangements to make these changes can be made by contacting Large Format Imaging Services at (410) 313-2073. A distribution charge of $\$ 3.00$ per plan sheet is required at the time these changes are made to the originals. Make checks payable to: Director of Finance. (Distribution as follows: 2 - Construction Inspection Division).

## CC: Large Format Imaging Services/plan attached <br> DILP/plan atfached

CID/plan attached
DLD (2)/transmittal only
Zoning/transmittal only


File/plan attached
"SELF CERTIFICATION"
(To be filled out at the time originals are updated to reflect these approved changes)
"On $\qquad$ 1, $\qquad$ representing the firm of (Date)
(Employee Name)

July 18, 2016
Jay Hariharan
Gutschick Little \& Weber, P.A.
3909 National Drive, Suite 250
Burtonsville Office Park
Burtonsville, MD 20866
RE: Downtown Columbia, Crescent Area, Parcel A
SDP-15-068
Redline Revision - Substitute Originals
Sheets 1-5,7,9,11-24,26-28,32-35,35-58
Dear Mr. Hariharan,
In response to your request to revise an existing site development plan by submitting replacement or additional sheet original mylars; the Division of Land Development will process the submission of the following:
. 1. A completed "Site Development Plan Redline Mylar Submission" application for SDP replacement sheets.
2. A letter describing the purpose of the revised site development plan.
3. An original mylar(s) containing the project engineer's original seal and signature, a purpose statement added to the site plan sheet and the title block amended to indicate "Revised Site Development Plan".
4. Payment to the Director of Finance of a processing fee based upon $\$ 100.00$ per replacement or additional sheet and a distribution fee of $\$ 3.00$ per replacement or additional sheet. Please note, this fee does not include money for sheets changed by hand.
5. A copy of the executed Declaration of Covenants, Developer's Agreement or Advanced Deposit Order.
6. One copy of this letter.
7. 45-Day deadline to submit the replacement or additional sheets (on or before September 1, 2016)

When the above is accepted, the site plans will be circulated for signature approval. Please contact Ms. Carol Stirn of the Department of Planning and Zoning at (410) 313-2350 to schedule an appointment to submit the revised SDP for signature approval. If you have any questions, please contact Jill Manion-Farrar at (41.0) 313-2350 or by email at jfartar@howardcountymd.gov. If you have any questions regarding the "Red-Line Revision" please contact Heather Pandullo at (410) 313-2350 or by email at hpandullo@howardcountymd.gov.

Sincerely,


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A. TOTAL PROJECT AREA: 275,504 SQUARE FEET OR 6.32 AC.
B. LIMIT OF DISTURBED AREA: 248,728 SQUARE FEET OR 5.71 AC.
C. PRESENT ZONING: NT (FOP DC-CRESCENT-1)
D. PROPOSED USE OF SITE: OFFICE/COMMERCIAL, RETAIL, RESTAURANT, PARKING STRUCTURE
F. FLOOR SPACE:

A-1

| LEVEL | RETAIL/ REST. <br> (SF) | OFFICE (SF) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 9,316 | 17,392 |
| $2-8$ | - | 26,503 |
| ROOF | - | 4,994 |

B

TOTAL: $9,316 \quad 207,907$.
A-2


PARCEL 'ALI' AND 'A-2' DEVELOPMENT DA
A. OFFICE
I. AI: PROPOSED OFFICE: 207,907 sf
2. A-2: PROPOSED OFFICE: II 4,29 sf

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B. RETAIL (LOCATED ON THE FIRST FLOOR)

1. A-1: PROPOSED RETAIL: $1,062 \mathrm{sf}$
2. A-2: PROPOSED RETAIL: $4,031 \mathrm{sf}$

TOTAL PROPOSED RETAIL: $5,093 \mathrm{sf}$
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C. RESTAURANT (LOCATED ON THE FIRST FLOOR)

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2. A-1: PROPOSED RESTAURANT: 8,254 sf
3. SIT:
4. A-2: PROPOSED RESTAURANT: 11,425 sf

TOTAL PROPOSED RESTAURANT: 19,679 sf

# Department of Planning and Zoning <br> Division of Land Development REDLINE COMIMENTS 

July 18, 2016

RE: SDP-15-068, Crescent Parcel A, Building A-2, "Two IMerriweather" (previously Building B)

The purpose of this redline is to revise the plans to reflect finalized details of Building B, including an expanded footprint and a revision of proposed uses (SF). This redlined SDP is required to go to Planning Board.

DLD believes the revised plans adequate address comments so that this project can be scheduled for Planning Board. This plan is scheduled for August 18. However, please respond to the comments below prior to the Planning Board meeting (preferable by July 28):

1. Thank you for the updates to the building square footages. There are some inconsistencies between plans, and between the chart on the plan and the tabulation on the plan (and in the reports) that must be corrected for Building A-2 (previously Building B). Please correct.
a. The chart provides 366 SF more in retail/restaurant in Building A-2. The tabulation matches what is provided in the parking and traffic studies and in the building drawings ( $15,456 \mathrm{SF}$ ) so it is assumed that is the correct square footage.
b. DPZ consulted with DILP regarding latest building square footage of Building A-2. Please make the changes to the office tabulation in the chart to floors $2-3$ and 5 are $23,152 \mathrm{SF}$ and the roof at 570 SF .
c. Continue to reflect any changes to the building use square footage as the plans progress.
2. Traffic and Parking Study: The parking is adequate with the provided use configuration. However, please make these updates to the study:
a. Please update the Traffic and Parking studies to match the final use tabulations on the site plan chart.
b. Page 4, under the background information, it is stated that a $20 \%$ capture rate for peak weekend restaurant uses was assumed during the Merriweather Post Pavilion operating season. Provide additional information regarding what population is captured and what the effects on parking were. These details could not be gleaned from the tables on the report.
c. Update the Merriweather Parking Chart in Sheet 1 as needed if use square footage changes in the future
3. Thank you for the information on the loading area layout. Is there any chance that tenants will have deliveries received in trucks larger than box trucks or will they be required to receive deliveries in box trucks per tenant agreements? If the former, what options are available so as to not impede traffic circulation on public or private roads? Please respond to this issue ahead of Planning Board.
4. Update Note 35 on Sheet 1 to indicate how public art obligation for Building B may be addressed. Please see comments from DCCP regarding additional consideration for treatment on the east façade of the garage facing the amenity area, and consider the use of public art to address.
5. Please provide an updated timeline regarding fulfilling the public art requirements for Building $A$, including (but not limited to) a goal date for a contract between the artist and the development, the scope of work, and the projected date that the art will be installed.
6. Sheets 20 and 22: Upon further review with this resubmission, there is concern that the extension of plaza pavement into the sidewalk area would cause the $8^{\prime}$ pedestrian sidewalk to get lost in the plaza it meanders around the planters. There is also concern that concourse furniture might bleed too close to the pedestrian zone. Therefore, we believe the Downtown Community Commons should end with the buildings and microbioretention, and the sidewalk concrete should be continuous across the plaza. Please see DCCP comments for further guidance. Update the Downtown Community Commons square footage accordingly.
7. Please add this following note on Sheets 20 and 22 of the plan: "There shall be a continuous and predictable 4 foot minimum clear pedestrian zone along the terrace patio. Furniture is to be by future tenant and may vary from current layout."
8. Sheet 22 - Seatwall placeholder. Please indicate when a detail may be provided on the seat wall.
9. It is our understanding that the developer is reviewing the document regarding the revised pathway maintenance agreement sent to Howard Hughes Corporation in December 2015 due to the enhanced features of this plaza and pathway materials in front of Building A. Please provide a status update on the developer's review and response to this document. Please be advised that DPZ reserves the right to withhold final approval of this plan until agreement is reached on the revised maintenance parameters for this section of the pathway.
10. Sheet 37-While considerably shorter than initially scaled, DLD continues to have some concerns regarding the length of the $1.50^{\prime}$ wall that have no vegetation to soften the façade of this prominently located building right along the multiuse pathway. DLD encourages designers to continue to consider ways to soften the building frontage and the wall at this location, not just from the road but from the multi-use pathway.
11. DPZ staff much preferred the streamlined cable boardwalk railing over the current proposed wood rail. The cables provided a more urban and open feel. Is there a reason that the wood system the cables?

Subject: Downtown Columbia, Crescent Neighborhood--June 27, 2016 Submission II SDP-15-068 Redline Amendment

To: Chad Edmondson, Chief Division of Engineering Development

## Through:

From: $\quad$ Randy Clay, AICP, Planner $<L$
Division of Comprehensive and Community Planning

## Date: July 18, 2016

The Division of Comprehensive and Community Planning (DCCP) has reviewed the redline amendment for SDP-15068 based on the approved Crescent Neighborhood Documents for the site. Based on its review, DCCP requests approval with the following conditions. Conditions for consideration by the Planning Board are noted. We thank you for the opportunity and are available to answer further questions, if needed.

1. Building B South Elevation, Sheet 4:
a. Per DAP response, the applicant is to remove/relocate the remaining vertical precast fin identified.
2. Parking Garage Public Art:

a. The tentative schedule provided by Cochran Studio indicates art selection for the west and north elevation by March 2016. Provide an updated project schedule based on the tentative Use and Occupancy timeline for Building $A$ and garage.
b. CONDITION OF APPROVAL: Provide additional measures to mitigate the visual impacts of the garage's east elevation on the central amenity space, Building A and Building B. Per the Design Guidelines, parking decks exposed to the public realm shall be screened with walls, architectural detailing, green screens or landscaping. The Planning Board is requested to consider introducing additional screening consistent with guideline standards, including in the form of public art similar to the west and north elevations.
3. Community Commons, Sheet 20, L-101:
a. Although the walkway along the central, southern edge of the site include amenity area hardscape, it is not integral to the amenity area itself and primarily serves block circulation functions. Revise the delineated area for consistency with the diagram provided and revise the Community Commons calculation to 20,000 sf.


ATTACHMENT B DAP RECOMIMENDATIONS and APPLICANT RESPONSES FOR PLANNING BOARD CONSIDERATION


## RECOMMENDATIONS / AGENDA

| $\begin{array}{l\|l}\text { Motion } & \text { Motion By }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Design Team Response } \\ \text { and see if there's a way of integrating the } \\ \text { precast element with the curtain wall in a } \\ \text { better fashion." Seconded by DAP member } \\ \text { Julie Wilson. }\end{array}$ | Don Taylor |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | \(\left.\begin{array}{l}During the DAP presentation, David Dymond expressed <br>

that the intent of the precast spandrel termination on <br>
the southwest corner was to imply the slab edge diving <br>
behind the curtainwall and resurfacing on the south <br>
façade as if penetrating through the building. After <br>
further investigation, the design team realized the <br>
rendering was not properly representing that <br>
relationship and the south curtainwall does appear to <br>
stop abruptly. The design team agrees with the motion <br>
and believes that by correcting the spandrel location, <br>
the transition around the corner will be smoother. In <br>
addition, the design team is studying removing and/or <br>
relocating some of the vertical fins at the southwest <br>
corner to further ease the transition. Please see <br>
Reference image 1 below.\end{array}\right]\)

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|  | (Continued) landscape materials are and how you might mitigate the one wall, if there is an opportunity to do that." Seconded DAP Vice Chair Don Taylor. |  | (Continued) wall of concern as well as extending the vegetation vertically along the surface. Please see Reference Image 2 below. |
| 3 | "The applicant think about the main entrance and how it's related to the main plaza, and how it's more focused, and then study more the solar orientation and how it's affecting the overall glass façade." Seconded by DAP member Bob Gorman. | Sujit Mishra | The design team agrees with the intent of the comment and will continue to study solutions to respect alignments, ground floor sightlines, and plaza relationships to the main entrance. The team will balance these factors with the functional requirements of the lobby and the leasable space. The design intent is to create a 3-dimensional and multi-directional public and retail experience <br> The design team is performing an energy model in Revit in collaboration w/ Autodesk to study energy, day lighting, and solar performances that will assist us in informing the façade development. |
| 4 | "That as you're developing your wayfinding strategy you consider a 360 approach, that maybe not today, but very quickly, people will be coming into this project from all sides and it would be good to consider that now." Seconded by DAP member Julie Wilson. | Phil Engelke | The design team agrees with the comment and will address the 360 degree nature of the future pedestrian route - particularly at the intersection of Divided Sky Lane and Grantchester Way and the entrance to.the roundabout. See Reference Image 4. |

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## Attachment C CEPPA Status Summary SDP-15-068, Crescent Parcels A-1 thru A-3

| PRIOR TO SUBMISSION OF THE FIRST FINAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN |  |  |
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| 1 | HHC completed at its expense an environmental assessment of the three sub-watersheds of Symphony Stream, Wilde Lake and Lake Kittamaqundi located upstream of the Merriweather \& Crescent Environmental Enhancements Study area. | Complete |
| 2 | HHC will commission at HHC's expense (i) the preparation of the Land Framework component of the Downtown Columbia Sustainability Program and (ii) a detailed outline for the Community Framework component of the Sustainability Program. | Complete |
| 3 | HHC will commission at HHC's expense in consultation with Howard County a study evaluating a new Downtown Columbia Route 29 interchange between Route 175 and Broken Land Parkway and options for a connection over Route 29 connecting Downtown Columbia to Oakland Mills, including potential bicycle, transit and multimodal improvements. | Complete |
| 4 | HHC will prepare at its expense Downtown-wide Design Guidelines. | Complete |
| PRIOR TO APPROVAL OF THE FIRST FINAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN |  |  |
| 5 | HHC will commission at HHC's expense and in consultation with Howard County one or more feasibility studies for the following: (i) a new Broken Land Parkway/Route 29 north/south collector road connection to Little Patuxent Parkway and (ii) a new Downtown transit center and Downtown Circulator Shuttle. | Complete |
| 6 | HHC and Howard County will jointly determine the functions, organizational structure, implementation phasing schedule consistent with the redevelopment phasing schedule, potential funding sources and projected funding needs of the Downtown Columbia Partnership, prior to HHC's establishment of this Partnership. As such, at least fifty percent (50\%) of the revenue collected pursuant to CEPPA No. 25 shall be utilized for the implementation of transportation initiatives in the shuttle feasibility study or other direct transit services downtown. | Complete |
| PRIOR TO APPROVAL OF THE FIRST SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN |  |  |
| 7 | HHC will submit a phasing schedule for implementation of the restoration work on HHC's property and a Site Development Plan for the first phase of the environmental restoration work as described in CEPPA No. 15. | Complete |
| 8 | HHC, in collaboration with the County, will establish the Downtown Arts and Culture Commission, an independent nonprofit organization, to promote and support Merriweather Post Pavilion's revitalization in accordance with this Plan and the development of Downtown Columbia as an artistic and cultural center. | Complete |
| PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF THE FIRST BUILDING PERMIT |  |  |
| 9 | To facilitate the renovation of the Banneker Fire Station, HHC and the County shall cooperate to identify a site for the development of a temporary fire station while the Banneker Fire station is being renovated. | Complete |
| UPON ISSUANCE OF THE FIRST BUILDING PERMIT |  |  |
| 10 | HHC shall contribute $\$ 1.5$ million in initial funding for the Downtown Columbia Community Housing Fund. Payment will be contingent upon the expiration of all applicable appeal periods associated with each building permit without an appeal being filed, or if an appeal is filed upon the issuance of a final decision of the courts upholding the issuance of the permit. | Complete |
| UPON ISSUANCE OF THE BUILDING PERMIT FOR THE $400^{\text {th }}$ RESIDENTIAL UNIT |  |  |
| 11 | HHC shall contribute $\$ 1.5$ million in additional funding for the Downtown Columbia Community Housing Fund. Payment will be contingent upon the expiration of all applicable appeal periods associated with each building permit without an appeal being filed, or if an appeal is filed upon the issuance of a final decision of the courts upholding the issuance of the permit. | Complete |
| PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF A BUILDING PERMIT FOR THE $500,000^{\text {th }}$ SF OF DEVELOPMENT |  |  |
| 12 | HHC will complete at its expense the pedestrian and bicycle pathway from the Howard County General Hospital to Blandair Park. In addition, HHC along with the County and community will develop a scope of work for renovation of the existing Route 29 pedestrian bridge. HHC will contribute up to $\$ 500,000$ towards the implementation of the selected improvements. | Completed by Bond per Alternative Compliance approved on 8/20/15; pathway construction in progress |


| 13 | HHC will enter into and record in the land records of Howard County, Maryland, a declaration of restrictive covenants that shall prohibit the demolition or major exterior alteration of the former Rouse Company Headquarters building. | Complete |
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| PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF A BUILDING PERMIT FOR THE $1,300,000^{\text {th }}$ SF OF DEVELOPMENT |  |  |
| 14 | HHC in cooperation with Howard Transit shall identify a location in Downtown Columbia for a new Howard County Transit Center and shall provide a location either by fee transfer at no cost or a long-term lease for a nominal sum subject to all applicable laws and regulations. | PENDING - <br> no site identified to date |
| 15 | HHC will complete environmental restoration projects in the Merriweather-Symphony Woods and Crescent areas. | PENDING Revised timing approved with FDP-DC-Crescent-1 to time completion of sections of environmental restoration with grading of development areas in the Crescent. Neighborhood. Restoration Plans have been approved with F-15-106. |
| 16 | HHC will complete Phase I of the Merriweather Post Pavilion redevelopment program. | Complete |
| PRIOR TO APPROVAL OF THE SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE 1,375 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ NEW RESIDENTIAL UNIT |  |  |
| 17 | HHC shall, if deemed necessary by the Board of Education, reserve an adequate school site or provide an equivalent location within Downtown Columbia. | PENDING |
| PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF A BUILDING PERMIT FOR THE $2,600,000^{\text {th }}$ SF OF DEVELOPMENT |  |  |
| 18 | HHC will construct at its expense, the Wilde Lake to Downtown Columbia pedestrian and bicycle pathway. | PENDING |
| 19 | HHC will construct at its expense the Lakefront Terrace (steps to the Lake) amenity space and pedestrian promenade. | PENDING |
| 20 | HHC will complete Phase II of Merriweather Post Pavilion redevelopment program. | PENDING - under construction |
| PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF A BUILDING PERMIT FOR THE 3,900,000 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ SF OF DEVELOPMENT |  |  |
| 21 | HHC will complete Phase III of Merriweather Post Pavilion redevelopment program. | PENDING |
| 22 | At least one Downtown Neighborhood Square shall be completed and deeded to Howard County for public land. | PENDING |
| PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF A BUILDING PERMIT FOR THE 5,000,000 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ SF OF DEVELOPMENT |  |  |
| 23 | HHC will provide \$1,000,000 towards the initial funding of a Downtown Circulator Shuttle. | PENDING |
| 24 | Transfer of Merriweather Post Pavilion to the Downtown Arts and Culture Commission for zero dollar consideration. | PENDING |
| PRIOR TO THE APPROVAL OF EACH FINAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN |  |  |
| 25 | Each owner of property developed with commercial uses shall pay an annual fee of twentyfive cents (\$0.25) per square foot of Gross Leasable Area for office and retail uses and twenty-five cents (\$0.25) per square foot of net floor area for hotels to the Downtown Columbia Partnership. | On-going |
| UPON ISSUANCE OF ANY BUILDING PERMIT FOR A BUILDING CONTAINING DWELLING UNITS |  |  |
| 26 | To fulfill an affordable housing obligation, each developer will pay a per unit fee to the DCCHF in the following amounts: $\$ 2,000 /$ unit for each unit up to and including the 1,500 th unit; $\$ 7,000 /$ unit for each unit between the 1,501th unit up to and including the 3,500th unit; $\$ 9,000 /$ unit for each unit between the 3,501 st unit up to and including the 5,500 th unit. | On-going |
| ADDITIONAL CEPPA CONTRIBUTION |  |  |
| 27 | Each owner of property developed with commercial uses pursuant to the Downtown Revitalization Zoning Regulations shall provide an annual payment to the DCCHF in the amount of five cents (\$0.05) per square foot of Gross Leasable Area for office and retail uses, and five cents (\$0.05) per square foot of net floor area for hotels. The payment will be made annually by the property owner, with the initial payment being made prior to the issuance of an occupancy permit for net new commercial development on the property. The amount of the charge will be subject to annual adjustment based on a builder's index, land value, or other index provided in the implementing legislation. | On-going |

# Attachment ' $D$ ' <br> Relevant Definitions Relating to Downtown Columbia Revitalization For SDP-15-068 <br> Site Development Plans for Downtown Columbia Revitalization <br> (Excerpted from Section 103.0.A. of the Zoning Regulations) 

[Council Bill 59-2009 (ZRA-113) Effective April 6, 2010]

Downtown Arts, Cultural and Community Use: Land areas, uses and facilities established for cultural, civic, recreation, educational, environmental, entertainment or community use or benefit, whether or not enclosed and whether publicly or privately owned or operated for profit, including, but not limited to, libraries, fire stations, schools, museums, galleries, artistic work, and transit facilities. Eating, seating and gathering areas that are accessory to these uses are permitted.

Downtown Arts and Entertainment Park: A contiguous area including a large outdoor amphitheater which may be surrounded by a variety of smaller indoor or outdoor artistic and performance spaces, museums, galleries and similar cultural or educational uses in a park-like setting. Ancillary uses such as food vendors, gift shops, small restaurants and supporting infrastructure such as utilities, public and private roadways, multi-modal circulation systems adjacent to public and private roadways, surface parking lots, parking structures, and underground parking are also permitted.
Downtown CEPPA Implementation Chart: The chart and associated text and flexibility provisions contained in the Downtown Columbia Plan which identify the phasing for Downtown Community Enhancements, Programs and Public Amenities.

Downtown Columbia: The following recorded Final Development Plan Phases: Phase 4, Phase 4-A-5, Phase 21, Phase 47-A-7, Phase 52, Phase 62-A-1, Phase 95, Phase 101-A, Phase 105, Phase111-A-1, Phase 115, Phase 121, Phase 122-A, Phase 139-A-3, Phase 140-A-1, Phase 192-A, Phase 211, Phase 217-A-1, Phase 219, Phase 234, and the area within the described limits included in exhibit $A$ of the Appendix in these regulations.

Downtown Columbia Plan: The General Plan Amendment for Downtown Columbia approved by County Council Bill No. 58-2009.

Downtown Community Commons: Amenity spaces such as plazas, promenades, greens, gardens, squares and other pedestrian-oriented areas, whether publicly or privately owned, that are intended for community interaction and may include spaces for seating, walking, eating, gathering, fountains, public art, way-finding signage, kiosks, or other similar public amenities. Downtown Community Commons can also include walkways that are designed to enhance and be an integral part of the adjacent amenity space, but shall not include any drive lane for vehicular traffic such as private streets, alleys and public roadways for automotive use. Downtown Community Commons must be generally accessible by the public without charge. Included in this category are Downtown Neighborhood Squares. Downtown Community Commons may be integrated into or developed as a part of other uses and may include underground parking, utilities and other infrastructure supporting downtown revitalization.

Downtown Community Enhancements, Programs and Public Amenities (CEPPA): The specific feasibility studies, improvement and management organizations, environmental enhancement programs, and physical improvements identified in the Downtown CEPPA implementation chart contained in the Downtown Columbia Plan.

Downtown Environmental Restoration: Projects within Downtown Columbia that are identified in Columbia Towncenter Merriweather and Crescent Environmental Enhancements Study or Best Management Practices for Symphony Stream and Lake Kittamaqundi Watersheds involving forest restoration and enhancement, reforestation and afforestation, wetland enhancement, and stream restoration activities.

Downtown Environmentally Sensitive Land Area: An area within Downtown Columbia meeting the definition in the Howard County Land Development Regulations of either a floodplain, steep slope, stream or wetland buffers.

Downtown Maximum Building Height Plan: The plan which graphically represents the maximum building height requirements for all Downtown revitalization, as depicted in the Downtown Columbia Plan.

Downtown Mixed-Use: A land-use designation that permits any use or combination of uses permitted under Section 125.A.9.B., including supporting infrastructure, such as utilities, public and private roadways, multi-modal circulation systems adjacent to public and private roadways, surface parking lots, parking structures, and underground parking.

Downtown Neighborhood Concept Plan: A concept plan showing an individual neighborhood identified in the Downtown Columbia Plan that depicts a general layout for proposed public and private streets, block sizes and configurations, maximum building heights and proposed Downtown Community Commons as context for the evaluation of the Final Development Plans.

Downtown Neighborhood Design Guidelines: Urban design guidelines for an individual neighborhood identified in the Downtown Columbia Plan.

Downtown Neighborhood Square: An outdoor amenity space comprised of not less than 25,000 contiguous square feet, exclusive of bike paths and required sidewalks that might be located along its perimeter. A Downtown Neighborhood Square may be covered or partially covered.

Downtown Net New: As applicable, the number of dwellings, hotel and motel rooms, and the amount of gross floor area of commercial office and commercial retail uses that are permitted under the Downtown Revitalization Approval Process after April 6, 2010 in excess of the number of dwellings, hotel and motel rooms, and gross floor area of commercial office and commercial retail uses that are shown on a Site Development Plan for property located within Downtown Columbia that was approved prior to April 6, 2010.

Downtown Open Space Preservation Plan: A plan included in the Downtown Columbia Plan delineating all land in Downtown Columbia designated as open space on a Final Development Plan recorded prior to April 6, 2010 that is required to retain its existing character as: Downtown Environmentally Sensitive Land; Downtown Parkland; Downtown Community Commons; or a Downtown Arts and Entertainment park, as specified in Section 125.A.9.H.

Downtown Parkland: An area generally accessible by the public without charge for active and/or passive recreation purposes which consists primarily of vegetated areas with a natural character, more formal lawns, gardens and walks, pedestrian connections, minor active structured recreation uses such as urban playgrounds, public art, fountains and minimal structures such as cafes and outdoor dining areas, gazebos, pavilions, outdoor stages, and kiosks.

Downtown Primary Amenity Space Framework Diagram: A plan and associated text included in the Downtown Columbia Plan depicting existing and proposed primary amenity and natural spaces in Downtown Columbia.

Downtown Public Art: Original outdoor artwork which is accessible to the public.
Downtown Revitalization: A form of development required in Downtown Columbia after April 6, 2010 in compliance with the applicable provisions of Section 125 that must conform with the recommendations of the Downtown Columbia Plan.

Downtown Revitalization Phasing Plan: A phasing plan included in the Downtown Columbia Plan identifying additional development rights by phase for Downtown Revitalization.

Downtown Signature Building: An existing or proposed structure which requires premiere attention to its architectural design because of its cultural significance or prominent location in relationship to the public realm, such as its position on a street or open space, or as the terminus of a vista.

Downtown-wide Design Guidelines: General urban design guidelines for Downtown Revitalization adopted by the Howard County Council.

## Additional definitions pertinent to The Crescent Neighborhood can be found on pages 173-178 (Chapter 7) of The Crescent Neighborhood Design Guidelines.

## ATTACHMENT E <br> SDP-15-068-Crescent Parcel A and E FDP-DC-Crescent-1 - Adopted Conditions of Approval for consideration with Criteria B

1. The Petitioner must adequately address all remaining technical comments provided by the Subdivision Review Committee in the letter dated February 20, 2015.
2. The Petitioner must incorporate the changes to the Neighborhood Boundary on the Neighborhood Concept Plan and Final Development Plan and to the Downtown Community Commons calculations on the Neighborhood Concept Plan as shown on Exhibits 6 and 7.
3. The Petitioner must change the language of Merriweather Post Pavilion parking note on Sheet 1 of the Final Development Plan from "on- or off-site" to "within Downtown".
4. Consideration would be given as the site plans (sic. site development plans) for particularly Area 1 but even the other (sic. development) areas would be looked at in more detail with the idea that there needs to be some kind of a more open area that is less structured that would provide some opportunities for some unstructured recreation.
5. The Petitioner should work to address the off-site forest restoration (SS-S5) as soon as possible.











































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    Recommended Conditions of Approval
    Major Redline Plan Revision to SDP-15-068, Crescent Parcels A-1 thru A-3 and Future Parcel E

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    Jim Hobson, Department of Inspection, License \& Permits
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