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Public Works Maintenance Facility Task Force Committee,

I am writing this letter to express my strong opposition to the relocation of the Public Works Maintenance Facility to 1701 Forest Drive.

As a resident and property owner located off of S. Cherry Grove Avenue, listed below are major concerns that I have with the proposed land swap.

I purchased property on S. Cherry Grove Avenue as a great location in the heart of Annapolis, but also with a feeling of being tucked away. By moving the facility directly off of Skipper's Lane, my quiet home neighborhood would have a direct negative impact due to the land swap. The property values for the 94 homes located in the Village Greens of Annapolis would be reduced, therefore my most important long-term investment would be negatively impacted. The noise from passing trucks as well as the facility itself is unacceptable being in such close proximity to our community. Our Village Greens of Annapolis Community is a family-friendly, welcoming, bright, place to live. To override our proud community with traffic, noise, pollution and other significant planned changes would change where we call home forever.

Additionally, the businesses along Skipper's Lane and Forest Drive will be negatively impacted by the traffic, noise, pollution, and other significant planned changes to my community.

I've reviewed the unconfirmed community "benefits" in the Redevelopment Proposal. Regardless of how well designed, the new pedestrian/bike trail is a significant eye sore. Widening sidewalks in selected locations for bicyclers will only be a minor benefit in the grand total of costs and negative impacts to our community.

I, and our Village Greens Community, strongly oppose the city of Annapolis running a commercial business of this magnitude on our residential street, with the concomitant traffic, pollution, and noise. As proposed the builder, La Terra Homes, stands to financially profit greatly from this enterprise with no consideration as to the negative impacts upon the Village Greens of Annapolis. The community benefits as outlined in the proposal are minor and do not offset the significant negative impact that this facility will have on our community and surrounding businesses.

We ask that you the Task Force Committee submit a report opposing the land swap for the Annapolis Public Works Maintenance Facility to help my community protect where we call home.

Respectfully,



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