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Hi Neighbors:

Today the County Council voted 8 – 0 to approve the proposed plan for the Cabin Branch Premium Outlets. Located just west of I-270 and just south of Rt. 121/ Clarksburg Road where Adventist Health had once hoped to build a hospital, this development is part of the Clarksburg Master Plan Stage 3.

Councilmember Craig Rice, who represents Clarksburg, made a motion to “remand” the development plan for further study to “protect the Reservoir, “ and cited Liveable Clarksburg Coalition’s (LCC) concerns about the Reservoir as a reason to delay. *(This is incorrect, because as you know, Liveable Clarksburg has never spoken out against the Cabin Branch proposal in testimony, emails, or on our web site. In fact, we have pointed out repeatedly that the Cabin Branch location does **not** affect Ten Mile Creek, nor increase traffic congestion on 355.)*

When Councilmember Rice did not receive a “second” for his motion, it was dropped, and Councilmember Roger Berliner made a motion for approval, seconded by Marc Elrich. Eight Councilmembers voted in favor, and Craig Rice abstained from voting.

This vote means that the developers – Streetscape Partners, New England Development, and Simon Premium Outlets – will now move forward to work with Park and Planning on a refined site plan, water quality plan, traffic management, and other steps in the process. The plans include an outdoor amphitheater, restaurants, and walking and bike paths. The developers will bring plans to the community for comment. Clarksburg Civic Association and Boyds Civic Association will keep us all posted on these meetings.

Thanks,

Your neighbors of the Liveable Clarksburg Coalition

Remember: Primary Election is June 24