

October 13, 2021

The Honorable Tom Hucker Council President Montgomery County Council 100 Maryland Avenue Rockville, Maryland 20850

Dear President Hucker and Councilmembers:

## Re: MNCPPC Planning Board Commissioner Appointment

On behalf of the Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce (MCCC), thank you for the opportunity to comment on the selection of the next Commissioner of the Montgomery County Planning Board. Our community is fortunate to have so many qualified candidates with integrity and experience who would be able to fulfill the duties of this position.

MCCC believes this appointment should be based on the qualifications, integrity, and commitment of the applicant and should recognize an applicant who has both knowledge of relevant planning and development issues, and a balanced, thoughtful, and deliberative approach to resolving those issues.

Based on careful study of the application letters and knowledge of the candidates, the Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce recommends Carol Rubin. We are particularly impressed with her interest and experience in engaging a broad range of stakeholders, her previous work experience at the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, and her understanding of the impact of planning and development.

Thank you for your consideration of the recommendations made by MCCC.

Warmest regards,

Georgette "Gigi" Godwin

President & CEO

Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce

cc: County Executive Marc Elrich

Gus Bauman, Co-Chair, MCCC Infrastructure and Land Use Committee Bob Elliott, Co-Chair, MCCC Infrastructure and Land Use Committee