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The Honorable Kate Stewart  
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The Honorable Jarrett K. Smith  
The Honorable Frederick L. Schultz  
City of Takoma Park, Maryland  
7500 Maple Avenue  
Takoma Park, MD 20912

Dear Mayor Stewart and Members of the Takoma Park City Council,

We are in receipt of your letter of March 1, 2016, requesting the Commission to postpone consideration of the 2013-2023 Montgomery College Facilities Master Plan approved by the Board of Trustees on February 1, 2016. The Plan, received by the Commission on January 14, 2016, will be reviewed according to the guidelines prescribed in COMAR 13B.07.04.02, resulting in one of the following decisions:

- Unconditional endorsement of the Plan as the basis for further development of the college.
- Conditional endorsement of the Plan as the basis for further development of the college.
- Return of the Plan, with a request for resubmission with changes.

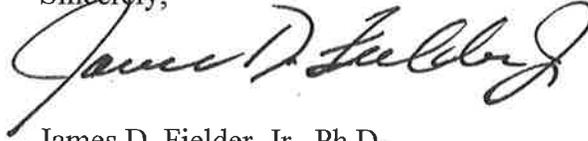
Your concerns regarding the College's current and future plans for growth of the Takoma Park Campus are understandable. The Commission also recognizes and appreciates the College's commitment of student, faculty, administration and staff resources, as well as employing the expertise of independent professionals, in developing the comprehensive Facilities Master Plan.

Regarding the overall impact of the 2016 Plan as the basis for further development of the Takoma Park campus of Montgomery College, the Commission staff will conduct an objective review and render its decision to the College accordingly. That review has not yet begun and we will work with everyone involved to begin the review at an appropriate time.

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Thank you for expressing your concerns, as we commence with the facilities master plan review process.

Sincerely,



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