July 26, 2013

Randy McClement, Mayor
City of Frederick
City Hall, 101 North Court St.
Frederick, MD 21701

Dear Mayor McClement:

RE: MDP's review of adopted tier map; No comments

Thank you for sending the Department of Planning your letter (dated April 29, 2013). The letter indicates that the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Frederick adopted Frederick County's revised tier map (adopted February 26, 2013). This action establishes growth tiers under Title 1, Subtitle 5 of the Land Use Article ("LU") of the Annotated Code of Maryland for the City of Frederick.

LU §1-505 allows the Department to comment on growth tiers adopted by local jurisdictions. The Maryland Department of Planning is pleased to advise you that the map adopted by the City of Frederick satisfies the statutory requirements of LU §1-508 for designation of growth tiers. The Department therefore has no comments on the adopted map.

Please be advised that the law requires that the growth tiers are to be incorporated into the City's comprehensive plan or an element of the plan when the City conducts its six year review of the plan. If the growth tiers are not incorporated into the comprehensive plan or an element of the plan during the 6-year review, the law indicates that the growth tiers may not be considered as adopted and the restrictions on major subdivisions outside sewered areas shall apply.

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Anthony G. Brown, Lt. Governor

Richard Eberhart Hall, AICP, Secretary
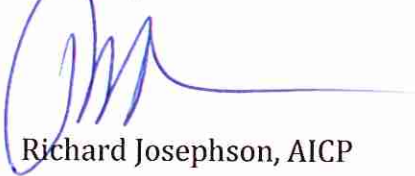Amanda Stakem Conn, Esq., Deputy Secretary

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Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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