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Director*

Department of Community Development & Code Compliance County of Prince George, Virginia

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Dear Prince George County Resident:

The County is in the process of evaluating potential uses and recreational opportunities for the vacant property adjacent to the County Courthouse complex (the former Buren property). Currently, the County is seeking input from citizens on the first phase - the location of 6 to 7 fields for soccer, football and field hockey, and the locations of access roads. We are also looking to hear from our citizens about the types of recreation, activities and facilities they would like to see planned and developed in the future on the property. We are especially interested in hearing from property owners like yourself who are adjacent or near the Buren property and the proposed fields.

Enclosed is a copy of the proposed location of the first fields, the possible locations of other planned uses and a survey that expands on the type of input the County is seeking at this time for the initial planning phase. As a neighbor of the County's Courthouse complex and the Buren property, please take a moment to let us know your thoughts and preferences. Included for your use is an addressed envelope to return any comments. Public comments on this phase will be received until February 28, 2013.

The majority of the land is very useful for all kinds of recreational purposes. We can have 6-7 rectangular fields, 3-4 softball and baseball fields, a variety of hiking trails, and there can be playgrounds, dog parks, mountain bike trails, disk golf, fishing, pavilions, and concession stands. There is room for a maintenance yard and picnic shelters. The park will be a great resource for citizens in the local Parks & Rec. community who have kids who play sports, families and seniors who enjoy walking, fishing and bird watching, sport enthusiasts and bikers. It will also provide for future government needs by providing land for additional facilities and expansions such as a school, equipment garage or government building.

I would also like to take this opportunity to invite you to an informal Design Public Meeting to be held on February 21, 2013, from 6:00pm – 7:30pm in the Board Room, third floor, County Administration Building, 6602 Courts Drive, Prince George, VA 23875.

If I can be of any assistance to provide clarification or address any concerns regarding our request for input, please feel free to contact me at 804-722-8659 or by email at jwalton@princegeorgeva.org. Thank you for taking the time to provide input for our community's future, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Respectfully,

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