

MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council

FROM: Alfred D. Lott, ICMA-CM, CPM
City Manager

DATE: December 10, 2020

SUBJECT: ***Status Report***

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1. Paper Shredding & Styrofoam Recycling Event

The Public Works Department has scheduled a paper shredding and styrofoam recycling event at the Public Works Solid Waste/Recycling parking lot located at 16300 Annapolis Road on Saturday, January 23, 2021 from 8am-2pm. Residents can bring up to five tall kitchen bags or five archive boxes for shredding. Documents may be observed while they are being shredded. Styrofoam must be free of any debris (glue or tape). This is a new location this year, it has previously been held at the Bowie High School Parking Lot.

2. Economic Development Committee (EDC)

The Bowie EDC met Wednesday and heard from Washington Prime Group representatives Stephen Harris and Natahcia Scott about Bowie Town Center and from Seritage representative Robert Ursini about the former Sears site. The EDC was shown the same slide-deck as seen by Council on December 7, 2020. The next regular meeting of the EDC is Wednesday January 13, 2021.

3. 2020 Waste Diversion and Recycling Awards

The City was selected by the non-profit group Keep Prince George's Beautiful in conjunction with the Department of Environmental Protection to receive a 2020 Waste Diversion & Recycling Award for our Food Waste Pilot Program. The virtual award ceremony was held on December 9 at 6:00 pm where the City was awarded among others in the County. As a reminder, the Food Waste Program services over 230 families in neighborhoods on Race Track Road, has diverted thousands of pounds of organic waste from the land fill (a huge emitter of atmospheric CO₂), and helps to create LeafGro and LeafGro Gold compost which are sold locally in stores and in bulk from the County Organics Facility. This program is an opt-in, free program and more can be found at cityofbowie.org/greenbowie.

4. Planning Board Results – EZ Storage Detailed Site Plan

On December 10th, the Prince George's County Planning Board conducted a public hearing on Detailed Site Plan #DSP-99003-01 for a 3-story, 48,708 sq. ft. addition to the existing EZ Storage facility on Gallant Fox Lane. The City Council held a public hearing on this application on November 16th, and recommended approval with two conditions. Those conditions were included in the M-NCPPC staff report. At the conclusion of its hearing, the Planning Board voted to approve #DSP-99003-01, including the City's conditions. Commissioner Washington moved for approval. Her motion, seconded by Vice Chair Bailey, passed unanimously.

ADL: lfr