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CENTER Design Study

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PREFACE

The Germantown Town Center Design Study constitutes the third and final component of the Germantown Town Center Design and Development Study as directed by the Montgomery County Council Resolution of Approval of the "Comprehensive Amendment to the Germantown Master Plan". The first component dealt with increasing transportation capacity and the second (the Halcyon report) addressed promotional, funding, and operational issues. This, the "Design Study", presents the design framework that is proposed to guide the future development of the Town Center. The Design Study expands the Town Center framework provided in the Germantown Master Plan for the Town Center.

The Study identifies the Design Conceptenvisioned for the Town Center, describes the recommended Town Center-wide Design Framework, and details those components of the framework applicable to each of the Town Center Analysis Areas. Special emphasis is given to the integration of vehicular and pedestriun circulation and open space systems, to the street environments (street-scapes), and to the identification and location of community facilities.

The Germantown Town Center Design Study will serve as the guideline for future design and development within this area. It is to be used by public officials and private individuals in their decision-making process. Several recommendations of the Study recommend amendments to the Master Plan, and this Study, in association with the Master Plan, will form the basis for the review of development proposals within the Town Center.

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