PLAN HIGHLIGHTS

LAND USE

This Plan recommends:

- o permiting a limited amount of retail activity on the former Vitro site and allow a reversion to office in the long term.
- o continuing the existing office use for the Lee Development Group site.
- o using the right-of-way for the former Rockville Facility for a greenway/park.
- o permiting appropriate in-fill development.

TRANSPORTATION

This Plan recommends:

- o providing a multi-use hiker/biker trail system to function as a recreational and commuting resource that integrates into trail systems in adjacent planning areas.
- o initiating a detailed design study for a future Georgia Avenue transitway.
- o deleting the use of the remainder of the former Rockville Facility right-of-way from Georgia Avenue to the Intercounty Connector for highway use while promoting a hiker/biker connection from Rock Creek Park to Northwest Branch Park.
- o encouraging transit opportunities and providing incentives to reduce vehicle trips in attempts to meet air quality goals.

ENVIRONMENT

This Plan recommends:

- o protecting stream valleys, wetlands, steep slopes and forested areas through land use recommendations and development regulations.
- o endorsing corrective measures to reduce flooding and erosion and to improve stream quality by implementing stormwater management retrofits of developed sites.
- o expanding recycling programs for multi-family and non-residential developments.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

This Plan recommends:

o identifying, preserving and promoting community/County historic and architectural resources that reflect the history, values and character of Aspen Hill for the benefit of present and future generations.

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

This Plan recommends:

- o developing Aquarius Local Park, Harmony Hill Neighborhood Park, Strathmore Local Park and Northwest Branch Recreation Park.
- o providing adequate maintenance funding for the upkeep of the recreational facilities at closed schools so that these facilities can remain available to the residents of those areas.
- o allowing child day care facilities in the non-age restricted portion of the PRC zone through the special exception process.
- o supporting a separate zip code for Aspen Hill to increase community identity.