

THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL
PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Vacation Petition V-01001
Vacation of Science Court and part of Science Drive (platted as Duckett Court and Duckett Drive), totaling 64,590 square feet or 1.48 acres, on the west side of Melford Boulevard and the east side of MD Route 301, as shown on a subdivision plat entitled University of Maryland Science and Technology Center, recorded in Plat Book NLP 133, plat 77 in the Land Records of Prince George's County, Maryland, Election District No. 7.

OVERVIEW

The subject petition proposes to vacate all of Science Court and part of Science Drive on the west side of Melford Boulevard that was dedicated by a plat of street dedication recorded on July 1, 1987 in Plat Book NLP 133 at plat 77. This section of street has never been improved to County standards or otherwise used by the general public. The vacated area will be used for future development in the Technology Center.

SETTING

Science Court and part of Science Drive proposed to be vacated is 64,590 square feet in the E-I-A Zone. The area is within the Technology Center and is proposed to be used for future development of the Center. A proposed subdivision plat has been submitted as Exhibit ■D■ which will incorporate the vacated area into two lots that have frontage on Melford Boulevard.

FINDINGS AND REASONS FOR STAFF RECOMMENDATION

1. The public utilities and Prince George's County have been notified of this petition as required by Section 24-112(e) of the Subdivision Regulations.
2. The Department of Public Works and Transportation and the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission have consented to this petition as required by Section 24-112(1) of the Subdivision Regulations.

3. The Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission has existing facilities located within the public street being vacated and has requested that easements be granted.
4. The Washington Gas Company has existing facilities located on-site and has requested that easements be granted.
5. No referral agency or department recommended disapproval of the petition.
6. No objections were received from adjacent property owners.
7. Petitioners are the owners of all land abutting street proposed to be vacated.
1. The City of Bowie consented to this vacation by letter dated January 4, 2001, and Resolution R-06-01.

RECOMMENDATION

APPROVAL, subject to the following conditions:

1. Granting easements to the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission for existing facilities or relocation of same.
2. Granting easements to the Washington Gas Company for existing facilities or relocation of same.
3. Recordation of a subdivision plat in accordance with Preliminary Plan 4-98076 or any subsequently approved preliminary plat applicable to the subject property.