



Maryland Department of Planning

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March 7, 2013

W. Robert Flanigan, Mayor  
City of Frostburg  
P.O. Box 440  
Frostburg, MD 21532

Dear Mayor Flanigan:

RE: MDP's review of adopted tier map; No comments

Thank you for providing the Department of Planning with a copy of the City of Frostburg Growth Tier Map (dated December 12, 2012) administratively adopted by the City of Frostburg, as indicated in the City's letter dated December 18, 2012. This action establishes growth tiers under Title 1, Subtitle 5 of the Land Use Article ("LU") of the Annotated Code of Maryland for the City of Frostburg.

LU §1-505 allows the Department to comment on growth tiers adopted by local jurisdictions. The Maryland Department of Planning is pleased to advise you that the map adopted by the City of Frostburg satisfies the statutory requirements of LU §1-508 for designation of growth tiers. The Department therefore has no comments on the adopted map.

Please be advised that the law requires that the growth tiers are to be incorporated into the City's comprehensive plan or an element of the plan when the City conducts its six year review of the plan. If the growth tiers are not incorporated into the comprehensive plan or an element of the plan during the 6-year review, the law indicates that the growth tiers may not be considered as adopted and the restrictions on major subdivisions outside sewer areas shall apply.

Allegany County adopted its growth tier map on December 20, 2012. The City of Frostburg's letter, dated December 18, 2012, indicates that "Allegany County will submit the County Tier Map which will designate Frostburg's Municipal Growth Areas as Tier II"; however, in our review of the Allegany County adopted tier map, there appear to be portions of the Frostburg Municipal Growth Area mapped by the County as Tier IV. Please confirm whether the City of Frostburg concurs with the County's tier designations of the City's Municipal Growth Area. Should there be any conflicts between the City's mapping and that of the County, the law provides a process for resolution.

Finally, we would like to note that in MDP's comments on the City of Frostburg 2011 Comprehensive Plan, MDP estimates that there is sufficient capacity for all projected household growth by 2035 within the City limits. MDP encourages the City to implement infill

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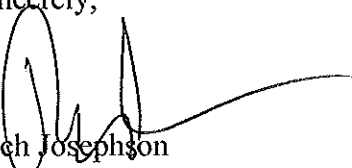
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and redevelopment projects to accommodate this projected growth. Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rich Josephson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Rich Josephson  
Director of Planning Services

cc: David A. Dorsey, Allegany County Department of Community Services  
Bill Atkinson, Director, MDP Western Maryland Office  
Jay Sakai, Director, Water Management Administration, MDE  
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