



Maryland Department of Planning

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April 8, 2013

Victoria Jackson Stanley, Mayor
City of Cambridge
City Hall
410 Academy Street
Cambridge, MD 21613

Dear Mayor Stanley:

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 Cambridge Growth Tier Map (dated December 10, 2012) adopted by the City Council on December 10, 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 Cambridge.

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 Cambridge 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 sewerred areas shall apply.

To date, we have not received an adopted tier map from Dorchester County. Should there be any conflicts between the Town's mapping and that of the County, the Act provides a process for resolution. We do not anticipate that such maps would be in conflict with the criteria under the Act or with the County's adopted map.

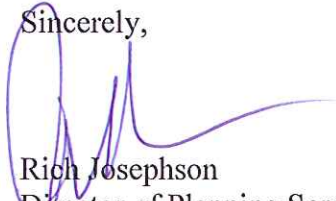
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Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



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