

Amendment to Council Bill 26-2012

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Amendment No. 4

- 1 (This amendment would:
2 • include the University of Maryland as one of the entities that helps farmers;
3 • clarify that zoning regulations will provide great flexibility to the agricultural community as
4 well as appropriate protections for rural residents;
5 • require the County to create a Historic Preservation Plan;
6 • add a new implementing action letter J for Ellicott City in Policy 4.10 Historic
7 Preservation).

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11 In PlanHoward 2030, as attached to the Bill, make the following changes:

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13 On pages 30 and 163, in Policy 4.2, after “EDA” insert “, the University of Maryland,”.

14 On page 31, in implementing action a, after “the EDA” insert “, the University of Maryland,”
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16 On page 34, in the first full paragraph, strike the last two sentences that start with “Given
17 these differences” and “Conversely” and substitute:

18 “In a rapidly changing economy, Howard County farmers should be able to utilize innovative
19 farming practices so they too can adapt to the evolving market. Enhancing their ability to farm
20 efficiently is critical to the growth of Howard County and its ability to maintain a diverse
21 economy. However, new development plans and conditional uses should include better buffers
22 to reduce conflicts with neighboring residents.”.

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24 On pages 34 and 163, strike Policy 4.5 and substitute:

1 **“POLICY 4.5 - Refine the Rural Conservation (RC) and the Rural Residential (RR) zoning**
2 **regulations to provide greater flexibility for the agricultural community, as well as**
3 **appropriate protections for rural residents.”**

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5 On page 40, in the first paragraph, strike the last sentence.

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7 On pages 41 and 164 of the Plan, in “Policy 4.10”, immediately before the period, insert
8 “and create an historic preservation plan”. In the same policy, in letter “g”, after the first
9 period, strike the entire sentence and substitute “Work with historic preservation
10 advocates and other stakeholder groups and create an historic preservation plan to
11 broaden awareness of our heritage and encourage renovation and re-use of historic
12 resources.”.

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14 On pages 41 and 164, in Policy 4.10, in the “Implementing Actions” section,
15 insert a new letter “j” as follows:

16 “j. **Historic Ellicott City.** Promote, plan, and protect safe pedestrian access in the
17 retail section of Historic Ellicott City.”. For new Implementing Action 4.10j, note in
18 Appendix A as “On Going”.