

WILMAPCO Council

Action Item Summary Sheet

Meeting Date: January 12, 2017

Action Item #10: To Endorse the North Claymont Area Master Plan

Description/Summary of Item: The staff will present the draft recommendations and final report for the North Claymont Area Master Plan. This project was initiated as a UPWP request from New Castle County is to develop a comprehensive vision for the of the future northern Claymont area including the Claymont Steel site and Tri-state Mall. Through technical analysis and collaboration with the community during the past year, the Plan created a comprehensive vision and recommendations that address land use and design, transportation, community and economic development, and the environment and open space. Staff worked with the management and advisory committees, and held three public workshops, to develop a recommended land use and transportation scenario that provide a framework for development with suggested actions by state or local agencies to foster implementation.

Summary of Action Taken by PAC: The PAC received a presentation on June 13, 2016 but no action was taken.

Summary of Action Taken by TAC: On December 15, 2016, the TAC recommended that WILMAPCO Council endorse the North Claymont Area Master Plan.

Summary of Action Taken by Subcommittee/Task Force (if applicable):
NA

WILMAPCO Staff Recommendations: The WILMAPCO staff recommends that the Council endorse the North Claymont Area Master Plan.

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RESOLUTION

BY THE WILMINGTON AREA PLANNING COUNCIL (WILMAPCO) ENDORING THE NORTH CLAYMONT AREA MASTER PLAN

WHEREAS, the Wilmington Area Planning Council (WILMAPCO) has been designated the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for Cecil County, Maryland and New Castle County, Delaware by the Governors of Maryland and Delaware, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the WILMAPCO Council recognizes that planning for land use, transportation, community and economic development, and environmental and open space is consistent with the strategies of the 2040 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP); and

WHEREAS, the New Castle County requested WILMAPCO's assistance in developing recommendations for future land use and transportation in northern Claymont; and

WHEREAS, the North Claymont Area Master Plan assessed the potential for the area to support a mixed-use residential, commercial, and industrial area designed to promote economic activity make public transit successful, make walking and bicycling convenient and safe, and provide for a vibrant, livable community; and

WHEREAS, the North Claymont Area Master Plan was developed through a collaborative process with input from stakeholders, and

WHEREAS, the Report recommendations provide a framework that welcomes growth in the form of new businesses and residents, while enhancing the environment and quality of life for people who are already living, working, and providing jobs and amenities in the area; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wilmington Area Planning Council does hereby endorse the final report and recommendations of the North Claymont Area Master Plan.

Date:

John Sisson, Chairperson
Wilmington Area Planning Council

