

TOWN OF BLADENSBURG ANNOUNCES EFFORTS TO ANNEX THE FORMER PRINCE GEORGE'S HOSPITAL SITE

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Town of Bladensburg Announces Efforts to Annex the Former Prince George's Hospital Site

Bladensburg, MD – The Town of Bladensburg is thrilled to announce its commitment to Economic Development in the Region, including efforts to annex the Former Prince George's Hospital Site, which promises to bring transformative economic and community benefits to the region. In collaboration with developers, residents, and other project partners, the Town will work diligently to preserve the character and safety of surrounding residential neighborhoods while fostering an attractive environment for high-quality development.

The project presents a unique and exciting opportunity for Bladensburg to establish itself as a vibrant hub for mixed-use development in Prince George's County. With thousands of new apartments, townhomes, and retail options planned, the redevelopment will enhance the region's economic vitality and address long-standing concerns, ensuring a bright and positive future for residents.

"We look forward to meeting with Urban Atlantic and finalizing a post-annexation agreement that will secure economic benefits for all stakeholders," said Mayor Takisha James. "This agreement will be groundbreaking, fostering collaboration between Bladensburg, Cheverly, and the developer—something no previous project has achieved. By ensuring the financial feasibility of this initiative, we are investing in our shared prosperity for generations to come."

Bladensburg is committed to advocating to keep the existing dead-end streets that provide safety and serenity for Cheverly residents. We hear residents and understand the concerns of the Cheverly residents on this issue. The Town is also deeply committed to addressing the concerns of residents in the region, including Cheverly and Bladensburg, who have experienced disruptions from helicopter landings, escapees, sirens, and emergency activity on the former hospital site for many years.

"There are solutions to be found to ensure this development has the access needed to be successful," said Town Administrator Michelle Bailey Hedgepeth. "This redevelopment is an opportunity to bring much-needed quiet to the region while building new relationships and fostering positive growth for all."

To ensure the redevelopment meets the needs of the entire regional community, Bladensburg is prioritizing creative and inclusive solutions. The Town will work with the developer and other stakeholders to explore innovative approaches that balance commercial viability with environmental sustainability and community quality of life.

Mayor James reiterated the Town's understanding and deep respect for the concerns of Cheverly residents who cherish their quiet streets and close-knit community. As the project progresses, the primary goal is to continue

developing a project that realizes its potential and reflects the best interests of all surrounding neighborhoods. This is a commitment that will not be compromised.

The Town of Bladensburg is proud to have a police department that is fully prepared to support this ambitious redevelopment. Chief Tyrone Collington Sr. emphasized, "The Town of Bladensburg Police Department operates 24/7, every day of the year, providing full-service support to our community. Our patrol officers are backed by specialized teams, including an Evidence Unit, K9 Unit, Accident Reconstruction Team, Community Action Team, Criminal Investigations Division, Special Assignment Team, Hostage/Crisis Negotiator Team, Quick Response Team, Code Enforcement, and full-service 911/Dispatch Operations. We are ready and equipped to handle any challenge that comes our way. This is a full-time operation—we are always here for our community."

The annexation of Hospital Hill is a pivotal step in this process, ensuring Bladensburg has a direct role in shaping the redevelopment while securing long-term financial and economic benefits. This annexation will strengthen the Town's base and provide the resources necessary to support infrastructure improvements, public services, and community amenities.

As the redevelopment of the Former Prince George's Hospital Site progresses, the Town of Bladensburg invites residents, businesses, and stakeholders to stay engaged. The Town's commitment to transparency and collaboration remains unwavering throughout the process, ensuring regional involvement and understanding.

"We are committed to ensuring this project becomes a model for smart, sustainable development," said Mayor James. "This opportunity should not stall due to undue political posturing and filibustering." Together, we will see this project through to success."

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