BRAC APR NOMINATION LIST FOR 2008

The following BRAC APR nominations were reviewed by the MVCCA and our comprehensive language resolution related to these nominations follows.

08-IV-2MV (Huntington)

08-IV-5MV, 08-IV-7MV Penn Daw CBC, Richmond Highway)

08-IV-1LP (Accotink Village)

08-IV-10MV, 08-IV-11MV, 08-IV-12MV, 08-IV-13MV (Woodlawn CBC, Richmond Highway)

08-IV-3MV, 08-IV-9MV (Huntington TSA)

08-IV-1MV, 08-IV-4MV, 08-IV-6MV, 08-IV-8MV (North Gateway)

08-IV-1S, 08-IV-2S, 08-IV-3S, 08-IV-9S, (I-95 Industrial Corridor, East of I-95)

08-IV-2LP (I-95 Industrial Corridor, East of I-95)

MVCCA Resolution on BRAC APR Nominations' Impacts (ER/PZ/TRAN 2008-01)

Whereas, Traffic along Richmond Highway (US Route 1) is reaching unacceptable levels of congestion at multiple intersections, and

Whereas, All visitors to Fort Belvoir must access the base by motor vehicle thereby contributing to traffic congestion, and

Whereas, A long anticipated US Route 1 Richmond Highway Corridor transportation study of traffic has neither been funded nor performed, and

Whereas, Rail transportation access to Fort Belvoir would not increase the current vehicle load or congestion on US Route 1 Richmond Highway, and

Whereas, According to EPA studies the Mount Vernon District will not meet air quality standards due to ozone and particulate matter levels, and

Whereas, Environmental quality conditions in the Mount Vernon District continue to deteriorate, especially with respect to air quality, water quality, and loss of tree cover, and

Whereas, The BRAC APR nominations all recommend an increase in the development density with increased office, hotel, retail, and/or residential use, and

Whereas, Higher density development and its concomitant increased motor vehicle traffic will aggravate existing environmental problems within the Mount Vernon District.

Therefore be it resolved that the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations requests that the BRAC APR Task Force and the Planning Commission and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors amend nominations to state that any use that would increase motorized traffic on US Route 1 (Richmond Highway) is contingent upon the rail study recommending an appropriate rail connection between Fort Belvoir and Huntington metro, and

Be it further resolved that the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations requests that the BRAC APR Task Force, the Planning Commission and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors amend every nomination which effects development or motor vehicle traffic within the Mount Vernon District to include that the traffic impact from a development cannot cause any intersection within two traffic signals distance to be reduced below a level of service "D", and

Be it further resolved that the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations requests that the BRAC APR Task Force and the Planning Commission and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors amend all nominations to state that any use that would degrade tree cover and increase run-off would require the offset of 100% of the lost tree canopy, contributions to the Tree Preservation Planting Fund in amounts equal to the values of the lost trees, the planting of non-exotic, non-invasive ground cover, shrubs and trees as listed by the Department of Conservation and Recreation of Virginia, the use of pervious pavers and rain gardens, provision for sufficient planting space for large, shade producing parking lot trees, and reliance on underground parking wherever possible and structured parking elsewhere, and

Be it further resolved that building design should maximize the use of green roofs and roof top gardens, including trees, to mitigate storm water runoff, increases in impervious surfaces, and tree loss, and

Be it further resolved that the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations requests that the BRAC APR Task Force, the Planning Commission and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors amend every nomination which effects development or motor vehicle traffic within the Mount Vernon District to include language to make development contingent upon satisfactory environmental safeguards and remediation, and

Be it further resolved that the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations requests that the BRAC APR Task Force, the Planning Commission and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors amend every nomination to include language to encourage developers to support a mass transit option for the US Route 1 (Richmond Highway) Corridor.

This resolution was passed by the MVCCA General Council at their July 23, 2008 meeting