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# Committee Resolutions

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## PLANNING & ZONING

### **P&Z-2012-01: TRANSIT CENTER ON BELLE HAVEN LODGE PROPERTY RICHMOND HIGHWAY AND FORDSON ROAD**

- (1) **WHEREAS** the Gum Springs neighborhood improvement program and conservation plan for the Gum Springs community was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on April 30, 1979; and
- (2) **WHEREAS** the basic goal of this document is the conservation and development of a viable and sound residential community in the Gum Springs neighborhood; and
- (3) **WHEREAS** the Gum Springs Redevelopment Area Plan was approved by the Board of Supervisors on April 16, 1990; and
- (4) **WHEREAS** the basic goal of this plan is to develop the Belle Haven Lodge Property as a mixed-use complex, primarily residential with some office and retail uses as part of a general program for upgrading conditions in the Richmond Highway Corridor; and
- (5) **WHEREAS** the Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT) is proposing a transit center on the Belle Haven Lodge Property; and
- (6) **WHEREAS** a transit center at this location is in conflict with the comprehensive plan language; and
- (7) **WHEREAS** the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors may seek to, against owners wishes, exercise eminent domain authority to acquire the Belle Haven Lodge Property for a transit center; and
- (8) **WHEREAS** the transit center located on the Belle Haven Lodge Property could adversely affect the quality of life for the community of Gum Springs due to unknown access limitations to the community caused by the closure of Fordson Road and due to negative impacts associated with but not limited to air, light, sound, and noise pollution created by the nearly continuous bus use of the proposed transit station; and
- (9) **WHEREAS** Gum Springs, the community most affected by any development/re-development of the Belle Haven Lodge Property, is opposed to a transit center for the reasons specified above.

**A) THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations (MVCCA) oppose a transit center located on the Belle Haven Lodge Property.

**B) BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the MVCCA urges the Mount Vernon District Supervisor to request:

1. The FCDOT no longer consider the Belle Haven Lodge Property as a viable site for a transit center.
2. The FCDOT identify sites for a transit center not only in the Mount Vernon District, but also in Lee District.

**END: MVCCA RESOLUTION P&Z-2012-01**