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Via PDF E-mail to amcclung@blacksburg.gov:
Anne McClung
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Re: Old Blacksburg Middle School Rezoning; Request for Withdrawal of Application

Dear Anne,

As I indicated to Mark Verniel in my letter of June 3, 2013, regarding the Old Middle School Property (the "Property"), and the pending rezoning application and development plan, we remain appreciative of the Town and the County's efforts to work with us to achieve our common goal of a high quality, successful redevelopment of this Property. Therefore, in order to facilitate and implement the joint meetings requested by the County, and to confirm that we are supportive of that proposed process and to working with the Town and it's consultants to develop a plan which can achieve consensus support, we are withdrawing the pending rezoning application for the Property. We will then resubmit a revised proposal based on the outcome of those meetings.

We sincerely appreciate the Town Council's willingness to work with us and the consultants who developed the original Master Plan to insure that we have a quality development and a rezoning application with sufficient specificity and commitments to ensure that the ultimate tenants, the Town and our community get a project that we can all be proud of as the gateway to our downtown district. We understand that there have been frustrations on both sides with the complex and sometimes changing pieces of this puzzle, and each side's respective efforts to move this process forward. We are committed to taking the time necessary to work through those questions and issues with you.

We look forward to collaborating with all of the stakeholders to bring this project to a successful conclusion.

Best Regards,

James K. Cowan, Jr.

cc: F. Craig Meadows