



**City of Rockville Report – Rockville Economic Development, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting
July 24, 2025**

July 14, 2025 Mayor and Council Meeting

King Farm Farmstead Project Update and Program Concepts Review - Worksession

On July 14th, the Department of Recreation and Parks facilitated a follow-up work session with the Mayor and Council to provide a project update and review programs and building usage options for the buildings and structures located at the King Farm Farmstead Park. The purpose of the session was to provide the Mayor and Council with an update following the October 24, 2024 work session, where guidance was provided to staff regarding future programming and building uses at the park.

The July 14th worksession was co-presented with the City's consultant, Design Collective, a firm with experience in historic preservation, adaptive reuse, and using public feedback to develop forward thinking and creative, but equally realistic, practical, and cost-effective designs. The session included a presentation of the top ranked choices from the community for the park's building uses and program concepts. The Mayor and Council reviewed the presented options and provided direction on which programs and building usage options will move to the next phase of economic analysis and construction cost estimation. Before any final programs/services are offered, the buildings/spaces will still need to be flushed out later within the design process. The uses and program options moving forward to the next phase of analysis include: a multipurpose hall, multipurpose rooms, childcare/daycare, community kitchen, arts and tech, makerspaces, wellness center, and performing arts space. Staff will return in September to present the draft master plan for Mayor and Council feedback during a third work session.

Public Hearing on an Amendment to the Approved Project Plan for 900 Rockville Pike to Extend the Project Plan's Implementation Period

A public hearing was held on the applicant's request (PJT2025-00022) to amend the Approved Project Plan for 900 Rockville Pike by extending the Project Plan implementation period for the related site plan filing. No other changes to the approved Project Plan were proposed. Project Plan Amendment PJT2023-00016 was approved to construct a 4,400 square-foot commercial building and associated site improvements on the property located at 900 Rockville Pike and was previously approved as the Champion Billiards Planned Development (PD). The PD was initially approved by the Mayor and Council by Resolution No. 14-06, which allowed for the development of up to 12,574 square feet of furniture/retail sales in a two-story building. The development approved at that time was never constructed and the site remains vacant. Project Plan application PJT2023-00016 was approved by the Mayor and Council on September 30, 2024.

Adoption of a Resolution for an Amendment to the Approved Project Plan for 900 Rockville Pike to Extend the Project Plan's Implementation Period

The Mayor and Council adopted a resolution for an amendment to the approved Project Plan for 900 Rockville Pike to extend the Project Plan's implementation period. The applicant must file a site plan that implements the Project Plan within one year from the date of the Mayor and Council approval of the Project Plan PJT2025-00022, or the Project Plan approval will expire.

Upcoming Mayor and Council Meeting:

July 21, 2025 Mayor and Council Meeting

- Rent Stabilization Worksession
- Economic Development Worksession

Recess Schedule:

Following the August 4th meeting, the Mayor and Council will be on recess from August 5th through September 7th. They will reconvene on September 8th.