



City of Rockville Report – Rockville Economic Development, Inc. February 26, 2026

February 2, 2026 Meeting:

Introduction of a Resolution to Annex the Property at 1000 Westmore Avenue (WINX Property)

The Mayor and Council initiated the annexation of approximately 10.45 acres of land, which primarily includes the property at 1000 Westmore Avenue (former WINX site) and two other smaller parcels, both addressed as 0 Stonestreet Avenue, by introducing the resolution for annexation. The Mayor and Council also approved another resolution that set the public hearing date for the annexation on July 27, 2026. The next step is for the Planning Commission to review a staff draft of the preliminary annexation plan, hold a public hearing, approve the annexation plan, and transmit it to the Mayor and Council for adoption. The petitioner intends to develop residential uses at 1000 Westmore Avenue and is requesting that the current industrial uses at both parcels at 0 Stonestreet Avenue remain and are grandfathered in with the approval of the annexation.

Adoption of the Ordinance to Amend the Green Building Regulations

The Mayor and Council adopted an ordinance to amend Chapter 5, Article XIV of the City Code, pertaining to Green Building Regulations. This ordinance establishes the 2021 International Green Construction Code (IgCC) and the 2020 National Green Building Standard (NGBS) as the green building codes for new and altered buildings in the City. Adoption of this ordinance directly supports the City's Climate Action Plan (CAP) and furthers the City's commitment to sustainable and resilient building stock. The provisions of this ordinance will take effect on August 1, 2026.

Briefing and Endorsement of the DMW Moves Plan

The Mayor and Council received a briefing from COG and endorsed the DMW Moves Plan. In May 2024, [DMVMoves](#), a joint Task Force of the boards of directors of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (MWCOG) and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA), was created to develop a unified vision and sustainable funding model for public transit in the National Capital Region (NCR). The DMVMoves Plan outlines the need for a long-term, regionally coordinated approach to sustaining and modernizing transit across the National Capital Region.

Among other things, the Plan recommends establishing a dedicated annual capital commitment of \$460 million for WMATA beginning in Fiscal Year (FY) 2028, growing at least three percent annually to provide sustainable, bondable, and flexible funding. The estimated jurisdictional shares are \$173 million for the District of Columbia, \$152 million for Maryland, and \$136 million for Virginia. This funding would help to address Metro's capital backlog, modernize Metrorail's signaling system, move toward rail automation, and stabilize WMATA's bond program. The Plan also calls for parallel investment in local and commuter systems, promoting coordinated service standards, integrated fare policies, shared procurements, and workforce development to enhance efficiency and regional equity.

February 9, 2026 Mayor and Council Meeting

Mid-Year Report Presentation and Update on Impact of Government Restructuring and Effects on Rockville - Rockville Economic Development, Inc.

Cindy Rivarde, REDI Executive Director, provided a mid-year report to the Mayor and Council, including the impact of the Federal government restructuring and its effects on Rockville. The presentation provided an overview of the impact of the Federal government restructuring on various sectors of the local economy and REDI's strategic response. The presentation also included an update on REDI's accomplishments, including Federal restructuring responses, the Biotech Corridor, the Women's Business Center, and business attraction, expansion, and retention. A copy of the meeting materials and the presentation can be found at the attached link.

<https://rockvillemd.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=7863309&GUID=BAC919B5-FEC5-4367-B1C1-94DFB9BBFD09&Options=&Search=>

Upcoming Mayor and Council Meeting

February 23, 2026 Mayor and Council Meeting:

- Work Session #2 - Chapter 18 Code Update (Rental Facilities/Landlord/Tenant Relations)