



**MECKLENBURG COUNTY**  
Park and Recreation Department

MEMORANDUM

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NO HARDCOPY TO FOLLOW

**TO:** Solomon Fortune, Associate Planner  
Charlotte Mecklenburg Planning Commission

**FROM:** Gwen Cook, Greenway Planner  
Greenway Planning & Development Division

**DATE:** April 16, 2008

**RE:** Rezoning Petition # 2008-051 Bank of America- Steele Creek Store (overland connector)

This is the second correspondence (2/20/08) from Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation Department (MCPR) regarding rezoning petition #2008-051. We suggest that these comments be incorporated into the Planning Commission staff review notes and written into the Pre-Hearing Staff Analysis to the fullest extent possible. These steps should ensure MCPR's notes are conveyed to and incorporated by the petitioner during plan revision.

The petitioner's properties are located in the Southwest Park District on South Tryon Street at Steele Creek Road. The 1999 Mecklenburg County Greenway Master Plan identifies Walker Branch Greenway as a future greenway corridor and 0.7 miles of this greenway has been built at South Tryon Street along RiverGate Shopping Center. A future greenway is envisioned along Hoover Creek, south of RiverGate, as well. A significant and lengthy overland connector to the entrance of McDowell Nature preserve is also envisioned for the north side of South Tryon Street.

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General comments

- MCPR acknowledges that the resubmittal shows the petitioner will provide a minimum 8' wide planting strip and 8' wide sidewalk along South Tryon Street.
- MCPR has coordinated with CDOT and what is being provided is consistent with their vision for South Tryon Street as well.
- MCPR has no further comments.

Feel free to contact me at (704) 432-1570 if you should have any further questions.

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