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County Executive Requests County Council to Withdraw Proposed Legislation

Purchase of adjacent Prologis property no longer planned

(Bel Air, MD) - - Harford County Executive David R. Craig has announced that he no longer wishes to pursue the purchase of the Prologis property in Joppa, and asks the County Council to withdraw the proposed legislation. County Executive Craig cited the potential move of a major business to Harford County that may occupy the former GAP Company building located adjacent to the Prologis property.

“We are actively pursuing a major firm to relocate to Harford County and join our outstanding business community,” County Executive Craig stated. “The business we hope to bring to Harford County is a strong national firm that could bring nearly 500 jobs to our county,” Craig stated.

As a result of the recent developments to potentially bring a business to the former GAP Company building, Harford County Government will no longer pursue efforts to purchase the Prologis property for the purpose of providing a road for truck traffic to the Solid Waste-to-Energy plant located in Joppa. However, Harford County Government will continue to explore opportunities to provide an alternative for truck traffic traveling to and from the plant other than MD Rt. 152.

Harford County Government will continue to explore various options in working with the U. S. Army at the Aberdeen Proving Ground in seeking a better access route to the proposed new Waste-to-Energy plant which will be constructed near the existing plant, but on APG property.

“We realize residents of the Joppa area are concerned about truck traffic through their community that travels to the Waste-to-Energy plant on a daily basis,” County Executive Craig stated. “However, we are not abandoning our efforts to build a new plant on property of the nearby Aberdeen Proving Ground to serve Harford and Baltimore County for many years to come,” Craig stated.

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The Department of Public Works will present a report regarding the status of solid waste management in Harford County and recommendations for operations in the future, to the Harford County Council in January 2010.

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