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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of County Commissioners for St. Mary's County will hold a Public Hearing on May 20, 2014 at 9:45 a.m. in the Chesapeake Building located at 41770 Baldrige Street in Leonardtown, Maryland to consider proposed amendments to Chapter 285 of the *Code of St. Mary's County, Maryland* (St. Mary's County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance) to conform to the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance to §4-306 of the *Land Use Article* of the *Annotated Code of Maryland* and to §223-5.1Q of the *Code of St. Mary's County, Maryland* regarding administration of the St. Mary's County Board of Appeals. Citizens are encouraged to attend and participate in the public hearing. The proposed amendments would:

- Amend §20.3.1 of the St. Mary's County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance to refer to the *Land Use Article* of the *Annotated Code of Maryland*
- Repeal §20.3.4 of the St. Mary's County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance and enact new §20.3.4 to incorporate by reference §4-306 of the *Land Use Article* of the *Annotated Code of Maryland* regarding procedures of the St. Mary's County Board of Appeals
- Amend §21.2.1 of the St. Mary's County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance by deleting reference to appeals of administrative decisions
- Repeal §20.3.5 through §20.3.7 and §23.1 through §23.5 of the St. Mary's County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance regarding procedures of the St. Mary's County Board of Appeals
- Repeal the requirement of payment of a fee of \$390.00 to file an appeal to the St. Mary's County Board of Appeals

Note that as a result of the evidence and comments made at the public hearing, amendments may be made to the proposed ordinance.

Written comments, questions and suggestions may be submitted on or before May 30, 2014, to: Board of County Commissioners for St. Mary's County, P.O. Box 653, Leonardtown, MD 20650.

Copies of the proposed amendments are available in the Public Information Office, Governmental Center, 41770 Baldrige Street, Leonardtown, Maryland 20650, and each of the three public libraries in St. Mary's County during regular business hours. The Commissioners invite public comments and participation.

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By: George R. Sparling, County Attorney