

# Edgemoor Citizens Association

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Casey Anderson  
Chairman, Montgomery County Planning Board  
8787 Georgia Ave.  
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Dear Chairman Anderson,

I am president of the Edgemoor Citizens Association—the civic organization representing more than 500 households in the Edgemoor, Bradley Village and Bradley Hills neighborhoods of Bethesda. I'm writing to express our community's concern about the Planning Board's proposed redrawing of the boundary of the Silver Spring Central Business District through a simple administrative action, without any significant public notice, outreach or comment.

Although the Board appears to be leaning toward a relatively minor change to the boundaries, no change should be made without thorough public input. As is the case in Downtown Bethesda, the Silver Spring Central Business District is surrounded primarily by residential communities. Any change to the boundaries has an impact on those communities, and the extent of the impact can only be assessed by involving those communities in the process. This action would allow the Board to effectively rezone residential areas without community or County Council involvement. We hope you will decide not to take this step.

I would be glad to discuss the matter with you or your staff. You can contact me by email at [president@edgemoorcitizens.org](mailto:president@edgemoorcitizens.org).



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ECA President