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## Warfield Project Settlement on the Horizon

**Westminster, MD, Tuesday, June 5, 2018** – Commissioner Doug Howard, District 5, announced that the Sykesville Planning Commission gave final site plan approval to the Warfield Project last night. This is a critical juncture in the 18+ year development project with an expected settlement by the end of June.

A pivotal moment in the process occurred when Sykesville agreed to use Carroll County Government staff and their expertise to assist with the site plan. Commissioner Howard expressed his appreciation to the Town of Sykesville and the Carroll County Development Review and Planning staff who worked together to move the project forward. "I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the staff involved with this project," Commissioner Howard noted, "This was a unique situation where the county brought resources to the table to coordinate with the town regulations to reach a successful conclusion. Our staff did an extraordinary job with a complicated process and were instrumental in getting us to this point."

The anticipated settlement will return \$3.5 million to the Carroll County Industrial Development Authority and \$1 million to Carroll County.

Construction of townhomes should begin shortly after settlement and the project should be added to the tax rolls by the first of the year, 2019. Commercial space in existing buildings is already being marketed, with the remaining buildings planned for rehabilitation as demand increases. The project also includes three parcels for new commercial development.

The open session discussion will be available for viewing on the <u>county meeting portal</u>, <u>YouTube</u> <u>channel</u>, and the <u>county Facebook page</u>. In addition, all meetings will be replayed on Comcast Channel 24.

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