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Subject: QAP comment

Good morning Scott,

Reading the latest draft QAP, we've interpreted "covered waiting area" in the transit section of page 13 to mean a bus/transit shelter. Is this your interpretation as well?

We've been researching locations of covered bus stop shelters in Raleigh and have learned that there are less than 100 of them in the entire city. They're relatively scarce considering the total area of the City and are located mostly along major corridors. It will be extremely unusual to find an available site that would already have a shelter within a quarter mile and also meet enough of the other points to score competitively.

We'd like to request that for sites with a documented existing bus route on the street next to the property, developers be permitted to commit to provide a covered bus shelter as part of the proposed project in order to meet the second bullet in the transit section on page 13. It seems like this would meet your ultimate objective as well as help otherwise good sites successfully compete.

New language suggested for your consideration:

A bus/transit stop qualifies for 6 points... if it is: ...

- On a fixed location and either has a covered bus/transit shelter at the time of preliminary application or the developer commits to provide (directly or through others) a bus/transit shelter as part of the proposed project.

Thanks for allowing us to provide feedback on your draft.

Happy Thanksgiving!

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