At a time when all Montgomery County residents are living with the corrosive impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, many of them strapped financially, it is beyond comprehension that the Council would even consider raising our property taxes.

But to do it year after year shows, in my opinion, an utter lack of sensitivity to what such actions are doing here. It is simply unsustainable. I love living here. I enjoy my neighborhood. I appreciate the amenities. But for those of us who are retired and living on fixed incomes, I ask this: how do you expect us to remain here?

Perhaps instead of raising our taxes again and again, the Council ought to consider this: good government isn’t always about spending more and dreaming up new ways to spend. Sometimes it’s better to hold the line and consider cutting expenditures.