Resolution No.: 18-1059

Introduced:

March 20, 2018

Adopted:

March 20, 2018

## COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

Lead Sponsor: County Council

SUBJECT: DOT Docket Nos. AB756

Abandonment – Portion of Right-of-Way Intersection of Wayne Avenue and

Ramsey Avenue

Silver Triangle, Silver Spring

## Background

- 1. By memorandum dated January 6, 2017 from the Director of the Department of General Services (the Applicant) to the Director of the Department of Transportation a request was made for the abandonment of a small portion of the right-of-way at the intersection of Wayne Avenue and Ramsey Avenue in the Silver Triangle of Silver Spring.
- 2. A Public Hearing to consider the abandonment proposal was held on May 31, 2017 by the designee of the County Executive.
- 3. Verizon did not respond within 60 days and therefore, concurrence is presumed.
- 4. Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission by letter dated April 14, 2017 consented to the abandonment.
- 5. Washington Gas by letter dated April 10, 2017 expressed no issue with the abandonment.
- 6. PEPCO did not respond within 60 days and therefore, concurrence is presumed.
- 7. The Montgomery County Police Department did not respond within 60 days and therefore, concurrence is presumed.
- 8. The Montgomery County Fire Marshall by e-mail dated June 1, 2017 expressed its consent to the abandonment.
- 9. The Montgomery County Planning Board did not respond within 60 days and therefore, concurrence is presumed.

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The Department of Transportation (DOT) by memorandum dated June 20, 2017 10. recommended approval with the following conditions: that all existing utilities, if any, along the proposed abandonment portions of Ramsey Avenue shall remain in place within a proposed public utility easement, or relocated at the Applicant's expense; that the existing pedestrian connection between existing Colesville Road and the Green Trail shall be maintained after the closure of the portion of Ramsey Avenue; and, that the existing storm drain system along the proposed abandonment portions of Ramsey Avenue shall remain in place within a proposed storm drain easement or relocated at Applicant's expense.

11. The County Executive recommends approval of the proposed abandonments.

## Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, finds that the portion of the right-of-way at the intersection of Wayne Avenue and Ramsey Avenue (shown on the attached Tax Map JN33) proposed for abandonment is no longer necessary for public use, pursuant to Section 49-63 of the Montgomery County Code, and approves the abandonment subject to the following conditions which must be satisfied at Applicant's sole cost and expense prior to the abandonment becoming effective:

- 1. That all existing utilities, if any, along the proposed abandonment portions of Ramsey Avenue shall remain in place within a proposed public utility easement, or relocated at Applicant's expense;
- 2. That the existing pedestrian connection between existing Colesville Road and the Green Trail shall be maintained after the closure of the portion of Ramsey Avenue; perpendicular to and connect to Wayne Avenue;
- 3. That the existing storm drain system along the proposed abandonment portions of Ramsey Avenue shall remain in place within a proposed storm drain easement or relocated at Applicant's expense;
- 4. The County Attorney must record among the Land Records of Montgomery County, Maryland, a copy of this Resolution approving the abandonment of the subject area; and
- 5. Any person aggrieved by the action of the Council for the abandonments may appeal to the Circuit Court within 30 days after the date such action is taken by Council.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Megan Davey Limarzi, Esq.

Clerk of the Council

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