

MID-COUNTY CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD

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The Honorable Isiah Leggett Montgomery County Executive 101 Monroe Street, 2nd Floor Rockville, MD 20850 The Honorable Hans Reimer President, Montgomery County Council 100 Maryland Avenue Rockville, MD 20850

Re: Capital Improvements Projects (CIP) Budget, 2019-24

Dear County Executive Leggett and Council President Reimer:

The Mid-County Citizens Advisory Board (MCCAB) appreciates the opportunity to provide our input regarding the CIP Budget currently under consideration. We acknowledge the multiple worthy projects competing for a place in funding and have limited our comments to the following few specific issues, affecting the Mid-County.

We have a comment about Montrose Parkway East, since its construction or nonconstruction affects the Mid-County. We understand the reasons cited for delaying this project and recognize the worth of a project such as the East Forest Glen Metro Entrance, but we believe that the Parkway project should be built within the parameters of this CIP, regardless of the outcome of the Amazon decision.

We wish to express support for the inclusion of the following CIP projects:

- Summit Avenue Extension we support this project as a necessary improvement to circulation and safety in that congested area of Kensington.
- Olney Town Commons/Civic Center We support the provision within the CIP for the next step in this process, following up on the initial design study.
- Park Refresher Fund We support the creation of a fund to be used for the necessary, limited, capital repairs to park amenities without the necessity of a full-scale park overall.

- Sidewalk Replacement/Street Paving We support, as residents of a part of the County that includes many older residential developments, overall funding for basic infrastructure repairs and replacements in terms of sidewalk and street repairs.
- North High Street Extension to Morningwood Drive We support this Olney area project as a needed, necessary improvement for traffic flow and connectivity.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments, as you proceed with your work in adopting the Capital Improvements Budget.

Sincerely,

Francisco Romero, Chair Mid-County Citizens Advisory Board

cc: County Council Members

Hon. Nancy Navarro

Hon. Roger Berliner

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Hon. Nancy Floreen

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