

## Sayers, Margery

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As you know, HCCA requested that a bill like this be introduced in the Council last April. we have some 10,000 to 20,000 new units that are proposed to be built in both downtown Columbia and the rest of Howard. Citizens need to be given a choice between the Internal Combustion Engine cars and Electric Cars. Unfortunately, with no place to charge an EV, there is no choice for citizens.

I hope to see you vote YES on this bill on Monday.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Paul Verchinski

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**From:** Carolyn Parsa <carolyn.parsa@mdsierra.org>  
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County Council Members,

Please find written testimony in support of SC76-2018.

Thank you.

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Carolyn Parsa  
Conservation Committee Chair  
Howard County Sierra Club

October 16, 2018



Sierra Club Howard County

County Council Members:

RE: CB76-2018

The Sierra Club supports the passage of CB76-2018, which would require infrastructure for and charging stations for electric vehicles in certain new residential structures.

The Sierra Club encourages the use of alternative energy transportation. Electric cars are the future of transportation in the suburbs, and can have great impact in improving air quality, since they have zero emissions at the point of use. The sale of electric cars is increasing at an exponential rate. Each new electric car owner will need a place to charge their car. It is imperative for Howard County to encourage and support electric car use, and passing this bill is an excellent first step.

With the passage of this bill new units for sale will be more marketable and save money in the long run as the cost of installing charging stations after construction is much higher.

Increased electric car use will also pave the way to reducing fossil fuel use and facilitate our transition to renewable energy. Right now electric cars use electricity which has been produced by some percentage of fossil fuel. However, as we transition to higher percentages of our electricity coming from renewable resources, we can look forward to electric cars running on 100% renewable energy. By contrast, cars powered by gasoline will always be powered by fossil fuel.

We would like to thank the council for the hard work and dedication that has been put into drafting and supporting this progressive bill. We look forward to the continuing efforts in helping keep Howard County relevant and sustainable.

Thank you for your time considering our testimony.

Carolyn Parsa  
Conservation Chair  
Howard County Sierra Club

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Transportation Chair  
Howard County Sierra Club