

Sayers, Margery

From: Kittie Murray <kittiebx@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 21, 2019 5:26 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Council Resolution 89-2019

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This is to request that the request to waive the advertising requirement be denied and that the property be used as a community garden or enhanced bike path as requested by community members.

Kittie Murray
Ellicott City
A current gardener at the property.

Council Resolution

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From: Gina Hoagland <ghoag2000@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 20, 2019 6:47 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Res 89-2019

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Please do not sell the one acre of land at Route 108, but use the space to add a proper right turn lane onto Columbia Road and / or add a bigger crosswalk or bike lane.

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From: B Illum <buffy.illum@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 20, 2019 6:39 PM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: Walsh, Elizabeth; Dvorak, Nicole
Subject: Re: AGAINST CR 89-2019

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Hi again!

I'd also like to add that I'm reaching out to Bike Advocates of Howard County to get help on this important issue. I really hope we can think long-term on this and come up with a good solution for our neighborhood, the county's investment in Bike Howard plans for Columbia Rd and the developer who's coming renters would probably very much appreciate being able to navigate the Columbia Rd/108 intersection by car, bike or on foot. This is so important and I hope you will give it serious thought.

Thanks again for all you do to make our county a great place to live!
Buffy Illum

On Mon, May 20, 2019, 4:15 PM B Illum <buffy.illum@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Howard County Council,

I am writing to say I am against CR 89-2019 and on several grounds. I live in Dorsey Hall and will be directly impacted by this sale. I am deeply disappointed in the County Executive's and County Council's judgment on this matter.

Why fund Bike Howard (that has Columbia Rd as a major artery connecting Dunloggin, Centennial and Dorsey's Search to the Columbia Mall - that desperately needs customers - and Wilde Lake High School, Wilde Lake Village Center) and then undermine that plan by introducing more dangerous traffic at an already failing intersection? Why sell off a piece of Old 108 that could alleviate traffic on the current 108 and increase bike and pedestrian safety for crossing 108 to get to the mall, Wilde Lake Village Center and the Dorsey's Search village center? All of these shopping zones are struggling.

Re.: the proposed sale price, a .36 acre lot off of rt.99 is selling for about \$275,000 but J Kirby will get this for \$50,000? As a taxpayer who is hearing my taxes are going to go up to pay for schools, roads and more I object. We do need schools and better roads but why should I foot the bill for J Kirby to get what looks like a subsidized hand out? See this listing <https://www.redfin.com/MD/Ellicott-City/Unknown-21042/home/164406535>

In closing, instead of selling this stretch of land, the county could use it to widen 108 to alleviate the horrendous traffic. The intersection of 108 and Columbia Rd was not in any way enhanced after Centennial Overlook was built and now Dorsey Overlook is coming. The county is about to squander an opportunity to solve the traffic problem at this failed intersection. I am completely against this and demand we see that land used instead to:

- a. widen the current 108 to alleviate traffic AND
- b. install an enhanced bike path on that land (as part of the Bike Howard plan) to allow for safe passage of bikes and pedestrians for that matter using Columbia Rd to cross 108

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Thanks for your time and attention!
Buffy Illum
4606 Smokey Wreath Way

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From: Loree Lough <loreelough13@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, May 20, 2019 6:38 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Dorsey Overlook

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I am not pleased that the announcement about tonight's meeting (re: developer's to purchase of the property at Columbia Road and Route 108) was not better advertised. If it had been, I would definitely have appeared in person to voice my strong objections.

This resolution is good ONLY for the developer, especially considering it waives advertising and bidding requirements ... and more.

The county could instead make a ruling that would benefit all residents, and not just the developer:

The property could be used to:

- a. widen 108 as it turns into Columbia Road, helping to alleviate traffic congestion;
- b. install a bike path and/or walking path on that land;
- c. install a community garden;
- d. all of the above.

Please advise whether the decision made tonight will solely benefit the developer (who, despite numerous attempts to produce approved designs, failed to do so) or the numerous other taxpaying residents of the area.

Thank you in advance,
Lorette (Loree) Lough
Old Annapolis Road

Please overlook any typos; sent from my iPhone; ack...autocorrect!

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From: S.L. Begley <slbegley@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 20, 2019 6:24 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Fwd: AGAINST CR 89-2019

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Buffy wrote a well crafted email as seen below. I fully support her stance against CR 89-2019.

Furthermore my tax assessments are going up almost 100k over the next three years making the assessment about 60k higher than I could even sell my house for. I'm paying a ridiculous increase in tax and it should absolutely not help developers purchase land that is subsidized.

Please vote NO.

Lindsey Begley
4609 Willowgrove
Sent from my iPhone

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4606 Smokey Wreath Way

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From: Sunmy Brown <s_brown0304@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, May 20, 2019 6:23 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Vote Against CR 89-2019

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Dear Howard County Council,

Please **do not sell land to J. Kirby developers**, who are seeking to acquire additional land off of Route 108. There is way too much overdevelopment occurring in this area. As a resident of Dorsey Hall, it is not fair for us who live in this community to continue fighting ridiculous traffic patterns along Columbia Road, losing green spaces in our community, dealing with watershed issues, and having to deal with overcrowding of schools.

Please **vote against CR 89-2019.**

Regards,

Sunmy Brown

Ellicott City, MD

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From: Larry Lough <llough62@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, May 20, 2019 5:38 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Old Rt 108 sale

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I object to the sale of this prop to the developer. More land is being sold to developers than to more resident oriented and beneficial uses. This land could be used to redesign the dangerous 108/Columbia Rd intersection for both vehicles and pedestrians.

Old Annapolis Rd Resident Larry Lough

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From: Crissy Simpson <crissy_thanks@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, May 20, 2019 4:05 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Resolution 89-2019. Sale of County Land

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Dear Council Members,

County real property belongs to the taxpayers. It seems this is a resolution to waive notice requirements and sell 1.1 just acre of county-owned land. Notice would allow voters to provide input as to if the county should retain the land and/or serve to help ensure the County gets a fair price for this land.

The fair market value may be \$200,000 or more depending upon zoning.

It can serve the public purpose of a wooded area that is pleasing to look at, screens development, and help with stormwater run off. A wooded area even helps clean the Chesapeake Bay!

Even if we assume that the land is no longer needed for a public purpose (when the Council has not allowed for public input and comment on that matter) any developer must pay full, fair market value for the property, and the County should be transparent as to how it arrives at the fair market value of the property. There are multiple lots currently on the market in Howard county that are smaller in size and priced in excess of the dollar figure at which the Council apparently wishes to sell this county property.

Furthermore, as we have written in the past, we believe that there is still public purpose to which that land could be put. If this land is transferred to the developer, the developer ought to be required to use it as land for the green screen to major roads that is typical in our neighborhood.

We request that this sale be tabled until a full and open public vetting of this sale is provided to interested community members such as ourselves. The Notice requirements should not be waived.

Thank you for all you do for the betterment of the County and I hope that you seriously consider not passing this resolution.

Christine Simpson
[Ellicott City, MD 21042](#)

Sayers, Margery

From: Lynn Egan <legan73@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 20, 2019 3:50 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Council resolution 89-2019 - Dorsey Hall resident's protest on lack of notice and selling price of county property

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Dear Council Members,

We are outraged to learn that the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive at the request of Dorsey Overlook, LLP is contemplating selling just over an acre of county-owned land for a mere \$50,000.00. Even if we were to assume that the land is no longer needed for a public purpose, as taxpayers we demand that the developer pay full market value for the property, and we demand transparency as to how you arrive at the fair market value of the property. To that end, we note that there are multiple lots currently on the market in Howard county that are fewer acreage and far in excess of the dollar figure at which the Council apparently wishes to sell this county property.

Furthermore, as we have written in the past, we believe that there is still public purpose to which that land could be put. If this land is transferred to the developer, the developer ought to be required to use it as land for the green screen to major roads that is typical in our neighborhood.

We demand that this sale be tabled until a full and open public vetting of this sale is provided to interested community members such as ourselves.

Sincerely,
Lynn Egan and Justin Tindale
4790 Dorsey Hall Drive, Unit 7
Ellicott City, MD 21042