Good evening, thank you for introducing this- Council Chair Rigby. I'm Leila Mahlin from Columbia, for ZRA 187. My background is in Health Care Research and Administration as well as Education, with an MBA and Masters of Art. This combination of math, economics, healthcare, and liberal arts helps me to look at this situation holistically to benefit all.

Think of location, location, location

We extensively studied PlanHoward 2030 to ensure that our solution is compatible and supports these goals. They are referenced in the petition and TSR. This and months of research into Age Restricted Conditional Use in the county leads us to the arterial or collector road solution. This change will not present a hardship to developers, or prevent land owners from making a profit off their property

The advent of new information about people over age 55 *invalidates the previous paradigm* that justified *this* conditional use. One erroneous assumption that is often made regarding the need for Conditional Use of this type is based on data related to continuing care retirement communities, or CCRC not "over-55". Industry experts relayed that useful data does not exist that shows the *need or market penetration* for "Over 55" housing.* So when numbers are quoted regarding the need for regional or national senior housing.... it is not even comparing apples to oranges it is like calling an apple an orange! They are not referring to "Over 55" data!

Some relevant facts about "over 55" follow:

-Most "Over 55" communities are amenity sparse with little more offered than in any home via the County's \$2500 Livable Homes Tax Credit available to senior home owners.*

- 87% of those over 65 wish to age in place in their own home and community. The majority of the remainder aren't selecting an over 55 community. *

-In studies: ages 36 to 65 are bracketed together due to similar driving patterns. *

-Over age 65 "daily person trips" <u>increased faster than any</u> other age group over 20 years, and they are the only age group where daily trips did not decrease since 2009. *

The result? The over 55 population take more trips, and as they age and eventually drive less they need walkable access to services including public transportation to 1)medical services, 2) shopping areas, 3) recreation, and 4) other community services.

Being located on a major road will enable them to access these, in harmony with PlanHoward 2030 policy 9.4 which encourages <u>aging in place by incorporating transportation options</u>. *

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Also, a significant increase occurred in the standard "elderly" dwelling size projection from 600 square feet in 1988 to what is now over 2,000 square feet in Howard County!* This combined with increased density means that onsite structure volumes are over 6 times the original, which results in far greater environmental impact than originally planned for.

This increase in square footage brought about three changes.

First not only dwelling unit size increased, but *second the foot print of the home on the environment increased* and *third* the number of persons per household increased. This resulted in: 1) increased population density and 2) increased traffic on local roads. Locating higher density development only on collector and arterial roads will protect the more environmentally sensitive areas deep within communities surrounding local roads.

Another change- retirement age increased with life expectancy meaning longer living seniors need support from the community for a *longer* time. A sad fact is that *one in four non-drivers* over age 65 *do not leave home most days.** Locating less mobile seniors on non-local roads allows for easier support for required in-home services and makes it easier for them to be transported from their community.

This brings us back to location, location, location- In order to serve:

- 1) Seniors,
- 2) The environment,
- 3) The existing residents, and
- 4) The Howard County Tax base

... We have the solution.

Change the zoning regulations in Howard County to be such that *conditional use age restricted over 55 for listed residential districts only be required to* have frontage on and direct access to a collector or arterial road since they will be most directly and simply corrected by an amendment.

The ZRA petition provides a comprehensive supporting rationale.

Thank you

Leila Mahlin

*Refers to facts or information obtained from various sources. Please see the attached two pages (P3, P4) which note where some of these were found.

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87 percent of adults age 65+ want to stay in their current home and community as they age. Among people age 50 to 64, 71 percent of people want to age in place. *Source:* <u>AARP PPI,</u> <u>"What is Livable? Community Preferences of Older Adults," April 2014</u>

More than 50 percent of non-drivers over age 65 do not leave home most days, partly because of a lack of transportation options. *Source: Aging in Place: A State Survey of Livability Policies and Practices, December 2011*

Interview (phone) on June 10th with Beth Mace The Chief Economist at NIC- National Investment Center for Seniors Housing & Care. Told me that useful data does not exist that shows the need or market penetration for this type of non-CCRC housing. The data that is usually cited relates to independent living within a context of a continuing care facility.

Interview (phone) on June 11 with the Executive Vice President & Director of Research of ProMatura. Told me that useful data does not exist that shows the need or market penetration for this type of non-CCRC housing. The data that is usually cited relates to independent living within a context of a continuing care facility.

Report link to information and study on Independent Living Penetration Rates. Note: This as well as other identified studies refer to independent living or over 55 only within a continuum of care model. This data can be misleading to some since it may appear to refer to "Over 55" communities

.<u>https://www.dhg.com/Portals/0/ResourceMedia/publications/Independent_Living_Penetration_Rates.pdf</u>

+Another erroneous assumption is that over age 55 driving was assumed to be much less than is now known by the U.S. DOT, and the Federal Highway Administration.

+Over age 55 number of driving trips is much greater than was assumed

+In studies ages 36 to 65 are bracketed together due to similar driving patterns. +Over age 65 daily trips <u>increased faster than any age group</u> from 1990 to 2009 and they are the only age group where <u>daily trips did **not decrease**</u> since 2009.

+ Source- 2017 National Household Travel Survey, U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration ZRA 187 (CB31-2019) Leila Mahlin Co-Petitioner Testimony 6.17.19 Visit ZRA187.com

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A significant change in projection of the standard "elderly" dwelling size increased from 600 square feet in 1988 to what is now over 2,000 square feet in Howard County. – Howard County Government Technical Staff Report for ZRA 187 noted this as being over 2,100 square feet.

Most "Over 55" communities are amenity sparse with little more offered than in any home. ---From a review of several existing and proposed "Over-55" communities in Howard County.

County's \$2500 Livable Homes Tax Credit available to senior home owners.<u>https://www.howardcountymd.gov/Departments/Finance/FAQs/Livable-Home-Tax-Credit-FAQs</u>

Being located on a major road will enable them to access these, in harmony with PlanHoward 2030 policy 9.4 which encourages aging in place by incorporating transportation options. PlanHoward 2030, Policy 9.4

P5, p6 Are copies of two of the relevant pages from the 2017 National Household Travel Survey, U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration



According to the 2017 NHTS estimates, all people younger than 65 reported significantly fewer trips in 2017 compared to 2009 (which was significantly lower than 2001, which was lower than 1995). Figure 4 shows that the 2017 estimate of person trips per person by age in these categories were lower than previous survey estimates, except for people aged 65 and older.

The data show that the decrease in trip-making was similar for both men and women, with men's trip-making declining by 21 percent and women's by 19 percent since 1995.

Some of the difference in reported trips in 2017 NHTS may be a result of moving to a selfcompleted questionnaire, compared to interview-assisted in previous surveys. For example, interviewers are trained to prompt for short stops and under-reported trips. Other factors, such as shifts related to online shopping may affect these estimates. Changes in household structure and other demographic trends may also play a role.

However, the trends over the last two decades clearly indicate that the NHTS estimates of overall trip-making are declining, with larger declines noted for younger people.



Note:

- Totals in all tables can include cases that were not included in any table subcategory, for instance people who did not report their age are included in the total persons, but not in any age category.
- 1990 NPTS data were adjusted to make them more comparable with later surveys.
- 2001 NHTS sample included children 0 to 4 in the survey. The data shown here exclude them to be comparable with other survey years.
- 2009 NHTS sample did not include households without landlines telephones (CPO households).
- 2017 NHTS sample was address-based and included more urban and CPO households. This and other methods changes in the data series are outlined in Appendix B.



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Age	1983	1990	1995	2001	2009	2009 MOE	2017	2017 MOE
TOTAL	2.9	3.8	4.3	4.1	3.8	0.03	3.4	0.04
Under 16	2.3	3.1	3.7	3.4	3.2	0.07	2.8	0.06
16 to 20	3.3	4.2	4.6	4.1	3.5	0.11	2.8	0.08
21 to 35	3.5	4.4	4.6	4.3	3.9	0.09	3.4	0.10
36 to 65	2.9	3.9	4.6	4.5	4.2	0.05	3.7	0.03
Over 65	1.8	2.4	3.4	3.4	3.2	0.07	3.2	0.04
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Age	1983	1990	1995	2001	2009	2009 MOE	2017	2017 MOE
TOTAL	2.9	3.7	4.3	4.1	3,7	0.04	3.3	0.06
Under 16	2.3	3	3.7	3.5	3.2	0.09	2.8	0.07
16 to 20	3.2	4.2	4.6	4.0	3.3	0.13	2.8	0.13
21 to 35	3.4	4.2	4.5	4.2	3.7	0.11	3.2	0.10
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Over 65	2.2	2.8	3.9	3.8	3.5	0.10	3.4	0.05
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36 to 65	3	4.1	4.6	4.5	4.3	0.06	3.8	0.04
Over 65	1.5	2.2	3	3.1	2.9	0.09	3.0	0.06

Table 13. Trends in the Average Daily Person Trips per Person by Age and Gender

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Howard County Citizens Association

Since 1961... The Voice Of The People of Howard County

Date: June 17, 2019 Subject: CB31-2019 (ZRA-187) Testimony in SUPPORT By Paul Verchinski, HCCA-Board Member

To: Howard County Council

There are a variety of age-restricted subdivisions which have been developed in the County under the conditional use provisions of the County Code. The existing age-restricted subdivisions range form the minimal 5 acres with about 20 housing units to many more acres with over 100 units. In the latter case, the age-restricted conditional use code provisions have incentivized developers to invest in large subdivision communities which in turn have provided many amenities for older adults. An example of a large one is Bethany Glen. Unfortunately, Bethany Glen is remote and mostly located on Bethany Lane, a 2 lane local road with no transit service available. The nearest transit stop is about 2-miles away on Route 40. When Older Adults can no longer drive they become dependent on transit.

Transit is an area where the smaller age-restricted subdivisions are extremely disadvantaged. Smaller subdivisions are much less likely to be sited near or at a transit stop when compared to the larger subdivisions. In most case, these smaller, in fill subdivision are on local streets. Without a transit stop, older adults in these smaller subdivisions will receive much less benefit from the County transit system when traveling to medical appointments, continuing education, government facilities and meetings, shopping, and other activities available in the County. The County, which now provides free transit on its scheduled routes for the disabled and older adults will be required to pay for and provide Paratransit service which typically costs upwards of \$50 per trip.

Sites proposed for age-restricted housing which have frontage and direct access to a collector or arterial road are much more likely to have or receive scheduled transit service.

The Howard County Citizens Association requests that all County Council members vote in favor of CB31-2019.



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AUL / ERCHINSK , have been duly authorized by (name of individual) County Citizens Association to deliver testimony to the (name of nonprofit organization or government board, commission, or task force) $\frac{CB - 31 - 2019}{(bill or resolution number)} (\frac{2RA - 187}{to express the organization's})$ County Council regarding support for / opposition to / request to amend this legislation. (Please circle one.) Printed Name: Signature: Date: County Catizens Association Organization: Howard 89 Ellicott City, M Organization Address: 300+ Number of Members:

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Council Bill 31-2019

Lisa Markovitz The People's Voice Ellicott City

It is so refreshing and appreciated to see the DPZ and the Planning Board approve of this ZRA now Council Bill 3. For too long, there has been such frustration with the fact that zoning regulations allow an enormous increase in density over the base zone of a parcel when doing age-restricted housing. The consultants with Clarion, who did Phase One of the Zoning Regulation Assessment, had advised this was not a good policy to allow these increases.

There seldom seems to be serious review of the traffic effects of large density increases with developer-presented studies always saying everything is just fine. Even though age-restricted units likely produce less traffic, when you are increasing density by so much, it is bound to have a large effect. It makes perfect sense not to allow these huge increases in allowable units unless the road designations exist to accommodate it.

There is great interest in applying this rational and appreciated methodology to other zones, which we are hopeful will be taken up in separate legislation which we will request soon in more detail, such as CEF with customized densities. For now, it is good to see this level of pro-active planning occur.

Thank you.



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Good evening, I am Jim Ehle a Columbia resident. I support ZRA 187 as is. I know of Dr. Lazar's, submitted online testimony. He is an expert in the field of advocating for people with disabilities. He and I both are proponents for encouraging and accessing "green healthy and walkable communities" for all citizens as noted in the General Plan in the Housing Overview section p 123. The ZRA **as written** enhances accessibility for seniors. It also will diminish traffic congestion and reduce fuel consumption.

Location efficiency helps to achieve the Plan Howard goal of enhancing "access to jobs, services, and overall opportunities for greater quality of life." [This is from Plan Howard Goal Section: Housing, Location Efficiency pages 125-126]

As a show of support for this county wide initiative I wish to submit 24 pages of over 300 signatures that were obtained in every district of the county. Ten citizens from Howard county spent about 100 hours talking to our fellow Howard Countians at libraries, meetings, social events parks, and door to door to carefully and accurately explain the details of ZRA 187. We were impressed and pleased with the response. Would everyone who supports ZRA 187 please quietly stand in a show of support as I bring these up?

Thank you for your support.

We, the concerned residents of Howard County petition the Howard County Council to pass ZRA 187 without changes. ZRA 187 should not be amended to include restrictions on CEF districts. The proposed text of ZRA 187 Section 131.0.N.1.a Age Restricted Adult Housing follows:

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(I certify that I am 18 years of age or older and am a resident of Howard County.)

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3	Aaron Tustin	9334 Mellenbrook Rol	Thursdo, hill	Cleanon Winster	5/15/2019
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Libby Kumin- Testimony

Good evening I am Dr. Libby Kumin, I have lived in Howard County since 1972. I have been a professor at Loyola University Maryland since 1976, where I co-founded the Loyola Clinical Center in Columbia, Maryland. My experience in a career spanning 50 years working with people with disabilities has made me keenly aware of the importance of safe access to one's surroundings, and accessibility for citizens to needed services. I support ZRA 187. It will promote accessible housing on main roads with pedestrian access, while limiting such developments on minor roads with little pedestrian access.

Fire and rescue services are more likely to be required with greater frequency in an age-restricted community. If agerestricted communities are build on major and connector roads, they will be well situated to support fire and rescue services in the most efficient and least disruptive manner for the residents of the community and the surrounding businesses and residential areas.

Safe access to cross walks, bus routes, school routes, shopping and dedicated facilities is more likely to occur at collector routes via pedestrian connections and public transportation when Age Restricted Adult Housing is located with direct access to major routes. Seniors require access to health care, food shopping, and other shopping facilities, and facilities to exercise and to socialize on a frequent basis. Services will be able to easily get to the people who need those services, and the people living in those communities will be able to access the services that they need when senior housing is located on non-local roads.

Supporting seniors as they age while ensuring the safety of existing residential neighborhoods is important to all of us.

ZRA 187 is targeted to do just that.
My name is Steve Singer; I have lived in Howard County since 1981 and have worked with computer hardware and software since high school (a very long time ago).

First, I want to make clear that, after studying this proposed amendment, I support it wholeheartedly. Second, I want to address a concern that some may have about this zoning amendment.

ZRA 187 will only affect conditional uses that allow increased density on in-fill lots of age-restricted adult housing (usually referred to as 55+) There are over sixty conditional uses listed in the Howard County zoning regulations that impact various zoning districts. This amendment would impact only certain residential districts under one condition. That condition is when an age-restricted development requests increased density and is not on a collector or arterial road.

ZRA 187 will not apply to other conditional uses and will only affect a small number of age-restricted developments asking for increased density. That precise, careful limiting of its effects makes it important not to change the amendment in any way. As is, it balances traffic safety, reduced trip times, and better access to transport with Howard County's need and desire to provide appropriate housing for seniors.

Thank you.

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Good evening. My name is Paget Donnelly. I've lived in Howard County since 1976, and I hold a Master's in Urban and Regional Planning from Hopkins. I strongly support ZRA 187 because it limits *some* of the negative impacts that higher-density development can impose on the environment. New residential districts mentioned in the ZRA would be required to have direct access to *and* adequate frontage on a major collector or arterial road.

These higher-level roads are more likely to have their immediate surroundings adequately planned for extensive use. Requiring higher-density 55+ developments to directly access *these* roadways avoids overburdening small, local roads and the interior green areas of neighborhoods—thus reducing stress on environmental resources. This *access requirement* supports environmental protections and regulations, including those for watershed planning and management, wetlands, impervious surface targets, and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination Systems (NPDES). (*Policy 3.6 Safeguarding and Implementing Actions*)

The interiors of neighborhoods surrounding local roads are far *more likely* to be unmapped and may play a critical role in protecting water quality and remaining wetlands—if undisturbed. At the same time, runoff from collector and arterial roads is *less likely* to negatively impact the Chesapeake Bay, since the pollutants and sediments that can enter the Bay in *these* areas have typically already been anticipated and addressed during planning.

In addition, the deforestation, graded lawns, and increased impervious surfaces that come with higher-density development are more likely to adversely impact an interior community and its local environment, particularly as precipitation events increase in frequency and severity, as projected. High-density developments can aggravate existing issues with flood management, disrupt the water table, disturb previously unmapped wetlands, and affect the size and volume of springs. These water issues exist today across Howard County. We have the opportunity to support the General Plan, the future of our County, its resources, and its citizens by supporting this amendment, targeted specifically to the Conditional-Use, Age-Restricted Districts mentioned in ZRA 187. I am Paul Goldenberg of Columbia, Md, speaking as one of the two petitioners advocating for ZRA187.

I recently retired from a forty-three year career with Siemens managing their fire alarm system business in the Washington/Baltimore area. Throughout that time and currently, I have been actively involved in a variety of community non-profit organizations both locally in Howard County and elsewhere. My concerns have consistently been to help following generations make their world a good place to live.

My testimony will be brief. As a result of my career, I have come to understand the importance of well-written regulations to insure that the common good is protected from unintended consequences. Building codes, in general, and fire protection codes specifically, put the safety of the public first, recognizing that even well intentioned construction can have grave consequences when safety concerns are not accounted for in both the design and approval processes. The same concern should apply holistically to the development process. Just as environmental regulations include requirements related to negative environmental impacts from major construction, local codes should ensure that negative impacts are limited by using generous engineering safety factors with an appropriate margin for error. The bill you are considering ensures that appropriate margins of error are required for higher than normal density developments, such as the application of the 55+ Active Adult Conditional Use.

Current conditional use regulations allow 2 to 2.5 times the normal residential density. While the regulations address reducing visual impacts, unfortunately they do not attempt to reduce negative environmental and transportation related community impacts on the intended senior development's residents. In those important areas the regulations do not provide a community safety factor other than for preventing traffic accidents.

The key to providing a community safety factor leverages the need for appropriate **access location** to developments. From the beginning of senior housing in the county in 1988 and until 2001, the regulations included language which could reduce negative impacts on the environment and transportation by requiring better **access locations** for higher density senior developments. Unfortunately, the language eliminated in 2001 required interpretation. The community safety factor was lost along with that language. This point was clearly recognized in the Department of Planning and Zoning Technical Staff Report recommending the adoption of ZRA 187.

In contrast to the eliminated interpreted language, the ZRA187 language is straightforward and does not require interpretation. **Access location** is the key. ZRA187 will achieve a reduction in negative impacts simply by requiring conditional use age-restricted higher density developments to be located only on non-local roads. This will provide better access to facilities for the intended senior residents and better access for those providing services to their homes. Environmental and transportation impacts will thereby be reduced.

ZRA 187 provides the communities of our county the missing community safety factor for higher density senior developments by requiring, as stated in the DPZ Technical Staff Report,

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"...Age- restricted Adult Housing Conditional Uses with densities that exceed the base zoning district have frontage on, and direct access to, a collector or arterial."

Please pass this ZRA as written, without amendment.

Thank you.

Good Evening, I am Harriett Katzen, from Columbia, Maryland, asking you to please support ZRA 187 as it is without modifications or changes. Don't allow the development of any age restricted projects with greater density unless these developments front onto and have direct access to non-local roads. This is for the safety of the residents of the age restricted development as well as their neighbors since it is more likely that emergency vehicles will be called to the age restricted development. These emergency vehicles should be able to get into and out of these development quickly and easily for the safety of the residents.

I am a long time resident of Howard County.

Testimony Provided By Elaine Raubach

To The Howard County Council on

June 17, 2019 in Support of

ZRA 187

My name is Elaine Raubach and I live at 4917 Canvasback Drive in the Dalton Community of Howard County. I am here tonight to support ZRA 187 which would restrict the construction of higher density age restricted housing to areas providing direct access to feeder or arterial roads.

I currently live in a community that would be affected by this change and I am a senior citizen who would be eligible to purchase this type of house. Therefore, I have looked at the proposal from both perspectives.

As a current homeowner, I am concerned about the strain that a higher density development would place on the existing infrastructure. The streets in my community would have trouble handling the traffic that would be created by the higher density housing. There would be too many cars for the streets and intersections. This would cause safety issues for both cars and pedestrians, but especially for children playing in the neighborhood. In addition, my community has experienced an increase in water problems over the last couple of years as rainfall levels have increased. I understand this has been a problem in much of Howard County. The increased density housing would increase the number of trees removed and the amount of impervious surface in the area which would make these problems worse.

As a senior citizen, I thought about the type of community that would interest me when I decide to give up my current residence. A major concern would be easy access to grocery stores, drug stores, and other services. As people age driving can become a problem. Therefore, access to public transportation becomes needed to ensure access to services. Neighborhood roads are not located on most public transportation routes. Therefore, restricting the placement of high density housing to communities with direct access to feeder or arterial roads would better meet my transportation needs.

In summary, as both a current residen \ddagger of an established community and a senior citizen, I support ZRA 187 and believe it would better meet my needs than does the current regulation.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Neal Vanderlipp Howard County Council ZRA Hearing Testimony 6/17/19

INTRO :30

I am Neal Vanderlipp, speaking as power of attorney for my mother Janet Vanderlipp of Columbia.

I'm a senior so by anyone's guess, she's a senior, too.

We whole heartedly support ZRA 187.

My College Park bachelor's degree is in computer science.

In my career I wrote tens of thousands of lines of nested conditional logic statements and led others.

Just as programs are instructions for computers, the regulations are instructions for the DPZ.

From my ZRA 187 research, I'm quite vested in interpreting those regulations.

Will Not Stop or Curtail Age Restricted Development :16

Only high density age restricted development will be prevented in certain districts when accessed from local roads. Normal density age restricted will not be affected regardless of road location. The ZRA petition rationale discusses how the general plan policy guidelines suggest restricting high density senior development on local roads.

Community Unity 1:14

By the signature page Leila Mahlin and Paul Goldenberg are co-petitioners on our ZRA, with Paul volunteering as the primary contact.

In terms of political philosophy, the co-petitioners and I are very far apart. Yet as neighbors we came together on this project because of rational agreement on the need to improve the County's conditional use senior housing regulations. We jointly decided to help our community and County. For most of the last year Leila and I have worked in concert on this project on a daily basis, including writing the supporting rationale for the ZRA petition before you now.

Many neighbors from different communities have also made significant efforts and contributions by dedicating their personal time, feedback, and resources towards our unified goals. In the concert of our efforts, tonight is the crescendo of our bipartisan public presence.

COMMUNITY UNITY (CONT) 1:18

The fact that individuals so different politically are so driven to work together and sacrifice so much personally can only mean that there is something intrinsically good about this ZRA as well as the scores of people supporting it.

Relatively speaking, as individuals we don't have much access to the decision makers.

But collectively we know that our voices are being heard.

If between now and the time to vote on this bill you hear new arguments against it, I think it's only fair to give the petitioners another chance to react to those arguments before you cast your vote.

We are here to help the County and the citizens who support positive legislative such as this ZRA.

Closing Points To The County Council :49

Since the citizen submission of ZRA 187 on March 29th this year, the Department of Planning and Zoning made an unconditional recommendation for it, the Planning Board unanimously made an unconditional recommendation for it, And here we the people have proudly come before you to testify for it.

Now I dare to speak for so many others tonight

both inside and outside this government,

both paid and volunteer,

And concerned voters.

please

Respectfully please

promote the elegant 32 words of ZRA 187

into law

without ANY changes.

Do this, and we the people will appreciate you for it later.

So now I wish all of you the best with the important task of judgement before you.

Frequently Asked Questions Complied for Howard County Council ZRA Hearing 6/17/19

How Does ZRA 187 Support Established Communities ?

In the General Plan, Policy 10.1 directs to protect and enhance established communities through various means. These goals are enhanced by focusing age-restricted conditional use infill development on better supported collector and arterial roads. While doing so the character and setting of communities on our less traveled local roads will be preserved along with the environment.

How Does ZRA 187 Encourage Context Sensitive Redevelopment ?

The general plan executive summary for community design directs that well designed context sensitive redevelopment be encouraged. Obviously, high density age-restricted housing does not belong on local roads not built for high intensity use that collector and arterial roads are meant to support. Furthermore, the character and amenities of our local roads' surrounding neighborhoods are not compatible with dense population.

Why Are CEF District Types Not Included in, or Appropriate for ZRA 187?

Val Lazdins, Director of DPZ, advised the Planning Board at its April 18, 2019 ZRA 187 meeting that changes to floating zones (CEF) would be beyond the scope of ZRA 187 and would require DPZ to study and analyze CEF comprehensively before recommending any changes to CEF. The Planning Board agreed that if CEF regulations are to be changed it could be studied and done later via a separate ZRA. From my own regulations research the only place where a CEF residential or mixed development can be placed on a local road is where there is an undeveloped portion of a residential base district.

If desired later any further CEF restriction need only address that particular case within the CEF regulations, not via conditional use regulations or this ZRA.

Won't ZRA 187 Negatively Impact General Development in Howard County ?

The placement of the ZRA language in the conditional use regulations section means that it can only affect conditional use, specifically higher than normal density age restricted development. All other development will not be affected.

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Is the ZRA 187 Language Lengthy and Complicated ?

This ZRA adds just 32 words to the regulations:

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It is flawless.

Study of those 32 words shows the exacting and elegant precision within the County regulations that will adjust age-restricted conditional use to be

more efficient,

more appropriate,

and most importantly

more harmonious with the general plan.

Is The Petition In Harmony With PlanHoward2030? Should All Points Made Regarding the ZRA Be In Harmony With the Plan?

There was a lot of testimony supporting ZRA 187 which specifically demonstrates harmony with the general plan. The ZRA petition application process required us to provide specific resonance with PlanHoward2030.

Please consider the need to correlate all opposition arguments with the general plan just as we have done in testifying for this legislation.

PlanHoward2030 Is Expected to Change, Will This Impact the Appropriateness of the ZRA?

The crux of this ZRA resonates with planhoward2030 mostly because of the environmental benefits and transportation efficiencies inherent with putting seniors closer to where they most often need to go, and closer to the people that need to come to them.

Even though we now know that there will soon be changes to the General Plan going forward, can anyone envision a updated general plan with less stringent environmental and transportation goals than PlanHoward2030 ? Regardless of what the county does with a future general plan, this ZRA will still be just as appropriate and probably even more so.

This ZRA language transcends any updates that may be made so the recently announced update to the general plan is not a factor with this bill.

Did Many People Come Together To Solve the Problem Presented by Age Restricted Conditional Use In Some Districts ?

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We are here to help the County and the citizens who support positive legislative such as this ZRA.

What Closing Points Should Be Made Regarding ZRA 187 To The County Council ?

Since the citizen submission of ZRA 187 on March 29th this year, the Department of Planning and Zoning made an unconditional recommendation for it, the Planning Board unanimously made an unconditional recommendation for it, And here we the people have proudly come before you to testify for it.

Now I dare to speak for so many others tonight both inside and outside this government, both paid and volunteer, And concerned voters. please Respectfully please promote the elegant 32 words of ZRA 187 into law without ANY changes.

Do this, and we the people will appreciate you for it later.

So now I wish all of you the best with the important task of judgement before you.

I'm Barry Gibson, a Columbia resident and small business person in lower Ellicott City for over 34 years.

I've been severely impacted twice by Ellicott City flooding, related to decades of loosely constrained development without concern for downstream impacts.

Now I'd like to talk about the inception of conditional use and how it is used in our county.

Historically, civilization development is based on best land use.

Even 6th grade Social Studies students are taught that civilizations were placed where land and climactic conditions were conducive for human settlement.

For example early Ellicott City development was driven by the only available power being from water flow for numerous mills.

That was the best land use at the time.

Nationally, the history of conditional use has been oriented towards utilizing the land in a way that was best suited *for the land*.

For example, a garden would be an appropriate use for a small plot in a residential area. Businesses such as a Child Day Care Center, an outdoor Athletic Facility, or a Pet Day Care may be the perfect conditional use for a parcel of land.

Conditional use in Howard County is typically done in the later phase of land development after the most natural uses are not as profitable.

What does the history of civilization development, the flooding of old EC, and the intended conditional use of land have to do with ZRA 187 ?

It is that when we don't use land for what its physical geography indicates rather than forcing a use that is purely for immediate financial benefit,

we do a disservice to the land, the people, and the local government.

This results in the need to remediate negative consequences of the unsuitable uses.

As I speak we are still struggling with remediating the Ellicott City flooding.

In the case of age restricted high density senior housing, the best land use is to place such developments on non-local roads.

The higher density population of seniors will be closer to their destinations, and to those who need to provide various services to

them.

Finally, the more sensitive environmental areas surrounding local roads will not be directly impacted by negative effects from higher density developments.

Please pass ZRA 187 without changes.

Thank you.

The County Council of Howard County George Howard Building Ellicott City, MD

SUBJECT: Amendment to Council Bill31-2019

Dear Council Members:

My Name is Nancy Smith. I came to Howard County in 1972.

Over the many years that have passed, I have been privileged to watch our county grow as I have seen families and individuals of all shapes and sizes move through various housing styles that represented their changing needs.

I have recently just completed a four year term on the Housing and Community Development Board and had the privilege of working with that amazing team to provide affordable housing to those wanting to take advantage of living where they work, and to participate in the benefits our community possesses.

The one area that is particularly close to my heart is our aging community. I am aware that Howard County acknowledges the urgent housing needs of this growing segment of our population in the General Plan and, more specifically, in the "Howard County Senior Housing Master Plan." But, it has come to my attention that that current legislation needs to be amended to allow housing to be provided for our senior residents in the western area of our county as their housing needs change.

Based on my experience with the HCD Board and my own personal experiences, I can attest that most residents want to remain in the community they currently enjoy as they age. Providing that option will be yet another acknowledgment of our focus on all members of our population.

Let us continue to explore ways to serve our aging community throughout our entire county.

Thank you for your consideration in your key role in making this happen.

Sincerely,

Nancy L. Smith

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