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Hello Councilmembers,  
Attached is the testimony I will be offering on behalf of vibrant Wilde Lake and the Wilde Lake Village Board.

Thank you for your continued partnership,  
Kevin

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# WILDE LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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April 20, 2021

Chair, Liz Walsh  
And Howard County Council Members  
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Hello County Council Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony regarding the FY2022 county budget cycle. I am testifying on behalf of the Wilde Lake Village Board and Wilde Lake Community Association to ask for your support on issues of interest in our community.

It has been our pleasure to work with the County Council on ventures and events in vibrant Wilde Lake. We look forward to continued collaboration.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, Wilde Lake Community Association has faced severe budget cuts and had to close all facets of community outreach functions at Slayton House, our neighborhood centers, and other means of income generation. We offered free use of space to groups like Columbia Community Cares for their food distribution and began offering children's programming online. Partnerships with family organizations happen online and by phone. Several small businesses and entrepreneurs have closed, and rentals have diminished. We have made severe cuts and maintain minimal staff. As restrictions are lifted, we hope to return to welcoming our residents back, opening our theater, art gallery, studios, camps and host you and everyone, at our popular Annual Old-Fashioned Family Picnic at Wilde Lake Park.

## **Funding for Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects**

The Wilde Lake Village Board appreciates your strong support of bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure projects. The health, economic and environmental benefits to our residents is being recognized. Increased funding is requested for better and safer sidewalks, crosswalks, bus stops, bike lanes and paths to benefit the pedestrians, runners, bicyclists, transit riders and drivers in our vibrant village so they can safely and easily reach their work and play destinations throughout Columbia and all parts of Howard County. We support the Complete Streets bill, the Streets For All Coalition, and efforts to implement long awaited connectivity projects.

## **Wilde Lake – Beaverbrook Stream Restoration Project**

A branch of the Little Patuxent River runs through Harper's Choice Village, into Wilde Lake Village, then into Town Center and eventually into Lake Kittamaquidi. The stream is recognized to generate significant sediment build up from erosion on its path to the Chesapeake Bay. The Harper's Choice and Town Center



stream segments have been repaired but not the connecting piece that runs between Wilde Lake Village and Beaverbrook.

The Wilde Lake Village Board requests funding efforts be initiated to design a restoration plan for this final segment of stream that continues to send plumes of sediment into our lake that must be removed through constant dredging. \$100K is needed to create the design that may be submitted to funding organizations to Assistance in building a coalition that can accomplish this project soon, is desired.

### **Wayfinding Signage from Little Patuxent Parkway to Wilde Lake Village Center**

Currently, anyone walking, running or cycling past 10750 Little Patuxent Parkway (the County owned old Columbia Flier building), will find no identifiers on how to reach vibrant Wilde Lake Village Center, nor our middle or high school. Yet, our small businesses anticipate seeing visitors from the expanding Downtown District and Howard Community College using the new intersection between the 7-11 and Firestone buildings. The village center is only minutes away utilizing the new County multi-use pathway system on LPP to access our amenities and schools. Budget funding exists under Capital Project K5066 and on BikeHoward Express line item 21 titled "Countywide Bicycle Wayfinding."\*

The Wilde Lake Village Board requests \$3,000 in funding for wayfinding signage to the new middle school pathway from Twin Rivers Road to LPP. This will enhance accessibility for Columbia students to the school, provide connectivity for our residents to the new Howard Community College entrance, the new Police Community Outreach Station, and the new Downtown and Blandair Park Multi-use Pathway. Lastly, it will promote receptivity, renewal and continued vibrancy at the Wilde Lake Village Center. \*\*

### **Howard EcoWorks**

The Wilde Lake Village Board has worked with Lori Lilly, Executive Director of Howard EcoWorks and the READY Program, to assist Wilde Lake townhouse and condominium homeowners' associations with installing rain gardens in their neighborhoods. As a result, community engagement and storm water management systems have been installed throughout our village. We hosted a Soak It Up! Wilde Lake event to introduce our residents to the gardens and how to maintain them. The Wilde Lake Village Board supports Howard EcoWorks' mission, the important work the organization does to support environmental initiatives in Wilde Lake and throughout the County and urge you to continue funding the organization and their \$400K budget request.

Your consideration of these requests is most appreciated.

Sincerely,  
Kevin

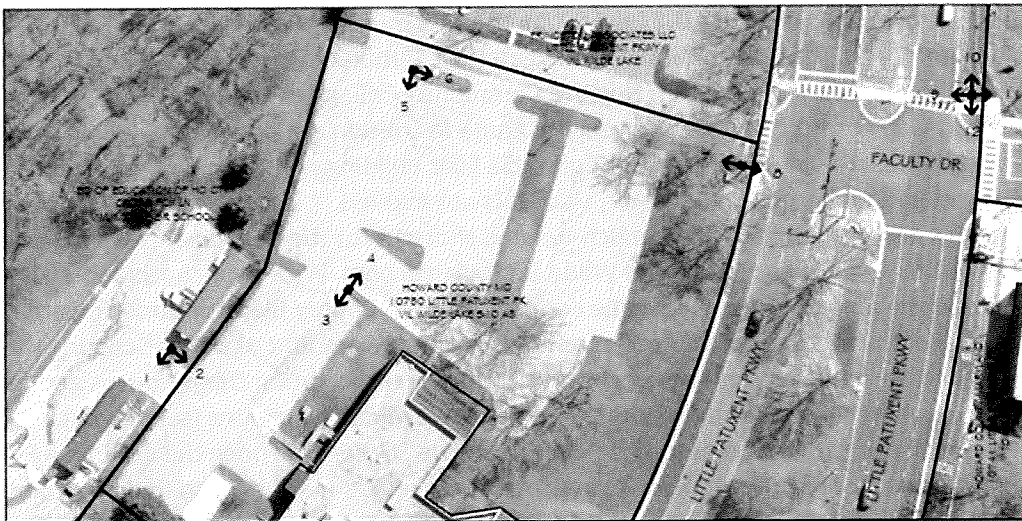
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1. \* A modern pedestrian, bicycle and ADA friendly community multi-use pathway, called the “Wilde Lake Middle School Trail,” has been installed between Little Patuxent Parkway (LPP) and the WL Village Center bringing connectivity from Howard Community College to the shops (see image below). This pathway has taken numerous years to come to fruition but now exists, without signage, at either end. It is located behind the former Columbia Flier building and the new 7-11 building (formerly Princeton Sports) on LPP, however, since it is not marked, it is missed by cyclists, runners and walkers. This new trail will provide a much-needed shortcut for the new downtown residents and students to the Wilde Lake Middle and Wilde Lake High School. With your continued assistance, we will eventually be able to locate this viable connector to the County Blandair Park-Howard General Hospital pathway system. We have spent a considerable amount of time discussing the Wilde Lake Village Trail missing signage concerns at county Transportation Open Houses and have placed markers on hardcopy maps designating suggested wayfinding locations (see below).
2. \*\*The need to maintain public access to this new WL Middle School Trail once the Columbia Flier Building is sold, is paramount. The trail abuts at its rear parking lot. If it is hard to find now. Once a new development is established on this property, it will be almost impossible to locate. County Office of Transportation wayfinding placement map is attached.



Pathway between LPP and WL Village Center.



Connection Between the  
Downtown Columbia Trail  
and Wide Lake  
Village Center



Sign Number	Sign Text
1	Wide Lake Village Ctr
2	Downtown Columbia Trail
3	Wide Lake Village Ctr
4	Downtown Columbia Trail
5	Wide Lake Village Ctr
6	Downtown Columbia Trail
7	Wide Lake Village Ctr
8	Downtown Columbia Trail
9	Wide Lake Village Ctr 0.5
10	Symphony Woods 0.9; County Library 1.1; Blandair Park 2.7
11	Howard Community College; Comm. College Station
12	Howard Community College 0.2; County Gen Hospital 0.5

3. Still advocating for this County Office of Transportation plan for LPP signage and more from the Twin Rivers Road multi-use pathway through the village center then along the Wilde Lake Middle School pathway to Little Patuxent Parkway and Downtown Columbia. Budget funding exists under FY2020 and 2021 Capital Project K5066 and on BikeHoward Express line item 21 titled "Countywide Bicycle Wayfinding."

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Good Afternoon,

Please find testimony on behalf of the Horizon Foundation regarding the FY22 proposed Capital Budget.

Thank you,

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**FY 2022 Budget:** Funding for Biking and Walking Infrastructure Projects

**Position:** Support

The Horizon Foundation is Howard County's community health foundation and the largest independent health philanthropy in the state of Maryland. We lead community change so everyone in Howard County can live a longer, better life.

As we continue to move through the COVID-19 pandemic, the importance of investing in our public health infrastructure has never been clearer. Now is the time to invest in a healthier future for all of our citizens across Howard County. The lives of Howard County residents and our County's progress are at stake.

Overall, we are pleased to see \$5.37M in proposed funding for biking and walking infrastructure in the FY22 proposed capital budget. These capital projects are not only a part of our public health infrastructure, but also part of the County's complete streets vision. This pandemic has exposed the frailties of our public health infrastructure and the need to build the necessary infrastructure that will save lives and promote better health.

We share the Administration's vision for complete streets and appreciate all the progress so far to improve opportunities to bike and walk. We must continue that progress and make needed investments in our biking and walking infrastructure to build and improve sidewalks, bike lanes, paths, crosswalks and more.

During our virtual walk audit last year in partnership with the Streets for All Coalition, we explored the route along Montgomery Road near Elkridge Elementary School and Elkridge Landing Middle School. This route, highlighting the K5035 capital project, has limited connectivity and many safety concerns making it difficult for students and their families to walk to school. Walk leaders and other virtual walk audit participants ventured to the route and captured pictures, observations and recommendations, which were shared with the Howard County Office of Transportation. The persistent demands from community members paired with this virtual walk audit led to positive movement and plans for construction this year. This project is close to becoming reality for these residents, but requires the requested funding to move forward.

We also ask that you fully fund projects like K5066 that would create a protected bike lane along Oakland Mills Road, and would be the first of its kind in Howard County. This demonstration project would re-design the road to make it safer for bicyclists of all ages and would benefit all users of the road. From an equity perspective, this project would greatly benefit the residents of Owen Brown and Oakland Mills communities.

Without the approval of projects including K5035, K5066 and the other projects listed in previous correspondence, the lack of connectivity, inaccessible spaces and unsafe roads will continue to be the reality in Howard County. Completing these projects are necessary and crucial steps to achieving our community's complete streets vision in the long run.

Thanks to the pandemic, many of us are now relying on sidewalks, bike lanes, paths and crosswalks now more than ever for physical activity, a mental reprieve from isolation and an important way for essential

workers to get to their jobs. We have an opportunity to invest in our public health infrastructure by creating more opportunities for biking and walking. We cannot delay our progress in making these improvements for our community's future. We urge you to make these investments in our public health to help our residents live healthier lives.

Thank you for your consideration.

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**From:** Ahmed S. Elsayed <ahmedselsayed@gmail.com>  
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**Subject:** 4/20/2021: F5976 North Columbia Fire Station/N3108 Park Systemic Improvements - Testimony  
**Attachments:** 2021.04.20\_FireStation&TrafficData-108.pdf

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To County Executive Calvin Ball and All Members of County Council:

My name is Ahmed Elsayed and I have been a resident of the Columbia/Ellicott City area for 15 years. **I am writing today to urge the Council members to NOT move forward with providing funding for projects F5976:North Columbia Fire Station and N3108: Park Systemic Improvements, items in the proposed budget related to the destruction of Cedar Lane Park East.** May 27th, 2020, Ms. Jung proposed Amendment 14 to the Capital Budget in order to ensure that the process related to these projects is fully transparent and that the community's concerns are heard. Voted to approve by Ms. Walsh & Mr. Yungmann, with his explicit desire to ensure that the Council is more involved in these discussions, I would state unequivocally that the Council's goal with this amendment has failed. The County has decided to take the path of least resistance, side stepping all due process to the residents in the area, in order to push this through with as little community input and pushback as possible. The process the County is undertaking is vastly different than that which was taken when the original location was to be on BOE land behind Harper's Choice Middle School.

First learning about these plans less than 4 weeks ago through a farce of a community outreach meeting, barely any concerns of the community were heard with the county prioritizing recruited voices over those who will be impacted daily. Since this time, in speaking with neighboring communities and businesses, including Clark's Elioak Farm, Dar-Al-Taqwa Mosque, and Green Angels Landscaping, it is clear that everyone in the surrounding community, including the nearly 300 homes in Beech Creek, Cedar Manor, and Longfellow surrounding the park, is only now learning about this abysmal plan the County is trying to push through.

Having to scramble quickly, I began to conduct an analysis of my own in order to understand how the County could consider this location knowing what those who have lived here for a long time already know. In reference to the attached document, it was presented during the 3/25/21 meeting that Fire Stations are oftentimes places around surrounding neighborhoods (Page 1), but the one item they failed to account for is that all of these neighborhoods did not exist when the fire stations were built. Pages 5-9 show that every fire station they shared as an "example" was built near major traffic lights with the proper planning taken into account as neighborhoods were built around them. Those who now live there CHOSE to live near a fire station. How do you account for those with special needs children who may be impacted by the nearly 17 daily alarms (Slide 2) that will now be outside of their window such as my neighbor? How do you account for the fact that this section



of Route 108 is both the narrowest (no shoulder available) and busiest sections, nearly double the average annual daily traffic in comparison to the segments to both the east and west (Page 3)?

Let me be clear, I am not opposed to a new fire station in the area considering the need to improve response times. In my outreach to various folks, I'm often asked, "well where do you propose the fire station be placed?". My response to that is clear, I say **DO NO HARM**, place it anywhere that doesn't take away from precious parkland that the community uses daily and not in a location that adds to an already dangerous, extremely busy and backed up part of Rt. 108. The rest of the work is for the Department of Planning and Zoning to complete, which as outlined below, they have failed to do. Don't place turf, lights, a press box, and speakers less than 30 feet away from neighboring homes, permanently altering their quality of life because we're attempting to make up for the loss of a field. Why must park land be sacrificed for public safety? Why are we subsidizing, with our natural resources, developers for the Downtown Columbia Plan?

To that point and as research and outreach shows:

- No alternative site analysis has been conducted, and as per Jim Irvin during last year's Budget Work Session (4/20/20) on this matter, there have been NO offers on potential properties or identification of other locations. This was done for the Elkridge Fire Station, why not this?
- No traffic study has been completed for either this new proposed location OR the original Harper's Choice Location per Tae Jung. How can you claim to improve response times without taking into account the impact of traffic?!?
- No environmental impact analysis has been completed. A fenced off turf field is not the same as an open, natural grass field, of which this park will be losing two with these proposed plans.

This park location was the most "expedient" to use Jim Irvin's words (4/20/20). Expediency is defined as *"the quality of being convenient and practical despite possibly being improper or immoral; convenience."* Expediency does not equal proper planning, expediency means that those whom concerned citizens have entrusted to do their jobs in the best interest of the community have failed us and I would hope and expect the County Council to hold them accountable. With that, I urge the County Council to allocate ZERO dollars to these projects and ask DPZ to go back to square one, look at this project by the book, and come up with the best plan for the community, not just the one that offers the path of least resistance.

I have signed up to provide testimony on April 20th, 2021 at 4 p.m. Please consider this a documentation of my position for members of the Howard County Council.

Thanks,  
Ahmed Elsayed

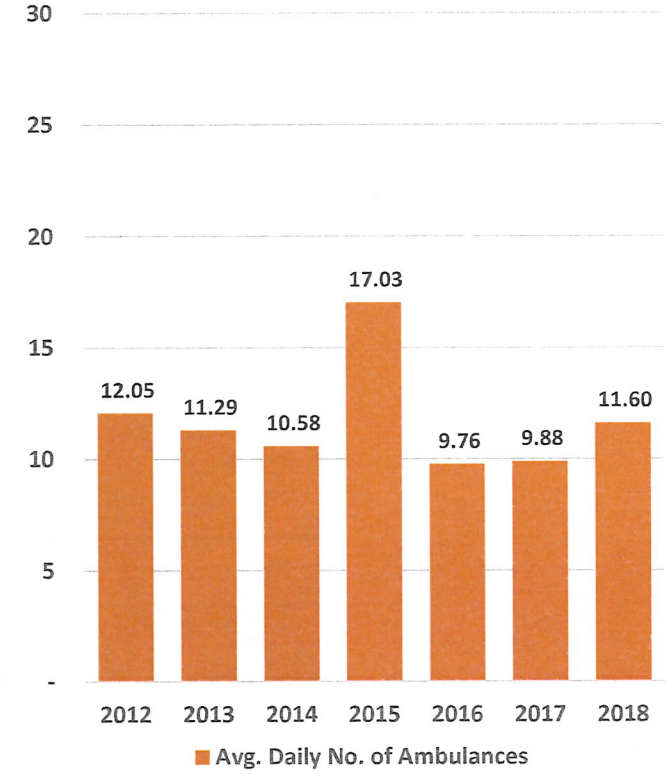
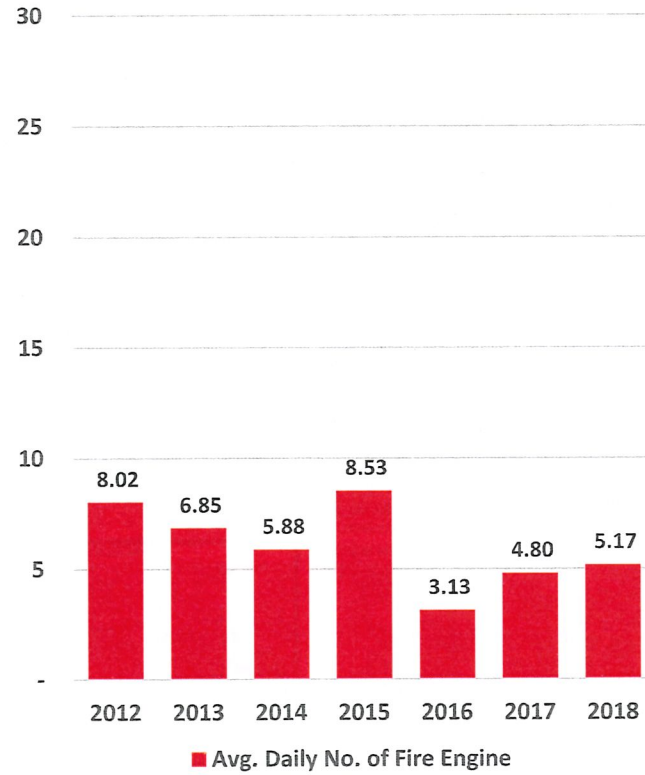
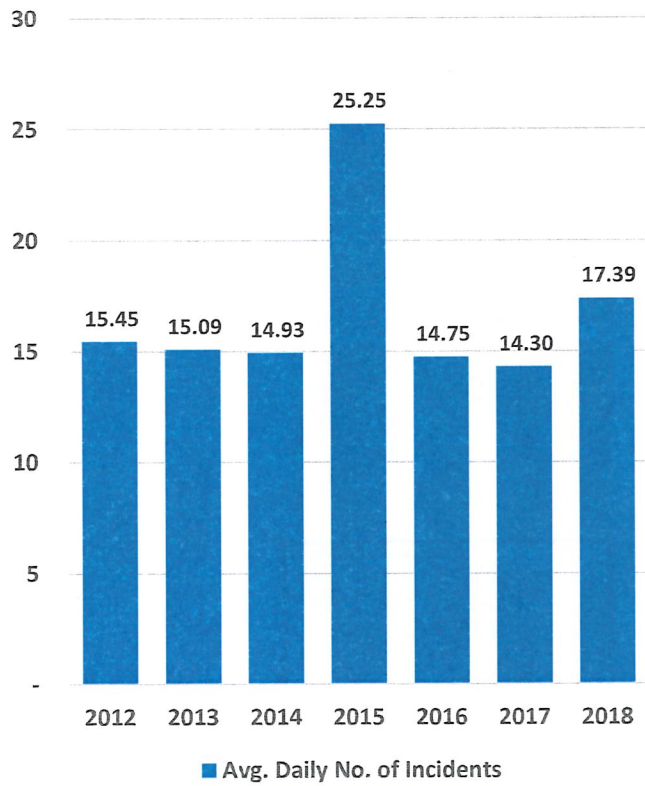


# Original Slide – 3/25/21 Presentation

## 02. Building Location



# Average Daily "Alarms"

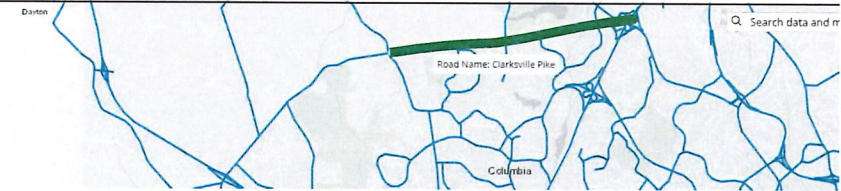


Source: Howard County Open Data Portal

# Average Annual Weighted Daily Traffic Route 108 Sections

Maryland Annual Average Daily Traffic - Annual Average Daily Traffic (SHA Statewide AADT Lines)

Last updated 10 months ago | 10,665 Records



Md108-.35 Mi W Of Us29 (Proposed Location)

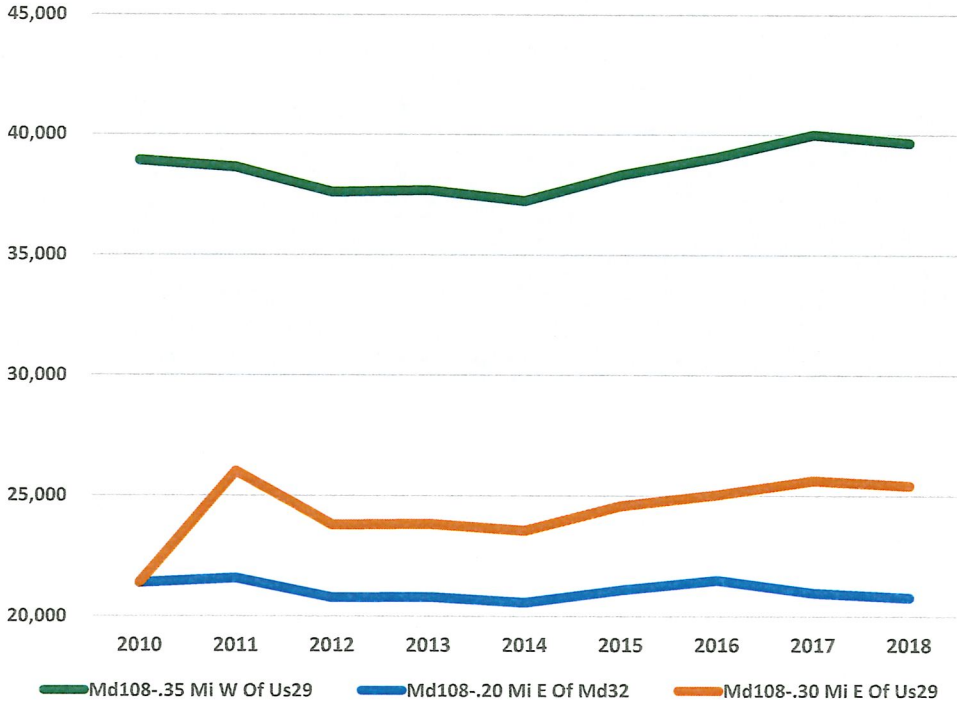


Md108-.20 Mi E Of Md32



Md108-.30 Mi E Of Us29

**Proposed Section is on the Narrowest and Busiest section of 108**



Source: Maryland GIS Traffic Count Data



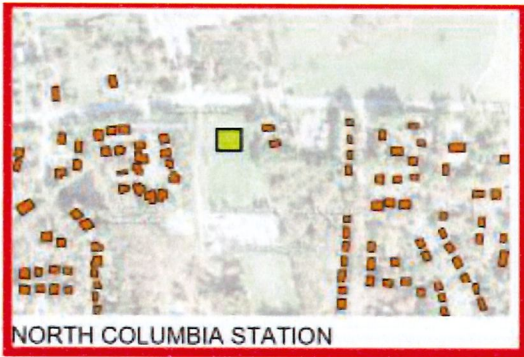
## Example of Increased Congestion/Danger of 108

- March 29, 2021 – Shut down 108 all day (one lane passing later in the afternoon)
- Not uncommon – consistent dangers making left turn into and out of neighborhoods (Beech Creek & Cottonwood Way) because of speeding traffic and limited line of sight (variations in vertical aspect of road)





# Proposed North Columbia Fire Station

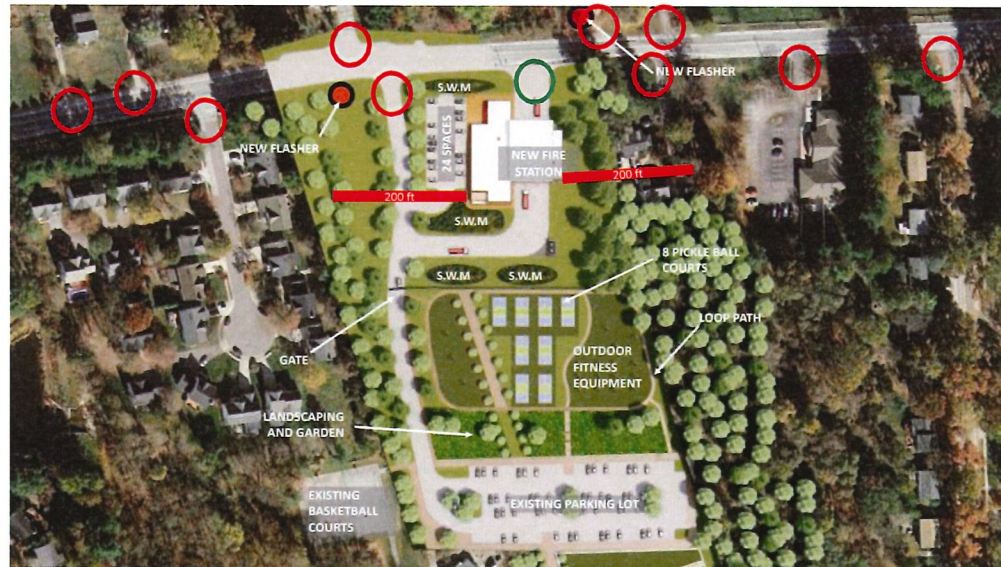


2020 Aerial Photo



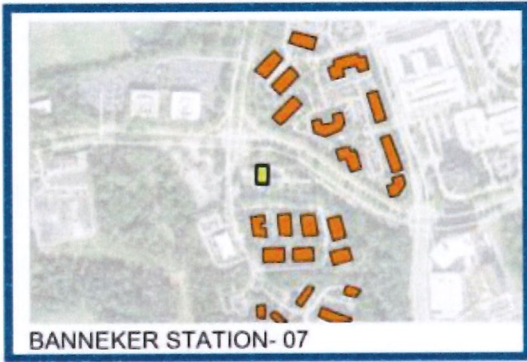
- Not built on land pre-home construction
- Single lane, dual access
- Full Station/24 hours (not Volunteer)
- Pure residential area with very limited commercial land
- Dangerous maneuvering required in this section of 108
  - 10 exit points within ~1,000 ft section of 108 (with proposed 11<sup>th</sup>).

Proposed Fire Station





Built 1969



## Banneker Fire Station

- Multi lane, dual access road (Little Patuxent/Gov. Warfield)
- Built before homes built around
- Full Station/24 hours (not Volunteer)

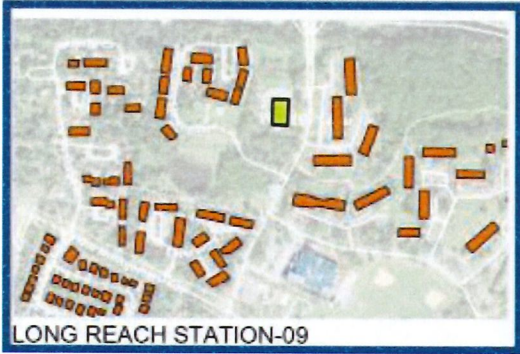
2020 Aerial Photo



1984 Aerial Photo



Built 1972



## Long Reach Fire Station

- Multi lane, dual access road (Rt. 175)
- Built before homes built around
- Full Station/24 hours (not Volunteer)

2020 Aerial Photo

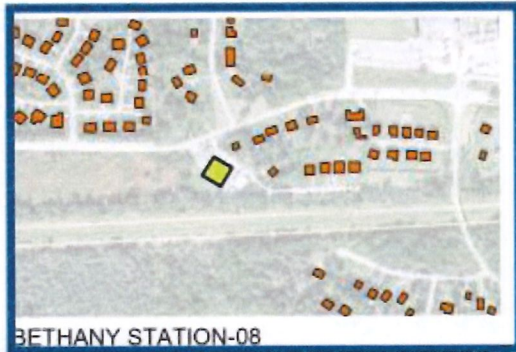


1984 Aerial Photo





Built 1975



## Bethany Fire Station

- Single lane, dual access road (Old Frederick Road)
- Built before many homes built around
- Volunteer Station
- June 1975 – Bethany Fire Station 8 eliminates the use of the fire siren due to neighborhood complaint

2020 Aerial Photo

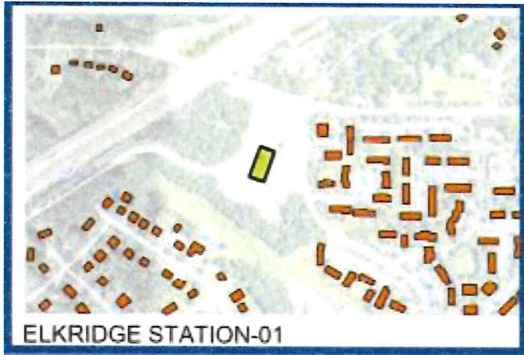


1984 Aerial Photo





Built 2014



## Elkridge Fire Station

- Single lane, dual access road (Montgomery Road, ease of access to Rt. 1)
- Built on land originally with homes (purchased by County?)
- Volunteer Station

2020 Aerial Photo



2011 Aerial Photo



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I ask that you DO NOT approve funding. Before the Pandemic only 10% of 65+ Older Adults used the 50+ centers. (Source: HoCo Office on Aging report) This went to zero during the Pandemic. These types of facilities are now white elephants. I live on the east side of US29. I find that a Multi generational facility like the Roger Carter Center is a much better use of county funds.

I ask that you vote against.

Best,  
Paul Verchinski  
5475 Sleeping Dog Lane  
Columbia

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-Thank you to members of the Howard County government administration to allow me to voice my testimony. I would like my testimony to go on record that I am not in support of the proposed North Columbia Fire Station @ Cedar Lane Park East as there is also a petition at <https://www.change.org/SaveCedarLaneParkEast> that confirms 500 local residents and growing whom agree that this location is not ideal to build not only a fire station but to recently updated to pickle ball courts, artificial turf field with surrounding stadium lighting, stadium seating and press box game calling which has not been communicated by the project leads to the local community effectively. My biggest concern is not only the loss of a significant natural environmental green space that is home to wildlife such a deer, ducks, geese, foxes and even owls as well as a mental healing in this time of a pandemic and donated trees in memorandum of cancer victims but the added congestion of traffic in an already congested area. It has been clearly understood by the surrounding community that a full analysis of the congestion has not been performed by the project leads of the fire station and the solution is to put up a couple of blinking warning lights and sirens? There are businesses such as Clark Eliot Farms, the mosque, centennial park, the Iron Bridge Wine Company, VCA Lewis Animal Hospital and The Columbia Inn at Peralynna that align 108 in immediate proximity of the proposed fire station location with inefficient turning lanes. The local residents are also familiar with miles of backup leading up to these intersections in addition to blind spots along multiple points, very narrow road shoulders as I personally experience a car's side view mirror that hit my left arm as I was cycling. There is inefficient lighting around residential side roads such as Eliot Oaks Road and as the patch.com has reported in recent years, death's in September 2019 and as recent as a February 2020 of a 17 year old. On March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021, an SUV crashed into and knocked over telephone pole directly across from Cedar Lane Park East. Its been communicated by the fire station project leads that this location will save lives because of the closer location however, the congestion will escalated the dangerous traffic and safety of those surrounding communities negating the reasons for building the station in the first place.

Best Regards,

Christopher Chlumsky  
Cottonwood Way, Columbia, MD



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Dear Councilmembers,

Below and attached is the testimony I prepared for today's Capital Budget hearing. When I signed up yesterday morning, individual allotted testimony time was 3 minutes. By the evening that time had changed to 2 minutes. So while this is my complete 3 minutes testimony, I will be reading portions of it at the hearing.

Sincerely,

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I reside on Cottonwood Way, a neighborhood directly adjacent to Cedar Lane Park East. My council representative, Deb Jung, has graciously listened to the concerns that her constituents have brought to her attention recently about the proposed location of the North Columbia Fire Station. A week ago I reached out to Councilpersons Yungmann and Walsh because, along with Ms. Jung, both voted last year to place monies for this project in the contingency fund as part of the FY2021 budget process. I would like to thank Councilman Yungmann for his acknowledgement of my correspondence and the meaningful dialogue that followed.

I understand from discussions that my neighbors had with Ms. Jung that this funding was set aside with the stipulation that it was not to be released unless all public outreach was completed by the county. I am here today to say for the record that this outreach was not done.

My household was never notified of this planned location, nor were my neighbors on Cottonwood Way and Eliots Oak. We were also never notified of the original planned location on Rivendell. In fact, the first notification that we ever received was a mailing for the recent March 25 community outreach meeting. My family found out about this project quite by accident in the fall when we saw surveyors marking trees for possible removal and asked what they were doing. Imagine our shock and surprise to learn of such a massive project that will completely change the landscape of the park so drastically and in such a manner that is not conducive to its location in a small area that is literally nestled in between neighborhoods that have existed for decades.

We have been doing extensive research in the months since we learned of this project. Watching the video of the Planning Board meeting from April, 2020, I am completely discouraged by the non-responsiveness of Mark Stromdahl when asked about the traffic congestion that already exists along this part of Route 108 and if outreach was accomplished as there are outparcel communities surrounding the proposed site (of which Cottonwood Way is one). No adequate answer was given.

In June, County Executive Calvin Ball sent a letter to the council which stated, in part:

“Contrary to characterizations by some, the North Columbia Fire Station project has been supported by a robust and extensive public outreach process... Consideration of feedback from the public and your office led to the proposed location of the Fire Station being adjusted early this year. The new proposed location was presented to the Harpers Choice Community Association on March 3rd and received favorable feedback from board members.”

It is extraordinarily frustrating to see and hear county officials say that robust and extensive outreach was done. Engaging only the Harpers Choice Community Association excluded the portion of the community that is directly impacted by the decision to move this project to Cedar Lane Park East.

Therefore I am respectfully opposing the release of the contingency funds for this project because the promised community outreach has, quite simply, not yet been done.

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We have been doing extensive research in the months since we learned of this project. Watching the video of the Planning Board meeting from April, 2020, I am completely discouraged by the non-responsiveness of Mark Stromdahl when asked about the traffic congestion that already exists along this part of Route 108 and if outreach was accomplished as there are outparcel communities surrounding the proposed site (of which Cottonwood Way is one). No adequate answer was given.

In June, County Executive Calvin Ball sent a letter to the council which stated, in part:

“Contrary to characterizations by some, the North Columbia Fire Station project has been supported by a robust and extensive public outreach process... Consideration of feedback from the public and your office led to the proposed location of the Fire Station being adjusted early this year.

The new proposed location was presented to the Harpers Choice Community Association on March 3rd and received favorable feedback from board members.”

It is extraordinarily frustrating to see and hear county officials say that robust and extensive outreach was done. Engaging only the Harpers Choice Community Association excluded the portion of the community that is directly impacted by the decision to move this project to Cedar Lane Park East.

Therefore I am respectfully opposing the release of the contingency funds for this project because the promised community outreach has, quite simply, not yet been done.

Denise Garvin

10720 Cottonwood Way

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## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** Irina Chirtoaca Chlumsky <i.chirtoaca@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 20, 2021 11:53 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** CAPITAL BUDGET TESTIMONY 4/20/21 4 pm hearing  
**Attachments:** FireStation location picture analysis.pdf

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Dear Council members,

My name is Irina Chlumsky, I am a resident of Cottonwood Way (10736 Cottonwood Way, Columbia, MD 21044) and I am opposing the Funding for North Columbia Fire Station.

I would like to emphasize that **I am opposing the location for the Fire Station at Cedar Lane Park** because the process seems to be extremely rushed and completely disregarding the concerns of the residents that will be directly impacted by the Fire station.

**There was absolutely no outreach to the residents at Cottonwood Way.** In April 2020, the Board Members **voted the budget and not the location** for the Fire Station. In June 2020, the location was decided upon without any outreach whatsoever.

The first outreach to my neighborhood was March of 2021 that is 10 months later.

The information provided to the residents during the March 2021 meeting that I attended, lacked any studies done regarding impact of traffic on 108, the impact of noise and environmental impact.

The only "proof" that it is ok to put a Fire Station next to a residential neighborhood shown during that meeting were pictures of other Fire Stations located close to residential neighborhoods.

What the meeting failed to disclose is that most of **those Fire Stations were built there first** long before the residential houses were built around them (**see attached**). It is NOT fair to use pictures of other Fire Stations that were built prior to the houses surrounding them and pass that as an example in this case. Nor that can compensate for the lack or willingness to perform any studies regarding the suitability of this location.

This Fire station is being added next to a residential neighborhood without a thorough common-sense process and outreach to the community. Our concerns should matter and be heard.

Due to these reasons, as a Howard County resident whose life's quality will be directly impacted, I am opposing the Funding for North Columbia Fire Station project and I demand that the county works towards finding another location for the Fire Station.

Sincerely,



Irina Chlumsky

## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** Jack Guarneri <jackguarneri@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 20, 2021 9:28 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Bike HoCo Testimony for Council Capital Budget Public Hearing April 20, 2021  
**Attachments:** Bike HoCo Testimony Council Budget Hearing April 20 2021.pdf

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Attached is written testimony from the Bicycling Advocates of Howard County (Bike HoCo) in support of proposed funding in the County Executive Capital Budget for Bike Howard Express (K5066).

Respectfully,

Jack Guarneri  
President, Bicycling Advocates of Howard County





## **Bicycling Advocates of Howard County**

Testimony to County Council Public Capital Budget Hearing on April 20, 2021

The Bicycling Advocates of Howard County (Bike HoCo) was founded as a 501(c)4 non-profit in 2008 by groups representing over 1000 cyclists. There are two major Bike HoCo objectives that have remained consistent: to increase cycling safety through infrastructure improvements and greater awareness and to be proponents that bicycling should be a part of an energy efficient, environmentally sustainable transportation system for Howard County and the region. Bike HoCo has functioned as a subject matter expert and provided advise to the County Government and the County Executive on bicycling issues in Howard County. We have been consistent, persistent, and patient in achieving our goal of building a forward-looking bicycle infrastructure system that meets the needs and desires of all between the ages of 8 to 80+ for safer alternative transportation options. The recent surge in cycling for both exercise and family recreation during the COVID-19 pandemic has helped demonstrate the pent up demand for safer cycling options. Bike HoCo is uniquely positioned to help identify, analyze, comment, prioritize and advise on the impact of this year's budget on the *Bike Howard* Master Plan having been involved in its development, funding, and execution to date.

We are grateful for the funding our County Executive's administration has committed to *Bike Howard Express* (K5066) for the past 2 years and the projected additional \$825k in funding that is in the proposed FY22 Capital Budget. We are concerned that any reductions in the projected outyear funding may result in *Bike Howard Express* being delayed further impacting when the County can start the next phase of alternative transportation improvements. A significant portion of the projected funding for *Bike Howard* is based of State or Federal grants that require a foundation from the County of expenditures on design and other preparation, and many of the grants come with an expectation of 80/20 match funding. The near-term projects in *Bike Howard Express* are now not expected to be completed until at least FY26 – approximately 4 years later than initially projected in 2017 when the project was initiated.

So what should be done:

1. Maintain funding levels promised for the next 3 years to ensure *Bike Howard Express* is completed in as timely a manner as physically and fiscally possible.
2. Reexamine the priorities for future bicycle accessibility improvements. Since the basic development of the *Bike Howard* Master Plan was based on data and resident input collected in the 2014 timeframe it is necessary to update priorities based on

growth and changes in community support for alternative transportation (bicycling and walking), which have occurred in the past 7 years.

3. A *Complete Streets Policy* was signed by the County Executive and approved unanimously by Council in October 2019. Currently underway are a new *Complete Streets Design Manual* (formerly *Volume III Roads and Bridges*), and a rewrite of *Development Regulations*. This documentation is essential in order to move forward with future multimodal transportation improvements for all residents of Howard County. This will reduce the need for future retrofitting costs.
4. We also want to express our support for additional funding to DPW/Highways. Many bike lane projects that have been delayed are linked to funding shortfalls for paving projects – roads are typically realigned/repainted after being repaved. These are low cost, ‘low-hanging fruit’, projects that have a significant impact on increasing miles of bicycle network quickly. But paint is not infrastructure so this is only part of the improvements needed.
5. Finally, most recreational cyclists ride in Western Howard County, through Glenelg, Glenwood, Lisbon West Friendship and out to Mount Airy. For the past 2 years roads in this more rural part of the County have not been repaved but rather chip and seal patched by County crews to extend their lifespan. This is probably adequate for automobile users but for cyclists the rougher roads and collapsing shoulders create a more dangerous environment. We support additional funding for paving projects throughout the County and where funding does not permit repaving that after chip and seal patching the roads be micro surfaced to make a smoother, more durable (and bicycle rideable) surface for all users.

Note: Micro surfacing (which is routinely used by MDOT/SHA and Montgomery County DOT) provides a thin asphalt overlay/sealer that will fill in slight imperfections and provide a smoother texture. Most importantly, it seals the pavement, thus preventing the infiltration of water, which is the most frequent cause of pavement failure. Life expectancy of road repairs can be extended 5-7 years and paint restriping to widen shoulders or add bike lanes can be accomplished earlier.

Bike HoCo also recognizes that planning for and implementing bicycle infrastructure upgrades and Complete Streets will require additional funding, staffing and internal systems. We fully support actions you may need to take to secure the necessary resources to do so. Continuing the momentum that the County has initiated over the past two fiscal years is critical in achieving our long-term goal of making Howard County a paradigm of an alternative transportation friendly jurisdiction for all residents.

Testimony provided by: Jack Guarneri,  
President Bicycling Advocates of Howard County  
[president@bikehoco.org](mailto:president@bikehoco.org)  
(301)844-8930



## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** SciencePhile Smith <J\_K\_Smith@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 11:36 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Re: Support Full Funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

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I neglected to include our address...  
10108 Winterbrook Ln.  
Jessup, MD 20794.

Thank you,  
Jeff and Tina Smith

On Apr 19, 2021 10:07 PM, Jeffrey Smith <j\_k\_smith@yahoo.com> wrote:

I understand that the Council will be holding a budget hearing on April 20 and so my wife and I wanted to lend a word of support for the East Columbia 50+ Center.

Seniors constitute an important demographic, across races and gender, and a substantial voting block. Though the taxes are high in Maryland and HoCo for Seniors versus other locations, we remain and believe in paying a little more to help make Maryland a better place for everyone. We are also politically active and volunteer and mentor throughout the communities we live in to help make these communities vibrant and engaged.

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Sincerely,  
Jeff and Tina Smith

## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** Maribel Sanchez <maribel.sanchez08@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 10:42 PM  
**To:** CALVINBALL@howardcounty.gov; CouncilMail; Walsh, Elizabeth; Jones, Opel; Rigby, Christiana; Jung, Deb; Yungmann, David  
**Subject:** April 20, 2021 Budget Meeting. Opposed to funding projects F5976 North Columbia Fire Station and N3108 Park Systemic Improvements  
**Attachments:** Image #2- Ingress and Egress.JPG; Image #1- Average Annual Weighted Daily Traffic.JPG

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To County Executive Calvin Ball and all members of Council,

My name is Maribel Sánchez, a resident of Howard County for 7 years, and I am vehemently opposed to funding the two sections within this proposed budget: F5976 North Columbia Fire Station and N3108 Park Systemic Improvements. The fire station issue has been long-standing with the County however, our local communities' knowledge of this plan both to take away part of and alter the remaining open park space officially occurred on March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The Outreach meeting on said date was a sham and no clear-cut answers to any of the community's questions were provided. Furthermore, in canvassing the area it is evident that no outreach was conducted to the surrounding affected area, and in fact, I had to do the County's job and inform surrounding neighbors and businesses of these poorly laid out plans. In reaching out to various Council members and those that can influence this project, one question has consistently been posed: "What are your alternative sites?" and my response to that is simple: Any place that does not take away precious open space park land and does not pose a danger by increasing traffic and adding an additional ingress/egress on an already busy section of road (11 within a 1,200 foot section of Rt. 108, which is documented in one of the attachments as Image #2). The remaining work is why all the residents pay their taxes, for those responsible including the Department of Public Works to do their job, find alternative sites, and provide legitimate analysis on several issues including but not limited to traffic studies, environmental impacts, and light/noise pollution, etc. The lack of transparency and due diligence has been abysmal and unacceptable. Let me be clear, this is not opposing the construction of a fire station in the North Columbia area, but instead opposition to a poorly planned, politically expedient, and nonsensical location for a fire station, going against all tenets I believed Howard County stood for.

During the planning board meeting on April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020, Kevin McAliley stated that outreach needed to be done to the outparcel directly next to the proposed site; I can personally tell you, that never happened. In fact, Mark Stromdahl's reaction was both dismissive and disrespectful by stating that "not that many people live close to that location" implying that our voice and legitimate concerns did not matter. I implore you to listen to this meeting and the recorded meeting from

March 25, 2021 so that you can understand why so many in the community, including myself, are outraged. You were voted in by residents like me so that you could have our best interest at heart and consider the community's quality of life when making decisions such as these. I ask you to remember that this evening. One of the reasons we moved to Columbia and Howard County is best described by James Rouse's dream which envisioned a city that "fit naturally into the Howard County landscape, preserving the stream valleys, protecting hills and forests, and providing parks and greenbelts" and is a city that is not solely "driven by visions of profits and the bottom line".

It appears that the proposed fire station is the first domino that needs to fall in order for the Downtown Columbia development to proceed. When did big money developers, such as Howard Hughes, matter more to the County than its own residents? I thought Howard County was better than that.

Consider the volume of traffic (nearly double that of the rest of 108 documented in an attachment to this email as image #1) & the number of accidents that occur on the section of 108 between Harpers Farm Rd. and Rt. 29 for this proposed location. If you approve this budget and move forward with these proposed plans, despite filling a public safety need, you will be creating future issues for local residents and businesses. Knowing the amount of community use by these two fields, and associated traffic with this use, the proposed enhancements do not include additional parking or infrastructure to handle the increased volume. The parking cannot even handle the current volume of use. Simple questions like these have not been answered, and yet a budget in the millions of dollars can be approved?

Again, no budget money should be awarded to support this project this evening. I ask County Council to fulfill the mission you were elected to serve, to ensure that those responsible for these projects conduct the research, be upfront, transparent, honest, and provide the results to the public so they can be a part of the conversation to provide input so that all parties are satisfied. As it stands to date, I am extremely concerned with these plans and do not support F5976 North Columbia Fire Station and N3108 Park Systemic Improvements.

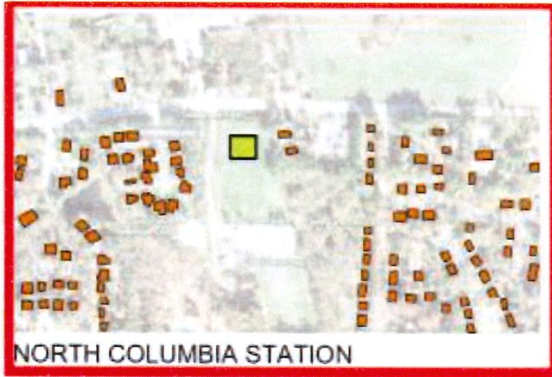
I have signed up to provide testimony on April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 4 p.m. I want to document my position with all members of Council.

Respectfully,

Maribel Sánchez



# Proposed North Columbia Fire Station

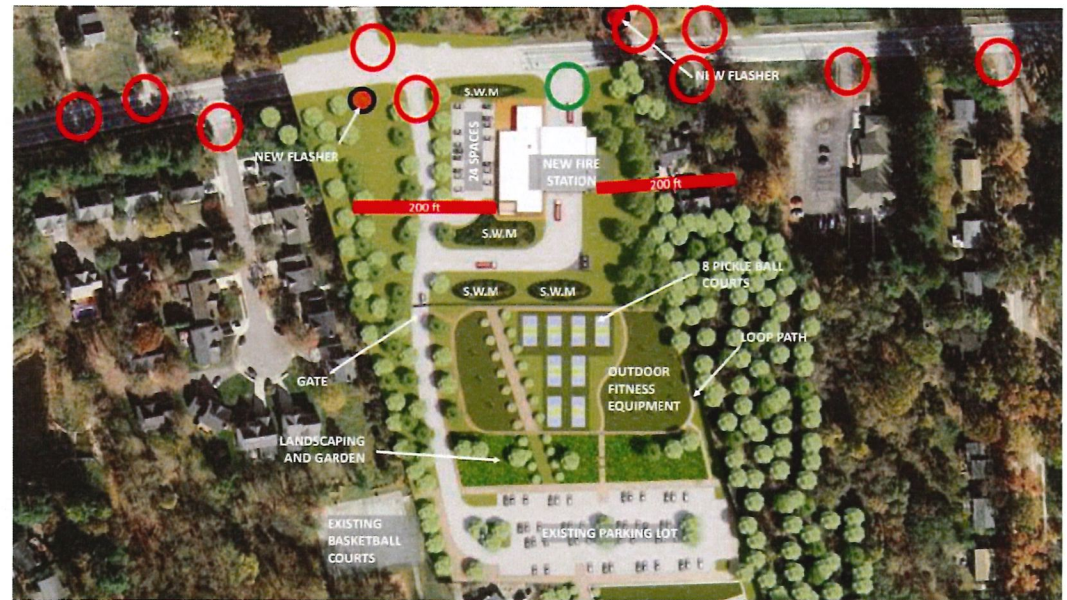


- Not built on land pre-home construction
- Single lane, dual access
- Full Station/24 hours (not Volunteer)
- Pure residential area with very limited commercial land
- Dangerous maneuvering required in this section of 108
  - 10 exit points within ~1,000 ft section of 108 (with proposed 11<sup>th</sup>).

2020 Aerial Photo



Proposed Fire Station

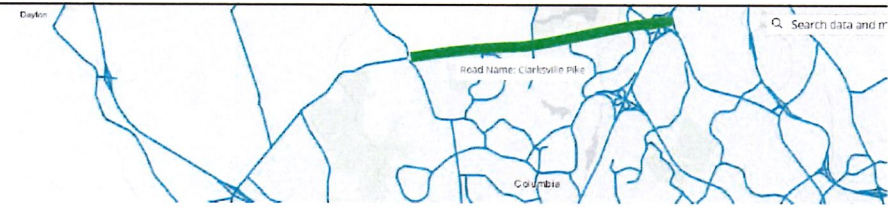




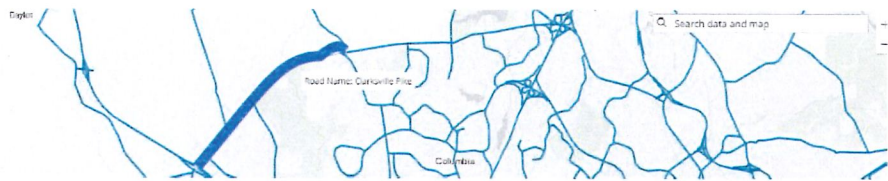
# Average Annual Weighted Daily Traffic Route 108 Sections

Maryland Annual Average Daily Traffic - Annual Average Daily Traffic (SHA Statewide AADT Lines)

Last updated 10 months ago | 10,665 Records



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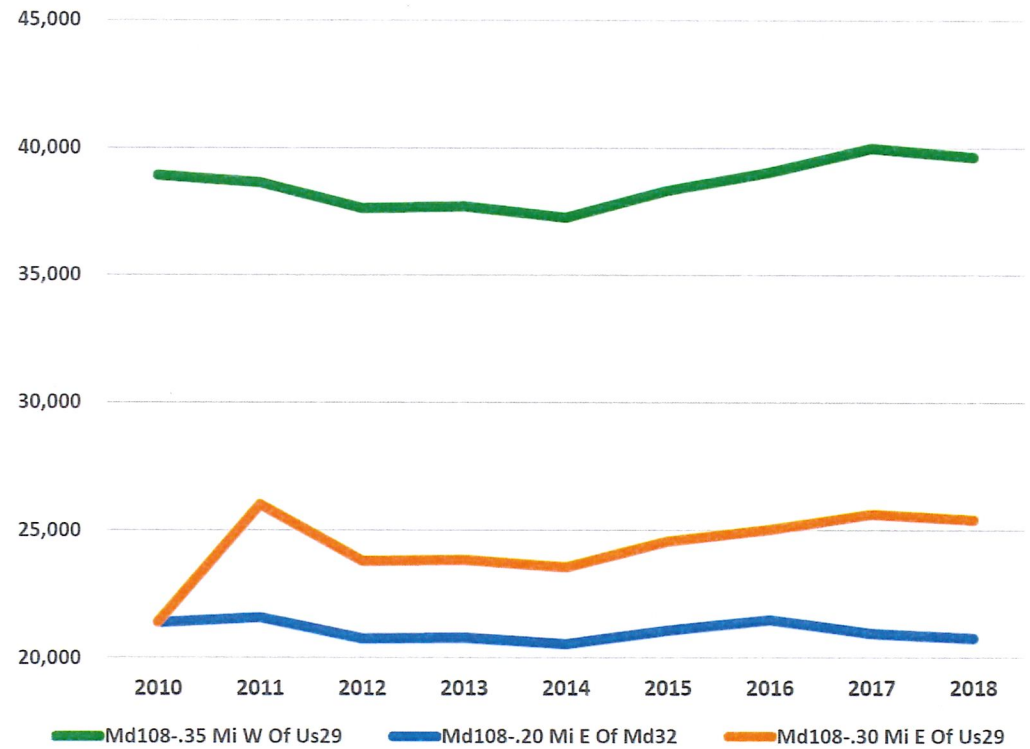


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Md108-.30 Mi E Of Us29

**Proposed Section is on the Narrowest and Busiest section of 108**



Source: Maryland GIS Traffic Count Data

## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** Jeffrey Smith <j\_k\_smith@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 10:08 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support Full Funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

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Sincerely,  
Jeff and Tina Smith

## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** tristatonne@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Trista Plunkett  
<tristatonne@everyactioncustom.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 9:49 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Preserve \$5.37 Million in County Funds for Bicycle & Pedestrian Projects in FY 2022 Proposed Budget

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Dear Howard County Council,

I am writing to urge you to protect the \$5.375 million in funding for bike and pedestrian infrastructure projects in the proposed FY 2022 capital budget.

I know the county is facing tough budget decisions this year due to the economic fallout of the COVID-19 pandemic, but the importance of investing in our public health has never been clearer. We must continue to make progress in our biking and walking infrastructure to build and improve sidewalks, bike lanes, paths, crosswalks and more so everyone in our community has opportunities to bike, walk and access important services.

Without full funding of these important projects that will provide tangible benefits to residents' lives, such as K5035 in Elkridge and K5066 along Oakland Mills Road, Howard County will ultimately fall short of its complete streets vision. Howard County must fulfill its promise to create safer and accessible opportunities for biking and walking and position our community for a multi-modal future. Now is the time to invest in projects that will improve our public health, as well as safety and accessibility.

The proposed funding will make walking and biking in Howard County better, easier and safer, as well as make our community more age-friendly. I urge you to protect this funding in the final budget to improve our bike and pedestrian infrastructure for everyone in Howard County.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Trista Plunkett  
7810 Breakstone Ct Ellicott City, MD 21043-7000 tristatonne@hotmail.com

## Testimony Of Nelson Pollack In Support of Full Funding for a Replacement EC 50+ Center

My name is Nelson Pollack and I have lived in Howard County on Golden Coin Court, Columbia, for the past 45 years.

I am testifying this evening in support of full funding for a *replacement* East Columbia 50+ Center. A replacement is needed because, unlike other Centers, the current EC 50+ Center is not a stand-alone facility. It consists of a small appendage to the East Columbia library and has only three small rooms branching off of a narrow crowded corridor.

Despite its small size, the current facility supports a wide variety of vibrant activities crucial to maintaining the physical, social, and mental quality of life of the entire East Columbia community - not just seniors. A larger facility could support additional critically-needed programs, e.g. the Connections Program, a day care program for memory impaired seniors that also benefits their caregivers ... as well as stopping the log jam as different activities compete for the single meeting room.

The current design is comparable in cost to other county construction projects, but further delays in construction means project would be even more expensive, due to, e.g., increasing building material costs. Given that it will be a Gold Standard LEEDS building, energy operating costs will be substantially lower than similar buildings in the County.

This project is key to maintaining the infrastructure in our county, especially in older more populous areas like East Columbia that are often neglected and over looked.

Construction of a replacement East Columbia 50+ Center is supported by the Howard County senior community, the inter-faith religious community, and many community-service organizations, such as PATH. In fact, 18 months ago, well before COVID, 80 of us senior tai chi'ers, line dancers, card players, artists, turned out on a cold night to demonstrate our commitment to a replacement center at a previous budget hearing.

As seniors and taxpayers we are aware of the additional fiscal challenges COVID and other "must pay" items have brought to an already constrained county budget. We are also aware that the American Rescue Plan will provide much needed financial relief to Howard County and ... we are thrilled that that three of were successful in obtaining an additional \$1M state bond.

We are very aware that there are approximately 20,000 registered voters aged 50 and above in each of your districts.

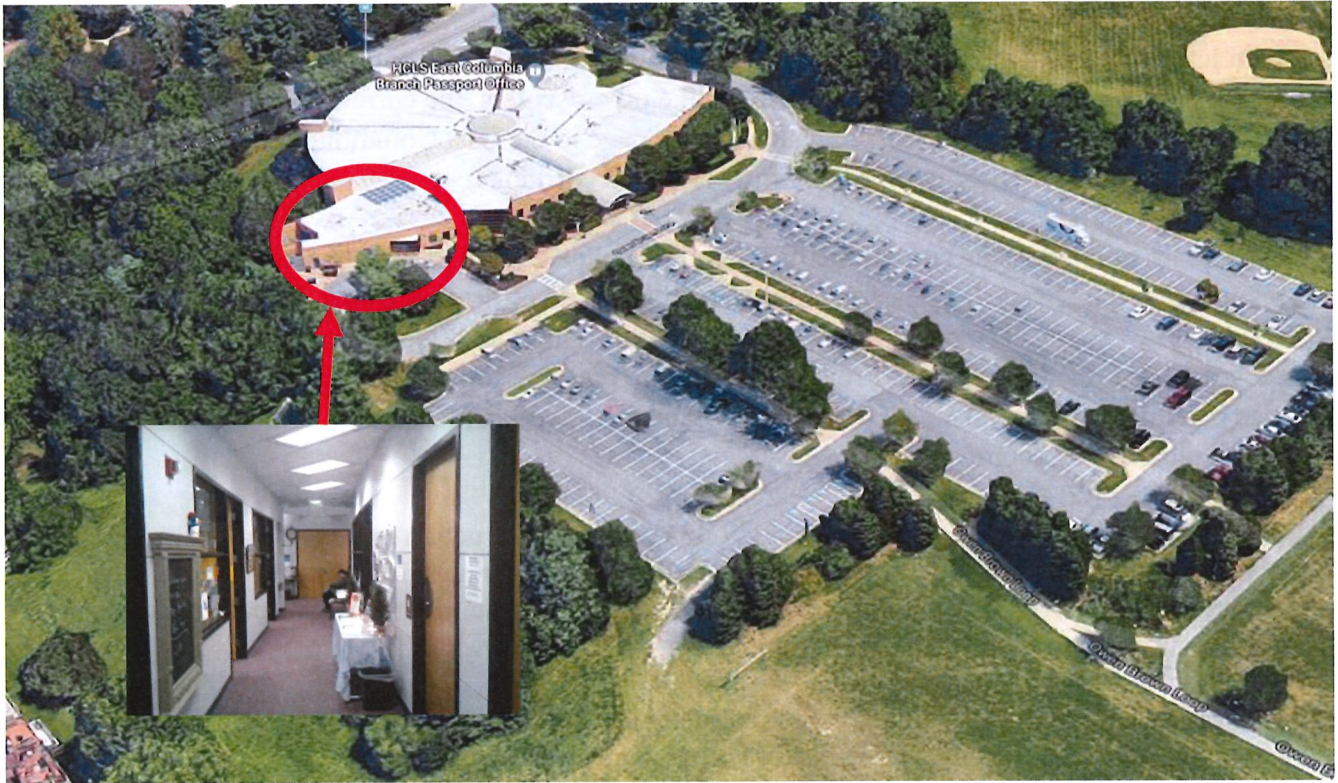
Like many over the past year, we've been cooped up and deprived of close personal relationships ... Now we're vaccinated and ready to take full advantage of a replacement East Columbia 50+ Center as we try to enjoy the remaining years of our lives. Know that we are watching your actions on this matter. ...

Thanks



Testimony Of Nelson Pollack In Support of Full Funding for a Replacement EC 50+ Center

ATTACHMENT



Current East Columbia 50+ Center

## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** Harrod, Michelle R  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 7:49 PM  
**To:** Jones, Opel; Jung, Deb; Rigby, Christiana; Walsh, Elizabeth; Yungmann, David  
**Cc:** Sayers, Margery; Wimberly, Theo; Rosen, Lynne; Meyers, Jeff; Gelwicks, Colette; Harris, Michael; Knight, Karen; Royalty, Wendy; Williams, China; Alston, Ashley; Facchine, Felix; Gick, Ginnie; Skalny, Cindy  
**Subject:** FY2022 County Executive Proposed Operating Budget is posted

Council Members,

The FY2022 County Executive Proposed Operating Budget is posted has been posted to the County Website

<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=6-T6twBBBcU%3d&tabid=1120&portalid=0>

Thank you,

*Michelle R. Harrod*

Howard County Government  
Administrator to the County Council

410-313-3111 (office)

443-398-6013 (cell)

[mrharrod@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:mrharrod@howardcountymd.gov)

## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** Tanya G Ray <tgray14@live.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 6:43 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support FULL FUNDING for COLUMBIA EAST SENIOR CENTER

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Members of the Howard County Council,  
I'm asking that you vote to fully support the Columbia East Senior Center 50 + project.

Sincerely,  
Tanya Ray  
9851 Wilderness Lane  
Laurel, MD



# Make Today's Dream

# Tomorrow

## Today



## Tomorrow



# Fully Fund

# The New East Columbia

*1/3 of HoCo residents are S*



Sent from my iPhone

April 19,2021

Re: Capital Budget: FY2020 proposed

Chair Liz Walsh and members of the County Council:

Here is my testimony on a number of Capital Budget projects. I urge the County Council to support these items.

Have two general questions: given the many amendments to the State Budget prior to its adoption I believe that Program Open Space funding was increased to local jurisdictions but was not able to ascertain the specific amounts. The second question is the State Capital budget approvals for Howard County projects.

My list is not in priority order but rather capital budget order.

C0332 Bus Stop Improvements: No new dollars are proposed but I urge the County Council at ask for a progress report on the 14 bus shelters, 26 ADA pads and how many sidewalk connections have been completed.

C0335 Community Resources and Service Facilities: East Columbia Senior Center supported by \$5.5 million of PAY GO funds and \$1 million grant. I have supported this project since it was proposed in the 2015 Master Plan. I urge you to approve the funding for construction.

C0337 Ellicott City Improvements and Enhancements: A major budget item \$89.8 million that includes \$5.9 PAY GO funds, \$8.8 grants and \$75 million funding from the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act. This funding allows construction of the Maryland Avenue Culvert, the Quaker Mill storm water retention pond, design funding for the North Tunnel and the New Cut and Hudson Branch facilities. Addition streetscape funds\$100,000 is included. Streetscape improvements are important as we arrive at January 2022 and start the celebration of Ellicott City's 250 years celebration.

D1182 Orchard Ridge Drainage Improvements: This is my neighborhood and the issues are severely eroding tributary that runs on both BG&E right of way and neighbor properties. In addition there is run off from County storm water facilities that is causing additional stream erosion. Appreciate the Executive including an additional \$500,000 in the proposed capital budget.

F5976 North Columbia Fire Station. This facility is needed and would front on Route 108. It's location provides emergency and fire protections in an area of the County that is totally dependent on fire stations that are located not only distances away but response- time is impacted by traffic on state and local roads. This project also fulfils a commitment made by the County in approving the Columbia Downtown Plan.

H2011 Micro-surfacing Program and H2014 Road Resurfacing: both of these projects add needed \$600,000 and \$8,1 million of PAY GO. Much needed support.

N3958 Historical Structure Rehabilitation: Bernard Ford House supported by a State Capital grant and transfer tax \$300,000.

N3959 Patapsco Female Institute Site Work. Construction needs to be completed. This will be a highlighted visitor site for the EC 250 Celebration with a dedicated new Victorian garden show casing a student journal from the 1800's.

N 3967 South Branch Park: No new money but the park is now in the Patapsco Heritage Area and the town of Sykesville gave \$50,000 to the County.

N3978 Program Open Space: I believe funding totals have to be adjusted. Suggest that if the Girl Scout, 20acre site on Ilchester Road cannot be maintained that the County through Recreation and Parks purchase the space.

Appreciate your attention to my testimony.

Grace Kubofcik  
Ellicott City MD 21043

CC: County Executive Calvin Ball



D1182 Orchard Ridge Drainage Improvements

My name is Donald Jung, and along with my wife & my 34 year old special needs son, we have lived in Columbia since 1992 at 10723 Cottonwood Way. My son "graduated" from the original Cedar Lane School and his diagnosis is spastic quadriplegia cerebral palsy & he's treated with anti-seizure medications.

**I am in opposition to FY2022 Funding for F5976 FY2018 North Columbia Fire Station** and I wanted to formally put this in writing to be entered into the official record.

A few weeks ago at the end of March, my neighbors told me about this Cedar Lane Park Fire Station. They had just participated in an "Outreach Meeting" saying that Cedar Lane Park East was selected for a Fire Station and converting a second grass field into a turf field with other features that were brand news to them. To top it off, it came across as a "done deal". It didn't make any sense to me so I tried to "reverse engineer" this project - kind of "How did we get here?"

After some research, I believe this Project is a County aberration but as such it could be a Project case study for a Lack of Communications, a Lack of Transparency and a Breakdown in Good Governance Process.

I watched a video of the April 9, 2020 Planning Board on this project as part of last year's FY2021 budget process. During the first hour of that meeting, County staff asked the Planning Board to categorize the Fire Station as a High priority with which the Planning Board had no problem. However, when the staff said the location of the Fire Station was changing to Cedar Lane Park East, there were major concerns and questions from the Planning Board and from citizens' testimony. There were two major issues: no County outreach with the communities at this "new location" and numerous concerns around Route 108. Again, this was April 2020 (one year ago).

Actually, the most interesting part of this video was the Work Session (1:06:42 through 1:29:50). At the Work Session, the Planning Board stated they were not voting on the new site location; they reemphasized the problems with Route 108 and the lack of communications with the communities at the proposed new site on Route 108; and they were not satisfied with the presentation with much more work needed. When the Planning Board motion was heard, **the approved motion was ONLY to designate the project as a High priority.** The motion language stopped there; there was no motion around Cedar Lane Park as the location. Watching and hearing the motion, I don't understand how that motion was interpreted as approval of any site location. The video captured the motion clearly so I would ask that the County or an independent third party review last year's motion.

Now in reading the FY2022 project remarks for this project, it says “the Cedar Lane Park East site currently has been selected”. I guess since the error was made last year in mistakenly assuming Cedar Lane Park location was approved; logically it makes sense how it got rolled over into FY2022. Somehow the process broke down last year so I would recommend a review of the project. There are probably some “lessons learned” to ensure this aberration is not repeated.

**Therefore, I am in opposition to the F5976 North Columbia Fire Station project. as currently conceived. There was a breakdown in communications, a breakdown in transparency, and a breakdown in good governance process.**

Thank you,  
Donald Jung  
10723 Cottonwood Way  
Columbia, MD 21044



**Sayers, Margery**

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**From:** Tom Lis <tjlis@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 5:06 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support full funding of East Columbia 50+ Center

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To Members of County Council,

Please vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center project.

Sincerely,

Tom Lis  
6387 Open Flower  
Columbia, MD 21045

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**From:** Pearl Thomas <pecroth@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 4:24 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support Full Funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

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Dear Members of the County Council,

Please vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center. This planned center will enhance the lives of many Howard County residents. As you know a large number of this county's residents are seniors. We have been struggling to get a senior center on the east side of Columbia for some time. We are seniors who have been residents of this county for 47 years. Please support the construction of the East Columbia 50+ Center by voting to fully fund it! We would appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,  
Pearl and Luther Thomas  
5431 Chatterbird Place  
Columbia, MD. 21045

Sent from my Galaxy

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**From:** Norma Broadwater <normafaye71@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 3:39 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Cc:** Sara Vermillion; Saki; Susan Garber  
**Subject:** FY22 Capital Budget projects in Savage

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Good afternoon, Dr. Ball and County Council.

I am writing in support of the two budget items for FY22 that would impact the Savage area:

- **J4248 Savage Area Complete Streets** (\$775,000 in bond funding is proposed to continue bike and pedestrian improvements along Baltimore St.)
- **N3963 Pathway and Trail Rehab and Expansion** (\$1.075 million in County funding for various improvement projects, including along the Savage Mill Trail)

The Savage community benefits from many pedestrian-friendly areas. I live on Savage Guilford Rd. and work at Carroll Baldwin Hall and Savage Mill. I see a large and diverse array of residents and visitors walking to businesses and walking and biking for exercise while enjoying the unique scenic beauty in and around our town. However, the core of town along Baltimore St. is due for improvements to connect existing sidewalks and make the area safer for pedestrians by widening sidewalks to slow and direct traffic.

(In a similar vein, Savage Guilford Rd. is traversed by numerous residents, including school children walking to and from the elementary and middle schools, and would benefit from traffic-calming and safety-enhancing modifications, such as narrower roads and wider sidewalks with road verges, as well as surface improvements, as soon as is feasible.)

Being a frequent user of the trails in Savage, one of the amenities that drew me to this town, I am also in favor of improvements to trails such as Savage Mill Trail. Specifically, I would like to see additional erosion and drainage control, as well as pedestrian bridges to connect the Savage Mill Trail, the Patuxent Branch Trail, and the trails at Wincopin.

Thank you for your consideration.

Norma Broadwater  
8318 Savage Guilford Rd.

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**From:** ARLENE MINDUS <amindus169480@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 1:31 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Cc:** Carol Zika  
**Subject:** The New East Columbia 50+ Senior Center

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Dear Council Members,

I have been a resident of Howard County for thirty-eight years and worked in Howard County for forty-five years. With that in mind, I am writing to ask that project CO 335-2014 that is proposed in the Capital Budget for FY2019 be fully funded. The project continues the 2015 Master Plan for the identification and design of a site **for a new standalone East Columbia 50+ facility**. Seniors are one of the fastest growing groups in Howard County. According to a fact sheet put out by the Howard County Department of Citizen Services, the 65 and older population will account for 65% of the County's total population growth over the next two decades. Our facilities for seniors must keep pace with this rapid expansion.

You visited the East Columbia Center in October 2016 and saw that it is woefully inadequate for one of the most heavily populated parts of Howard County. Seniors using the East Columbia 50+ Center have watched several beautiful 50+ facilities being built throughout the County. These facilities are spacious with dedicated fitness and art spaces, abundant meeting rooms, and other wonderful features. Now it is time for East Columbia to catch up to the rest of the County.

With that in mind, I respectfully request that Project CO335-FY2014 Community Resources and Services Facility/Program Enhancements be fully funded in the FY2019 Capital Budget. As we have said before and will say again, aging seniors really cannot wait. Please fund this much needed 50+ Center!

Sincerely,  
Arlene Mindus  
Retired HCPSS Elementary School Principal  
8961 Skyrock Court  
Columbia, MD 21046



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**From:** Sara Vermillion - President <president@carrollbaldwinhall.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 12:12 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Cc:** Rigby, Christiana; Gelwicks, Colette  
**Subject:** CBMI testimony for Howard County FY22 Capital Budget projects

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April 19, 2021

Howard County Council Members:

Thank you for this opportunity to testify as you consider projects for the Howard County FY22 Capital Budget. On behalf of the Carroll Baldwin Memorial Institute (CBMI), I would like to voice support for two projects that would benefit the Savage community.

**J4248 Savage Area Complete Streets** CBMI appreciates the progress made in improving streets and sidewalks in Savage. The traffic circle and sidewalk improvements near Savage Mill have succeeded in slowing vehicle traffic and protecting pedestrians. Unfortunately, it seems more like "Incomplete Streets" at this point. For example, one of the busiest intersections in Savage at Baltimore and Foundry Streets does not have designated crosswalks. Savage residents and their dogs frequently stroll and run along the sidewalks and in Baldwin Common and Savage Park. Baltimore and Foundry Streets are on primary bike routes. Unfortunately, drivers also use those streets as a short cut to avoid the traffic on Route 1. These drivers often seem more interested in speed rather than the safety of pedestrians or cyclists. Traffic-calming devices, crosswalks, navigable sidewalks, and other safety measures to protect pedestrians and bicyclists throughout the entire historic Savage area are needed to make this a truly "Complete Streets" project.

**N3963 Pathway and Trail Rehab and Expansion** Baldwin Hall has consistently encouraged and sponsored events for residents and visitors to explore the natural beauty of the trails near Savage and neighboring communities. It has been good to see trails getting even more use during COVID-19. This project would provide the care and attention needed to maintain and improve this precious resource.

Sincerely,

Sara Vermillion  
President  
Carroll Baldwin Memorial Institute

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**From:** Sarah Cooke <sarahthecooke@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 11:08 AM  
**To:** Ball, Calvin; CouncilMail; Jung, Deb  
**Cc:** SaveCedarLanePark@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Cedar Lane Park - proposed fire station

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Dear Dr Ball,

Please consider alternative locations for the proposed fire station at Cedar Lane Park. This will negatively impact the local wildlife, which have already been uprooted and disturbed by the local stream restoration project. There are many pollinators, birds, bunnies, chipmunks, a few fox families, etc and even a small herd of deer that moves through on a daily basis which are lovely to watch and we want to protect them. Also, Rt 108 is already one of the busiest one-lane highways in the area, especially the portion being considered, and adding even more development would cause lots of traffic-related issues. My family lives in the Beaverbrook neighborhood and this road is our main one, so we experience this first hand. In addition, Cedar Lane Park is well-loved by the local residents and utilized in various ways - placing a fire station there would hinder that usage and enjoyment greatly. The walking trails throughout the established neighborhoods to, around and from the park are lovely, safe and peaceful, and always have families exploring them, older couples taking strolls, young people walking their dogs, etc. Cedar Lane Park is a treat for so many reasons; please don't add a fire station here.

It's important to add that we respect and appreciate our firefighters and want to support them, but are hopeful that an alternative location can be found that would cause less impact to the land, the park, the traffic, the animal inhabitants and the neighborhood folks.

Thank you,  
Sarah Cooke



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**From:** Augusto Martinez <ajmartinez9789@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 11:02 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Project D1164 in the HOCO Executive's capital budget for Howard EcoWorks'

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April 19th, 2021

Dear Howard County Council Members,

I am writing this letter of support for project D1164 in the Howard County Executive's capital budget for Howard EcoWorks' workforce development and environmental programming. Howard EcoWorks has a high impact in our community through the administration of green jobs programming, support services for the County's Safe and Sound Plan, maintenance of public infrastructure, leadership for achieving environmental sustainability, and rehabilitation programming at the Corrections Dept. These efforts have direct benefits to our community as a whole and represent a cost-effective investment in our local natural resources, public safety, career readiness for young adults and disadvantaged populations, and overall economic development.

Thank you very much for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Augusto J. Martinez  
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Ellicott City, MD 21042



**Oakland Mills Community Association**  
**The Other Barn • 5851 Robert Oliver Place**  
**Columbia, MD 21045**  
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**April 20, 2021**

**Testimony from the Oakland Mills Community Association, Jonathan Edelson, Board Chair; Education Committee Chair**

**Presented to the Howard County Council for the FY22 Capital Budget Public Hearing on Education**

Good evening and thank you for this opportunity to discuss the Howard County Public School System's capital budget. I would like to start by thanking you for your continued support of the new Talbott Springs Elementary School. This has been a journey which will culminate in a new beginning for the Talbott Springs Elementary School students, staff, administrators, and the entire community. It's exciting to see construction progress on the new school, and we can't wait to fill the halls with young students who will experience the amazing opportunity to engage in learning in a safe, new, state-of-the-art school environment! Thank you for supporting this effort.

Now, I have to move on to a less happy topic. HCPSS is constantly behind in funding deferred maintenance to the point that long-overdue projects basically fall off the charts with tens or even hundreds of millions of dollars of necessary health and safety maintenance projects being neglected. Talbott Springs was neglected so long that it became more cost-effective to demolish it rather than renovate and expand it. We are very concerned that both Oakland Mills High School and Oakland Mills Middle School are headed down the same path.

Oakland Mills High School has nearly \$111,000,000 in deferred maintenance costs, according to data obtained from school system leadership. This unfathomable number equates to health and safety repairs—including replacing an HVAC system that the school system concluded could no longer support an environment conducive to learning. This number also equates to more than the cost of some entirely new school buildings. Currently, Oakland Mills High is NOT EVEN in the HCPSS ten-year capital improvement plan. The community finds this unconscionable. All HCPSS school buildings must provide a safe and healthy learning environment. The combination of deferred maintenance at Oakland Mills High School and Oakland Mills Middle School equals twenty percent of the

overall deferred maintenance costs for all HCPSS Schools. I will skip the details, but please refer to the addenda we are providing with our testimony. While I know the school system has not asked you for funds to address these aging and sub-standard facilities, I am asking you to ask them why these buildings continue to be neglected while newer buildings receive upgrades and renovations.

These schools serve a diverse population of students, including much higher-than-average proportions of students from underrepresented racial, ethnic, and economic backgrounds, who like all other students in the County deserve a healthy and safe school. For many students, the school is their “safe place,” but sadly the infrastructure can no longer provide an equitable environment. During Board of Education redistricting deliberations in 2019, a member commented that the new High School #13 should not open with 45 percent of its students receiving free and reduced meals. A higher proportion of students receive free and reduced meals at Oakland Mills High and Oakland Mills Middle. Are we saying that Howard County prioritizes its nicest and newest facilities for only students from select backgrounds?

This is a serious issue that needs serious attention and commitment of future collaboration between the county and the school system to ensure certain schools are not forgotten. We also ask that the County continue to work with HCPSS and our state delegates to ensure that ALL schools meet the same health and safety standards and provide modern amenities to students regardless of their backgrounds.



Location	Last Replaced	Project Description	Year Deferred	Total Deferred Operating Cost	Total Deferred Capital Cost
Folly Quarter MS	2003	Replace admin Rooftop Unit	2017	\$200,000	
Lime Kiln MS	1999	Office rooftop unit	2015	\$220,000	
ARL	1986	Replace two Roof Top Units, RTU #1 and #10. (34 yo and leaking)		\$400,000	
Forest Ridge ES	1992	Two Boilers	2014	\$650,000	
ARL	1968	Major Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning renovation	2011		\$25,000,000
Bonnie Branch MS		Chiller			\$500,000
Bonnie Branch MS	1999	Systemic, Boiler, & HVAC Renovation (2022)	2015		\$11,000,000
Centennial HS	1977/1997	Renovation, Addition & HVAC Replacement (2024)	2009		\$90,450,000
Central Office	1980	Air Handler Units and Boiler	2010		\$10,000,000
Cradlerock ES/Lake Elkhorn MS		Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning System Replacement	2015		\$16,000,000
Dunloggin MS	1994	Replace Chiller			\$400,000
Dunloggin MS	1994	Replace Cooling Tower			\$200,000
Dunloggin MS		Renovation, Addition & HVAC Renovation (2020)			\$41,200,000
Elkridge ES		Renovation			\$50,336,000
Elkridge Landing MS	1995	Replace 2 Boilers			\$500,000
Elkridge Landing MS	1995	HVAC Replacement	2016		\$10,800,000
Ellicott Mills MS		Replace one chiller			\$500,000
Folly Quarter MS		Replace Chiller			\$500,000
Forest Ridge ES	1992	Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning System Renovation	2014		\$42,764,000
Fulton ES	1997	HVAC Replacement & Roof (2024)	2016		\$18,900,000
Gorman Crossing ES	1998	Replace 2 Boilers			\$500,000
Hammond ES/MS	1987	Boiler Replacement, includes pumps, valves and associated piping 2021	2009		\$500,000
Hammond MS		Renovation & HVAC Replacement (2025)			\$41,395,000
Harpers Choice MS	1994	Replace Chiller			\$500,000
Harpers Choice MS		Renovation & HVAC Replacement			\$17,196,000
Hollifield Station ES	1997	Renovation & HVAC Replacement (2025)	2016		\$8,800,000
Jeffers Hill ES	1974	Boiler Replacement, includes pumps, valves and associated piping	2016		\$500,000
Jeffers Hill ES	1998	Renovation & HVAC Replacement	2014		\$51,010,000
Lime Kiln MS	1999	Replace 2 Boilers			\$500,000



Location	Last Replaced	Project Description	Year Deferred	Total Deferred Operating Cost	Total Deferred Capital Cost
Long Reach HS		Replace 3 boilers	2016		\$1,500,000
Long Reach HS		Replace 2 chillers	2016		\$1,000,000
Long Reach HS		Heating Venilation and Air Conditioning system replacement	2016		\$38,000,000
Manor Woods ES	1994	Systemic HVAC Renovation (2022)	2015		\$10,600,000
Mayfield Woods MS	1991	Replace 2 Boilers			\$500,000
Mayfield Woods MS		Renovation			\$41,300,000
Murray Hill MS	1997	Replace 3 boilers	2016		\$750,000
Oakland Mills HS	1973	Renovation and HVAC Replacement (FY16 on CIP)	2009		\$110,682,000
Oakland Mills MS		Full Renovation (Proposes 2023)			\$51,210,000
Old Bushy Park	1976	Gas Conversion of Boiler burners	2009		\$650,000
Old Cedar Lane	1981	Replacement of Heating Venilation and Air Conditioning Equipment	2009		\$10,000,000
Patapsco MS	1996	Heating Venilation and Air Conditioning Control Project	2011		\$350,000
Patapsco MS	1996	Renovation & HVAC Replacement	2011		\$51,010,000
Pointers Run ES		Renovation			\$20,016,000
River Hill HS		Replace 6 boilers	2014		\$3,000,000
River Hill HS	1994	Two New Chillers	2014		\$1,000,000
St Johns Lane ES		Replace two boilers	2000		\$500,000
St Johns Lane ES		Replace one cooling tower	2000		\$200,000
St Johns Lane ES		Heating Venilation and Air Conditioning system renovation	2009		\$16,200,000
Wilde Lake HS	1996	Heating Venilation and Air Conditioning system renovation 5 boilers, 2 chillers and 2 rooftop units.	2015		\$5,500,000
				\$1,470,000	\$803,919,000
				OPERATING	CAPITAL

**Oakland Mills HS**  
**Year Constructed**  
**Last Year Renovated**

**1973**

Total Deferred Operating           \$21,700  
Total Deferred Capital           \$41,334,952  
Total Deferred IEQ                 \$0  
Total Deferred Maintenance   \$41,356,652

Location	Last Replaced	Project Description	SHOP / Proj Mgr	Rating	Year Deferred	Total Deferred Operating Cost	Total Deferred Capital Cost	Total Deferred IEQ Cost	Consequences of not Repairing	Impact if Project is not Completed
Oakland Mills HS	1973	Major HVAC renovation needed	Construction	OSC-01a	2009		\$38,000,000		When originally deferred, this was a major HVAC renovation project; however it has been nine years since the project was deferred. Current conditions at the school now require a full renovation. It's not practical and cost effective to maintain the system any longer.	Due to the fact that the system is old, obsolete and continues to be problematic we are unable to provide a conducive-learning environment to both the students and staff.
Oakland Mills HS	1973	FLS repairs	Electrical		2009		\$141,050		Fire and life safety - PA system	PROJECT ADDED FROM GILBERT REPORT ON 040919
Oakland Mills HS	1973	Replace remaining interior & exterior doors, frames and hardware	Gen Serv	GS-02b	2009		\$850,000		The doors and frames have reached the end of their useful life. Continued minor repairs are no longer providing a short-term solution (5+ yrs). Total replacement will provide extended life to the facility and provide more security to students and staff.	Interior doors-impact staff and student safety during lockdown, Exterior doors-impact security and weatherproofing which can lead to safety and IEQ issues.
Oakland Mills HS	1973	Field Renovation	Grounds	G-07	2016	\$3,400			Playing fields are used by students, staff and the community for recreational activities before, during and after school.	The immediate impact to students, staff and the community will be potential injury as well as closure of fields due to non-regular maintenance. This would result in a loss of revenue for the school system since there are rental fees associated with playing fields.
Oakland Mills HS	1973	Repave Side parking lot	Grounds	G-14	2014	\$7,500			Repavement of parking lots allows for solid surfaces for students and staff to walk on before, during and after school hours.	Immediate impacts to students, staff and the community may include injury from tripping hazards as well as inability for people with disabilities to get to the school from the parking lot.
Oakland Mills HS	1973	Field Renovation	Grounds	G-19	2016	\$3,300			Playing fields are used by students, staff and the community for recreational activities before, during and after school.	The immediate impact to students, staff and the community will be potential injury as well as closure of fields due to non-regular maintenance. This would result in a loss of revenue for the school system since there are rental fees associated with playing fields.
Oakland Mills HS	1973	Storm drain repair	Grounds	G-70	2015	\$7,500			This repair is needed to correct a problem with the drainage structure.	Impacts proper water flow, structure stability and the environment.
Oakland Mills HS	1973	Exterior site work	Grounds		2009		\$1,094,502		Concrete, sidewalk and pathway repairs.	
Oakland Mills HS	1973	Gymnasium Floor - Recoat	Paint/Floor	PF-01m	2017	\$0			General maintenance of the gym floors will not be performed this year.	Work completed Summer 2017 (\$6,500)
Oakland Mills HS	1973	Interior finishes	Paint/Floor		2009		\$1,249,400		The flooring in the school has reached the age where industry standard says it should be replaced. Total replacement will provide extended life.	No flooring (carpet or VCT) projects will be performed in any school.



Oakland Mills MS  
 Year Constructed  
 Last Year Renovated

1972

Total Deferred Operating \$403,300  
 Total Deferred Capital \$19,437,550  
 Total Deferred IEQ \$0  
 Total Deferred Maintenance \$19,840,850

Location	Last Replaced	Project Description	SHOP / Proj Mgr	Rating	Year Deferred	Total Deferred Operating Cost	Total Deferred Capital Cost	Total Deferred IEQ Cost	Consequences of not Repairing	Impact if Project is not Completed
Oakland Mills MS		Full Locker Replacement	Carpentry	CA-01b		\$300,000				
Oakland Mills MS		Clean soiled sprinklers	Construction		2008		\$3,650			PROJECT ADDED FROM GILBERT REPORT ON 050118
Oakland Mills MS	1972	Concrete Pad replacement	Grounds	G-01	2016	\$3,300			The system, equipment, or component has reached the end of it's useful life. Continued minor repairs are no longer providing a short-term solution (5+ yrs). Total replacement or major repair will provide extended life.	Immediate impacts to students, staff and the community may include injury from tripping hazards.
Oakland Mills MS		Asphalt Repairs - Outdoor Recreation Area, north	Grounds		2008		\$8,500			PROJECT ADDED FROM GILBERT REPORT ON 050318
Oakland Mills MS		Asphalt Crack Sealing, Sealcoat, and Re-striping - Northeast Delivery Area	Grounds		2013		\$1,600			PROJECT ADDED FROM GILBERT REPORT ON 050318
Oakland Mills MS		Asphalt Crack Sealing, Sealcoat, and Re-striping - East Parking, to include the drive lane	Grounds		2013		\$5,000			PROJECT ADDED FROM GILBERT REPORT ON 050318
Oakland Mills MS		Asphalt Crack Sealing, Sealcoat, and Re-striping - South Main Parking, front of building	Grounds		2013		\$4,300			PROJECT ADDED FROM GILBERT REPORT ON 050318
Oakland Mills MS		Sidewalk & Concrete Curb Repairs	Grounds		2015		\$15,300			PROJECT ADDED FROM GILBERT REPORT ON 050318
Oakland Mills MS		Asphalt Repairs - Outdoor Recreation Area, west	Grounds		2012		\$38,700			PROJECT ADDED FROM GILBERT REPORT ON 050318
Oakland Mills MS		HVAC system renovation	HVAC		2011		\$19,000,000		Major systemic HVAC renovation.	
Oakland Mills MS		Replace MDF	IT		2017		\$185,000			PROJECT ADDED FROM GILBERT REPORT ON 050118
Oakland Mills MS	1973	Full Paint	Paint/Floor	PF-02v	2016	\$100,000			The paint in the school has reached the age where industry standard says it should be replaced.	No painting or aesthetic projects will be completed in any school.
Oakland Mills MS		Exterior painting	Paint/Floor		2016		\$20,000			PROJECT ADDED FROM GILBERT REPORT ON 050118
Oakland Mills MS		Improve sprinkler coverage	Plumbing		2008		\$5,500			PROJECT ADDED FROM GILBERT REPORT ON 050118
Oakland Mills MS		Roof replacement	Construction				\$150,000		Metal roofs (2)	

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**From:** s v <savoith@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 9:32 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Please vote for the New East Columbia 50+ Center

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James and Sandra Voith

Forest Avenue  
Hanover, MD

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**From:** Laura Pasternak <laura@yourmarketpoint.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 9:15 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support for project D1164

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Dear Howard County Council Members:

This letter is **in support of project D1164** in the Howard County Executive's capital budget for Howard EcoWorks' workforce development and environmental programming. I continue to be impressed by the high level of impact Howard EcoWorks has in the community and its collaborative nature working in partnership with the County and other community organizations committed to workforce development and environmental sustainability in our region.

Howard EcoWorks supports the community through the administration of green jobs programming, support services for the County's Safe and Sound Plan, maintenance of public infrastructure, leadership for achieving environmental sustainability, and rehabilitation programming at the Corrections Department. These efforts have direct benefits to the community as a whole and represent a cost-effective investment in our local natural resources, public safety, career-readiness for young adults and disadvantaged populations, and overall economic development.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Laura

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**From:** Lois Fiord <lvfiore@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 8:25 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Full Funding of East Columbia 50+ Center Project

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To members of the County Council,

Please vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center project.

Sincerely,

Lois and Mike Fiore

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** Jill Bartos <jillbartos@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 7:56 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
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*To Members of the County Council,*

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*Sincerely,*

*Jill Bartos*

*7916 Red Jacket Way, Jessup, MD 20794*

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**From:** jackie rose <pishnicki@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 7:49 AM  
**To:** Calvinball@howardcounty.gov; CouncilMail; Walsh, Elizabeth; Jones, Opel; Rigby, Christiana; Jung, Deb; Yungmann, David  
**Subject:** Proposed Changes to Cedar Lane Park

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Calvin Ball the Howard County Council

April 16, 2021

Why are you as a County Council being asked to rush to review and perhaps to vote on a plan that does not appear to have been done with due process? Many, almost all, of the neighbors I have spoken to are unaware of these proposed changes to Cedar Lane Park. There has been only one zoom meeting that some residents were invited to attend, and all did not get the chance to speak. I would like to have a full disclosure of how the proposed site was selected, and what has been done to ensure due process.

Apparently, there was a meeting between the Harper's Choice Village Board (HCVB) in March of 2020, the beginning of the Covid pandemic. That information was NOT disseminated to Longfellow or other neighborhoods and businesses, either by the County or the HCVB. In this year of Covid, when everything has been delayed, is this the time to circumvent due process? Who gains from this?

What are the reasons that this site was chosen? Certainly not traffic flow, as the area on Route 108 from Harper's Farm Road to Centennial Lane gets tied up daily, often backing up traffic on Eliot's Oak Road; County Police are already having to help with the flow of traffic in this area.

Eliot's Oak Road is a main connection to a gym, a college, a hospital, an elementary school, and the Longfellow Community, and has a heavy traffic flow. For this reason, the County saw fit to put in speed humps. Why place a Fire Station so close to a connecting road with speed humps, which will slow down emergency vehicles?

What area is the Fire Station going to be serving after the new Downtown Station is complete?

Why does this plan take land from a well-used county park? Was not the Cedar Lane Park land purchased as PARKLAND? Does not taking away parkland on the eastern side of Howard County go against the 2030 Growth Plan proposed by Howard County?

What impact does this plan have on the surrounding businesses, mosque, and neighborhood? Will the pros outweigh the cons?

The pros and cons, as I see it, and points for your consideration, are as follows.

### PROS

- We will have a Fire Station close by
- Pickleball players will be happy and will have a place to play, and
- The County will have another field with greater potential for County revenue.

### CONS

- A grazing field for a farm in a 75-year Conservancy is less than a quarter mile away from the new Station

- A veterinary business that boards animals both sick and well is less than a quarter mile away from the proposed Fire Station
- Residential property value and, in turn, property tax assessments, will be diminished by the proposed lighting, extended hours, and speaker system for the field upgrades. People with small children, as well as seniors wanting to purchase affordable single-family homes, will be turned off by the sound and lights blaring until 10:30 at night. These changes will initially affect those close by, and will ultimately diminish the community of Longfellow as a whole.
- Longfellow is a “Neighborhood”, and a great place to raise a family. It is the home of the “Longfellow Friends of the Traditional Fourth” parade, the longest-running parade in Howard County. It is also one of the oldest Columbia neighborhoods, and one of the most active communities in Howard County. These proposed changes will greatly affect the community feel.
- The proposed use of “Astroturf” on the field will negate the use of the field by youth, as medical studies have shown that “Astroturf” is 58% more responsible for injuries than natural grass turf to youth. The field is currently used by both youth football and soccer leagues. (Figures are based on a study of high school injuries, done by University Hospitals, an affiliate of the Cleveland Clinic.)

As someone looking to move into, or to stay in Howard County, one would have to consider the commitment of government to Open Space and county residents, if these changes are approved in an area surrounded by homes, businesses, and existing traffic congestion.

Sincerely

Jacqueline A. Maier Rose  
5010 Eliots Oak Rd.

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10



## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** Zacharia Fisch <ozfisch@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 1:15 AM  
**To:** Ball, Calvin  
**Cc:** CouncilMail; Walsh, Elizabeth; Jones, Opel; Rigby, Christiana; Jung, Deb; Yungmann, David  
**Subject:** North Columbia Fire Station F5976 at Cedar Lane Park East

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Dr. Calvin Ball, county Executive,  
Howard county Maryland  
3430 courthouse drive  
Ellicott city, Maryland 21043

Dear Executive Ball,

- 1) My name is Zacharia Y. Fisch. I am a resident of Columbia for 35 years, and for the last 26 years my family and I live at 10863 Beech Creek Drive Columbia MD 21044. In addition, I am a professional licensed Civil Engineer based in Howard county; for the past 35 years I have been designing land development projects in Howard County and the surrounding counties.
- 2) In early March 2021 I received a notice in the mail, from Howard County, informing of a community outreach meeting scheduled for March 25, 2021 at 7pm, regarding the North Columbia Fire Station F5976. I attended the meeting, in which I heard for the first time, that a fire station is proposed to be built at the Cedar Lane Park East on the front multipurpose field. I also learned about the planned intensification of use of the park with the addition of exercise equipment, Pickleball fields, artificial turf field, and lights that will be operating until 10:00 or 10:30 at night. In this outreach meeting, I also learned that the original proposed location for the fire station was in the village of Harpers Choice, near Harpers Choice Middle School.

3) In a letter that you sent to Chairman Jung on June 10, 2020 you wrote, and I Quote:  
" Contrary to characterizations by some, the North Columbia Fire Station project has been supported by a robust and extensive public outreach process. County representatives have publicly presented on this project on at least three occasions (February 12, 2019, October 30, 2019, and March 3, 2020), and different options for locating the Fire Station were discussed with you and your staff on four (4) separate occasions in 2019. Consideration of feedback from the public and your office led to the proposed location of the Fire Station being adjusted early this year. The new proposed location was presented to the Harpers Choice Community Association on March 3rd and received favorable feedback from board members."

4) The fact of the matter is that the Beech Creek community that consists of approximately 145 households, the Cedar Manor community that consists of 19 households as well as individual properties adjacent to the park on the east and along the north side of RT 108 are not represented by the Harpers Choice Community Association / village board. Therefore, any discussions and any agreements that were reached between the Harpers Choice Community Association and Howard county representatives are not representing or reflecting the voices or opinions of many households, that neither were invited to the meetings nor had a say in the reached solutions.

5) Since the meeting on March 25, 2021, I met residents who live in the Elliot's Oak neighborhood, some of which are backing the park, who were not aware of the proposed plan. In total, I estimate that there will be over 200 plus households that will be directly impacted by this proposal.

6) In my research of the Recreation and Parks Advisory Board meetings minutes and agenda, I saw several references to the proposed fire station location:

- a) On January 15, 2020 minutes under the Old Business category, “Department of Public works is inquiring about building a fire station on existing field space at Cedar Lane Park”.
  - b) On July 15,2020
  - c) On February 17, 2021 where under the Old Business category it says “met with Administration and Bureau of facilities regarding North Columbia Fire Station project.....”
- 7) It is disturbing to see that for a whole year the Recreation and Parks Advisory Board as well as the Department of Public Works and the Administration knew of the intended project, yet there is no public outreach to Howard County residents, who live next door to the park.

#### SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS:

##### 16.101.(a) legislative intent

- I. Assigning orderly, efficient, and integrated development of land
- II. providing the most beneficial relationship between the uses of land and buildings and the circulation of traffic throughout the county.
- III. Using the land and buildings in ways which avoid traffic congestion, and which provides for pedestrian movement.

##### 16.119.14.b.(4) Combine Driveways.

Traffic movements in and out of commercial and industrial areas shall not interfere with external traffic nor shall the movement create hazards to adjacent residential areas.

##### 16.119.(f). (3) Access Restrictions



For subdivisions and Site development plans with no other means of access except from a restricted access road, the Department of Planning and Zoning may approve a single use in common driveway that meets the minimum sight distance requirements of the Design Manual or the State Highway Administration access requirements.

16.120.(a). (2) Lot Layout. Lot access from Arterial Highways or Major Collectors

Nonresidential lots shall not derive direct access from Arterial Highways. Where nonresidential lots front on such roadway, access to the lots shall be in accordance with 16.119 of this title.

ZONING REGULATIONS:

100.0.A Legislative intent:

- I. To provide adequate light, air, and privacy. To secure safety from fire and other danger and to prevent overcrowding of the land and undue congestion of population.
- II. To protect the character, the social and economic stability of all parts of the county. To guide the orderly growth and development of the county and to protect and conserve the value of land and structures, appropriate to the various land use classes established by the general plan for Howard County and by the comprehensive zoning regulations.
- III. To provide the most beneficial relationship between the uses of land and structures and road system, which serves these uses. Having particular regard for the potential amount and intensity of such land and structure uses in relationship to the traffic capacity of the road system, so as to avoid congestion in the street and roadways, and to promote the safe and convenient vehicular and pedestrian traffic movements appropriate to various uses of land and structures throughout the county.
- IV. To provide a guide for public action in the orderly and efficient provision of public facilities and services.

PLAN HOWARD 2030:

Policy 8.12, page 179.

“Expand the county park system and recreational facilities.”

8) In my opinion, the county is falling short to meet its own subdivision and land development regulations, the Zoning Regulations and Plan Howard 2030 policies as outlined above. I believe that Howard County should be subject to all rules and regulations as everyone else who is engaged in developing land.

9) MD RT 108 is classified on the Howard county transportation map as a minor arterial road, and indeed it is a busy road. Over the past 26 years that I am living in the Beech Creek community, I can see the constant increase in traffic. During sports season, the traffic is congested, and it is backed up starting at Centennial Lane and continues to RT 108 west reaches next to Beech Creek drive and sometime further on. Every Friday and during holidays, the Howard county police has to direct traffic on RT 108 to enable ingress and egress traffic to the Dar Al-Taqwa Mosque. The Mosque is located across the street from the park. Adding more uses and facilities to the park and adding more traffic from the fire station will make things worse.

10) Being in the land development engineering business, I have not yet heard of a single case where adding a fire station near an established residential neighborhood enhances quality of life or property values. Per the Zoning regulations it is the county's duty to protect the residents' quality of life and property values. By placing the station where proposed, the county will be abdicating their responsibility.

11) I truly believe that there are better, more appropriate alternative locations that will closer meet the legislative intent of the regulations for the proposed fire station. I reviewed options within about 1.5 miles radius from Cedar Lane Park East for

the potential of placing a fire station. Both alternatives are zoned R-20 same as Cedar Lane Park and both are owned by Howard County:

a. The Board of Education owns 28.67 acres at 10910 RT 108. The site is 0.4 miles west of Cedar Lane Park East. I carefully examined the existing site development plan, and forest conservation plat that are on record, and I conclude that there is enough space to accommodate the proposed fire station on the property.

The advantages of utilizing the Board of Education property are primarily based in the fact that the infrastructure is in place, the character of the site is non-residential, and that there will be minimization of adverse impact to residential properties and there will be no loss of Park land.

b. A 7.05-acre property owned by Howard county department of Recreation and Parks located at 9944 Rt 108. This property is located approximately 1.5 miles east of Cedar Lane Park East. This is an undeveloped parcel with an existing single home on it. In my opinion, there is plenty of space to install the station and derive access through Centennial Park or directly onto RT 108.

There is 1 residential private property to the west of this parcel and to the east there are parcels of land that have structures on them, and they are all owned by Howard county.

12) To conclude, in my professional opinion, the proposal to install a fire station on the multipurpose field and intensifying the use of Cedar Lane Park East by adding facilities and lights that will intensify the use and increase the hours of operations into the night violates the regulatory intent of the subdivision and zoning regulations. An alternative site that will be in full compliance with the regulations stated in this letter should be sought out.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to reach out to me.

Respectfully,

Zacharia Y. Fisch PE.



10863 Beech Creek Drive

Columbia MD 21044

(C) (410) 371-5748

## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** larcar4@comcast.net  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 9:07 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Please support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

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Dear Members of the County Council:

I am writing to ask you to please vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center. I have written several times before, and attended many of the budget hearings where seniors have spoken in support of the project.

You will perhaps note that I live in Harper's Choice, not East Columbia, but I have attended classes in East Columbia for many years; I can attest to the fact that it is extremely small for all the activity that goes on there. The situation can only grow worse as the already large senior population in Howard County will continue to increase. I can also attest to the fact that this project will benefit all Howard County seniors, not just those living in East Columbia.

Please remember that over 90% of seniors vote, and we are all concerned about this project. It is extremely important for all the Council to vote to allow work to continue this year.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Arena  
5033 Broken Oak Lane  
Columbia, Md 21044

## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** allison korn <allisonkorn@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 8:42 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Written Testimony for the 4/20/21 Budget Hearing

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To Members of the County Council:

I have been a resident of Howard County for 35 years and (pre-pandemic) have been using the East Columbia 50+ Center nearly 5 times a week for nearly 14 years. I am writing to ask for full funding to replace the woefully inadequate Center.

Seniors are one of the fastest growing groups in Howard County; the 65+ population will account for 65% of the County's total population growth over the next two decades. Our facilities for seniors must keep pace with this rapid expansion particularly in this section of the county. Of special note, 35% of EC 50+ users live alone and 7% have incomes below poverty levels. This a population that needs expanded programs and services.

This is not a frivolous project, and it has been deferred long enough. Seniors who use the East Columbia 50+ Center have watched beautiful 50+ facilities being built or renovated elsewhere the county. These facilities are spacious with dedicated fitness and art spaces, abundant meeting rooms, and other wonderful features. Now it is time for this inequity to be rectified-- East Columbia must catch up to the rest of the county. This shovel ready project should have priority. Further delays will mean the project inevitably will cost more—we need County Council approval NOW. As we have said before and will say again, aging seniors really cannot wait. Please do not find your budget cuts on the backs of the senior population. Please fund this much needed 50+ Center!

Sincerely,

Allison Korn

6550 Carlinda Avenue

Columbia 21046

## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** Claire Femiano <cfemiano@fastmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 7:33 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Written testimony on FY 2022 capital budget

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Dear Council Members,

Please put the \$5.5 million additional monies into the FY 2022 capital budget to fully fund a replacement 50+ Center in East Columbia.

We all agree that this is a challenging year and that difficult fiscal decisions must be made. But this project - a replacement for an inadequate and outdated senior facility- has been 10 years in the planning and long overdue.

It is simply wrong to ask the elderly residents to wait patiently while other projects are deemed "more important". Having already slashed the Center funds and the project halted completely last year, you are unfairly asking seniors to bear the burden of fiscal restraint and sacrifice their needs again.

You're also asking the East Columbia community and seniors to be patient and wait again when they are not only a populous area of our County but one of great need too. 7% of the current East Columbia 50+ users have incomes below the poverty level!

This is one of the best uses of public money. A member of the Howard County Planning Board deemed it one of the best civic projects - in concept, design and planning - that he ever approved. It will benefit such a wide variety of residents- not just seniors.

Please, fully fund the replacement of the East Columbia 50+ Center NOW. Finally.

Respectfully submitted,

Claire Femiano  
3404 Font Hill Drive  
Ellicott City, Maryland 21042

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Claire Femiano  
cfemiano@fastmail.com



## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** Carolyn Savadkin <csavadkin@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 5:16 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Cc:** allisonkorn@comcast.net  
**Subject:** Support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ center

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To the members of the County Council:  
Please support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ center.  
Thankyou,  
Carolyn Savadkin  
7411 Hickory Log Circle  
Columbia 21045

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**From:** Angelica Hand <panchita4@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 4:41 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support Full Funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

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*To Members of the County Council, Please vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center project!*

*Sincerely,*

*Angelica Hand*

*8901 Brauerton Rd #208*

*Ellicott City, MD 21043*



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**From:** ROBIN WHITAKER <rweditor@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 4:20 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support Full Funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

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*To Members of the County Council,*

*Please vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center project! Seniors in East Columbia deserve resources equitable to those that others have in this county, and be assured that we will make good use of them.*

*Sincerely,*

*Robin Whitaker*

*7382 Broken Staff*

*Columbia, MD 21045*

## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** Rosemarybrowne <rosemarybrowne@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 12:29 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** 50+ center needed

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To all our Council Members :

I have attended classes, etc in the other VERY IMPRESSIVE

50+ centers in Howard County and I think that it is only right that people who have **lived, worked and volunteered for over 40 years in this area** should be denied a center where they can continue to work and volunteer!

VOTE the center into reality!

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**From:** Linda Eisenberg <eisenhouse@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 11:46 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support Full Funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

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Make the new East Columbia 50+ Center a reality. Please vote to support full funding.

Linda Eisenberg  
10417 Blue Arrow Court  
Columbia, MD 21044

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**From:** ARLENE MINDUS <amindus169480@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 11:29 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Cc:** Carol Zika; Allison Korn  
**Subject:** The New East Columbia 50+ Center

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Dear Council Members,

I have been a resident of Howard County for thirty-eight years. I am writing to ask that project CO 335-2014 that is proposed in the Capital Budget for FY2019 be fully funded. The project continues the 2015 Master Plan for the identification and design of a site **for a new standalone East Columbia 50+ facility**. Seniors are one of the fastest growing groups in Howard County. According to a fact sheet put out by the Howard County Department of Citizen Services, the 65 and older population will account for 65% of the County's total population growth over the next two decades. Our facilities for seniors must keep pace with this rapid expansion.

You visited the East Columbia Center in October 2016 and saw that it is woefully inadequate for one of the most heavily populated parts of Howard County. Seniors using the East Columbia 50+ Center have watched several beautiful 50+ facilities being built throughout the County. These facilities are spacious with dedicated fitness and art spaces, abundant meeting rooms, and other wonderful features. Now it is time for East Columbia to catch up to the rest of the County.

With that in mind, I respectfully request that Project CO335-FY2014 Community Resources and Services Facility/Program Enhancements be fully funded in the FY2019 Capital Budget. As we have said before and will say again, aging seniors really cannot wait. Please fund this much needed 50+ Center!

Sincerely,

Arlene Mindus

Retired HCPSS Elementary School Principal

## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** john slater <jbs4993@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 11:05 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Cc:** Allison Korn  
**Subject:** East Columbia 50+ Center - Pease SUPPORT  
**Attachments:** post card 50+.png

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I Have been a resident in Howard County since 1971 and I use the existing East Columbia 50+ Center on a regular basis and I find it inadequate. There is no reason why the EAST SIDE of Columbia should be short changed any longer.

We pay Howard County Taxes and we pay The CA lien. We deserve this facility. I've taken classes at the Gary Arthur Center in Glenelg so I know what a good center looks like.

Please support a fully funded East Columbia 50+ Center!!!s

Thank you.

John

John Slater  
4637 Willowgrove Drive  
Dorsey Search  
Ellicott City, MD 21042



**Sayers, Margery**

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**From:** Pat Harman <patonsunset@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 9:23 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support Fill Funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

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*To Members of the County Council,*

*Please vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center project!*

*Sincerely,  
Pat Harman  
Ellicott City, MD*

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**From:** JOHN DI TOMASSO <johndit@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 17, 2021 11:22 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Cc:** fflowpresti@gmail.com  
**Subject:** East Columbia 50+ Center

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To Members of the County Council,  
Please vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center project!

Sincerely,  
John DiTomasso  
9448 Farewell Rd.  
Columbia, MD. 21045  
410 730 3071

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## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** Michael Femiano <mfemiano@fastmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 17, 2021 5:42 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support Full Funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

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Council Members -

Please vote to support the funding for this project - it is most important to us "seniors" . And it's long overdue!

Thanks,

Michael Femiano

3405 Font Hill Dr. Ellicott City Md 21042







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**From:** James Halcomb <jazzfmly@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 17, 2021 2:46 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support Full Funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

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To Members of the County Council,

Please vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center project! I frequently went to the Bain Center before the pandemic and enjoyed the offerings there, but it would be wonderful to have something like that in our neighborhood. It's time to fund and build it.

Sincerely,  
Marcia Halcomb  
34 year resident of Owen Brown

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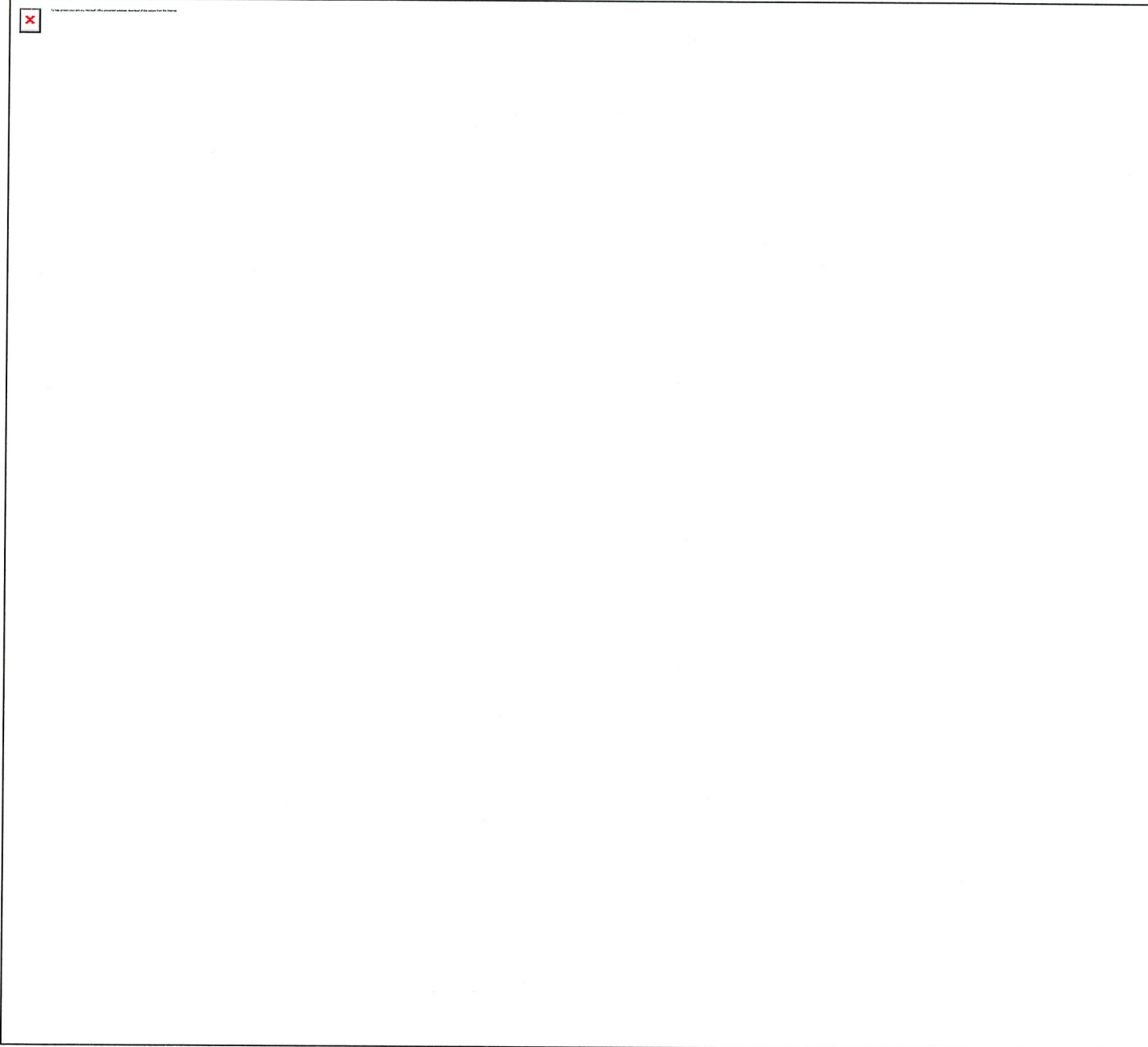


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**From:** Georgina Harding <georgina.r.harding1@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 17, 2021 10:31 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support Full Funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

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**From:** Thomasina Hebron <tmhebron22@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 16, 2021 9:29 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support Full Funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

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*To Members of the County Council, Please, Please, Please vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center project!*

*Sincerely,  
Tammy Hebron  
9432 Ridgeview Dr  
Columbia, MD 20146  
301.518.6768*



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**From:** Kathleen O <korrson@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 16, 2021 6:39 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Please find East Columbia 50+

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Kathleen Orrson,  
443-472-6835

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**From:** Betty Myers <bettymyers@mac.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 16, 2021 1:08 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Fwd: Last Chance to Push for 50+ Center

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Dear Council members,

I'm counting on you to support this center. We need to provide for the services this center addresses. It could be your parents and YOUR time that is affected in the future. It could serve you. But most of all, it benefits a currently UNDERSERVED community.

Please vote to ensure this center's construction.

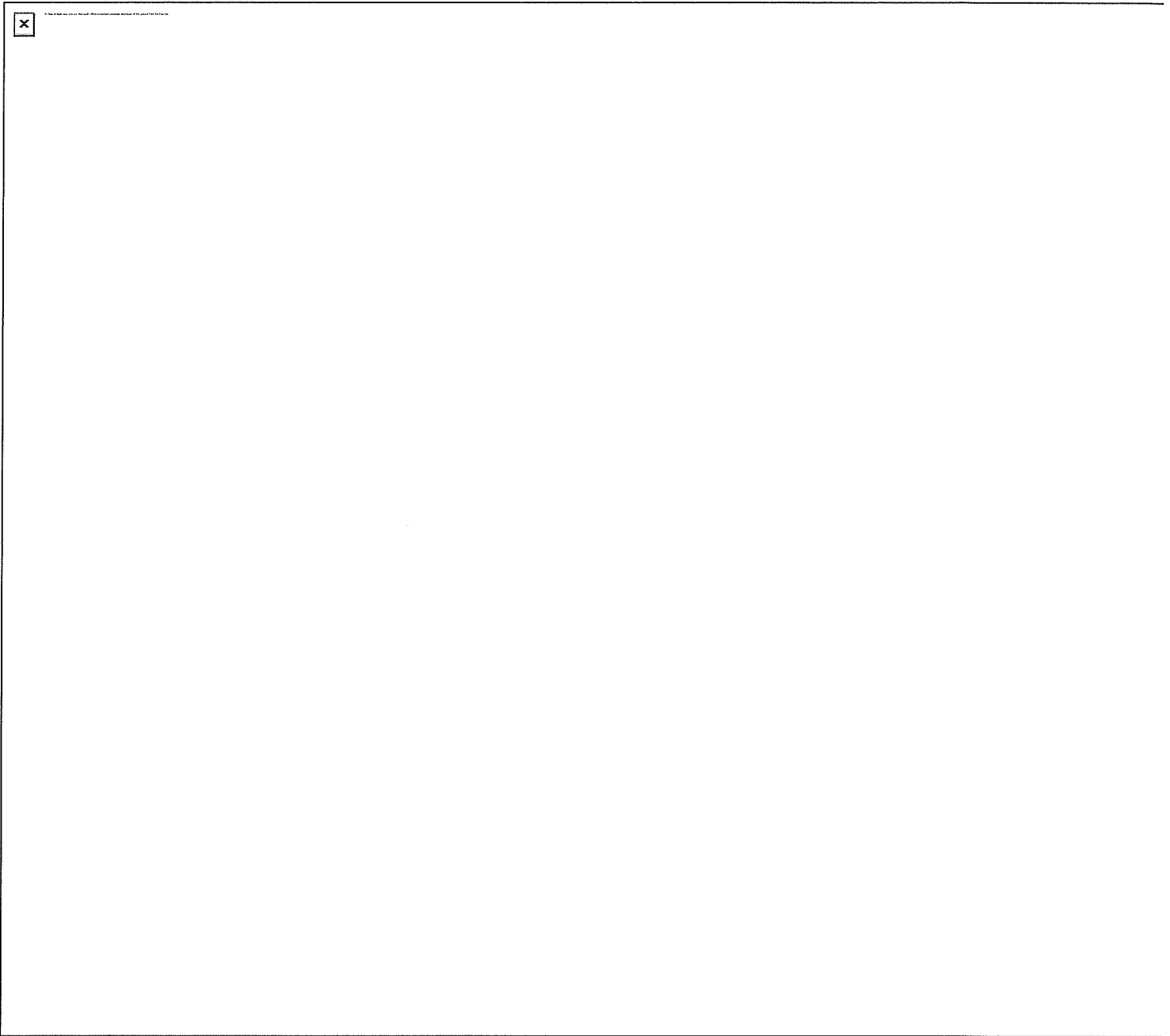
*Betty Myers*

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*My garden is my most beautiful masterpiece. -Claude Monet*







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**From:** osirid@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Dennis Johnson  
<osirid@everyactioncustom.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 16, 2021 11:42 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Preserve \$5.37 Million in County Funds for Bicycle & Pedestrian Projects in FY 2022 Proposed Budget

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Dear Howard County Council,

I am writing to urge you to protect the \$5.375 million in funding for bike and pedestrian infrastructure projects in the proposed FY 2022 capital budget.

I know the county is facing tough budget decisions this year due to the economic fallout of the COVID-19 pandemic, but the importance of investing in our public health has never been clearer. We must continue to make progress in our biking and walking infrastructure to build and improve sidewalks, bike lanes, paths, crosswalks and more so everyone in our community has opportunities to bike, walk and access important services.

Without full funding of these important projects that will provide tangible benefits to residents' lives, such as K5035 in Elkridge and K5066 along Oakland Mills Road, Howard County will ultimately fall short of its complete streets vision. Howard County must fulfill its promise to create safer and accessible opportunities for biking and walking and position our community for a multi-modal future. Now is the time to invest in projects that will improve our public health, as well as safety and accessibility.

The proposed funding will make walking and biking in Howard County better, easier and safer, as well as make our community more age-friendly. I urge you to protect this funding in the final budget to improve our bike and pedestrian infrastructure for everyone in Howard County.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Dennis Johnson  
6408 Snowman Ct Columbia, MD 21045-4430 osirid@yahoo.com

## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** brian.a.anleu@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Brian Anleu  
<brian.a.anleu@everyactioncustom.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 16, 2021 11:10 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
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The proposed funding will make walking and biking in Howard County better, easier and safer, as well as make our community more age-friendly. I urge you to protect this funding in the final budget to improve our bike and pedestrian infrastructure for everyone in Howard County.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Brian Anleu  
6408 Snowman Ct Columbia, MD 21045-4430 brian.a.anleu@gmail.com



## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** marvis.ross@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Marvis Ross  
<marvis.ross@everyactioncustom.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 8:41 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Preserve \$5.37 Million in County Funds for Bicycle & Pedestrian Projects in FY 2022 Proposed Budget

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Dear Howard County Council,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Marvis Ross  
8610 Secret Waves Way Columbia, MD 21045-5943 marvis.ross@gmail.com

## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** Gick, Ginnie  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 3:24 PM  
**To:** Sayers, Margery  
**Cc:** Williams, China  
**Subject:** FW: Support for Replacement East Columbia 50+ Center

-----Original Message-----

**From:** allan <alohaus@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 8:52 PM  
**To:** Jung, Deb <djung@howardcountymd.gov>  
**Subject:** Support for Replacement East Columbia 50+ Center

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Deb-- I urge your support for this budget item

Thanking you and best regards,  
Allan Lohaus

## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** Gick, Ginnie  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 3:23 PM  
**To:** Sayers, Margery  
**Cc:** Williams, China  
**Subject:** FW: East Columbia 50+ Center

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**From:** Carolyn Powers <powersfamily1111@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 12:22 PM  
**To:** Jung, Deb <djung@howardcountymd.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: East Columbia 50+ Center

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Hello again, Deb,

We are hoping to pass this time. Here's the info below. We REALLY need this and would appreciate your support Thank you so much!





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On May 26, 2020, at 12:22 PM, Jung, Deb <[djung@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:djung@howardcountymd.gov)> wrote:

Dear Carolyn,

Of course I remember you! I hope you and your family are doing well and staying safe.

Thanks for contacting me with your concerns over FY2021 budget funding for senior centers. I truly recognize the need and importance for senior amenities in our community, and remain fully supportive of those efforts.

My council colleagues and I undertook the difficult task of identifying flexibility in the Budget in an effort to stay fiscally responsible in the face of an economic downturn due to the COVID health crisis. Thanks to prior years' appropriations and current funding levels, the East Columbia Senior Center project remains well funded and can continue as planned. I am also open to any adjustments that the County Executive would like to propose to ensure that senior amenities remain a priority in the County.

It is nice to hear from you. Please don't hesitate to reach out whenever I can be of assistance.

My best to you,  
Deb

Deb Jung  
County Council Chair  
District 4

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**From:** Carolyn Powers <[powersfamily1111@gmail.com](mailto:powersfamily1111@gmail.com)>

**Sent:** Friday, May 22, 2020 2:11 PM

**To:** Jung, Deb <[djung@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:djung@howardcountymd.gov)>

**Subject:** East Columbia 50+ Center

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Dear Deb,

I don't know if you remember me or not, but our children Alyssa and Jake (& Tasha) attended Clemens Crossing together years ago. I remember you being very active in many school functions. My husband and I have always supported you in past elections and appreciate your hard work with the council.

I hope it's not too late to send you this message regarding the East Columbia 50+ Center funding. I am one of many seniors living in Howard County who frequently uses this center and have just learned that the council is voting to cut funds for this and other projects in the county. I certainly understand having



to make difficult choices on how to allocate limited funds. However, this expansion project has been needed for years now, even more so when over-crowding is dangerous. I wonder if it would be possible to make cuts across several projects rather than completely eliminating this valuable new center? I believe our senior community is making many sacrifices, especially during this time, and sincerely deserves to have a facility more capable of meeting their needs.

Therefore, I ask that you please seriously consider not eliminating the plans for the new East 50+ facility.

Thank you for considering my request. I hope all goes well with you and your family during these times!

Sincerely,

Carolyn K. Powers  
410-730-5458

## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** wortmanwj@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Warren Wortman  
<wortmanwj@everyactioncustom.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 3:16 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Preserve \$5.37 Million in County Funds for Bicycle & Pedestrian Projects in FY 2022 Proposed Budget

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Dear Howard County Council,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Warren Wortman  
5215 Patriot Ln Columbia, MD 21045-1902 wortmanwj@yahoo.com



**Sayers, Margery**

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**From:** dom femiano <domfemiano@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 3:12 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Fully Fund East Columbia 50+ Center

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I am a constituent in District 5 and I would like to see this center fully funded.

Thank You

Dominic Femiano

14702 Triadelphia Road, Glenelg Md. 21737

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## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** Carole Graves <carolegth64@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:46 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** East Columbia 50 plus center

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I encourage you to fully fund the expansion of the above Center. I am 76 years old and have used the existing center to great benefit. The facilities are small and dated and heavily used. An expanded center would benefit me and my many senior neighbors. It would be a quality of life improvement for seniors and add to the reputation of the community as a superior place to live.

Thank you.

Carole Graves  
6470 Sewells Orchard Dr  
Columbia, MD 21045

## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** alice morgan <alicegatormorgan@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 1:18 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support full funding for the East Columbia 50+Center

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**Sayers, Margery**

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**From:** Karen Stewart <kystewart41@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 1:07 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support Full Funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

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Members of the County Council:

se vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center.

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n Stewart

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## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** Carmen <cmortiz3@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 12:17 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support Full Funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

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Members of the County Council:

Please vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center project.

Sincerely,

Carmen and Rafael Ortiz  
6602 Windsor Court  
Columbia, MD 21044

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**From:** rauerb@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Ruth Auerbach  
<rauerb@everyactioncustom.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 12:07 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Preserve \$5.37 Million in County Funds for Bicycle & Pedestrian Projects in FY 2022 Proposed Budget

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Dear Howard County Council,

I am writing to urge you to protect the \$5.375 million in funding for bike and pedestrian infrastructure projects in the proposed FY 2022 capital budget. I am an avid biker and walker in my community. I often use my bike to commute to work and to do errands. Improvements in bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure are needed to make more people comfortable biking and walking in Howard County. My colleagues in my office have mentioned that they would consider biking to work, but they don't feel comfortable biking on some of the roads.

I know the county is facing tough budget decisions this year due to the economic fallout of the COVID-19 pandemic, but the importance of investing in our public health has never been clearer. We must continue to make progress in our biking and walking infrastructure to build and improve sidewalks, bike lanes, paths, crosswalks and more so everyone in our community has opportunities to bike, walk and access important services.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Ruth Auerbach  
9455 Clocktower Ln Columbia, MD 21046-1888 rauerb@gmail.com

## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** Gloria Robb <glomae711@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 11:52 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** East Columbia 50+ Center

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Members of the County Council,  
Please vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center.  
It is much appreciated.

Thank you,  
Mrs. Ernest Robb  
6290 Setting Star  
Columbia , Md.  
21045

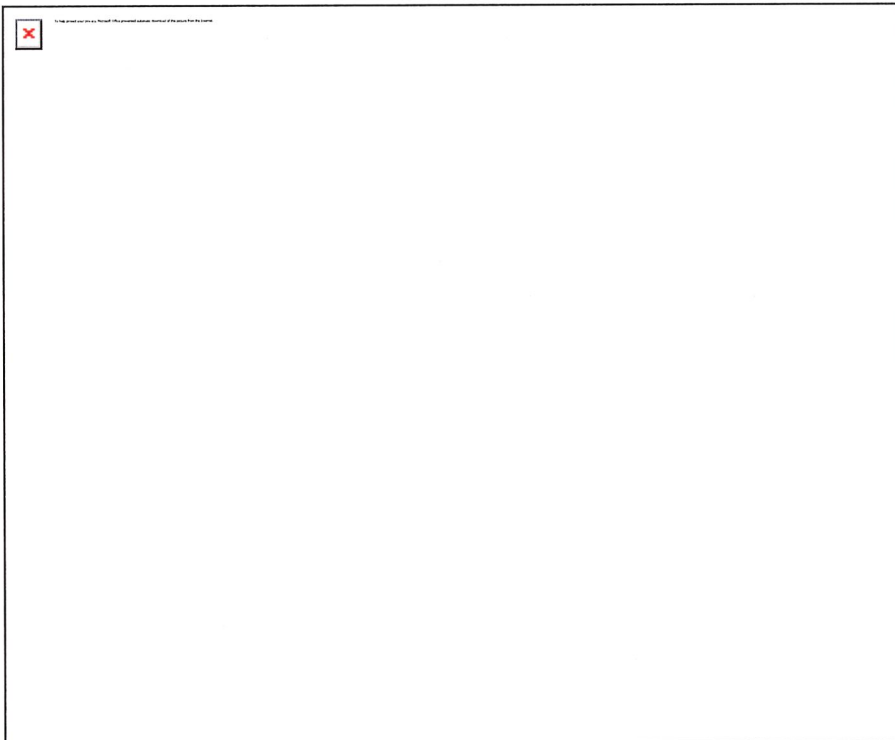
**Sayers, Margery**

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**From:** Jennifer Hankin <jennsuhank@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 11:45 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Fully Fund the New East Columbia 50+ Center

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To Members of the County Council,  
Please vote to support the full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center project!



Thanks,  
Jennifer Hankin

Hobbit's Glen, Columbia, MD

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Jennifer Hankin  
[jennsuhank@gmail.com](mailto:jennsuhank@gmail.com)



**Sayers, Margery**

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**From:** ROC <Raisaotero@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 11:27 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support Full Funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

To Members of the County Council,

Please vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center project!

Sincerely,  
Raisa Otero-Cesario  
5138 Durham Rd W  
Columbia, MD 21044

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**Sayers, Margery**

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**From:** Brenda Prater <brendamac8711@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 11:10 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support Full Funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

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To the members of the County Council,

**Please vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center Project.**

I support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center project. We seniors deserve renovation of our center.

Sincerely,  
Brenda Prater  
8711 Hayshed Ln. #22  
Columbia, MD 21045



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**From:** bjohnson1000@comcast.net  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 11:05 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** We need your support for East Columbia 50+ Center !!!!

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]



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Thank,you,

Beverly Johnson  
6156 camelback Lane Columbia,  
MD 21045



**Sayers, Margery**

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**From:** Carolyn Zimmerman <zimmercm@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 10:37 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support Full Funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

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*To Members of the County Council,*

*Please vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center project!*

*Sincerely,  
Mark and Carolyn Zimmerman  
Village Owen Brown  
6679 Drowsy Day  
Columbia, MD 21045*

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**Carolyn M. Zimmerman**

**Sayers, Margery**

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**From:** Lynn Clements <cookies210@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 10:26 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support Full Funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

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*To Members of the County Council, Please vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center project!*

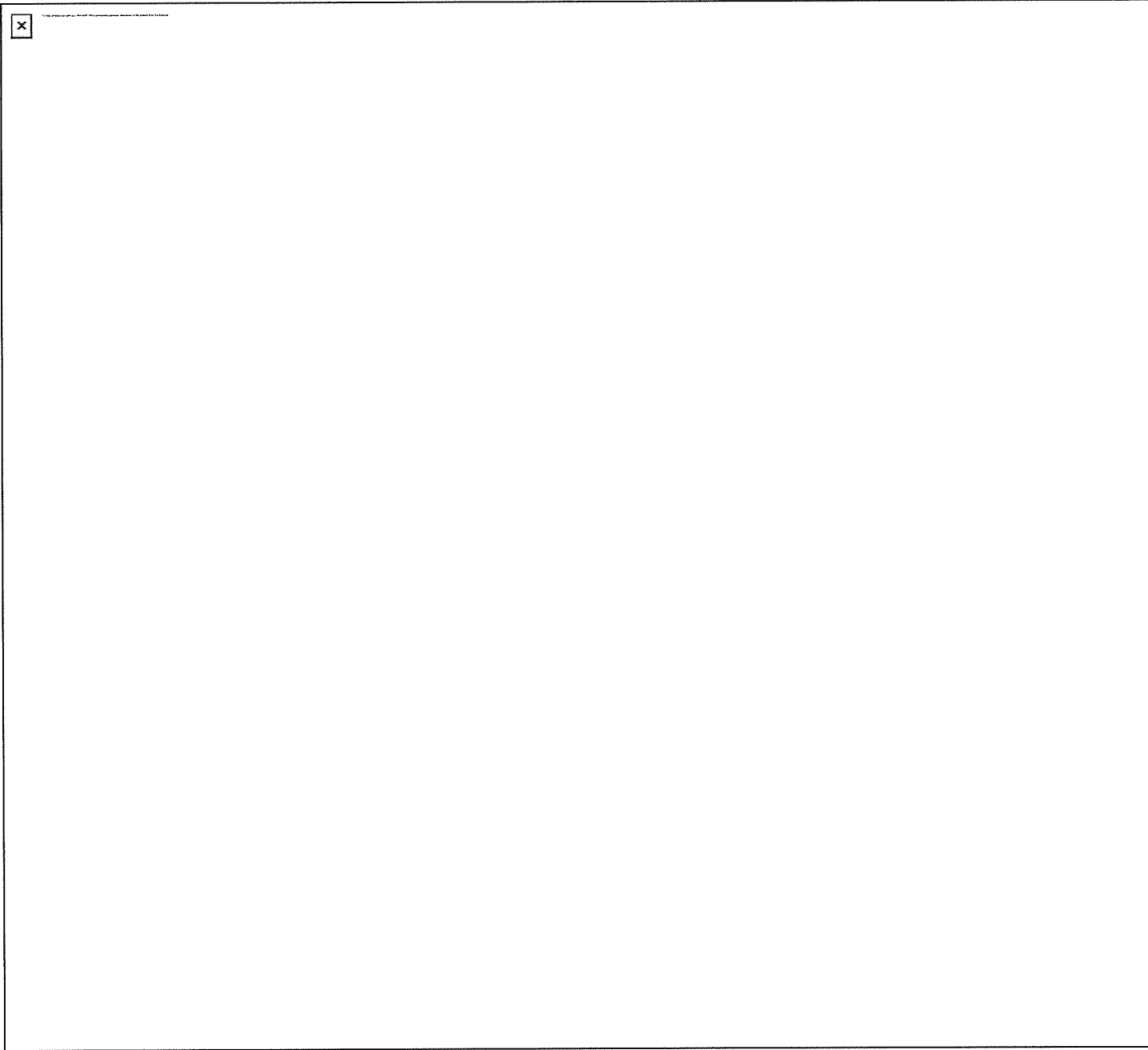
*Sincerely,*

*Lynn Clements*

*7305 Maplecrest Rd, #407*

*Elkridge, MD 21075*





## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** Jessie Barnes <jsldancer@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 9:54 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** VOTE TO FULLY FUND THE COLUMBIA EAST 50+ CENTER CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

To Members of the County Council, Please vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center Project.

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**Jessie Barnes**

**9536 Scholars Lane**

**Laurel, Md 20723**

**<https://www.facebook.com/Jessiesoulinedancers/>**



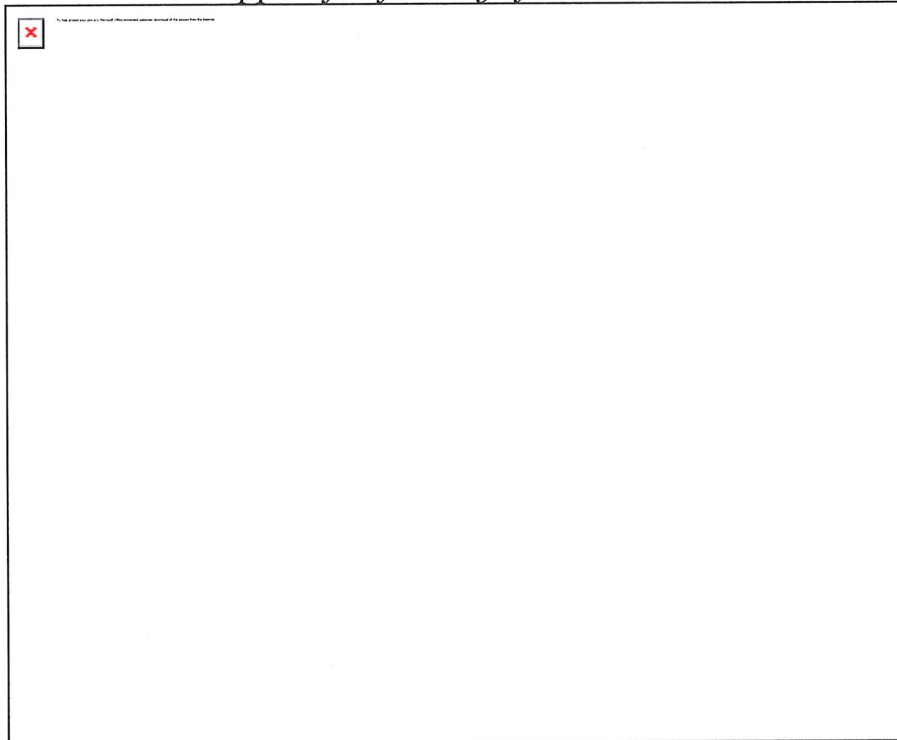
**Sayers, Margery**

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**From:** Sissy Plank <sissyplank@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 9:31 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Fwd: Support Full Funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

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*To Members of the County Council,  
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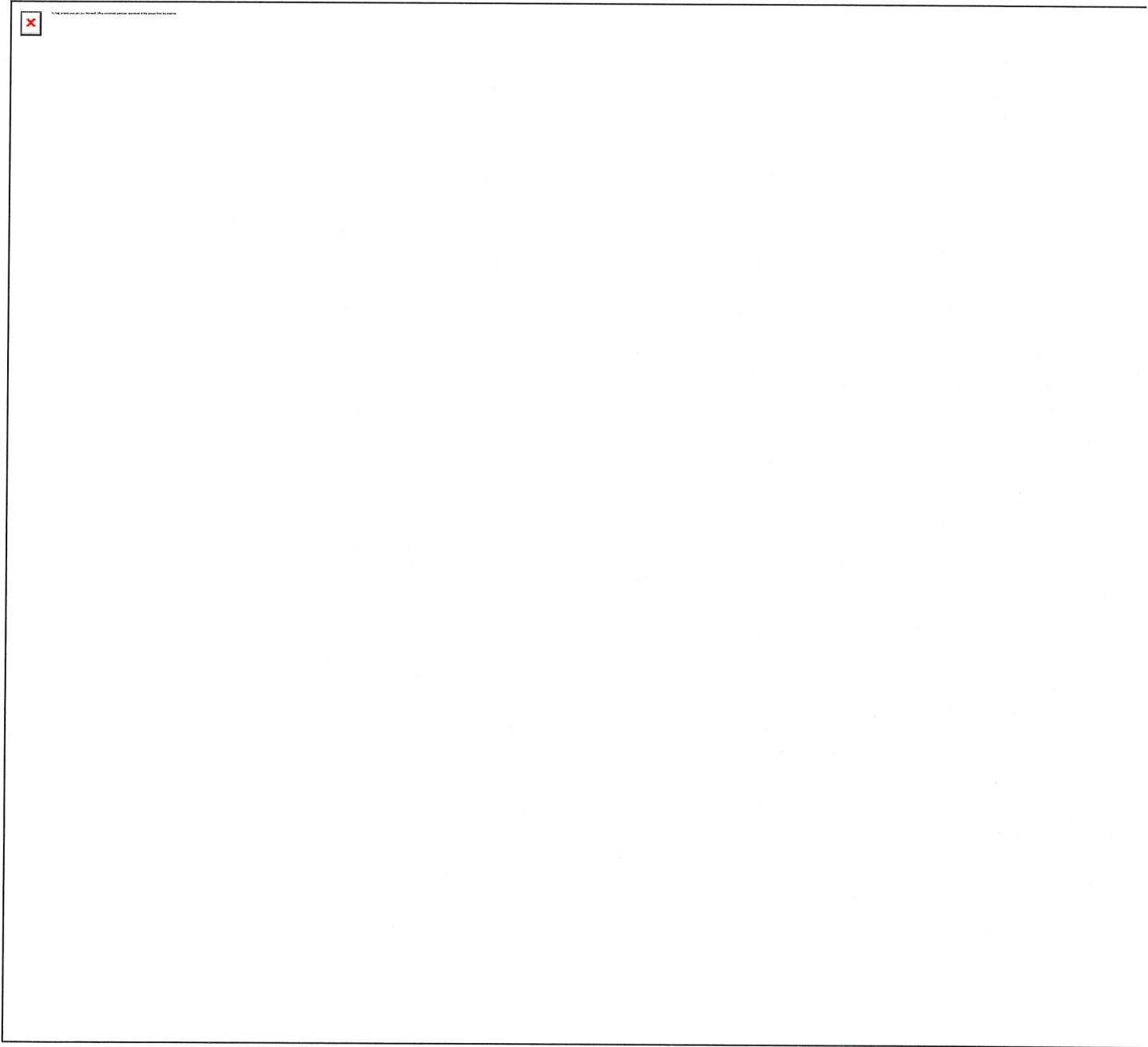
*Sincerely,  
Mike Plank  
Ellicott City*

**Sayers, Margery**

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**From:** Doug/Linda <winckels@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 9:17 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** 50 plus center

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**From:** A Tsui <amysui@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 8:15 AM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Cc:** Benjamin Tsui  
**Subject:** Support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center

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To Members of the Howard County Council,  
Please vote to support the full funding of East Columbia's 50+ center project!  
Thank you.  
Amy & Ben Tsui  
11268 Terrace Ln, Fulton, MD 20759

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**From:** Wanda Daye <wrdaye@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 11:14 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Please support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center project!

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*To Members of the County Council,*

**Please vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center project!**





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Sincerely,

Wanda Daye P.O.A. for parent  
Joan Branch  
9895 Palace Hall Dr. Apt 413  
Laurel MD 20723

Sent from my iPad

**Sayers, Margery**

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**From:** Wanda Daye <paydaye23@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 11:12 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support Full Fund of the East Columbia 50+ Center project

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Wanda Daye P.O.A. for parent  
Robert Branch  
9895 Palace Hall Dr.  
Laurel MD 20723

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** Wanda Daye <wrdaye@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 11:06 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Support Full Fund of the The New East Columbia 50+ Center

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To *Members of the County Council,*

**Please vote to support full funding of the East Columbia 50+ Center project!**





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Sincerely,

Mrs. Wanda Daye  
5705 Little Bells Row  
Clarksville MD 21029

Sent from my iPad

## Sayers, Margery

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**From:** Allison Korn <allisonkorn@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 9:19 PM  
**To:** CouncilMail  
**Subject:** Please support funding for the East Columbia 50+ Center

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Members of the County Council:

I urge your support for full funding of the replacement East Columbia 50+ Center. If you haven't already visited the center to see how dreadfully inadequate it is, I urge you to do so before you vote on May 26. Those of us who use the center have little hope of being able to return there in the foreseeable future—there is only one room where social distancing is possible and it can't be used in a practical way because of one-way traffic requirements in the hallway would mean there is no way to reach the restrooms. Had the Council approved funding last May the new building would be nearly finished by now and we would have a new center to use post-pandemic. You need to resolve the serious inequity in service and facilities—this is an underserved area and we are tired of being neglected.

Sincerely,

Allison Korn  
6550 Carlinda Avenue  
Columbia 21046



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