

**Amendment 1 Amendment No. 9 to Council Bill No. 25-2013**

**BY: Chairperson at the request  
of the County Executive and  
Jennifer Terrasa**

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**Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 9**

*(This amendment adds language to the Detail Page for T7107, Downtown Columbia  
Patuxent Branch Trail Extension, to address the feasibility study.)*

- 1 Remove the Capital Budget Detail Part A for T7107 as attached to Amendment No. 9, and
- 2 substitute Capital Budget Detail Part A attached to this Amendment to Amendment No. 9.

**Description**

A project connecting Downtown Columbia at Lake Kittamaquondi and extending to the existing Patuxent Branch Trail. This project would provide a car-free connection from Downtown Columbia to Savage; including the existing portion of the trail, and will connect to the planned east-west Hospital to Blandair Park multi-use pathway.

**Justification**

To complete the missing link in the off-road pathway between the existing Patuxent Branch Trail and the planned Downtown Columbia multi-use pathway. The project study will consider multiple alignments between Columbia and the existing Patuxent Branch Trail. The pathway could also serve as a primary path with potential future secondary connections to other nearby attractions.

**Remarks**

1. Project addresses the need for a major off-road pathway connection.
2. Grant funding will be sought.
3. Project will be done in partnership with the Columbia Association.
4. DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTION represents funding from Columbia Association.
5. The feasibility study shall evaluate:
  - a. potential alternatives for the alignment of the pathway, including but not limited to using the BGE right of way that runs from Route 29 just north of Broken Land Parkway to just south of Oakland Mills Road before connecting with existing pathways that feed directly into the Patuxent Branch Trail
  - b. the impact of each proposed alignment on the surrounding neighborhood and community including the effects the project will have on flooding
  - c. the relationship of this pathway to the Downtown-Oakland Mills bridge (Project B3863)

**Project Schedule**

- FY14 - Feasibility study.
- FY15 - Design and begin construction.
- FY16 - Completion of construction.

**Operating Budget Impact**

