

Council Bill 55-2015

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By Email

Member of the County Council
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Re: CB 55-2015

Dear Members of the Council,

I strongly support this Bill, and I thank Members Fox and Sigaty for introducing it. Your presence and that of Dr. Ball with explanation of it at the GHCA meeting last week is much appreciated.

I urge you to remove Highland entirely from the BRX overlay. It is simpler than you might think. You need merely to strike from Section 117.0 the words "*Highland*" and "*The Highland Rural Crossroads includes any property a portion of which is located within 1,000 feet of the centerline of the intersection of MD 108 and MD 216;*"

When reviewing the BR Zone, I urge you to review the work of the Joint Working Group formed by GHCA and HCCA between 2011 and 2013. We made recommendations to DPZ regarding the uses in that zone and shared them with the Council. However, that was a hectic time. I will be happy to provide a copy when it is appropriate.

Sincerely yours,

Dan O'Leary