

From: [Marcos Arevalo](#)
To: [Main, Lori J.](#)
Subject: YES to sidewalks in Parkside Estates
Date: Wednesday, March 2, 2022 1:12:12 PM

[EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Resounding YES to sidewalks in Parkside Estates!!

We most welcome the possible construction of sidewalks in Parkside Estates. This would be a great improvement to our community. We hope a favorable decision is reached and work commences soon.

Sincerely

Marcos and Ana Arevalo
7440 Bee Bee Drive (corner of Bee Bee & Baederwood)
240-778-5790 cell

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

24 March 2022

Paula Messenger
7712 Polara Place
Derwood, MD 20855-2045

Annual Sidewalk Program
c/o Montgomery County Department of Transportation
Division of Transportation Engineering
100 Edison Park Drive, 4th Floor
Gaithersburg, MD 20878

Attn: Lori Main
Planning Specialist

Subject: Sidewalk Proposal for Parkside Estates

Ms. Main, et al:

This letter is being sent to submit my comments regarding the subject item, noting that the potentially impacted area of the sidewalk construction is not adjacent to my property; however it is along the only ingress and egress roads to and from my property from Shady Grove Road.

First, I thank the team for your efforts on this proposal and the potential construction. I believe that it will increase overall safety and certainly the pedestrian safety on the specified roadways, especially along Briardale Road. I am hopeful that an associated benefit of the project will be increased visibility at the accident-ridden intersection of Shady Grove Road and Briardale Road.

My general comments regarding the project are as follows:

- The potential construction, as indicated by the County, involves "the north side of Briardale Road from Shady Grove Road to Redland Road".
Comment:
As there are currently no curbs along a significant portion of this section of Briardale Road, (and possibly other roads in the Proposal) please clarify whether new curbs will be installed as part of this project and, if appropriate, include the curb type (soft or hard).
Note: Information on curbs could be included for sidewalk projects in general.
- The potential construction, as indicated by the County, involves "the west side of Briardale Road from Dace Drive to Shady Grove Road".
Comment:
Please consider including additional information on this construction location, as a sidewalk currently exists on the east side of Briardale Road from Dace Drive to Shady Grove Road.
- The County Roadside Tree Protection Law requires that three replacement trees be planted for each County right-of-way (ROW) tree removed.

Comment:

Please identify which of the trees listed in the Parkside Estates Tree Protection Plan account for the ROW trees.

Note: This information could be included in the "Location" section of the Tree Protection Plan for sidewalk projects in general.

My only **real concern and request** regarding the project is with regard to the replacement trees required. The Tree Protection Plan lists 12 trees on County ROW between Shady Grove Road and Dace Drive. Under the Roadside Tree Protection Law, the intent is to replace those trees with 36 new trees, which will be planted in the community.

Ten (10) of those 12 trees are indicated with an "Address" of "North Side: From Shady Grove Rd to 17001 Dace Dr". I prefer that the replacement trees not be planted in the immediate area from which the trees were removed. The ten existing trees present a hazard to the community and, in my opinion, should have been removed years ago.

Each fall the leaves pile up in the road and, during the winter, freeze to the road. Melting snow and rain collect on the roadway and the accumulated leaves prevent the flow of water to the nearby storm drain. The collected water on the road freezes creating hazardous driving conditions on that section of the road, a situation not aided by the sun as that section is shaded. Although the County does sweep the roads periodically, that effort is performed in the early summer and does not address the safety issue I've described. In the interest of community safety, for years I have taken it upon myself to clear that section of road, allowing the water to flow to the drain. The Sidewalk Project affords us with the opportunity to rectify this situation at no additional cost, simply by not replanting trees in the immediate area.

My request is that the replacement trees not be planted between Shady Grove Rd and 17001 Dace Drive (the area from which the trees were removed), but instead that they be planted elsewhere within the local community. If trees are to be planted along that section of the County ROW, I would ask that the county consider planting an alternative to deciduous trees, perhaps a type of pine tree. It may be beneficial to all parties for the County to work in conjunction with the abutting property owners on this effort.

Thank you for allowing me to comment on the proposal, and again I thank your office for their efforts,



Paula Messenger

Cc:

Robert Gonzales, Manager
Annual Sidewalk Program

Rick Hollery, Project Manager
Parkside Estates Project

Juan Berrios, Construction Representative

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COMMENTS or CONCERNS (You are not required to use this form when submitting your comments):

NO OBJECTION TO SIDEWALKS ON MY ROAD,
ENSURE THAT THEY ARE WIDE ENOUGH IN WIDTH
TO ACCOMODATE A HANDICAPED WALKER AND WHEEL
CHAIR.
SUGGEST PUTTING SIDEWALKS ON EAST
SIDE OF BAEDERWOOD LANE DUE TO DRAINAGE DITCH
FROM JULIA TERRACE ON WEST SIDE. DRAIN IS
IMPORTANT TO HANDLE DRAINAGE FROM THE JULIA
TERRACE AREA.

Property Owner(s) Name and Address:

FANNY DIGIACOMO
16509 BAEDERWOOD LANE
BETHAYRES MD 20855

If questions, please provide email address
or telephone number:

301 793 4100

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Please mail or e-mail our office by:

Friday, March 25, 2021

Thank you!

From: [Marybeth Cleveland](#)
To: [Main, Lori J.](#)
Subject: sidewalk program feedback (Parkside)
Date: Thursday, March 24, 2022 10:48:15 AM

[EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Thank you for the info on the sidewalk program in my neighborhood of Parkside estates. We are excited to learn about the sidewalk proposal and fully support it. When my children were little, we were very nervous about them having to walk to the school bus stop as well as stand in the street waiting for the school bus. There are still many children in the neighborhood doing this and it is not safe for them. In addition, we have a park within walking distance and it is very scary and unsafe to walk on the road to get there, especially on Baederwood Lane because the drivers speed down that road-many children walk to the park on their own.

I am not sure if there is a curb planned, but at the very least, there should be a grass buffer between the sidewalk and the street for not only comfort but also safety reasons, as well as accessibility (better defining the path for someone who has a vision disability). In addition, including a DWS at the sidewalk/ street connection will be necessary for those with vision disabilities to alert them of the presence of the street. And a wide enough sidewalk for a wheelchair user is also important to keep in mind with the design.

We would love to see a sidewalk continued up Redland from Briardale to Muncaster Mill, as well as something to make it safer to cross Redland Rd at the Ride On bus stop to Briardale (ped signs, a crosswalk...something). This is a curve and peds trying to get home after exiting the bus take a big risk crossing the road, and are required to cross because of the lack of a sidewalk there.

In addition, a no parking sign at the corner of Briardale and Redland should be considered. Sometimes cars, specifically workman in large vehicles, park close to the intersection, that turning cars are at risk of a head on collision because it is difficult to see around the large vehicles.

Thank you for considering safety for all pedestrians and road users.

Marybeth Cleveland
16600 Briardale Rd
Derwood MD 20855
240-912-4592

From: [Chris Stephens](#)
To: [Main, Lori J.](#)
Subject: Sidewalk Program - Feedback
Date: Tuesday, February 22, 2022 1:02:00 PM

[EXTERNAL EMAIL]

I am writing to provide feedback on the proposed Sidewalk Program. Our home information:

Christopher & Michiko Stephens
16605 Frontenac Terrace
Derwood, MD 20855

(> The southeast side of Frontenac Terrace from Baederwood Lane to the culdesac)

We support the proposed Sidewalk Program **100%**. It would greatly increase safety from motorists, and there are many children in the neighborhood.

Thank you,
Christopher & Michiko Stephens

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COMMENTS or CONCERNS (You are not required to use this form when submitting your comments):

We strongly support the construction of sidewalks in our neighborhood. It will enhance safety with large numbers of children walking to bus stops and to Blueberry Hill park. It will also make the neighborhood much more pedestrian friendly and benefit those of us who walk to the metro, exercise, walk dogs, etc. We enthusiastically support and encourage this project to be approved.

Property Owner(s) Name and Address:

Robert + Mary Tilghman
4660 9 Baederwood Ln
Derwood, MD 20855

If questions, please provide email address or telephone number:

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WE WELCOME ALL THESE PROPOSED SIDEWALK LOCATIONS. IN ADDITION, WE REQUEST THAT THE INTERSECTION OF BETHAYRES ROAD AND BAEDERWOOD LANE BE CHANGED TO A 4-WAY STOP. THERE IS SIGNIFICANT HIGH-SPEED ROAD TRAFFIC THROUGH THE NEIGHBORHOOD, AND WE FEEL THAT THIS WOULD IMPROVE SAFETY.

Property Owner(s) Name and Address:

LYNN DONHAM, VICTOR DONHAM,
JAMES SLACK, & STEFANIE SLACK
16620 BETHAYRES ROAD
DERWOOD, MD 20855

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Thank you!

From: [J Mi](#)
To: [Main, Lori J.](#)
Cc: [Andrea Snitchler](#)
Subject: Proposed Sidewalks @ Parkside Estates
Date: Wednesday, February 23, 2022 1:56:41 PM

[EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Good afternoon Ms. Main,

First off please let me thank you for inviting commentary regarding the project. The packet we received was well presented and clear. This type of outreach makes successful projects.

From your standpoint, we encourage the sidewalks and think it would make the neighborhood nicer given the amount of traffic that we see thru it. Additionally it would make it safer for people walking.

We fully support the sidewalks in their current path. Should there be a need to move the sidewalks to the south side of Briardale Road (between Betharyers Rd. & Frontenac Terrace); however, we would have concerns as the drainage for that side of the street would be significantly impacted.

The swales / ditches on the south west side of the road often become full with water during heavy rain events (referencing those between Betharyers Rd. & Frontenac Terrace) If the decision was made to relocate them to the south west side of the road, we would request to review the plans to install drainage below and under the sidewalks before supporting it.

Thanks for your attention to this matter.

Best wishes,

Jeff Miller / Andrea Snitchler
16704 Briardale Rd.
Derwood MD 20855

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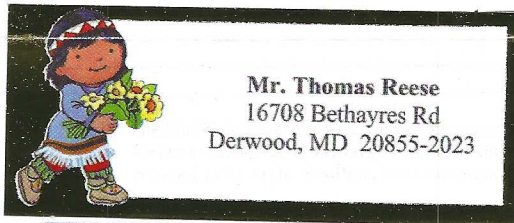
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COMMENTS or CONCERNS (You are not required to use this form when submitting your comments):

WE WELCOME SIDEWALKS
TO OUR NEIGHBORHOOD.

Property Owner(s) Name and Address:

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will be accepted thereafter.

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Thank you!

From: [Aleksandr Gorokhov](#)
To: [Main, Lori J.](#)
Subject: Comment & feedback survey form on sidewalk program
Date: Monday, February 28, 2022 2:30:39 PM

[EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Hi,

Fully support the need to build sidewalks in our area to ensure the safety of pedestrians

Sincerely

Aleksandr Gorokhov
Email: AVGorokhov@yahoo.com
Raisa Karolinskaya
Email: RKarolinskaya@hotmail.com
Property owners of
16716 Baederwood Lane
Derwood, MD 20855

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- the southeast side of Frontenac Terrace from Baederwood Lane to the culdesac.

COMMENTS or CONCERNS (You are not required to use this form when submitting your comments):

I am strongly in favor of the proposed sidewalk installation. Not only will having sidewalks reduce the risk of pedestrian injuries and even possible deaths, but, in addition, installation of sidewalks has been shown to increase property values. Thank you very much for your time and consideration of this proposal.

Property Owner(s) Name and Address:

Mr. Esher R. Kweller
16720 Baederwood Lane
Derwood, MD 20855

If questions, please provide email address or telephone number:

301-977-5323
240-261-3732

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COMMENTS or CONCERNS (You are not required to use this form when submitting your comments):

Dear To Whom it May Concern

My name is Ghaffar Ali Hurtado Choque, I am resident of 16728 Frontenac Terr.

My family and I received the sidewalk program survey form. We are Extremely thankful that you are considering to build a sidewalk in our neighborhood. While I understand some neighbors may disagree.

I think the sidewalk is necessary for our safety. We have three children and a dog, like many, we enjoy walking around the neighbor for our health and getting to places. During the day and night time (specially), it is unsafe to walk, parked cars in one side or the other current limits the space to walk, combined with the car speed (even when driving the appropriate speed, rarely done) puts pedestrians in danger. We have elderly neighbors who walk slowly, and also youth children (can sometimes be distracted) who walk and ride their scooters, both groups are very important in our community. For the wellbeing of my family and our neighbors, I vote YES to build sidewalks in our neighborhood. I will be happy to call or meet in person to share my support. Some of my neighbors can be concerned that some trees might need to be removed. While I love trees and nature, I think the safety is more important. Thank you again for your consideration.

Property Owner(s) Name and Address:

Ghaffar Ali Hurtado Choque & Kjersti Olson
16728 Frontenac Terr
Derwood, MD 20855

If questions, please provide email address or telephone number:

hurtado.ali@gmail.com
651 246 9302

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COMMENTS or CONCERNS (You are not required to use this form whensubmitting yourcomments):

I have no particular objection to the proposed sidewalks. However, a higher priority should be the completion of the sidewalk along the northwest side of Redland road from Briardale Road to Roslyn Avenue. Currently the only safe pedestrian access from the Parkside Estates subdivision to founder's Mill and points north (such as the Post Office), or from founder's Mill to Parkside Estates and points south (such as the Metro station), is along shady Grove Road. This is quite a hike for people living on the Redland road side of those subdivisions.

Property Owner(s) Name and Address:

**Anthony Dwyer
16733 Frontenac Terrace
Derwood MD 20855**

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Thank you!

From: wflip@verizon.net
To: [Main, Lori J.](#)
Cc: monica.hogan@verizon.net
Subject: MCDOT Sidewalk Program Comment
Date: Sunday, March 27, 2022 1:26:08 PM

[EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Lori Main,

I am writing to you concerning the proposed Sidewalk Program for Bethayres Road and surrounding community. It is our considered belief that adding sidewalks to the community would be an excellent endeavor.

As residents and pedestrians of the neighborhood we have found it challenging to traverse the streets and avoid vehicular traffic especially at night. We walk our dog several times a day and must avoid traffic that often exceeds the speed limits of the community. Many drivers pay more attention to their cell phones than to pedestrians on the street.

Children in our neighborhood should not have to dodge traffic to get to the school bus or to the park. Seniors such as I fear distracted drivers that may not see us walking through the neighborhood. I have had several close calls myself.

In the future having sidewalks will increase the desirability of homes in the community and would add to property values. My wife and I both grew up and lived in communities with sidewalks and can truly appreciate their desirability. We are very much in favor of the proposed Sidewalk Program.

Thank you for your consideration,

Patrick and Monica Flippin
16804 Bethayres Rd.
Derwood, MD 20855
301-208-2049

From: [parvis asgar](#)
To: [Main, Lori J.](#)
Subject: RE: Sidewalk Proposal for the Parkside Estates community
Date: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 7:53:45 PM
Attachments: [B30137B26F5447F786DCF339997A142D.png](#)
[image002.png](#)

[EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Hello Lori

It was also my pleasure talking to you As a matter of fact one of the necessary thing for our houses around here is the sidewalk because people are walking with their pets and jogging therefore it make them to be in danger when there is no sidewalks so I totally agree to have sidewalk in front of my house as long as there is no charges for me.

My address:
16805 Briardale Road
Derwood MD 20855
Phone 929-304-8486

Kind Regards,
Parviz Asgari

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

From: [Main, Lori J.](#)
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 11:48 AM
To: [maryland22000@yahoo.com](#)
Cc: [Gonzales, Robert](#); [Holley, Geary](#); [Berrios, Juan A.](#)
Subject: Sidewalk Proposal for the Parkside Estates community

Hello Parviz,

It was a pleasure speaking with you this morning. I am sorry that you had trouble sending your comments in; please feel free to respond to this email with your comments. Please also be sure to provide your property address.

Thank you for the opportunity to assist you. Have a lovely day and please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Best,

Lori

Lori Jean Main
Planning Specialist
Annual Sidewalk Program

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Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments. We are very supportive of this proposal and have wished for sidewalks ever since moving to Parkside Estates in 2013. We have young children who use the bus stop and enjoy bike riding - both of the activities would be considerably safer with sidewalks. We also regularly walk + run through the neighborhood and wish to have the added safety + convenience of sidewalks.

Property Owner(s) Name and Address:
Carrie + Miguel Vieira
16808 Bethayres Road
Rockville MD 20855

If questions, please provide email address or telephone number:
milhavo@gmail.com

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Thank you!

From: chrissuzich@comcast.net
To: [Main, Lori J.](#)
Subject: sidewalks in Derwood, yes please
Date: Thursday, March 10, 2022 2:47:01 PM

[EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Thank you for the opportunity to comment and provide feedback regarding possible sidewalks in Derwood, specifically in my neighborhood of Parkside Estates. I support sidewalks and look forward to their installation. There are several reasons for my support.

Sidewalks will increase safety in my neighborhood. Let's face it, no matter what we do, many people speed in my neighborhood. Briardale Road and Baederwood Lane offer cut-through routes between Redland Road and Shady Grove Road. Speed bumps have been installed on Briardale Road and that has helped some but in other cases it has pushed traffic onto Baederwood Lane where there are no speed bumps. The speed limit in my Parkside Estates neighborhood is 25 miles per hour and there are many people exceeding that limit. As a frequent walker and runner in my neighborhood, I constantly have to be aware of cars behind me and in front of me. I often must walk or run not on the street but instead am forced onto the adjacent grass where I am more likely to twist an ankle, sprain a foot, or tumble to the ground in order to avoid a car or truck. Sidewalks will dramatically increase the safety of all walkers, runners, children, and dog-walkers in my Parkside Estates neighborhood. While I am walking in my neighborhood, I sometimes see individuals pushing others in wheel chairs. Currently, these people must share the road with vehicles. Sidewalks will be a huge improvement for people in wheel chairs or who are otherwise less mobile.

There is a fairness and equity problem that will be resolved by adding sidewalks to my neighborhood. Why should those of us that walk to Shady Grove Road or Redland Road to board a Ride On bus be constantly worried for our safety about sharing the road with cars and trucks? My neighborhood is about a 25 minute walk from the Shady Grove Metro, a walk that I have made many times. Much of that walk is along sidewalks but not the portion in Parkside Estates that my neighbors and I walk to get to Blueberry Hill Park and the sidewalks that run from Needwood Road to the Metro.

I hope you will add sidewalks to my neighborhood and make it safer for the children walking to and from Blueberry Hill Park on Bethayres Road and for the walkers and runners like me who enjoy the outside for exercise, for the parents of young children as they push strollers, and for the less mobile who rely on wheel chairs.

Lastly, please find the funding in the sidewalk budget to connect the sidewalk along Redland Road from Briardale Road to the Shady Grove Presbyterian Church, approximately one-quarter mile away. Joining these two sidewalk segments along Redland Road will allow individuals to traverse Redland Road via a continuous sidewalk from the Shady Grove Metro to the Shady Grove Presbyterian Church and beyond. This sidewalk connection is desperately needed. I often see people walking this dangerous part of Redland Road, where no sidewalk currently exists. But a quarter-mile segment will solve this dangerous problem.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Christopher Suzich

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Derwood, MD 20855

Cc: Montgomery County Council
Montgomery County Executive

From: paulthomaspollard@yahoo.com
To: [Main, Lori J.](#)
Subject: Sidewalk Program
Date: Sunday, February 27, 2022 6:14:27 PM

[EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Hi

I'm very excited to see my neighborhood, Parkside Estates, nominated for the sidewalk program. The lack of sidewalks in my neighborhood has long been a safety concern of mine for three main reasons:

- Kids traveling around the neighborhood, especially to Blueberry Hill Park.
- Walking our dog in the dark
- Walking to the bus stop at the corner of Briardale Rd and Shady Grove before sunrise

I've seen many near-miss accidents since I've moved in 12 years ago and I feel it is only a matter of time before something tragic happens. I'm very happy that MCDOT is taking our safety concerns seriously.

Thank you!

Paul Pollard
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Derwood MD 20855

From: [Jan Elicker & Clif Hardin](#)
To: [Main, Lori J.](#)
Subject: Comments on Parkside Estates proposed sidewalks
Date: Thursday, March 3, 2022 4:21:15 PM

[EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Hello,

I absolutely endorse the addition of sidewalks in this neighborhood. The proposed placement of sidewalks will increase the safety of the neighborhood for everyone. This is a very walkable neighborhood, and there are always many people out exercising, walking dogs, and children playing. It is particularly worrisome at night for the walkers and for drivers because the street lighting is not very bright, and it is difficult to see people walking in the street when it's dark.

I have one question about the impact on the neighborhood in general, and a couple about our property specifically, 16940 Baederwood Lane.

The general question relates to storm water management. Right now along much of the proposed areas for new sidewalks there are swales in the right of way that carry storm water to drains -- one of these is at the corner of our property. Over time the swales have degraded and there is often standing water in lawns after a rain. How will the sidewalk project account for the need to maintain, and hopefully improve, the storm water management?

Specifically about our property, it appears that there is a plan to replace part of the foot path that is in the right-of-way between our house and our neighbors, at 16847 Bethayers Road. We have two questions about this. First is that the plan says up to 15 feet will be replaced. We are wondering why the entire path won't be replaced. This path is used a lot by people in the neighborhood to gain access to the area behind our properties, part of Mill Creek Stream Valley Park. It would be very nice to have a good sidewalk all the way down the right-of-way, to help make that natural area more accessible to everyone.

The second question about this path is that because we weren't aware of exactly what the width of the right-of-way is, we have planted a perennial bed that may extend into the right-of-way. Our concern is about a tree that we planted in memory of my mother-in-law. We would like to see if this project would harm that tree. I will request a site visit so we can discuss this. We realize that it is our misunderstanding that has created this potential problem, but we hope there will be a way to preserve the tree as this project is undertaken.

Thank you very much for considering this project, which I believe will make a big improvement in the safety and livability of our neighborhood.

Sincerely,
Janet Elicker
16940 Baederwood Lane
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From: [Rick Schmitt](#)
To: [Main, Lori J.](#)
Subject: Comments on Parkside Estate SW Proposal
Date: Thursday, March 24, 2022 7:05:33 PM

[EXTERNAL EMAIL]

We live at the corner of Briardale Road & Frontenac Ter.; the SW proposal would affect our side and front yards.

We oppose extension of the SW from the intersection to the Cul-de-Sac. Our stretch of Frontenac is a quiet, low traffic street, which families have long used without incident. A SW, besides not being necessary, would also compromise major trees of at least two neighbors.

We support a SW on Briardale extending from Redland to Shady Grove. Briardale is a busy street, often frequented by vehicles exceeding the speed limit (drivers racing to Redland Road to avoid congestion on Shady Grove - and vice versa - as well as student drivers heading to and from Magruder HS.). Vehicles turning right on to Briardale from Shady Grove also pose a special danger to pedestrians near that corner. A SW would enhance safety there.

Though it does not directly affect our property, we also support a SW along Baderwood Lane. Like Briardale, it is a busy street, and a SW would make it safer for pedestrians.

Thanks for your consideration.

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