



MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD
THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

November 30, 2020

Mr. Eric Willis
Montgomery County Department of Transportation
100 Edison Park Drive, 4th Floor
Gaithersburg, Maryland 20878

RE: Abandonment Request No. AB-773
Portions of Westbard Avenue and Ridgefield Road Rights-of-Way
2016 Westbard Sector Plan

Dear Mr. Willis:

At the Montgomery County Planning Board's regularly scheduled meeting on November 19, 2020, the Board reviewed Abandonment Request No. AB-773, for abandonment of portions of Westbard Avenue and Ridgefield Road in Westbard. After a briefing by Planning staff, the Planning Board voted unanimously, 5-0, in favor of recommending abandonment and transmitting comments to the Montgomery County Department of Transportation.

The Planning Board heard testimony from the Petitioner, residents of Westbard and the adjoining neighborhoods, a representative from the Westbard Study Group, and a representative from the Little Falls Watershed Alliance. All submitted written testimony is enclosed. Please consider this letter and its enclosures as the Planning Board's testimony for the official record.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments and a recommendation on this petition. Please contact me or Katie Mencarini with the Downcounty Planning Division of the Planning Department, at 301-495-4549 or Katherine.mencarini@montgomeryplanning.org, if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Casey Anderson
Chair

Enclosures

cc: Gwen Wright
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