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County Executive

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Director

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Dear Property Owner(s):

This letter is to notify you that the Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) has designated the following roadways for sidewalk installation due to their proximity to area schools and pedestrian generators such as parks, religious institutions, swimming pools, shops, public transportation, etc. as well as the history of vehicle/pedestrian collisions:

- the south, even-numbered side of **Durbin Road** from **Bradley Boulevard** to **Hopewood Street**;
- the north, odd-numbered side of **Lenox Road** from **Millwood Road** to **Whittier Boulevard**;
- the west, even-numbered side of **Millwood Road** from **Plainview Road** to **Goldsboro Road**;
- the west, even-numbered side of **Kenhill Road** from **Durbin Road** to **Highboro Drive**;
- the northeast, odd-numbered side of **Highboro Drive** from **Kenhill Road** to **Whittier Drive**.

The Division of Transportation Engineering manages and administers the County's Annual Sidewalk Program for MCDOT. Providing safer access for the disabled and improving pedestrian access to schools and nearby public transportation or public facilities is the major goal for the Annual Sidewalk Program. MCDOT staff conducted an on-site field investigation, confirming that landscape conditions within the Kenwood Park community are favorable to sidewalk installation.

A virtual public hearing has been scheduled for March 1, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Enclosed please find the Virtual Hearing Notice. Also enclosed is a project location map identifying the potential limits for the proposed sidewalk, the anticipated construction impacts to the County's public right-of-way adjacent to your property, the County Arborist's Tree Protection Report, Frequently Asked Questions and a **Written Testimony Feedback Survey Form**. Your testimony is beneficial to our office for addressing any issues or concerns. The testimony form is provided as a convenience; however, you may alternatively submit your testimony via email to [Lori.Main@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:Lori.Main@montgomerycountymd.gov).

Written testimony may be submitted any time from your receipt of this notice through the close of the Hearing Record on **Wednesday, March 29, 2023 at 5 p.m.** Please note, **written testimony carries the same weight as oral testimony provided at the hearing. One written testimony submission will be accepted per resident. Residents are, however, welcome to submit both written and oral testimony.**

Residents residing adjacent to the potentially impacted public right of way are welcome to schedule a field visit at their property to address any questions or concerns. If you would like to request a field visit, please contact our Construction Representative, Juan Berrios, at [juan.berrios@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:juan.berrios@montgomerycountymd.gov).

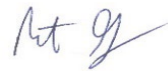
The Arborist's Report discloses what trees will need to be removed to make way for the proposed construction, as well as any protective measures that may be taken to maintain existing trees during construction. Please know, Montgomery County does *not* take tree removal lightly. Trees are beautifully majestic and a strong ally in our fight against climate change. In full compliance with the Department of Environmental Protection's requirements related to mandatory tree removals, *three trees will be planted for every one tree removed by the County*. The County's Arborist oversees placement of the new trees; the goal being to place as many as possible back into the community from which they were removed.

**Division of Transportation Engineering**

If the sidewalks are ultimately approved and following installation, property owners who have had trees removed may submit a request for their preferred species of replacement tree(s) from the County's standard tree lists. Procedural details for requesting replacement trees will be provided when and if the sidewalks are approved. The County's standard tree lists may be viewed at <https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DOT-Highway/tree/>. You are also welcome to request a tree be planted on your private property any time at <https://treemontgomery.org/request-a-tree/>.

Thank you for your consideration of the proposal. If you have any questions concerning the proposal, please contact my assistant, Lori Jean Main, at [Lori.Main@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:Lori.Main@montgomerycountymd.gov).

Sincerely,



Robert Gonzales, Manager  
Annual Sidewalk Program

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Enclosures