



MID-COUNTY CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD

Isiah Leggett
County Executive

July 24, 2015

The Honorable Isiah Leggett
County Executive
101 Monroe Street, 2nd Floor
Rockville, MD 20850

Dear County Executive Leggett,

I am pleased to submit to you the Mid-County Citizen Advisory Board's (MCCAB) Capital Improvements Program (CIP) priority list. Also, we appreciate your continued outreach to the community and thank you for sending your team to the Mid-County CIP forum. We believe the format was quite conducive for having a highly productive exchange of questions, answers and ideas between MCCAB and the County staff.

Please let us know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you again and best regards,

The Mid-County Citizens Advisory Board


Gregory F. Intoccia
Chair

CC: Montgomery County Council

**FY 16-17 Capital Improvements Priorities
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<p>Redevelopment/revitalization of Glenmont Shopping Center – Create public-private partnership to incentivize, make economically attractive for reasonable redevelopment.</p>
<p>Grade Separated interchange at Georgia / Norbeck roads– Just as is presently being done in cooperation with the State at the intersection of Georgia & Randolph Roads, this project has been on the list of Mid-County transportation improvements for several years and should be approved for funding.</p>
<p>School capacity – We remain concerned about overcrowding in Mid-County region schools; we acknowledge that capacity has been added and improvements and other expansion are underway but we need to make sure that there are continued improvements throughout the Mid-County region that will properly align with reasonable and acceptable benchmarks.</p>
<p>Wheaton Library/Recreation Center – We appreciate the support for this project; this continues to be a project that needs to be monitored to keep the design / construction on schedule to ensure timely and cost-effective completion of this project</p>
<p>Kemp Mill Park – This is another project underway and we want to ensure timely and cost-effective completion of this project</p>
<p>Matthew Henson trail – extend the trail to the Trolley Museum from Alderton Road.</p>
<p>Olney Priorities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Funding for a Multi-Function county civic center (including a permanent home for the police substation, which is currently housed in a temporary trailer-type structure), which should also include immediate funding for a professionally researched and prepared study as to the best approach to fund and execute this important project. 2. Funding for a Town commons/Green Space area with a pavilion and suitable accommodations for the Olney Farmers Market. This should be included as an integral part of the feasibility study referred to in Olney Priority 1 above. 3. Completion of N. High Street to connect N. High Street and Morningwood Drive (east / west direction) 4. Completion of the street that is adjacent to the proposed Goddard School from N. High Street to Morningwood Drive (north / south direction)
<p>Wheaton Redevelopment – We support the direction that the county has recently taken with regard to Wheaton Redevelopment; we want to make sure that there is continued transparency with regard to the plans moving forward (and that within the finest of details that they truly enhance this area for the local community and its workforce and guests coming into the area) and that benchmarks are set and deadlines are met.</p>
<p>Pedestrian / Biker Safety Improvement - Continued enhancements related to Pedestrian and Bicycle safety (e.g. sidewalk additions and repairs / bike paths / traffic calming, as appropriate) throughout the Mid-county region.</p>
<p>Regional beautification and points of interest communication – As pedestrian traffic increases, there should be adequate trash receptacles at high foot-traffic locations. This will help reduce potential blight in many neighborhoods and encourage / improve walkability. Also, there are many “hidden treasures” throughout the Mid-County</p>

community. Enhanced signage and community messaging will help all residents and visitors to further explore the great sights, parks, etc. that we may have otherwise overlooked.

Focus on local community parks. This doesn't have to be a major expenditure at each location however, here are some examples that could use some attention:

- 1. Playground expansion at the Glenmont swimming pool** – we support expansion of this small, but very popular playground located at the Glenmont swimming pool
- 2. Improvements to McKinney Hills Neighborhood Park and Wheaton Claridge Park** as well as other locations that have been neglected due to the long cycle for improvements.