

Appendix E

Correspondence Log

Includes comments received by March 22, 2023. Please note that correspondence sent directly to the Planning Board, or not sent to Montgomery Parks, may not be included in this Appendix.

From: [Andrew Hyde](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: A Little Falls Parkway linear park is a Good Idea!!
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 11:16:16 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

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I support next steps, in particular, creating a “linear park” in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, to be accessible to park users seven days a week.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Andrew Hyde
4826 Fort Sumner Dr
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Raymond Budd](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: As a runner and a driver, I strongly support the Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:52:40 AM

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Thank you,
Raymond Budd
5315 Wriley Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Pam Miller](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: As former Chair for Ped Safety, support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Saturday, March 18, 2023 5:04:01 AM

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Thank you,
Pam Miller
7605 Whittier Blvd
Bethesda, MD 20817

From: [Jed Graham](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Families need a place to walk
Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 6:54:27 PM

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Jed Graham
4909 Glen Cove Pkwy
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: As a runner and a driver, I strongly support the Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:56:40 AM

From: Raymond Budd <Raymond.Budd.214177279@p2a.co>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:53 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: As a runner and a driver, I strongly support the Little Falls Parkway linear park

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From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: As a runner and a driver, I strongly support the Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103713
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 10:52:02 AM

Sean Emerson | Public Information & Customer Service Manager

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Received: Thu Mar 16 2023 09:52:40 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: As former Chair for Ped Safety, support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 3:20:03 PM

From: Pam Miller <Pam.Miller.610964004@p2a.co>
Sent: Saturday, March 18, 2023 5:04 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I fully support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park we need more green space and the capital
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:54:42 AM

From: Miriam Tavens <Miriam.Tavens.610850091@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:53 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: I fully support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park we need more green space and the capital

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Thank you,
Miriam Tavens
4519 Dorset Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

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From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I fully support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park we need more green space and the capital
CRM:0103748
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:31:36 PM

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From: Miriam Tavens <Miriam.Tavens.610850091@p2a.co>;

Received: Fri Mar 17 2023 11:53:18 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

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Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I live adjacent and support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:23:10 AM

From: Peter Mayer <Peter.Mayer.611072706@p2a.co>
Sent: Sunday, March 19, 2023 8:22 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: I live adjacent and support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park

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I live less than 1,000 yards away from it. Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has been a success. Montgomery Parks reports, “results of multiple traffic studies show that the reconfigured lane set-up reduces cut-through traffic in neighborhoods surrounding Little Falls Parkway, maintains a safe Capital Crescent Trail (CCT) crossing, and safely accommodates vehicle traffic.” And the reconfiguration creates much-appreciated safe recreation space for walkers, rollers, and bicyclists.

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Thank you,
Peter Mayer
6608 Hillandale Rd
Bethesda, MD 20815
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 12:33:02 PM

From: Donald Kosin <Donald.Kosin.611592925@p2a.co>
Sent: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 11:30 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park

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Thank you,
Donald Kosin
4709 Trent Ct
Chevy Chase, MD 20815
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 11:17:46 AM

From: Cynthia Schollard <Cynthia.Schollard.611209713@p2a.co>
Sent: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 4:06 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park

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Thank you,
Cynthia Schollard
4906 Dorset Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

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To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 11:17:37 AM

From: Mario Gobbo <Mario.Gobbo.611214159@p2a.co>
Sent: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 4:07 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 11:15:33 AM

From: Adam Carlesco <Adam.Carlesco.171138829@p2a.co>
Sent: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 11:06 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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Thank you,
Adam Carlesco
10904 Bucknell Dr
Silver Spring, MD 20902
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 3:25:01 PM

From: Leslie Caplan <Leslie.Caplan.610862601@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 1:46 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park

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Thank you,
Leslie Caplan
4706 Essex Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 3:22:55 PM

From: Robin Barr <Robin.Barr.610887857@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 3:20 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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I support next steps, but encourage you to think of the park as a resource for families who use the pool to relax for a few moments sitting around picnic tables and a meeting spot for walkers and cyclists who will walk or cycle the trail as a group.

I also support extending the pilot for six months before a final decision is made. That way it will allow a pool season to see whether the park is used as a resource by that community as well as by people who use the Capital Crescent trail. (It may also calm some of the dissent around the change.)

Lastly think about installing pedestrian/cyclist activated orange warning lights where Little Falls Parkway crosses the trail. Maybe a police officer there at weekends if the park is heavily used by the pool community.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Robin Barr
4706 Essex Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

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From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103747
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:30:22 PM

Sean Emerson | Public Information & Customer Service Manager

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From: Christine Bugos <Christine.Bugos.610841712@p2a.co>;

Received: Fri Mar 17 2023 10:19:56 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

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Thank you,
Christine Bugos
4814 Essex Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103745
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:29:03 PM

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From: Brian Pilot <Brian.Pilot.610764907@p2a.co>;

Received: Fri Mar 17 2023 00:10:51 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

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I also support any additional measures to mitigate speeding on Little Falls Parkway including lower speed limits, speed cameras and speed bumps. There continues to be speeding and late night drag racing, especially where it remains four lanes.

Thank you,
Brian Pilot
5518 Greystone St
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103744
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:28:33 PM

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From: Ava Pilot <Ava.Pilot.610830129@p2a.co>;

Received: Fri Mar 17 2023 08:06:41 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

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Ava Pilot
5518 Greystone St
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Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103743
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:28:10 PM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

I support more green spaces where we can walk, bike, rollerblade, etc. I live close to little falls and use the road frequently. I would rather have the park than more cars! We need to create and protect green spaces in a smart way as the area continues to be developed.

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Thank you,
Rebecca Pilot
5518 Greystone St
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103741
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:26:28 PM

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Received: Fri Mar 17 2023 05:22:56 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

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Kelly Swain
5415 Trent St
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103740
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:24:55 PM

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From: Karen Thomson <Karen.Thomson.610768822@p2a.co>;

Received: Fri Mar 17 2023 01:17:42 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

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From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103735
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:13:19 PM

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From: judy engelberg <judy.engelberg.610839670@p2a.co>;

Received: Fri Mar 17 2023 09:53:30 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

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To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103734
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:12:51 PM

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Received: Thu Mar 16 2023 23:00:20 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

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Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103732
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:11:33 PM

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Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:09:07 PM

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Received: Fri Mar 17 2023 09:56:04 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

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Sandra Zacharia
5529 Warwick Pl
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103725
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:06:42 PM

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Received: Fri Mar 17 2023 08:01:04 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

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Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:24:06 AM

From: Ashley Brookshier <Ashley.Brookshier.389351173@p2a.co>
Sent: Saturday, March 18, 2023 11:33 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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Thank you,
Ashley Brookshier
7515 Carroll Ave
Takoma Park, MD 20912
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:22:58 AM

From: Leah Markowitz <Leah.Markowitz.611074560@p2a.co>
Sent: Sunday, March 19, 2023 9:04 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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Leah Markowitz
5315 Wriley Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:22:46 AM

From: Alex Silverman <Alex.Silverman.600898577@p2a.co>
Sent: Sunday, March 19, 2023 11:42 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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Washington, DC 20007
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:21:47 AM

From: Peter Harnik <Peter.Harnik.158004679@p2a.co>
Sent: Sunday, March 19, 2023 9:10 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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3505 22nd St N
Arlington, VA 22207
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:54:35 AM

From: Joe Gersen <Joe.Gersen.169249793@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:49 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:50:28 AM

From: Patricia Friedman <Patricia.Friedman.168676763@p2a.co>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 11:00 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:49:58 AM

From: Brian Pilot <Brian.Pilot.610764907@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 12:11 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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I also support any additional measures to mitigate speeding on Little Falls Parkway including lower speed limits, speed cameras and speed bumps. There continues to be speeding and late night drag racing, especially where it remains four lanes.

Thank you,
Brian Pilot
5518 Greystone St
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:49:47 AM

From: Karen Thomson <Karen.Thomson.610768822@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 1:18 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:48:43 AM

From: Kelly Swain <Kelly.Swain.610802706@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 5:23 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:48:00 AM

From: Rebecca Pilot <Rebecca.Pilot.610827808@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 7:23 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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I support more green spaces where we can walk, bike, rollerblade, etc. I live close to little falls and use the road frequently. I would rather have the park than more cars! We need to create and protect green spaces in a smart way as the area continues to be developed.

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Thank you,
Rebecca Pilot
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Chevy Chase, MD 20815

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Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:47:49 AM

From: Aaron Levine <Aaron.Levine.610829789@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 8:01 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:47:37 AM

From: Ava Pilot <Ava.Pilot.610830129@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 8:07 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:46:25 AM

From: judy engelberg <judy.engelberg.610839670@p2a.co>
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To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:45:50 AM

From: Sandra Zacharia <Sandra.Zacharia.610839931@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 9:56 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:45:41 AM

From: Christine Bugos <Christine.Bugos.610841712@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 10:20 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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Christine Bugos
4814 Essex Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 1:59:02 PM

From: Margaret OConnell <Margaret.OConnell.610668562@p2a.co>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 1:28 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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Thank you,
Margaret OConnell
7001 Arlington Rd
Bethesda, MD 20814
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From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103722
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 10:57:56 AM

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Received: Wed Mar 15 2023 22:43:40 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

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To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103715
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 10:54:29 AM

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Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103712
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 10:51:39 AM

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Received: Thu Mar 16 2023 01:44:04 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

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From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
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Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103710
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 10:49:53 AM

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From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103708
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 10:48:10 AM

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Received: Wed Mar 15 2023 20:55:00 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

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Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:52:44 AM

From: Alex Din <Alex.Din.548335417@p2a.co>
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To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:52:26 AM

From: James Jalandoni <James.Jalandoni.610636080@p2a.co>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 5:34 AM
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Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:52:21 AM

From: Christine Farley <Christine.Farley.610639104@p2a.co>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 7:04 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:51:35 AM

From: George Flam <George.Flam.610645891@p2a.co>
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From: Josh Linden <Josh.Linden.155431687@p2a.co>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:22 AM
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To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103704
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 4:54:38 PM

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Received: Wed Mar 15 2023 12:11:45 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

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Takoma Park, MD 20912

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Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103702
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 4:51:45 PM

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Received: Wed Mar 15 2023 13:57:53 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

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Cabin John, MD 20818

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 1:58:16 PM

From: Adam Sidel <Adam.Sidel.453174240@p2a.co>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 1:58 PM
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Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 12:51:11 PM

From: Avni Goksel <Avni.Goksel.177981043@p2a.co>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 12:43 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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From: John Gorman <John.Gorman.562600308@p2a.co>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 12:07 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park

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7134 Carroll Ave
Takoma Park, MD 20912
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 3:00:24 PM

From: John Maslin <John.Maslin.611624488@p2a.co>
Sent: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 2:54 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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5214 Little Falls Dr
Bethesda, MD 20816
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway park
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:51:57 AM

From: Monte Fisher <Monte.Fisher.206202639@p2a.co>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 5:27 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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Thank you,
Monte Fisher
12703 Ardennes Ave
Rockville, MD 20851

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support the plan for a Little Falls Parkway park
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:54:29 AM

From: Thomas Thornton <Thomas.Thornton.206196862@p2a.co>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 4:09 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: I support the plan for a Little Falls Parkway park

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Thank you,
Thomas Thornton
4104 East-West Hwy
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

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From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I support the plan for a Little Falls Parkway park CRM:0103706
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 10:47:10 AM

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From: Thomas Thornton <thomas.thornton.206196862@p2a.co>;

Received: Wed Mar 15 2023 16:08:57 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: lane closure and park Dorset to Fairfield
Date: Friday, February 24, 2023 1:10:26 PM

From: Judith Travis <jpctravis@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 20, 2023 10:25 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: lane closure and park Dorset to Fairfield

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I am in favor of lane closing and park building from Dorset to Fairfield, NOT River to Arlington.
Thank you, Judith Travis

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: LFP - In Support of Park/Green Space
Date: Friday, February 24, 2023 2:30:31 PM

From: Colleen Williams <colleenwilliams70@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 22, 2023 12:48 PM
To: MC-LFP <lfp@montgomeryparks.org>; MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: LFP - In Support of Park/Green Space

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Good Afternoon,

I'd like to simply state that I am in support of any and all green and park space that can be added even if that brings traffic down to one road instead of two for a couple blocks. That may even slow vehicles down.

Furthermore, I'd like to emphasize the need for a path of some kind along LFP between River and Mass. Ave. The speed bumps have helped to a small degree (we very much appreciate they were installed!), but I, along with many others, walk/run/bike along that stretch and a path would be hugely helpful.

Gratefully,
Colleen Williams Vyas
Westridge Rd

From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: LFP - support for creation of the linear park! CRM:0103716
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 10:54:30 AM

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From: Jan Kaliba <Jan.Kaliba.610648294@p2a.co>;

Received: Thu Mar 16 2023 09:40:40 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

Subject: LFP - support for creation of the linear park!

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Jan Kaliba
6607 Hillandale Rd
Bethesda, MD 20815

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: LFP - support for creation of the linear park!
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:51:17 AM

From: Jan Kaliba <Jan.Kaliba.610648294@p2a.co>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:41 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: LFP - support for creation of the linear park!

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From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103709
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 10:48:45 AM

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From: David kritz <David.kritz.443910441@p2a.co>;

Received: Wed Mar 15 2023 22:06:16 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

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Thank you,
David kritz
10011 Kensington Pkwy
Kensington, MD 20895

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:52:55 AM

From: David kritz <David.kritz.443910441@p2a.co>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 10:06 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Little Falls Parkway linear park

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway pilot project -- written testimony ahead of Montgomery County Planning Board meeting March 30
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 3:06:29 PM

From: David Muhlbaum <davidmuhlbaum@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 12:45 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Little Falls Parkway pilot project -- written testimony ahead of Montgomery County Planning Board meeting March 30

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Hello,

While I broadly support the initiative for a two-lane Little Falls Parkway and a linear park, the opposition makes a good point about the intersection of the CC&T and the parkway: Having these two routes intersect with the vehicles in a two-lane configuration is (as was done in the pilot project) is problematic for all parties. Having a median was a good thing for trail users and vehicles, providing a safe zone for the peds/cyclists and allowing vehicle traffic to flow through when a part of the crosswalk was safely empty.

Surely you can figure out a way to achieve this effect without going back to four lanes entirely.

David Muhlbaum
5702 Marengo Road
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls parkway project support
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 11:18:23 AM

From: zak elyasi <zelyasi@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 7:11 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Little Falls parkway project support

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Hello my name is Zak Elyasi, and we are residents in the Bradley Hills subdivision. We just wanted to give our support for the Little Falls Parkway project.

There are plenty places to pull off a car to if someone is worried about that, Bethesda pool parking lot, Hillandale street, Arlington road, and Dorset. I do real estate development, and the county has spent thousands of dollars with traffic studies, and consultants to get this project to a more useful use of space. I find it rather insulting when someone who just goes off the way they "feel" without legitimate concerns to make a project not happen. I'm excited that this project happens for me, my neighbors, and children in our neighborhood to enjoy. We are in full support of this project.

Sincerely,

From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Love my morning walks!!! CRM:0103727
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:07:40 PM

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From: Shereen Rubenstein <Shereen.Rubenstein.610837816@p2a.co>;

Received: Fri Mar 17 2023 09:31:36 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

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Thank you,
Shereen Rubenstein
4819 Dorset Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Love my morning walks!!!
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:46:41 AM

From: Shereen Rubenstein <Shereen.Rubenstein.610837816@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 9:32 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Member of Town of Somerset traffic committee but speaking for myself in support of LFP Linear Park
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:45:09 AM

From: Anne Yap <Anne.Yap.610846762@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:18 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Member of Town of Somerset traffic committee but speaking for myself in support of LFP Linear Park

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Chevy Chase, MD 20815

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From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Member of Town of Somerset traffic committee but speaking for myself in support of LFP Linear Park
CRM:0103738
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:17:18 PM

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: More greenway parks on neighborhood roads
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:23:19 AM

From: Eyal Li <Eyal.Li.246994501@p2a.co>
Sent: Sunday, March 19, 2023 3:27 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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7001 Poplar Ave
Takoma Park, MD 20912
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Petition to Support the "road diet" on Little Falls Parkway
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:53:28 AM

From: Sarah Morse <morsekathan@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 8:51 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Petition to Support the "road diet" on Little Falls Parkway

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I am writing in support of the road diet for Little Falls Parkway. I love the slower traffic, the quieter street and the safer intersections. I live at the intersection of Dorset and Little Falls Parkway, so I am very aware of the effects of traffic and the road diet. It has been nothing but positive from my house at 4920 Dorset Ave. One thing that I have not seen referenced is that the road diet has made crossing Little Falls Parkway at Dorset much easier. There are no longer four lanes of traffic to navigate. Having been hit by a car that ran the stop sign in front of my house, I am now super careful to make sure every car stops before I cross any street. That is so much easier now that there are only two lanes! And of course, with the Capital Crescent Trail on the other side of Dorset, the crossing at Little Falls is popular with people living in Somerset.

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4920 Dorset Ave
Chevy Chase Md

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Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 10:47:43 AM

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Subject: FW: Please build a Little Falls Parkway linear park!
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 3:06:53 PM

From: Jonathan Ladd <Jonathan.Ladd.610569643@p2a.co>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 2:59 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Please build a Little Falls Parkway linear park!

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Thank you,
Jonathan Ladd
6652 Hillandale Rd
Bethesda, MD 20815
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From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Please build a Little Falls Parkway linear park! CRM:0103705
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 4:55:01 PM

Sean Emerson | Public Information & Customer Service Manager

Montgomery Parks | The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission

Office: 301-495-2493

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From: Jonathan Ladd <Jonathan.Ladd.610569643@p2a.co>;

Received: Wed Mar 15 2023 14:59:25 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

Subject: Please build a Little Falls Parkway linear park!

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Bethesda, MD 20815

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: please build the Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:53:00 AM

From: Neal Donahue <Neal.Donahue.610615380@p2a.co>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 9:57 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: please build the Little Falls Parkway linear park

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Thank you,
Neal Donahue
6513 Wilmett Rd
Bethesda, MD 20817
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From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: please build the Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103719
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 10:56:13 AM

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From: Neal Donahue <Neal.Donahue.610615380@p2a.co>;

Received: Wed Mar 15 2023 21:57:22 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

Subject: please build the Little Falls Parkway linear park

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Neal Donahue
6513 Wilmet Rd
Bethesda, MD 20817

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Please make the Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:48:17 AM

From: Amy Wrona <Amy.Wrona.610826133@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 6:42 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Please make the Little Falls Parkway linear park

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

My family and I wholeheartedly support a park on LFP. We would actually like to see safe bike jumps made to the side of the park for children to enjoy as well. The Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has been a success. Montgomery Parks reports, “results of multiple traffic studies show that the reconfigured lane set-up reduces cut-through traffic in neighborhoods surrounding Little Falls Parkway, maintains a safe Capital Crescent Trail (CCT) crossing, and safely accommodates vehicle traffic.” And the reconfiguration creates much-appreciated safe recreation space for walkers, rollers, and bicyclists.

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Thank you,
Amy Wrona
4816 Grantham Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Support for the Road Diet on Little Falls
Date: Monday, February 27, 2023 1:41:24 PM

From: Sarah Morse <morsekathan@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 25, 2023 6:32 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Support for the Road Diet on Little Falls

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Hi,

I was just asked to sign a petition asking for a delay on the Montgomery County Planning Board hearing for the Little Falls Road diet. Instead, I am asking for the meeting to go forward as planned and to voice my support for the road diet and park. I was very impressed with the traffic study presented on Feb. 15. Additionally, from my residence near the corner of Little Falls and Dorset, I have not seen a worrisome increase in traffic - either on the parkway or on Dorset Avenue.

I was ambivalent to the park when it was first proposed, but have grown to love it. It makes my walk to downtown Bethesda doable. But mostly, my thinking has changed on traffic. I have lived here for 35 years and there has never been a day that people haven't complained about the traffic and tried all different ways to calm or slow or keep people from cutting through. I, myself, fought to have a stop sign installed on Dorset to slow people down. But now it's 20 years later and we are still discussing the traffic problem, leading me to conclude that it's a no-win. There is going to be traffic until people get out of their cars. And Parks did a good job of showing that the traffic has actually stayed about the same.

Why I support the road diet is because it provides a new park, an excellent trade-off in my mind. A new park should be celebrated NOT complained about. People in this part of the county are constantly advocating for more green spaces; when

Westbard redevelopment was being negotiated, green space was one of the most common demands - the Green square, the Springfield park, the new Willett Branch Park. More green space was a common theme in comments and testimony. With this road diet - a park being handed to us.

When has that ever happened before?

Please do not delay the hearings and let's get this park built. Parks has bent backwards to inform the public about their plans and get input. I, personally, have attended two or three meetings and filled out countless surveys. More delays just mean more time without a new park. Bethesda is getting denser and denser, backyards are getting smaller and smaller. People need this space.

Thank you for your time on this.

Sarah Morse
4920 Dorset Ave
Chevy Chase, MD

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Sarah Morse

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Support of Little Falls Parkway road diet
Date: Friday, February 24, 2023 12:51:00 PM

From: Jane Padelford Gomes <j.padelford@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 19, 2023 4:29 PM
To: MC-LFP <lfp@montgomeryparks.org>; MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Support of Little Falls Parkway road diet

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I wanted to express my full support for the Little Falls Parkway road diet. I appreciate the increased safety that is evident when crossing the parkway along the Capital Crescent Trail. I remember riding the CCT trail with Dr. Ned Gaylin until he was struck and killed by a vehicle in 2016 at the CCT/LFP intersection. I appreciate all the county is doing to improve safety for cyclists and pedestrians.

Best,
Jane Gomes
Registered Landscape Architect
Bethesda, Md

From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: We need more parks!! CRM:0103711
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 10:51:00 AM

Sean Emerson | Public Information & Customer Service Manager

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From: ramon estopina <ramon.estopina.610640959@p2a.co>;

Received: Thu Mar 16 2023 07:43:10 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

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Thank you,
ramon estopina
4808 Moorland Ln
Bethesda, MD 20814

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: We need more parks!!
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:51:47 AM

From: ramon estopina <ramon.estopina.610640959@p2a.co>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 7:43 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: We need more parks!!

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Would love a linear park on Little Falls--we need more parks like this
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:48:28 AM

From: Philip Young <Philip.Young.454589825@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 6:09 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Would love a linear park on Little Falls--we need more parks like this

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Thank you,
Philip Young
5505 Greystone St
Chevy Chase, MD 20815
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From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Would love a linear park on Little Falls--we need more parks like this CRM:0103729
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:08:31 PM

Sean Emerson | Public Information & Customer Service Manager

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Received: Fri Mar 17 2023 06:09:01 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

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Philip Young
5505 Greystone St
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Yes to Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 12:28:37 PM

From: Neil Gregory <Neil.Gregory.611585815@p2a.co>
Sent: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 10:32 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Yes to Little Falls Parkway linear park

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

I support making the Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration permanent. When I'm driving, it does not inconvenience me. When I'm cycling or running, it is much safer crossing the Parkway, and nice to have dedicated space to cycle/run on.

I support creating a "linear park" in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, and a permanent biker/hiker lane.

Thank you,
Neil Gregory
5204 Wilson Ln
Bethesda, MD 20814

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: YES to the Little Falls Parkway Pilot
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 11:15:00 AM

From: Karen Thornton <Karen.Thornton.607378766@p2a.co>
Sent: Monday, March 6, 2023 10:21 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: YES to the Little Falls Parkway Pilot

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Thank you,
Karen Thornton
5005 Allan Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Michael J. Buening](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Great LFP presentation
Date: Friday, February 17, 2023 3:25:39 PM

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I enjoyed your recorded presentation from the 2/15 meeting. It's a well-conceived plan, and I support it.

Mike Buening
Allan Rd.

From: [Sarah Morse](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Great meeting, and I support the road diet and park proposal
Date: Friday, February 17, 2023 8:20:58 PM

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Hi,

I was so impressed by the meeting on Feb. 15 and the thorough analysis of the traffic situation. I live right at Dorset and Little Falls and your data confirms what I had been seeing - no increase in cut through traffic into Somerset from the road diet.

I personally love walking on the closed lanes and it's made it possible for me to walk to the Safeway in only 17 minutes. Total game changer for me. I walk there now instead of driving.

My recommendation is that you put a crosswalk to the closed lanes from the Hillandale intersection. I'm not really sure that everyone knows that the lanes are open for walking and a crosswalk there and signage would help. I walked with a friend the other day, and she didn't know. She was kind of freaked out when I turned to walk on the road.

Good work and thank you for this innovation.

Sarah Morse
4920 Dorset Ave
Chevy Chase, MD

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From: [S. Chameides](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Green light for Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 10:12:54 AM

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Thank you,
S. Chameides
6704 Bonaventure Ct
Bethesda, MD 20817

From: [Helen naber](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I can't wait for a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 10:28:55 AM

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Thank you,
Helen naber
4614 Harrison St
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Lee Ohringer](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I DO NOT (DO NOT) support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 4:10:07 PM

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Thank you,
Lee Ohringer
Little Falls Pkwy
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Reuben Snipper](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I enthusiastically support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 9:04:13 AM

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Thank you,
Reuben Snipper
705 Erie Ave
Takoma Park, MD 20912

From: [Miriam Tavens](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I fully support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park we need more green space and the capital
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:53:18 AM

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Thank you,
Miriam Tavens
4519 Dorset Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Peter Mayer](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I live adjacent and support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Sunday, March 19, 2023 8:21:53 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

I live less than 1,000 yards away from it. Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has been a success. Montgomery Parks reports, “results of multiple traffic studies show that the reconfigured lane set-up reduces cut-through traffic in neighborhoods surrounding Little Falls Parkway, maintains a safe Capital Crescent Trail (CCT) crossing, and safely accommodates vehicle traffic.” And the reconfiguration creates much-appreciated safe recreation space for walkers, rollers, and bicyclists.

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Thank you,
Peter Mayer
6608 Hillandale Rd
Bethesda, MD 20815

From: [Alison Gillespie](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Cc: [Glass's Office, Councilmember](#); [Councilmember Jawando](#); [Councilmember Albornoz](#);
[Councilmember.Sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov](#)
Subject: I support a road diet and new park at Little Falls!
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 8:42:24 AM

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I am writing to say thank you for a great and informative meeting last night.

I wanted to also say that I support a road diet for Little Falls Parkway because I think it has made driving and riding my bike safer there.

I also think the idea for a new park here is GREAT! I love it!

Thanks for your time and attention.

Alison Gillespie

From: [Katherine Vanderhook-Gomez](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Thursday, March 23, 2023 7:02:26 AM

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Thank you,
Katherine Vanderhook-Gomez
5329 Allandale Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Anabell Iglesias](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 9:05:02 PM

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Thank you,
Anabell Iglesias
4912 Redford Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Jocelyn Guyer](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 8:28:34 PM

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Thank you,
Jocelyn Guyer
5144 Newport Ave
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Mariya Kravkova](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 7:19:05 PM

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Mariya Kravkova
5009 Earlston Dr
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Deborah Solomon](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 6:53:31 PM

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Thank you,
Deborah Solomon
4909 Glen Cove Pkwy
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Ben Pekkanen](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 5:24:51 PM

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Thank you,
Ben Pekkanen
5101 Newport Ave
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Melanie ferguson](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Thank you,
Melanie ferguson
5105 Allan Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Kate McCarthy](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Additionally, I urge you to create a safe way to walk along Little Falls Parkway between River Road and Massachusetts Avenue. I regularly (multiple times a week) walk my dog from the park behind Westbrook Primary School to the trail head on Massachusetts Avenue and it often feels dangerous. I know many others also walk along that road.

Thank you.

Thank you,
Kate McCarthy
5127 Newport Ave
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Pedro Neto](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 5:16:03 PM

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Thank you,
Pedro Neto
23 Logan Cir NW
Washington, DC 20005

From: [John Maslin](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Thank you,
John Maslin
5214 Little Falls Dr
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Donald Kosin](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Thank you,
Donald Kosin
4709 Trent Ct
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Adam Carlesco](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 11:06:32 AM

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Thank you,
Adam Carlesco
10904 Bucknell Dr
Silver Spring, MD 20902

From: [Mario Gobbo](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 4:07:25 AM

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Thank you,
Mario Gobbo
4906 Dorset Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Cynthia Schollard](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Thank you,
Cynthia Schollard
4906 Dorset Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Peter Harnik](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Sunday, March 19, 2023 9:10:03 PM

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Thank you,
Peter Harnik
3505 22nd St N
Arlington, VA 22207

From: [Alex Silverman](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Sunday, March 19, 2023 11:42:20 AM

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Thank you,
Alex Silverman
4016 Benton St NW
Washington, DC 20007

From: [Leah Markowitz](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Thank you,
Leah Markowitz
5315 Wriley Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Ashley Brookshier](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Saturday, March 18, 2023 11:33:37 AM

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Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Ashley Brookshier
7515 Carroll Ave
Takoma Park, MD 20912

From: [Robin Barr](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 3:20:17 PM

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I support next steps, but encourage you to think of the park as a resource for families who use the pool to relax for a few moments sitting around picnic tables and a meeting spot for walkers and cyclists who will walk or cycle the trail as a group.

I also support extending the pilot for six months before a final decision is made. That way it will allow a pool season to see whether the park is used as a resource by that community as well as by people who use the Capital Crescent trail. (It may also calm some of the dissent around the change.)

Lastly think about installing pedestrian/cyclist activated orange warning lights where Little Falls Parkway crosses the trail. Maybe a police officer there at weekends if the park is heavily used by the pool community.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Robin Barr
4706 Essex Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Leslie Caplan](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Thank you,
Leslie Caplan
4706 Essex Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Joe Gersen](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Joe Gersen
6712 Brigadoon Dr
Bethesda, MD 20817

From: [Christine Bugos](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Thank you,
Christine Bugos
4814 Essex Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Sandra Zacharia](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter. I’m very excited about this project!

Thank you,
Sandra Zacharia
5529 Warwick Pl
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [judy engelberg](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Thank you,
judy engelberg
4813 Grantham Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Ava Pilot](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Ava Pilot
5518 Greystone St
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Aaron Levine](#)
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Thank you,
Aaron Levine
4921 Cumberland Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Rebecca Pilot](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 7:22:42 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

I support more green spaces where we can walk, bike, rollerblade, etc. I live close to little falls and use the road frequently. I would rather have the park than more cars! We need to create and protect green spaces in a smart way as the area continues to be developed.

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Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Rebecca Pilot
5518 Greystone St
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Kelly Swain](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
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Thank you,
Kelly Swain
5415 Trent St
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Karen Thomson](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
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Thank you,
Karen Thomson
4913 Falstone Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Brian Pilot](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
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Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

I also support any additional measures to mitigate speeding on Little Falls Parkway including lower speed limits, speed cameras and speed bumps. There continues to be speeding and late night drag racing, especially where it remains four lanes.

Thank you,
Brian Pilot
5518 Greystone St
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Patricia Friedman](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Thank you,
Patricia Friedman
4811 Grantham Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Margaret OConnell](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Thank you,
Margaret OConnell
7001 Arlington Rd
Bethesda, MD 20814

From: [Josh Linden](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Thank you,
Josh Linden
4702 Rosedale Ave
Bethesda, MD 20814

From: [George Flam](#)
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Thank you,
George Flam
4805 Chevy Chase Dr
Bethesda, MD 20815

From: [Christine Farley](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Thank you,
Christine Farley
4814 Grantham Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [James Jalandoni](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Thank you,
James Jalandoni
4710 Elm St
Bethesda, MD 20814

From: [Julia Moffat](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 1:44:06 AM

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Thank you,
Julia Moffat
4900 Moorland Ln
Bethesda, MD 20810

From: [Alex Din](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 10:43:37 PM

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Thank you,
Alex Din
2533 Little Vista Terrace
Olney, MD 20832

From: [Olivier Elias](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 8:54:56 PM

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Thank you,
Olivier Elias
4924 Bradley Blvd
Bethesda, MD 20815

From: [Ted Martin](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 5:39:20 PM

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Thank you,
Ted Martin
1812 Cody Dr
Silver Spring, MD 20902

From: [Adam Sidel](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 1:57:55 PM

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Thank you,
Adam Sidel
8001 Spring Rd
Cabin John, MD 20818

From: [Thomas Perkins](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 12:50:06 PM

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Thank you,
Thomas Perkins
6809 Allegheny Ave
Takoma Park, MD 20912

From: [Avni Goksel](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park. Thank you Montgomery Parks
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 12:42:58 PM

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Thank you,
Avni Goksel
4704 Crescent St
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Steven Friedman](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 12:11:39 PM

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I support next steps, in particular, creating a “linear park” in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, to be accessible to park users seven days a week.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Steven Friedman
4908 Essex Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [John Gorman](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Thank you,
John Gorman
7134 Carroll Ave
Takoma Park, MD 20912

From: [Jim Kohlenberger](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 10:47:15 AM

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Thank you,
Jim Kohlenberger
5441 Alta Vista Rd
Bethesda, MD 20814

From: [Oscar Vazquez](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 9:55:58 AM

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Thank you,
Oscar Vazquez
6134 Lux Ln
Rockville, MD 20852

From: [olivier delacour](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 9:52:15 AM

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Thank you,
olivier delacour
5204 Carlton St
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Ryan Knight](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 9:43:25 AM

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Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Ryan Knight
8913 Battery Pl
Bethesda, MD 20814

From: [Merlin Hughes](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park!
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 9:35:48 AM

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Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Merlin Hughes
7410 Maple Ave
Takoma Park, MD 20912

From: [Paul Daisey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park: more green, less CO2
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 9:34:14 AM

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As the past (second) treasurer for the Coalition for the Capital Crescent Trail, I think this is an important safe trail connection to make.

I support next steps, in particular, creating a “linear park” in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, to be accessible to park users seven days a week.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Paul Daisey
13910 Overton Ln
Colesville, MD 20904

From: [Robert Wald](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 9:29:27 AM

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Thank you,
Robert Wald
1729 Dublin Dr
Silver Spring, MD 20902

From: [David Beaudet](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 8:53:25 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

While the Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has arguably been a success, I would strongly suggest erecting stop signs along Little Falls Pkwy where the crescent trail crosses to ensure that bicycles have the right of way and vehicles are required to stop when pedestrians or bicycles are present in the crosswalk or about to cross. While there might not have been recent accidents in the near past, it's only a matter of time before a crescent trail user is badly hurt or killed at that intersection as not all vehicles stop while others do. This is not an uncommon behavior by motorists but the dangers of that inconsistent behavior towards crosswalks is significantly compounded at intersections where trails cross roadways.

While I am pleased that Montgomery Parks reports, “results of multiple traffic studies show that the reconfigured lane set-up reduces cut-through traffic in neighborhoods surrounding Little Falls Parkway, maintains a safe Capital Crescent Trail (CCT) crossing, and safely accommodates vehicle traffic”, as someone who crosses that intersection 6 times per week on a bicycle, I take issue with the statement that the crossing is "safe" - it needs to be safer and a stop sign for vehicles will accomplish that. Many vehicles stop already for bicycles and pedestrians, so erecting a stop sign is a natural next step.

The reconfiguration of the additional 2 lanes of traffic creates much-appreciated safe recreation space for walkers, rollers, and bicyclists who live in the Bethesda area, so that's great.

I support next steps, in particular, creating a “linear park” in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, to be accessible to park users seven days a week, but most importantly, we need vehicles to understand that they should yield to bicycles and pedestrians at these crossings and a stop sign will accomplish that.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
David Beaudet
3506 Farragut Ave
Kensington, MD 20895

From: [Zachary Weinstein](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 8:52:26 AM

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Thank you,
Zachary Weinstein
1150 Ripley St
Silver Spring, MD 20910

From: [Thomas Carty](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 8:51:50 AM

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Thank you,
Thomas Carty
2701 Hume Dr
Silver Spring, MD 20910

From: [Don Cuming](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Thank you,
Don Cuming
7814 Stratford Rd
Bethesda, MD 20814

From: [Andrea Cimino](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Thank you,
Andrea Cimino
3913 Hampden St
Kensington, MD 20895

From: [Corey Keifetz](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 8:19:20 AM

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Thank you,
Corey Keifetz
112 Bleeker Pl
Gaithersburg, MD 20878

From: [Amy Power](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Thank you,
Amy Power
5507 Uppingham St
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Ozerk Aslan](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Thank you,
Ozerk Aslan
7005 Whittier Blvd
Bethesda, MD 20817

From: [Ben Wood](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 4:15:36 PM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

As a runner and a parent, I'm enjoying the Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration. I fully support the current work and I hope we continue to expand this work in the future.

Thank you,
Ben Wood
5313 Yorktown Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Seth Grimes](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 3:02:08 PM

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Thank you,
Seth Grimes
7300 Willow Ave
Takoma Park, MD 20912

From: [Victoria Pickering](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 2:34:25 PM

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Thank you,
Victoria Pickering
5007 Earlston Dr
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Lucy Voorhees](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
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Thank you,
Lucy Voorhees
5308 Wakefield Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Amy Reichert](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 1:16:33 PM

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Thank you,
Amy Reichert
5211 Worthington Dr
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Daniel Dozier](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 1:15:22 PM

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Thank you,
Daniel Dozier
4550 N Park Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Nicholas Silverman](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 1:09:55 PM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter. I also support turning the stretch of Little Falls Parkway between Massachusetts Ave. and River Rd. into a permanent pedestrian/bike only road once Westbard re-opens this fall. There is no reason for that cut-through to exist and residents would benefit from a park.

Thank you,
Nicholas Silverman
5318 Yorktown Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Jesse Gordon](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 11:01:17 AM

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I support next steps, in particular, creating a “linear park” in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, to be accessible to park users seven days a week.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Jesse Gordon
5210 Ventnor Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Korin Arkin](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 10:52:52 AM

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Thank you,
Korin Arkin
4920 Western Ave
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Kristina Zissis](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 10:43:07 AM

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Thank you,
Kristina Zissis
4811 Park Ave
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [John Drake](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 10:40:27 AM

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Thank you,
John Drake
5210 Little Falls Dr
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Monica Velasquez](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 10:28:44 AM

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Thank you,
Monica Velasquez
5313 Yorktown Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Ryan Fogle](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 10:28:14 AM

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Thank you,
Ryan Fogle
4700 Crescent St
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Patricia Fogle](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 10:14:12 AM

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Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Patricia Fogle
4700 Crescent St
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Ed Valado](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 10:07:14 AM

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Thank you,
Ed Valado
5002 Glen Cove Pkwy
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Allie Anindita](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I SUPPORT creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 10:18:07 PM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

Thank you for what you have done so far.

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I support next steps, in particular, creating a “linear park” in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, to be accessible to park users seven days a week.

Frankly, NIMBYs are out in full force. You will have probably received many emails reporting a strong opposition. But please know that I and others are indeed Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporters.

Thank you,
Allie Anindita
4920 Westway Dr
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Cynthia Cox](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Thursday, March 23, 2023 9:25:39 AM

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Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Cynthia Cox
5200 Ventnor Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Monte Fisher](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support creating a Little Falls Parkway park
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 5:26:39 PM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has been a success. I support next steps, in particular, creating a park in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, to be accessible to park users seven days a week.

I am a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter!

Thank you,
Monte Fisher
12703 Ardennes Ave
Rockville, MD 20851

From: [Charles Schwieters](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support the Little Falls road diet
Date: Friday, February 17, 2023 5:40:36 PM

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Hello--

I support the plan to retain the road diet for Little Falls Parkway. The volume of bicycle and pedestrian traffic on the Capital Crescent Trail is too large for four lanes of road traffic to be crossing.

thank you--
Charles Schwieters (Rockville, MD)

From: [Thomas Thornton](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I support the plan for a Little Falls Parkway park
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 4:08:57 PM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

I commute to by bike to work along the capital crescent trail, and prior to the new traffic pattern crossing the four lanes was one of the most dangerous parts of the trip.

We have given up so much space in this county to the motor car, I think that taking a little tiny bit back to make the “linear park” in what used to be part of the road is a step in the right direction, and will provide a useful amenity for the local population.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Thomas Thornton
4104 East-West Hwy
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Simon Carr](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: In Favor of the Changes to Little Falls Traffic - Please Keep
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 2:04:33 PM

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Thank you,
Simon Carr
4922 Westway Dr
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Erika Gardner](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Cc: Friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; Sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov
Subject: In support of LFP Road Diet
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 11:15:06 PM

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Dear LFP Committee,

Me and my husband are homeowners in Bethesda and we own a bike shop in Woodmont Triangle. We are in full support of the proposed road diet along Little Falls Parkway. This community needs more space for people to recreate. Especially since there are two high-rises currently under construction around downtown Bethesda. As we are projected to gain more residents over the next few years, there will be an increase in traffic deaths if we do not do something about it now. By reducing the flow of traffic and speed in this zone, I am hopeful that we will see a decrease in emergency medical services at this intersection. In addition to the hundreds of new residents projected to move here, these people will need access to open-spaces to recreate. Everyone should have the opportunity to open outdoor spaces. As homeowners, we realize that people who live in apartments and condos are not always afforded the luxury of their own green space. The new parkway plans will give the community a better place to gather with friends and family from near and far. We fully support the road diet and all other modifications along Little Falls Parkway.

Thank you for your time,

Erika Gardner
Terrapin Bicycles

From: [Emma Hersh](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: In SUPPORT of the Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 9:56:32 PM

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Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Emma Hersh
4909 Crescent St
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Brian Hunt](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: In support of the Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 10:13:14 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

The Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has been a success, and Montgomery County should continue it indefinitely. Montgomery Parks reports, “results of multiple traffic studies show that the reconfigured lane set-up reduces cut-through traffic in neighborhoods surrounding Little Falls Parkway, maintains a safe Capital Crescent Trail (CCT) crossing, and safely accommodates vehicle traffic.” And the reconfiguration creates much-appreciated safe recreation space for walkers, rollers, and bicyclists.

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Thank you,
Brian Hunt
4911 Redford Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Frederic Smoak](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Keep Little Falls Extension Safe
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 9:22:36 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

The changes to Little Falls extension have been interesting and productive. As a frequent user of the CCT, I appreciate a safe crossing.

Having a community gathering place on the newly available space will add a significant amenity to our neighborhood.

Thank you,
Frederic Smoak
5409 Duvall Dr
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Victoria Tillson](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Let's create a park along Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 10:06:11 AM

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Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Victoria Tillson
5019 Newport Ave
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Colleen Williams](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#); [MCP-Chair](#)
Subject: LFP - In Support of Park/Green Space
Date: Wednesday, February 22, 2023 12:48:29 PM

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Good Afternoon,

I'd like to simply state that I am in support of any and all green and park space that can be added even if that brings traffic down to one road instead of two for a couple blocks. That may even slow vehicles down.

Furthermore, I'd like to emphasize the need for a path of some kind along LFP between River and Mass. Ave. The speed bumps have helped to a small degree (we very much appreciate they were installed!), but I, along with many others, walk/run/bike along that stretch and a path would be hugely helpful.

Gratefully,
Colleen Williams Vyas
Westridge Rd

From: [Jan Kaliba](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: LFP - support for creation of the linear park!
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:40:39 AM

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Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Jan Kaliba
6607 Hillandale Rd
Bethesda, MD 20815

From: [Steve Friedman](#)
To: [MC-LFP; tuckermanlane@montgomerycountymd.gov](#)
Cc: [Friedson's Office, Councilmember; Councilmember.Glass@montgomerycountymd.gov;](#)
[Councilmember.Jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov;](#)
[Councilmember.Sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov](#)
Subject: LFP and Tuckerman Lane road diet projects
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 10:54:10 AM

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Dear all,

While I was unable to attend yesterday's Tuckerman Lane meeting, I did attend the LFP meeting last night. I'd like to briefly extend my support for these projects (as well as the Old Georgetown Road bike lanes) as road diets and improved infrastructure for cyclists as well as improving sidewalks where needed for pedestrians/runners is very much needed in these immediate areas.

I live in Somerset and a few houses from the end of my street which abuts LFP just across the street from Washington Episcopal School. I walk and use the linear park on LFP daily. While I realize that Parks has not done any substantial reengineering yet aside from the lane closures, I find this a very pleasant stretch to walk my dog, walk with my daughter, watch her rollerblade and enjoy this little oasis. I look forward to further changes to support this effort. I have also been keeping an eye on the traffic flow both as a pedestrian on this stretch and as a cyclist to see if the closures have resulted in any substantial delays or issues for any road or trail user. To date, only motorists who fail to stop when a trail user queues up at the crossing have generated any issues here. I rode through here just this morning and am grateful that the tide continues to turn away from being a car-centric community and that local government is helping to lead the way.

I also support the Tuckerman Lane road diet. I use the Bethesda Trolley Trail when commuting to work or will ride on Tuckerman when out enjoying the day and the road diet is needed to help ensure that trail users can cross safely as I've seen motorists ignore the pedestrian generated signal there.

Thanks for you ongoing support and action to help improve the trails and roads so that those that travel outside of a car can feel safer when trying to get around by foot or by bike!

Steve Friedman
Essex Ave
Chevy Chase

Share the Road! Look out for Pedestrians and Bicyclists

From: [Andrew Hyde](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Cc: Councilmember.Friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; [Councilmember Evan Glass](#)
Subject: LFP Discussion
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 10:28:09 AM

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Dear MoCo Parks,

Thank you for an informative and thorough discussion last night. It helped reinforce my support for this project and the need to change this road to be safer for all users. I see no need for a four-lane road even if it adds a few minutes to my car journey - it is a PARK after all!! The existing two lane configuration between Massachusetts Avenue and River Road that has been there for sixty years has sufficed (even in spite of the Westbard construction spillover).

I hope you and our elected representatives will be able to stand up to the NIMBY crowd who seem to think they have a special claim on this real estate.

Sincerely,

Andrew Hyde
4826 Fort Sumner Dr
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Alison Gillespie](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Cc: [Glass's Office, Councilmember](#); [Councilmember Jawando](#); [Councilmember Albornoz](#); [Councilmember.Sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway -- I support the new linear park and traffic changes
Date: Saturday, February 18, 2023 9:18:50 AM

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I am writing to say that I support the changes to Little Falls Parkway, because I see that it has become safer for all users.

Little Falls was always way overbuilt. It never matched any of the other roads in any other parks, and I always thought that the two banks of double lanes was a huge land use waste. It all seemed to be designed for cars and not for people.

Increasingly through the years, I found myself avoiding driving here in the past because the road configuration made it a speedway for pleasure drivers in expensive SUVs and race cars. I often was tailgated here by aggressive drivers who wanted me to speed along, and would pass me doing at least 70 MPH. This is not so with the new configuration. I actually feel like I can drive here again without stress.

I think that getting rid of some of the road to provide more park space is great -- especially as more and more people move to Bethesda to live in multifamily buildings. And I also think that having more people live in Bethesda and generally live near transit is a GOOD idea and one we should support. But as we build up we need to remember to provide healthy open space for recreation and this does the job well. And I know that this project is a VERY inexpensive and cost effective way to get a new park.

I also now enjoy biking here so much more than I ever did before. I am a relatively new and inexperienced bike rider, and depend heavily on amenities like the Trolley Trail and the CCT. Both get crowded though, and having space for more recreation will relieve some of the congestion, especially on the CCT.

My only complaint is that you should have it go all the way to Mass Avenue.

Thanks to everyone at Parks for this project and for their hard work. I applaud the creativity and the willingness to try new things.

County roads and parks are amenities for all. They do not just belong to those who live closest. Thanks for your time and consideration.

Alison Gillespie
Brisbane Court
Silver Spring

From: [Shomik Mehndiratta](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Cc: Councilmember.Friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov
Subject: Little Falls Parkway - making the road safer and usable by all users - particularly cyclists
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 1:36:04 PM

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Dear Sir/Mam

I wanted to note that I support this project and support changing this road to be safer for all users, especially those on bikes and those who walk.

Shomik Mehndiratta
6003 Madawaska Road
Bethesda MD 20816

From: [Nicolas Kotschoubey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Cc: [Action Committee for Transit](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway & Tuckerman Lane
Date: Tuesday, February 21, 2023 4:19:58 PM

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Dear Councilmember,

I am an advocate for biking, walking and running.

Studies concluded that Little Falls Parkway functions well with just two lanes for vehicles. I look forward to the next phase of the project, when activities and furnishings will be added to the park including seating, tables, games, and events.

As a member of the Action Committee for Transit (ACT) and a Montgomery County resident, I ask you to support the road diet projects on Little Falls Parkway and Tuckerman Lane. Far too often, pedestrians, bicyclists, bus riders, and others are hit and even killed, including on these two roads specifically. I support these changes to Little Falls Parkway and Tuckerman Lane so that these roads are safer for all users, including those on bikes and those who walk.

The number of pedestrians and bicyclists killed each year in Maryland has increased by 46% since 2012. A Montgomery County where it is easier to travel and more pleasant to live—a county built for people and not for automobiles—is what we should strive for as a community.

Thank you,

Nicolas Kotschoubey
Bethesda, MD
n.kotsch@ix.netcom.com

From: [Susanna Parker](#)
To: tuckermanlane@montgomerycountymd.gov; [MC-LFP](#); county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov
Subject: Little Falls Parkway & Tuckerman Lane
Date: Tuesday, February 21, 2023 11:24:47 AM

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As a member of the Action Committee for Transit (ACT) and a Montgomery County resident, I ask you to support the road diet projects on Little Falls Parkway and Tuckerman Lane. Far too often, pedestrians, bicyclists, bus riders, and others are hit and even killed, including on these two roads specifically. I support these changes to Little Falls Parkway and Tuckerman Lane so that these roads are safer for all users, including those on bikes and those who walk.

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Thank you,

Susanna Parker

Silver Spring, MD

From: [Sanjida Rangwala](#)
To: tuckermanlane@montgomerycountymd.gov; [MC-LFP](#); county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov
Subject: Little Falls Parkway & Tuckerman Lane
Date: Tuesday, February 21, 2023 8:33:02 AM

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Dear Montgomery County officials,

I'm writing today to ask that you to support the two planned road diet projects on Little Falls Parkway and Tuckerman Lane. WE need to allocate space for our residents to commute and recreate on foot and bike. I support these changes to Little Falls Parkway and Tuckerman Lane so that these roads are safer for all users, including those of us who bike, walk, or take a bus.

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Thank you,

Sanjida Rangwala

Silver Spring, MD

From: [Jonathan Robinson](#)
To: tuckermanlane@montgomerycountymd.gov; [MC-LFP](#); county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov
Subject: Little Falls Parkway & Tuckerman Lane
Date: Monday, February 20, 2023 8:20:13 PM

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Thank you,

Jonathan Robinson

Rockville, MD

From: [Graham Reid](#)
To: tuckermanlane@montgomerycountymd.gov; [MC-LFP](#); county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov
Subject: Little Falls Parkway & Tuckerman Lane
Date: Monday, February 20, 2023 7:03:14 PM

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Thank you,

Graham Reid

1320 Fenwick Ln #404

Silver Spring MD

From: [Hal Ginsberg](#)
To: tuckermanlane@montgomerycountymd.gov; [MC-LFP](#); county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov
Subject: Little Falls Parkway & Tuckerman Lane
Date: Monday, February 20, 2023 6:28:50 PM

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To the Montgomery County Council and Associations:

I am a member of the Action Committee for Transit (ACT), a Montgomery County resident, a bicyclist, walker, and frequent bus rider.

Please support the road diet projects on Little Falls Parkway and Tuckerman Lane. Far too often, pedestrians, bicyclists, bus riders, and others are hit and even killed, including on these two roads specifically. I support these changes to Little Falls Parkway and Tuckerman Lane so that these roads are safer for all users, including those on bikes and those who walk.

The number of pedestrians and bicyclists killed each year in Maryland has increased by 46% since 2012. A Montgomery County where it is easier to travel and more pleasant to live—a county built for people and not for automobiles—is what we should strive for as a community.

Thank you,

Hal Ginsberg
Kensington, MD
240-283-7262

From: [James Wang](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway & Tuckerman Lane
Date: Monday, February 20, 2023 6:11:52 PM

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Hello,

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Thank you,

James S. Wang

Takoma Park, MD

From: [Tim Goodfellow](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway & Tuckerman Lane
Date: Tuesday, February 21, 2023 7:11:51 PM

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Dear Sir or Madame:

As a member of the Action Committee for Transit (ACT) and a Montgomery County resident, I ask you to support the road diet projects on Little Falls Parkway and Tuckerman Lane. Far too often, pedestrians, bicyclists, bus riders, and others are hit and even killed, including on these two roads specifically. I support these changes to Little Falls Parkway and Tuckerman Lane so that these roads are safer for all users, including those on bikes and those who walk.

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Thank you,

Tim Goodfellow
18520 Boysenberry Drive, #234
Gaithersburg, Maryland 20879
monocacyriver@yahoo.com

From: [Jim Kohlenberger](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, February 20, 2023 8:08:03 PM

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As a Montgomery County resident, I am writing to I ask you to support the road diet projects on Little Falls Parkway. We need safe streets for everyone, but far too often, pedestrians, bicyclists, bus riders, and others are hit and even killed, including on Little Falls and Tuckerman specifically. I support the road diet changes to Little Falls Parkway so that these roads are safer for all users, including those on bikes and those who walk.

The number of pedestrians and bicyclists killed each year in Maryland has increased by 46% since 2012. We need to make our streets safer for everyone. A thriving Montgomery County that supports all users (not just cars), that is safe, and is easy to travel is a valiant goal for a vibrant community.

Thank you for your time and leadership,

Jim Kohlenberger
Bethesda, MD

From: [Anne T Sturm](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway and Tuckerman Lane
Date: Monday, February 20, 2023 6:26:05 PM

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Thank you,

Anne Sturm

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From: [Jeanene Lair](#)
To: [MCP-Chair](#); [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway Linear Park Pilot Program
Date: Sunday, February 19, 2023 6:27:44 PM

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I have been following the discussion and even had suggested for such narrowing of the Little Falls Parkway to one lane in each direction a few years back.

I see no need for two lanes and welcome the Linear Park Program. It gives families and individuals of all ages a destination to experience something beyond going shopping and going for a walk or a bike ride. There are not a lot of options for such activities and your proposal seems to make a lot of sense. That there is opposition to it is not really understandable.

We live in Brookdale, a neighborhood close to the parkway. My children could have been biking to BCC if there had been a bike path. Crescent trail is not always "safe" as in the morning during the winter it's too dark.

Thank you for the initiative.

Jeanene Lair
4714 Dover Road, Bethesda

From: [David kritz](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 10:06:18 PM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has been a success. I have regularly biked through the area since the road was made bike and pedestrian friendly. The space creates much-needed safe recreation space for walkers, rollers, and bicyclists.

I support next steps, in particular, creating a “linear park” in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, to be accessible to park users seven days a week.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
David kritz
10011 Kensington Pkwy
Kensington, MD 20895

From: [Stephen Ashurst](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project
Date: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 8:03:45 PM

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In regards to the Little Falls Parkway Public Meeting, I favor your proposal to reduce Little Falls Parkway to 2 lanes, giving bicyclists and pedestrians a safe place to commute through or play.

The data shows that there is minimal impact to other roads in the area with the current pilot project setup and this program should move forward. Also it is very glaring that this configuration meets the vision zero metrics at the Capital Crescent crossing.

Thank you,
Steve Ashurst, Capital Crescent User
Burtonsville, MD

From: [Ben Ross](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway road diet.
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 3:10:44 PM

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I strongly support the road diet, especially combining the two traffic lanes on the same side of the old divided roadway, for Little Falls Parkway. I pass through the intersection of Little Falls Parkway and the Capital Crescent Trail on my vehicle several times a week.

I do think one further safety improvement would be useful. The elbow in the trail on the north side of the intersection should be straightened out. The current configuration makes it hard for southbound cyclists to see approaching eastbound traffic on Little Falls Parkway.

Ben Ross
4710 Bethesda Ave, Apt 819
Bethesda 20814

From: [Alan Bender](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway Road Diet
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 7:46:13 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

I'm writing in support of the modifications (road diet) to Little Falls Parkway, which I believe has been a success. Montgomery Parks reports, "results of multiple traffic studies show that the reconfigured lane set-up reduces cut-through traffic in neighborhoods surrounding Little Falls Parkway, maintains a safe Capital Crescent Trail (CCT) crossing, and safely accommodates vehicle traffic." Based on the level of traffic that I've seen on the road, both prior to and during the roadway modifications, the reduced traffic lanes are more appropriate for the level of traffic on the road. Additionally, as a biker, the reconfiguration creates much-appreciated safe recreation space for walkers, rollers, and bicyclists, particularly in parallel to the usually crowded Capital Crescent Trail.

I support next steps, in particular, creating a "linear park" in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, to be accessible to park users seven days a week. Additionally, if bike lanes could be added to Little Falls Parkway between River Road and Massachusetts Avenue, and to Arlington Road between Little Falls Parkway and Bradley Boulevard, this would allow for a safe continued passage from Bethesda all the way down to Massachusetts Avenue.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Alan Bender
5333 Saratoga Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Susan Lucas](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 9:28:00 AM

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Good morning!

As a resident on Kenwood, I wish to offer my support for maintaining the reduction in lanes on Little Falls Parkway. As an older woman who walks daily, I appreciate the expanded opportunity to walk safely on the “closed” part of the roadway. Although the Capital Crescent Trail is very convenient, it is very busy and I find the bicyclists who use the trail to be aggressive - they travel much too fast and rarely give any warning when passing walkers like myself. I have given up riding my bicycle because of these speeding bikes on the trail. If the pilot project on LFP is made permanent, I would venture to get out on my bicycle once again.

I would also advocate for extending the project all the way to River Road and at the very least would hope that MD DOT would install speed cameras near the Washington Episcopal School to help reduce the speed on this stretch of the roadway.

Thanks for all your work on this project.

Susan Lucas
5100 Dorset Ave., #510

From: [Shereen Rubenstein](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Love my morning walks!!!
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 9:31:37 AM

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I support next steps, in particular, creating a “linear park” in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, to be accessible to park users seven days a week.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Shereen Rubenstein
4819 Dorset Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Rob Cacace](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: loving the new LFP!
Date: Thursday, March 23, 2023 7:47:07 AM

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I support next steps, in particular, creating a “linear park” in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, to be accessible to park users seven days a week.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Rob Cacace
5320 Allandale Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Anne Yap](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Member of Town of Somerset traffic committee but speaking for myself in support of LFP Linear Park
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:18:23 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

After hours of research on the Somerset Traffic Committee, I am not terribly optimistic that the current traffic studies on cut through traffic will hold once the Westbard development is opened. Particularly on linear park event days I think traffic will increase as it does when Kenwood cherries are in bloom. I also find problems with the CCT crossing similar to what we have in Somerset when cars and bikes blow through the stopsign at Devon Lane and Dorset Ave to make the LFP light. Despite these concerns, I remain in favor of the linear park because of two things. One, I support downcounty development in general if it includes low income housing in lieu of upcounty sprawl. With greater density materializing around us will come greater car traffic and thus any small steps to get people out of their cars is a plus. Two, my young adult daughter has a disability (intellectual, from down syndrome), lives in Bethesda, and cannot drive or ride a bike. The CCT is not a great option for her for walks since the bikes are so fast and very often aggressive. This short park is inconvenient for through biking and so might be a nice option for her.

I support next steps, in particular, creating a “linear park” in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, to be accessible to park users seven days a week.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Anne Yap
4805 Cumberland Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Eyal Li](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: More greenway parks on neighborhood roads
Date: Sunday, March 19, 2023 3:26:57 AM

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Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Eyal Li
7001 Poplar Ave
Takoma Park, MD 20912

From: [Holly Goyert](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Pedestrians and Cyclists for Improved Traffic Flow
Date: Tuesday, February 21, 2023 7:23:08 AM

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I applaud the Parks department for your data-driven, evidence-based approach to increasing multiple uses of Little Falls Parkway while improving traffic flow. It is in the best interest of pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers, alike, to increase access to pedestrians and cyclists in a safe and efficient way, so as to reduce traffic volume and increase traffic flow.

We have used the nonvehicular lanes to teach our two toddlers how to ride bikes, given the absence of sidewalks or protected bike lanes anywhere in our neighborhood from Massachusetts Avenue to Dorset. Several of their friends learned there too, it's a great location and perfect pitch. The Capital Crescent is at or above capacity and not a safe access route for young kids learning to ride. There is a need for more sidewalks and protected bike lanes in our neighborhood and the Little Falls Parkway plan addresses that need.

However, to maximize usability and make the project a success, access to the nonvehicular lanes by foot or bike is critical. Currently, without a protected lane from Massachusetts Ave to Dorset, access to the nonvehicular lanes is not safe enough for us to allow our toddlers to ride there. Usability would drastically increase were the Parks department to install protected lanes or sidewalks along the Parkway from Massachusetts Ave to Dorset.

Thank you for dedicating your time and resources to this commendable effort, it is a phenomenal infrastructure improvement and responsible use of our tax dollars. The availability of safe, open space and improved traffic flow for multiple users drastically increases the value and livability of our family-friendly neighborhood. I look forward to your progress in the next phase of improvements.

Thank you,
Holly
Ventnor Rd.

From: [Jordan Day](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Please advance the Little Falls Parkway Pilot
Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 10:03:40 PM

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I support next steps, in particular, creating a “linear park” in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, to be accessible to park users seven days a week.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Jordan Day
1220 East-West Hwy
Silver Spring, MD 20910

From: [Jonathan Ladd](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Please build a Little Falls Parkway linear park!
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 2:59:24 PM

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Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Jonathan Ladd
6652 Hillandale Rd
Bethesda, MD 20815

From: [Neal Donahue](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: please build the Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 9:57:24 PM

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Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Neal Donahue
6513 Wilmet Rd
Bethesda, MD 20817

From: [Josiane Gabel](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Please create the Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 11:51:34 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

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Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Josiane Gabel
5106 Saratoga Ave
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: emwmd@me.com
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Please maintain the status quo on LFP!
Date: Tuesday, February 21, 2023 11:22:35 AM

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To Whom It May Concern:

This is in support of keeping western lanes of LFP blocked per Phase II of the road diet.

As a bicycle commuter between a neighborhood south of River Road and the NIH, I ride on LFP nearly every day during the rush hour. In 2020, I was hit from behind in a hit and run on LFP and left unconscious on the ground, so I am well aware of the risks of riding there. Opponents of the road diet ask why cyclists can't use the Capital Crescent as an alternative. In answer, I point to the patently dangerous stretch of River Road I and others would have to traverse in order to get there, a stretch where a cyclist was recently killed.

Even though I still have to negotiate LFP between Somerset and River, I feel that the current configuration greatly increases my safety and reduces the stress of my commute. I encourage the Montgomery Parks to resist the pressure to restore the 4-lane speedway that LFP was in the past.

Respectfully,

Eric Wassermann, MD

From: [Amy Wrona](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Please make the Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 6:41:41 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

My family and I wholeheartedly support a park on LFP. We would actually like to see safe bike jumps made to the side of the park for children to enjoy as well. The Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has been a success. Montgomery Parks reports, “results of multiple traffic studies show that the reconfigured lane set-up reduces cut-through traffic in neighborhoods surrounding Little Falls Parkway, maintains a safe Capital Crescent Trail (CCT) crossing, and safely accommodates vehicle traffic.” And the reconfiguration creates much-appreciated safe recreation space for walkers, rollers, and bicyclists.

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Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Amy Wrona
4816 Grantham Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Edward Hamilton](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Please Support the Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 11:16:45 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

Please support a linear park for Little Falls Parkway to provide a safe space for walkers and bicyclists. The community really needs this for a better community feel and better recreational opportunities. Thanks in advance.

Thank you,
Edward Hamilton
12300 Dalewood Dr
Silver Spring, MD 20902

From: [Jane Padelford Gomes](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Re: Support of Little Falls Parkway road diet
Date: Thursday, March 2, 2023 11:19:43 AM

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Hello, thanks for the update. I've added the 3/30 to my schedule and hope to be able to attend/testify virtually.

Best, Jane

On Wed, Mar 1, 2023 at 12:53 PM MC-LFP <lfp@montgomeryparks.org> wrote:

Hello,

Thank you for writing to Montgomery Parks to voice your support for the Little Falls Parkway pilot project. Your comments have been noted by our leadership and staff.

The Montgomery County Planning Board [will be holding a worksession and public hearing](#) on Thursday, March 30th about the next steps for this pilot project, and you are welcome to voice your opinions at that hearing. The Montgomery County Planning Board governs Montgomery Parks, part of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

The exact time of the hearing will be posted within the next two weeks. If you are interested in testifying, you can sign up to do so [here](#) once the agenda is posted for the March 30th meeting.

Please let us know if you have any questions about the hearing.

Regards,

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From: Jane Padelford Gomes <j.padelford@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, February 19, 2023 4:29 PM

To: MC-LFP <lfp@montgomeryparks.org>; MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>

Subject: Support of Little Falls Parkway road diet

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I wanted to express my full support for the Little Falls Parkway road diet. I appreciate the increased safety that is evident when crossing the parkway along the Capital Crescent Trail. I remember riding the CCT trail with Dr. Ned Gaylin until he was struck and killed by a vehicle in 2016 at the CCT/LFP intersection. I appreciate all the county is doing to improve safety for cyclists and pedestrians.

Best,
Jane Gomes
Registered Landscape Architect
Bethesda, Md

From: [Robert Shapiro](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Reduce Traffic Lanes on Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 4:00:54 PM

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Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Robert Shapiro
5308 Worthington Dr
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [PJ PJD](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Road Diets Needed
Date: Wednesday, February 22, 2023 11:34:12 AM

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As a member of the Action Committee for Transit (ACT) and a Montgomery County resident, I ask you to support the road diet projects on Little Falls Parkway and Tuckerman Lane. Far too often, pedestrians, bicyclists, bus riders, and others are hit and even killed, including on these two roads specifically. I support these changes to Little Falls Parkway and Tuckerman Lane so that these roads are safer for all users, including those on bikes and those who walk.

The number of pedestrians and bicyclists killed each year in Maryland has increased by 46% since 2012. A Montgomery County where it is easier to travel and more pleasant to live—a county built for people and not for automobiles—is what we should strive for as a community.

I have become very afraid to walk near many of the roads like Connecticut Avenue, Old Georgetown Road, and Wisconsin Avenue where I may have to cross the street. People do not stop nor do they look at who might be in the crosswalks. Anything that can be done is a great help. It is an embarrassment to have such high pedestrian and cyclist deaths in this county.

Thank you,

Paula J Desio

122 Quincy Street

Chevy Chase MD 20815

From: kathyjosh@comcast.net
To: tuckermanlane@montgomerycountymd.gov; [MC-LFP](#); county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov
Subject: Subject: Little Falls Parkway & Tuckerman Lane
Date: Tuesday, February 21, 2023 8:24:02 PM

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The number of pedestrians and bicyclists killed each year in Maryland has increased by 46% since 2012. A Montgomery County where it is easier to travel and more pleasant to live—a county built for people and not for automobiles—is what we should strive for as a community.

I have been hit by a car while biking across a pedestrian right of way while the car had a red light. If we want to promote alternatives to cars, we must make biking and walking much safer. Do not delay...please make Little Falls and Tuckerman safer.

Thank you.

Josh Silver

Bethesda, MD

From: [Daniel Langenkamp](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Support for LFP Changes
Date: Monday, February 20, 2023 9:26:11 PM

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Dear Montgomery County/LFP Planners -- I support the changes to Little Falls Parkway. In August, my wife, Sarah Langenkamp, was killed when cycling in Bethesda, by an irresponsible driver in an unprotected bike lane. What you are doing is helping routes in the county safe for all those using them, not just people in cars. Our roads belong to everyone. Thank you for supporting changes that make our roads safe for everyone.

Best,

Dan Langenkamp
5609 Harwick Road
Bethesda, MD 20816

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Daniel Langenkamp
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From: [Alison Dewey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Cc: councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov;
councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov
Subject: Support for LFP project
Date: Sunday, February 19, 2023 9:21:20 PM

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Hello, I am writing to express my sincere appreciation for the presentation on the Little Falls Parkway project on February 15, 2023. I think the proposed changes will improve safety there for all users.

I travel on LFP and the Capital Crescent Trail at least twice a week by bike to get to work. I believe that the roadway and trailway are for all people throughout the entire county, not just the people that live in nearby neighborhoods. I support the project and look forward to the County's progress toward our Vision Zero goals. The only way we're going to get to Vision Zero is through bold decision making - slowing drivers, encouraging alternative transportation, and planning for all users (not just cars).

Thank you for presenting the information about the project to the public.

Kind Regards,
Alison Dewey
North Bethesda

From: [Daniel Langenkamp](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Support for Little Falls Parkway changes
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 11:19:32 AM

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Dear Montgomery Parks--I want to express my strong support for the changes on Little Falls Parkway. Our streets belong to everyone, and your vision of the parkway is consistent with a vision of a Bethesda that is safe and vibrant. Please keep up the good work.

Dan Langenkamp
5609 Harwick Rd, Bethesda, MD 20816

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From: [Sarah Farnsworth](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Support for plans for Little Falls Parkway
Date: Saturday, February 18, 2023 8:20:35 AM

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I have watched the recorded presentation of your presentation for the Little Falls Parkway Open Park. I wholeheartedly support the plan. I live in nearby Green Acres and walked the closed parkway everyday during the pandemic and was saddened when it opened up to two lanes two ways. I support the one-lane each way on the parkway- it slows down traffic and makes it much more pleasant to drive. The use of the parkway as a cut through from Mass Ave to Bethesda and vice versa clearly to me shows that the parkway is used for commuting and not for pleasure. I do think slowing the traffic down to the two lanes will have people appreciate this strip of green that we have. It also will decrease the amount of trash people throw out their windows as they cruise through the park. I'd like to see the asphalt taken out however except for a bike lane perhaps to really enhance the green stripe with native trees and bushes planted. Good luck with this project and I really support this project

Sarah Farnsworth
4922 Greenway Drive

From: liz5025@aol.com
To: tuckermanlane@montgomerycountymd.gov; [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Support for road diet projects on Little Falls Parkway and Tuckerman Lane
Date: Wednesday, February 22, 2023 9:48:49 AM

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As a member of the Action Committee for Transit (ACT) and a Montgomery County resident, I ask you to support the road diet projects on Little Falls Parkway and Tuckerman Lane. Pedestrians, bicyclists, bus riders, and others are hit and even killed, including on these two roads specifically. I support these changes to Little Falls Parkway and Tuckerman Lane so that these roads are safer for all users, including those on bikes and those who walk.

The number of pedestrians and bicyclists killed each year in Maryland has increased by 46% since 2012. A Montgomery County where it is easier to travel and more pleasant to live—a county built for people and not for automobiles—is what we should strive for as a community.

Thank you,

Elizabeth L. Malone
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Silver Spring, MD 20910

From: [Jane Lyons-Raeder](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#); councilmember.stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; tuckermanlane@montgomerycountymd.gov
Cc: angel.cheng@montgomerycountymd.gov
Subject: Support for Tuckerman Lane and Little Falls Parkway Projects
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 3:19:36 PM

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Good afternoon,

I'm writing to share my support for county projects on both Tuckerman Lane and Little Falls Parkway. I am a resident in downtown Silver Spring and someone who bikes (and would like to bike more, if it were safer) throughout the county. Our roadways should be places that prioritize people and safety, not high speeds and drivers. Especially after two tragic deaths of young people on Tuckerman Lane, it is imperative that road design must change to prevent future crashes. Saving lives is a policy choice that so far the county has failed at and not moved fast enough to redress. The Little Falls Parkway Linear Park is a great way to provide more recreation opportunities in this part of the county and improve road safety. I commend Montgomery Parks for trying out something new that can be enjoyed by residents of all ages. I hope to see more projects like this in the future, especially closer to where I live in Silver Spring.

For decisions like these, please focus on the data and not anecdotes. Listen to the professional bicycle facility and trail designers. Focus on saving lives, not on saving drivers a few seconds. Transitioning to a world where it's easy to bike, walk, or hop on a bus to get to most places does not mean that people won't still drive, but it does mean that it won't be as easy to drive. However, oftentimes road diets results in outcomes that are better for all users, including drivers. Redesigning roads to get them to where they need to be takes leadership. We cannot keep on with today's dangerous, unsustainable road design.

Thank you,
Jane

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Jane Lyons-Raeder
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From: [Jane Padelford Gomes](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#); [MCP-Chair](#)
Subject: Support of Little Falls Parkway road diet
Date: Sunday, February 19, 2023 4:28:23 PM

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I wanted to express my full support for the Little Falls Parkway road diet. I appreciate the increased safety that is evident when crossing the parkway along the Capital Crescent Trail. I remember riding the CCT trail with Dr. Ned Gaylin until he was struck and killed by a vehicle in 2016 at the CCT/LFP intersection. I appreciate all the county is doing to improve safety for cyclists and pedestrians.

Best,
Jane Gomes
Registered Landscape Architect
Bethesda, Md

From: [Michele McNally](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Support the Little Falls Reconfiguration
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 4:32:13 PM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

While I'm not sure if Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration is a 100% complete success as declared, I understand Montgomery Parks reported "results of multiple traffic studies show that the reconfigured lane set-up reduces cut-through traffic in neighborhoods surrounding Little Falls Parkway, maintains a safe Capital Crescent Trail (CCT) crossing, and safely accommodates vehicle traffic."

I agree the reconfiguration creates much-appreciated safe recreation space for walkers, rollers, and bicyclists as the parallel Capital Crescent trail can be very crowded at times.

I support next steps to create a "linear park" in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, to be accessible to park users seven days a week.

My concern is a park near a busy road, and with the Capital Crescent Trail so nearby, maybe be heavily used for recreation.

I do believe if you build it, they will come.

Michele McNally

Thank you,
Michele McNally
5005 Brookdale Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Claire Callahan](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Thank you and (a more modest) request
Date: Friday, February 17, 2023 1:48:51 PM

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Many thanks for the public zoom meeting regarding the Little Falls Parkway. Good points were raised on both sides of the issue. Regardless of how that shakes out, please put on your agenda a plan to add a **simple, safe walking trail** along the parkway from Mass Ave to River Road. It would be great to have a foot connection from the LF Park and the neighborhood east of the parkway. The CCT veers too far west to be a solution and walking alongside the present parkway is quite unsafe.

Thanks again!

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From: [Holly Goyert](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: The Little Falls Parkway linear park improves traffic flow for pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers
Date: Sunday, March 5, 2023 7:44:26 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

I applaud the Parks department for your data-driven approach to increasing multiple uses of Little Falls Parkway while improving traffic flow. It is in the best interest of pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers, alike, to increase access to pedestrians and cyclists in a safe and efficient way, so as to reduce traffic volume and increase traffic flow.

We have used the nonvehicular lanes to teach our two toddlers and several of their friends how to ride bikes, given the absence of sidewalks or protected bike lanes anywhere in our neighborhood from Massachusetts Avenue to Dorset. The Capital Crescent is at or above capacity and not a safe access route for young kids learning to ride. There is a need for more sidewalks and protected bike lanes in our neighborhood and the Little Falls Parkway plan addresses that need.

However, to maximize usability and make the project a success, access to the nonvehicular lanes by foot or bike is critical. Currently, without a protected lane from Massachusetts Ave to Dorset, access to the nonvehicular lanes is not safe enough for us to allow our toddlers to ride there. Usability would drastically increase were the Parks department to install protected lanes or sidewalks along the Parkway from Massachusetts Ave to Dorset.

Thank you for dedicating your time and resources to this effort, it is a phenomenal infrastructure improvement and responsible use of tax dollars. The availability of safe, open space for multiple users drastically increases the value and livability of our neighborhood. I look forward to your progress in the next phase of improvements.

Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has been a success. Montgomery Parks reports, “results of multiple traffic studies show that the reconfigured lane set-up reduces cut-through traffic in neighborhoods surrounding Little Falls Parkway, maintains a safe Capital Crescent Trail (CCT) crossing, and safely accommodates vehicle traffic.” And the reconfiguration creates much-appreciated safe recreation space for walkers, rollers, and bicyclists.

I support next steps, in particular, creating a “linear park” in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, to be accessible to park users seven days a week.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Holly Goyert
5304 Ventnor Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [ramon estopina](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: We need more parks!!
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 7:43:09 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

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Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
ramon estopina
4808 Moorland Ln
Bethesda, MD 20814

From: [Philip Young](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Would love a linear park on Little Falls--we need more parks like this
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 6:09:01 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

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I support next steps, in particular, creating a “linear park” in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, to be accessible to park users seven days a week.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Philip Young
5505 Greystone St
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Jeremy Rider](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Yes to a Little Falls "linear park"!
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 10:41:35 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

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Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Jeremy Rider
7000 Winslow St
Bethesda, MD 20817

From: [Neil Gregory](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Yes to Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 10:32:23 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

I support making the Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration permanent. When I'm driving, it does not inconvenience me. When I'm cycling or running, it is much safer crossing the Parkway, and nice to have dedicated space to cycle/run on.

I support creating a “linear park” in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, and a permanent biker/hiker lane.

Thank you,
Neil Gregory
5204 Wilson Ln
Bethesda, MD 20814

From: [Leslie Jarvis](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Yes to the Little Falls Parkway linear park!
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 1:12:16 PM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

I live in Montgomery County and work at the Little Falls Library down the street from the Little Falls Parkway. I am an avid cyclist and also commute by car on the Parkway to get to work. I have had no issues with the new roadway configuration and believe it has been a success. I am also looking forward to seeing how those freed-up lanes can be used for community recreation.

I support next steps, in particular, creating a “linear park” in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, to be accessible to park users seven days a week.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter!

Thank you,
Leslie Jarvis
8814 Walnut Hill Rd
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Matthew Wald](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Yes, please convert Little Falls parkway into a park.
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 10:33:41 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

I enjoyed using the parkway when it was closed to traffic during the worst of the pandemic. The best solution now is for a narrow roadway allowing modest car speeds, and re-purposing the other lanes for human use.

thank you.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Matthew Wald
4620 N Park Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Anne Maginnis](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: A big NO to the Little Falls Parkway Project
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 2:56:27 PM

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I am writing to strongly oppose the pilot project occurring on Little Falls Parkway. It is completely unnecessary and a real issue for traffic, congestion and safety. NEVER do I see pedestrians using the lanes that have been removed from the road. At any time of morning, day or night. Why? Because there already exists a walking/cycling trail that runs parallel to the LF Parkway which is perfectly safe and convenient. I will also add that there is a playground adjacent to the trail in the Kenwood neighborhood. We do not need food trucks and other planned activities plopped into the middle of a residential neighborhood and definitely should not be taking away needed lanes on the roadway for such a purpose. It is a stupid idea concocted by the Parks Department who should have no say in regards to traffic and roads which should fall under Transportation. After already diverting traffic from Westbard Ave/Ridgefield Rd onto a different stretch of LF Parkway and then adding THREE speedbumps to make it very congested, now LF Parkway on the other side of River Rd has been reduced? These are primary thoroughfares for citizens to get to schools and businesses in downtown Bethesda. Keep in mind that the development at Westbard will be providing additional green space, gathering opportunities with food, and is accessible to the Capital Crescent trail that already runs along LF Parkway. I might also add that I have seen drivers not from the immediate area struggle to deal with the new traffic pattern. These drivers have to abruptly stop and try to merge over in order to continue driving straight, not all of them successful. In the dark it is even worse. And for a parent teaching a teen to drive, I can attest that pivoting to the new traffic pattern has not been welcome and causes a lot of stress in my new driver. In short, don't fix what isn't broke. This was clearly a plan that made some sense to some in the Parks department when the world was shut down in the pandemic. We are no longer shut down. Don't make driving in the region, which is already a challenge even worse.

Sincerely,
Anne Maginnis
5303 Worthington Dr

From: [Alice Mayio](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Concern about Little Falls Parkway/Park redesign
Date: Monday, February 20, 2023 10:24:24 PM

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I am writing in opposition to the current pilot configuration of Little Falls Parkway and the proposed narrow “park” to be established next to the Parkway. **I hope that negative comments about the pilot project will be considered and not dismissed by Parks staff as they were in the recent virtual meeting.**

1. *I feel that insufficient consideration has been given to the rising population (i.e., increased number of drivers) resulting from current and future development in the Westbard/downtown Bethesda/River Road area and in the Washington Episcopal School zone, as sanctioned by the MoCo Master Plan. It is ridiculous to cut back on lanes in what will become an increasingly busy thoroughfare, all for a very small, narrow, disconnected, difficult-to-access “park” next to the roadway. In the virtual meeting we were given assurances that this population growth had been taken into account but no studies were presented to support this assurance.*

2. *Traffic studies cited in the meeting appeared to compare pre to post pandemic driving patterns that are evolving and changing every day. I therefore submit that they are inadequate to any prediction of traffic in coming years. We can anticipate increases in rush hour driving as workers return to their offices in the near future. We also have rush hours at lunchtime and at school release time that do not seem to be captured in the traffic studies. We can also anticipate extremely busy traffic on LFP related to the Bethesda pool in the summer months. (Please note as well that the pool parking lot fills up quickly in the summer and will not support additional parking for “park” users.)*

3. The long skinny “park” as envisioned seems to be of little to no value. Our children don’t need another place to learn how to ride their bikes (generations of kids have used places such as the Westbrook school and the Westmorland Park for this purpose). A couple of exercise benches, a picnic table and a hanging bar alongside an increasingly busy roadway do not a park make. This plan does not appear to benefit anyone. The community does not need it. *MoCo funds would be better applied to bringing real green space to other underserved areas of the county and hastening the completion of the Willet Branch daylighting/stream valley park project, which has actual environmental value.*

4. The Capital Crescent Trail crossing at LFP continues to provide a frustrating source of traffic delay and backup, especially during the summer months. While improved for safety over the original design, it still leaves drivers waiting for many minutes, especially during warmer weather, as walkers, bikers, and runners continuously stream by. *I would like to know why the plan to divert the trail to the traffic light at LFP and Arlington Road was never instituted, as a traffic light where everyone waits their turn is clearly the safest and most equitable way to handle a trail crossing on a busy road.*

5. Please also note that traffic appears to be on the rise on Hillandale Road, as drivers take detours to avoid the confusion and frustration of the CCT crossing and LFP road changes. Has

this phenomenon been reported or studied? It would seem to negatively affect the residents of this community.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Alice Mayo
5020 Newport Ave
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [KATHLEEN ZELLMER](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Cc: [Evangeline Barnes](#); [Councilmember Friedson's Office](#)
Subject: Concerns about linear park
Date: Monday, February 20, 2023 6:43:27 PM

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I am a citizen and taxpayer in Bethesda. I have been keeping up with all the information about the "Linear Park." I also participated in a survey that showed that over 80% of our community did NOT want this.

After listening to various Zoom sessions, it is clear to me and other community members that minds were made up about this project before input from community was even sought through "listening sessions."

Was there ever a survey done BEFORE this idea was hatched? If so, could you please send me a copy of that survey, date it was administered, who and how it was administered, and results. As taxpayers, I would think we would be consulted prior to undertaking such a project that SIGNIFICANTLY impacts our community.

The money that this project costs could be better spent improving the Crescent Trail and erecting an overpass (bridge) where the trail intersects Little Falls Parkway.

Kathleen Zellmer

From: [Coello, Catherine](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: [SumnerWeb] Petition for reversing the Linear Park and building a People's Bridge over Little Falls Parkway
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 4:41:33 PM

From: kcsbt1@gmail.com <kcsbt1@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:37 PM
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Subject: RE: [SumnerWeb] Petition for reversing the Linear Park and building a People's Bridge over Little Falls Parkway

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We agree, Carl. This Parks plan is ill advised. We have been residents of Sumner and Montgomery County, MD for over 40 years and we have never seen such contorted efforts to hamstring our residents' ability to move safely and efficiently to our places of business, worship, medical facilities, shopping, schools and recreation.... at will, and using our individually desired forms of transportation.

Parks should focus on upgrading the CCT and other cross county trails for walkers and bikers. Road diets in a major metro area are a recipe for disaster, both physical and emotional. Many social media reports indicate that those disasters are already occurring, and that community wide displeasure is increasing.

Speaking of roads....we find it curious that our Sumner community has not had meaningful, full neighborhood repaving for about a decade. The last contractor that serviced our home wondered

what was up as his truck bumped up and down over seriously deteriorated asphalt that is a distinct hazard to vehicles, not to mention walkers, strollers and bikers.

We realize that WSSC is in the process of replacing or repairing the water system in this and surrounding neighborhoods, and has been for several years. We also note that the new government facility on Sangamore Road has required extensive and sophisticated infrastructure work. But, don't we residents pay enough in taxes to get regular infrastructure improvements as well? We think so.

Cynthia Klebanoff

From: sumnerweb@googlegroups.com <sumnerweb@googlegroups.com> **On Behalf Of** Carl Becker

Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 5:16 PM

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Subject: [SumnerWeb] Petition for reversing the Linear Park and building a People's Bridge over Little Falls Parkway

The People's Bridge over Little Falls Parkway

Promoting Safety for All

Acting in my individual capacity from Sumner, a community in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase area, I hereby oppose the current design of the Little Falls Parkway and Capital Crescent Trail crossing, the reduction of the Parkway from four divided lanes to two undivided lanes, and the proposed formation of a Linear Park. I support a long-term solution of building a walker, jogger, bicycle bridge for the Capital Crescent Trail over a reopened divided four lanes of Little Falls Parkway, which will provide safety for all users for now and into the future. The current roadway design and trail crossing conflicts with Vision Zero and is dangerous for pedestrians, cyclists, and vehicles. Watch here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BkxH5Dj9BXM>

These essential Montgomery County values have been ignored by the Parks Department

by dictating to the surrounding communities the development of a linear park along Little Falls Parkway.

Ignored: Public Input and Collaboration Through the Democratic Process

- **The proposed Little Falls Parkway Linear Park is being developed out of convenience by the Parks Department because it's more cost effective because we already own the land," even though no formal needs assessment was done.** Community priorities for parks are expressed in the Bethesda Downtown Plan (2017) and the Westbard Sector Plan (2016). LFP is discussed in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Sector Plan (1990). The Parks Department could have requested that the Planning Board review and update the B-CC sector plan to receive community input on the changes they are making and have proposed on LFP, but they didn't do this. Since when does a county administrative agency dictate to communities how public property, which they provide stewardship of, should be used without getting public input prior to changes?

Ignored: Racial Equity and Social Justice for all County Residents

- **A formal needs assessment would show that two major public recreational facilities – Norwood Park and the Capital Crescent Trail – are within walking distance of the single and multi-family dwellings** in this area. Repair and upkeep of those existing facilities would be of greater benefit to all residents than a park no larger than 1.4 acres, which is parallel to the CCT.
- **A formal needs assessment would show that the County's equity priorities have been ignored.** The Bethesda-Chevy Chase area is clearly not in an equity-focused area as defined by Thrive 2050. By targeting this community for another park, and where there are already two major recreational areas, the Parks Department is ignoring the priority established in Thrive 2050 to provide amenities in areas of the county that were previously ignored. Why isn't the Parks Department upholding the concept of racial equity and social justice, as supported in Thrive 2050 and by our County Council, by offering this amenity to a community on the eastern side of our county that may lack green or recreational space?

Ignored: Transparency in Decision-Making by County Administrators

- **Itemized expenditures and funding sources are not provided to the public.** Normally, a public parks project on public land would require the Parks Department to first solicit community input on the parameters of the project, followed by the Parks Department developing a plan and a budget for carrying it out, which then would be presented to the public. Sources for funding and all the expenditures for development and future maintenance would be itemized. That has not been the *modus operandi* with the changes for LFP and the proposed linear park. Parks Dept. personnel have not provided the public with line-item expenditures for the money they have already spent on the road changes, nor have they itemized where funding for the linear park project is

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To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: [SumnerWeb] Petition for reversing the Linear Park and building a People's Bridge over Little Falls Parkway
Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:55:40 PM

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Sent: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:37 PM
To: 'Carl Becker' <carlgbecker@hotmail.com>; MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Branson, Cherri <Cherri.Branson@mncppc-mc.org>; Hill, David <David.Hill@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Presley, Amy <Amy.Presley@mncppc-mc.org>; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us; 'Korman, Marc Delegate' <Marc.Korman@house.state.md.us>; sara.love@house.state.md.us; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; 'Friedson's Office, Councilmember' <Councilmember.Friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov>; 'Albornoz's Office, Councilmember' <Councilmember.Albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Councilmember.Balcombe@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Fani-Gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov; Pamela Dunn <pamela.dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov>; OCE@montgomerycountymd.gov; Marc.Elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov
Subject: RE: [SumnerWeb] Petition for reversing the Linear Park and building a People's Bridge over Little Falls Parkway

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We agree, Carl. This Parks plan is ill advised. We have been residents of Sumner and Montgomery County, MD for over 40 years and we have never seen such contorted efforts to hamstring our residents' ability to move safely and efficiently to our places of business, worship, medical facilities, shopping, schools and recreation.... at will, and using our individually desired forms of transportation.

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We realize that WSSC is in the process of replacing or repairing the water system in this and surrounding neighborhoods, and has been for several years. We also note that the new government facility on Sangamore Road has required extensive and sophisticated infrastructure work. But, don't we residents pay enough in taxes to get regular infrastructure improvements as well? We think so.

Cynthia Klebanoff

From: sumnerweb@googlegroups.com <sumnerweb@googlegroups.com> **On Behalf Of** Carl Becker

Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 5:16 PM

To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; jeffrey.zyontz@mncppc-mc.org;
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To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: [SumnerWeb] Petition for reversing the Linear Park and building a People's Bridge over Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, March 13, 2023 10:09:28 AM

From: sandie quinn <sandieq@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 13, 2023 10:05 AM
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Thanks for your attention to this matter.
Sandie Quinn
Sumner resident, Bethesda

From: sandie quinn <sandieq@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 6:43:09 PM
To: Carl Becker
Cc: MCP-Chair; jeffrey.zyontz@mncppc-mc.org; Cherri.Branson@mncppc-mc.org; David.Hill@mncppc-mc.org; Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org; Amy.Presley@mncppc-mc.org; Kelly, Ariana Senator; Korman, Marc Delegate; Love, Sara Delegate; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; Friedson's Office, Councilmember; Albornoz's Office, Councilmember; Councilmember.Balcombe@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Fani-Gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov; pamela.dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov; OCE@montgomerycountymd.gov; Marc.Elich@montgomerycountymd.gov
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Thanks
Sandie Quinn
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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Concerns safety Little Falls Parkway, Bethesda
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:44:03 AM

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From: Leo Bouma <leobouma@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 9:49 AM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>; Riley, Mike <Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org>; Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov; Pamela.Dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us; marc.korman@house.state.md.us; sara.love@house.state.md.us
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Dear Sirs/Madams,

As a citizen of Montgomery County, I object to the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway because of safety issues on the parkway itself and danger to neighboring communities.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,

Leo Bouma
Bethesda

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Fw: Consider economic impact on Bethesda retailers and inconvenience for MoCo Resident living south of Mass Ave of Linear Park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 8:07:56 AM

From: Dru Demmy <drurow@aol.com>
Sent: Saturday, March 4, 2023 3:49 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
Cc: Pamela Dunn <pamela.dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov>
Subject: Consider economic impact on Bethesda retailers and inconvenience for MoCo Resident living south of Mass Ave of Linear Park

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Mr. Zyontz and others on Montgomery County Planning Committee,

I am hopeful that you will take into consideration the economic effect on downtown Bethesda as well as the tremendous inconvenience to the many Montgomery County residents who live south of Massachusetts Avenue before approving the misguided effort by the Parks Department to create a “linear park” along Little Falls Parkway north of River Road.

I live in Sumner (south of Mass Avenue) and getting to Bethesda with the cut-off of Westbard Avenue and Ridge Roads has become an ever greater challenge. I either have to go way out of my way to use Goldsboro Road or try to get there on Little Falls. And of course, turning left onto Little Falls from Massachusetts Avenue is forbidden at certain times of the day. Lately I have simply gone in on Mass Avenue or MacArthur Boulevard and patronized stores in D.C.

To create a “new” walking/bike path within 1,000 feet of the perfectly good Capital Crescent Trail seems ludicrous.

I used to go up Little Falls Parkway and turn right onto Hillandale Road and then Bradley Boulevard to get to stores such as Target, Trader Joe’s and several other businesses. Now with the second lane missing an easy right turn onto Hillandale is not so easy and one can get stuck in the back-up of traffic where the lanes are down to one in each direction.

Please consider the business impact for the retailers in Bethesda (I think the array of retailers and businesses in downtown Bethesda is just terrific and like to patronize them but this plan makes me rethink my travels). The convenience for a large swath of residents living south of Massachusetts Avenue for getting to Bethesda is really being restricted.

Respectfully,
Drusilla Demmy
5509 Namakagan Rd
202-669-1496

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Constituent mailing address
Date: Friday, February 24, 2023 1:11:03 PM

From: Irving Lieberman <ilieberman53@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 20, 2023 1:35 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Constituent mailing address

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Dear MCP-Chair and Staff,

My wife and I just submitted our comment opposing the MCP proposal to permanently make 2 lanes of Little Falls Parkway into a Linear Park.

Please submit this as our written testimony to the Planning Board. To satisfy the requirement to provide our full mailing address, it is:

Irving and Judith Lieberman
5305 Wriley Rd.
Bethesda, MD 20816

Thank you.

From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Customer Service - Report A Problem/Ask a Question Submission - 24250 CRM:0103685
Date: Tuesday, March 14, 2023 8:18:39 AM

Sean Emerson | Public Information & Customer Service Manager

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From: Service Center <service.center@montgomeryparks.org>;

Received: Wed Mar 08 2023 17:38:57 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

To: Customer Service <customerservice@montgomeryparks.org>; Customer Service
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Subject: Customer Service - Report A Problem/Ask a Question Submission - 24250

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A submission to the Report A Problem/Ask a Question form on MontgomeryParks.org is below:

Subject:

Little Falls Parkway reconfiguration

Please describe your question/problem:

As a resident of western Bethesda, I have repeatedly seen firsthand the disaster that the reconfiguration of Little Falls Parkway has become. It seems like yet another Montgomery County solution is search of a problem and shows no understanding of the habits of a majority of local residents. It is time to stop imposing stupid ideas on taxpayers in the name of "parks" which has proven to be an abject failure with little to no use and nothing more than a major inconvenience to local residents. Stop exploiting the little power you have by imposing idiotic ideas.

Park/Trail/Facility Name:

Little Falls Parkway

Location within Park/Trail/Facility:

Little Falls Parkway between River Rd and Arlington Rd

Your Name:

Alan Brubaker

Email:

brubakeralan@gmail.com

Address:

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Bethesda, MD 20816
United States
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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: DO NOT TURN LITTLE FALLS INTO A PARK
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 8:51:29 AM

Jeff Zyontz

Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board

Montgomery County Planning Department
2425 Reddie Drive, 14th Floor, Wheaton, MD 20902
MCP-CHAIR@mncppc-mc.org
301.495.4605

From: PJBonnard Hotmail <pjbonnard@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, March 11, 2023 5:39 AM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: DO NOT TURN LITTLE FALLS INTO A PARK

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Dear Board

I guess you don't live in Westgate (between Mass and River).

Little Falls is our main auto route to Bethesda and northward. Wisconsin Ave is congested throughout the Bethesda-DC area. And, more and more traffic is coming and more and more construction creates impediment to flow. River Rd is highly congested as well and full of construction projects. Your ideas for what makes our area a great place to live are in exact opposition to ours

We would love to see you do something about reducing tree removal and planting more trees. The deforestation of our area is fast and furious and unwise planning. RESTORING and adding lots of green space and shade is important to our health and enjoyment, not to mention property values. Take a look at NW DC for ideas.

We are outdoor people. We walk a lot. But we do not think this is a good use of the area. That area was not used much during COVID when it was closed.

For the life of me, I can't understand who this board represents. Maybe just all the new people you keep providing high rises for. Stop congested and de-greening our neighborhoods.

Patricia Bonnard

Flint Drive, Bethesda MD

PJBonnard

pjbonnard@hotmail.com

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Feedback on Little Falls Parkway park-ette
Date: Monday, February 27, 2023 1:44:46 PM

From: Jon Medalia <jonmedalia@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 25, 2023 6:22 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Feedback on Little Falls Parkway park-ette

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I'm a long-time resident of Somerset in Chevy Chase. I think that the little linear park on Little Falls between Dorset and Arlington Road is silly. There is a trail within a few hundred feet of either side of the stretch of Little Falls, the new park is too small to attract users, and the traffic detour is awkward. Closing the parkway from Arlington Rd. to River Rd. during the pandemic made some sense, but now closing a smaller stretch permanently doesn't do any good. Time to stop that experiment.

Jonathan Medalia, 5406 Surrey St, Chevy Chase, MD

From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Fwd: Little Falls Parkway CRM:0103686
Date: Tuesday, March 14, 2023 8:19:31 AM
Attachments: [Invitation to Planning Board to visit LFP.pdf](#)

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From: David Forman <davidforman01@gmail.com>;

Received: Thu Mar 09 2023 18:06:36 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

Cc: jazlyn.moock@mncppc-mc.org;

Subject: Fwd: Little Falls Parkway

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David S. Forman
5344 Falmouth Road
Bethesda, MD 20816
cell: (202) 294-1426
home: (301) 229-6869

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From: **David Forman** <davidforman01@gmail.com>

Date: Thu, Mar 9, 2023 at 5:59 PM

Subject: Little Falls Parkway

To: <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>, <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>, <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>, <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>, <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>

Please see the attached communication from the Citizens Coordinating Committee on Friendship Heights regarding Little Falls Parkway.

David S. Forman
Chair, Citizens Coordinating Committee on Friendship Heights

5344 Falmouth Road
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cell: (202) 294-1426

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I DO NOT (DO NOT) support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:26:19 AM

From: Lee Ohringer <Lee.Ohringer.610905630@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 4:10 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: I DO NOT (DO NOT) support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has been a success. Montgomery Parks reports, “results of multiple traffic studies show that the reconfigured lane set-up reduces cut-through traffic in neighborhoods surrounding Little Falls Parkway, maintains a safe Capital Crescent Trail (CCT) crossing, and safely accommodates vehicle traffic.” And the reconfiguration creates much-appreciated safe recreation space for walkers, rollers, and bicyclists.

I support next steps, in particular, creating a “linear park” in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, to be accessible to park users seven days a week.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Lee Ohringer
Little Falls Pkwy
Bethesda, MD 20816
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I DO NOT support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 9:59:24 AM

From: Lori Berman <Lori.Berman.608028312@p2a.co>
Sent: Monday, March 6, 2023 9:17 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: I DO NOT support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

The Little Falls Parkway linear park seems like an unnecessary and inconvenient park. It is hard to get to and will just cause unnecessary traffic issues as well as potentially MORE accidents. Please rethink the park plans.

Thank you,
Lori Berman
5320 Wakefield Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I DO NOT SUPPORT creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 1:56:50 PM

From: Gloria Trattles <Gloria.Trattles.607506448@p2a.co>
Sent: Monday, March 6, 2023 12:50 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: I DO NOT SUPPORT creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration is a wasteful use of TAX PAYER MONEY, impedes the Westbrook ES and Somerset ES communities' access to downtown Bethesda, creates unnecessary congestion on the Parkway (which contributes to environmental pollution). Montgomery Parks reports, "results of multiple traffic studies show that the reconfigured lane set-up reduces cut-through traffic in neighborhoods surrounding Little Falls Parkway" but that cut-through traffic was itself a direct result of Moco Parks' unilateral decision to close the Parkway entirely to motorists. It's a bit Orwellian to tout the plan as "successful" in eliminating a problem the Moco Parks created to begin with. As for maintaining a safe CCT crossing, there are less disruptive and less expensive ways to prevent CCT users from being injured by their own misconduct in IGNORING THE STOP SIGN AT THE CROSSING. In the two decades I have been a runner on the CCT I have never seen a bicyclist actually stop at the stop sign. Instead, they enter the crossing hoping that motorists will see them and stop. It would cost very little to install a barrier at the crossing that would require bicyclists to stop, dismount and walk their bicycles across the roadway -- WHEN THERE IS A NATURAL LULL IN VEHICULAR TRAFFIC WHICH HAS THE RIGHT OF WAY -- just as I have seen thousands of walkers and runners do, enabling them to cross the parkway in complete safety.

The justification that this plan will increase needed recreational space is also a sham. The neighborhood adjacent to the planned new park is one of the most affluent neighborhoods in all of Montgomery County and it already has a park along the CCT! Does that neighborhood really "need" another park?!? Sure the money that will have to be spent to bring the current plan to fruition could be better spent, giving more green and recreational space to working-class neighborhoods in the County. This is a shameful waste!

Please count me as THUMBS DOWN on this awful project.

Respectfully in opposition to Moco Parks' plan.

Thank you,

Gloria Trattles
4967 Allan Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I DO NOT support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 9:59:34 AM

From: Danielle Worthington <Danielle.Worthington.608009232@p2a.co>
Sent: Monday, March 6, 2023 6:09 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: I DO NOT support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

The Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has been a near complete failure and irresponsible expense. The raised crossing at the CCT was a positive change and should be maintained, however, every other change should be returned to it's previous design of two lanes in each direction.

Montgomery Park's reports are based on biased, incomplete, "cherry picked" data which have been grossly misinterpreted by those involved in the pilot project. The initial change to the CCT crossing accounts for the reported improvement in safety, while all changes following have been costly without any measurable benefit. Those engaged in the pilot project have failed to obtain the current views of neighborhood residents, while repeatedly referencing out of date surveys from the peak of COVID which are no longer relevant, and "turning off" comments during "public" meetings and subsequent recordings preventing viewers from easily sharing their current thoughts and responses.

The reconfiguration creates a hazard to neighboring communities by redirecting traffic to smaller neighborhood roads without sidewalks and with cars parked along both sides of the street limiting visibility, making these neighborhoods increasingly dangerous for children playing, pedestrians, and cyclists. Shifting these dangers from one area (the parkway) to another area (our neighborhoods) is no more of a solution than moving dirty dishes from the dining room table to the kitchen counter. Furthermore, the reconfiguration also creates additional risks with the increased traffic backups on the parkway itself leading to confusion and road rage incidents along the parkway. These factors will only worsen as the development of Westbard and surrounding projects are completed, increasing traffic throughout the area overall.

Additionally, this area of Montgomery county is already full of green spaces and recreational areas...Little Falls Parkway is literally surrounded by multiple parks and trails which allow safe and pleasant recreational space for residents. Placing yet more recreational space in this particular neighborhood rather than directing it towards an area with greater need shows a lack of insight into the diversity of Montgomery county and poor understanding of the concept of being equitable with our resources.

I support these next steps, in particular: 1) Maintaining the raised crossing at Capitol Crescent Trail; 2) Immediately discontinuing the pilot project and returning all other aspects of Little Falls Parkway to it's former design; 3) Responsibly redirecting the resources being wasted in support this project towards an area of actual need; and 4) Encouraging improvements to the existing capitol crescent trail and/or common sense improvements such as the addition of sidewalks and improved/increased crosswalks to increase pedestrian safety.

Please count me as an emphatic opponent to the Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project, and consider my views as a neighborhood resident, cyclist and runner, mother of school aged children, and driver who also uses the parkway multiple times daily to commute to and from work, area businesses, and my children's schools.

Thank you,
Danielle Worthington
Bethesda, MD
Bethesda, MD 20816

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I do NOT support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 10:01:22 AM

From: Elizabeth Dietel <Elizabeth.Dietel.607984448@p2a.co>
Sent: Monday, March 6, 2023 4:25 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: I do NOT support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has been a complete failure. No one uses the large now vacant vehicle lane. The road was built for cars, not walkers. This project seems to be the dream of someone who does not understand traffic and constituents. We did not elect the person who dreamed up this crazy project.

I do not support creating a “linear park” in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities. No one will use it and what was once a beautiful parkway now looks ridiculous with barriers, posts, etc. It is now an eyesore when once it was a beautiful parkway.

Please count me as opposed to a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project.

Thank you,
Elizabeth Dietel
5109 Duvall Dr
Bethesda, MD 20816
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I Oppose creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park, return the road to intended purpose
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 11:29:46 AM

From: Mark Cheng <Mark.Cheng.607038411@p2a.co>
Sent: Monday, March 6, 2023 9:16 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: I Oppose creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park, return the road to intended purpose

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has been an unwelcome mess. Montgomery Parks reports, “results of multiple traffic studies show that the reconfigured lane set-up reduces cut-through traffic in neighborhoods surrounding Little Falls Parkway, maintains a safe Capital Crescent Trail (CCT) crossing, and safely accommodates vehicle traffic” are biased and not fact based. The latest debacle has nothing to do with the CCT crossing safety and the chicane is dangerous. And, bottom line, there is minimal usage by walkers, rollers, and bicyclists. Go out and look for yourselves. Just as the bike lanes on major county roads ARE EMPTY.

I oppose continuation of the “linear park” plan. It's unnecessary and damages safety and efficient transport in the area. My 93 year old mother is not rolling or biking anywhere. The road is closed 24/7 but only used sparingly on weekends during nice weather in daylight. Safety is a canard here, there are no street lights and minimal maintenance .

Please count me as part of the MAJORITY who OPPOSE the Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project. WABA represents a minority whose members clearly are not regularly out on any of these bike lanes. And, to be honest, want rights as cars but (my personal observation) ignore all laws regarding cars--run stop signs (at LFP), red lights, don't signal, etc.

Thank you,
Mark Cheng
5302 Carvel Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I oppose creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 12:43:21 PM

From: Caroline Handorf <Caroline.Handorf.608136628@p2a.co>
Sent: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 10:12 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: I oppose creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park

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Montgomery Park's reports are based on biased, incomplete, "cherry picked" data which have been grossly misinterpreted by those involved in the pilot project. Further, the data is historical and does not account for or project the impact of the literally thousands of new residential units at Westbard, the residents of which will likely want to avail themselves of the amenities of downtown Bethesda, which are accessed primarily via LF Parkway. Also, I have not seen current data compared to pre-restriction data that would show whether some of the "improvements" result from residents avoiding downtown Bethesda - a real detriment to the businesses there. Personally, I will note that all of the new traffic changes have resulted in our family shifting our business to the Palisades and Cathedral Commons areas (both in DC), which are both much easier to access now than Bethesda.

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The reconfiguration creates additional risks with the increased traffic backups on the parkway itself leading to confusion and road rage incidents along the parkway. These factors will only worsen as the development of Westbard and surrounding projects are completed, increasing traffic throughout the area overall.

The proposals also do not account for the increased traffic and parking needs of those looking to access the linear park, particularly in summer months.

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Thank you,
Caroline Handorf
5312 Cardinal Ct
Bethesda, MD 20816

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From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I OPPOSE the Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103720
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 10:56:45 AM

Sean Emerson | Public Information & Customer Service Manager

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From: Duane Pugh <Duane.Pugh.610604463@p2a.co>;

Received: Wed Mar 15 2023 19:43:29 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

Subject: I OPPOSE the Little Falls Parkway linear park

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The Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has been a FAILURE. In each direction the transition points from two lanes down to one lane are unsafe; I have witnessed multiple near-accidents resulting from these new, awkward intersections. The intersection with Arlington Road, and especially the turn from Arlington Road onto the narrowed Little Falls Parkway, is particularly narrow and dangerous and the lane markings have not yet even been corrected to reflect the new traffic pattern.

The Montgomery Parks report praising this narrowing of Little Falls Parkway does not reflect the views of the majority of Bethesda residents who drive on Little Falls Parkway. I have only seen the new recreation space being used ONCE since it has been created, even though I often drive on that section of the Little Falls Parkway multiple times a day and frequently on weekend days.

I urge the Planning Board to at a minimum DELAY any further development of the new recreation space until a full study of the traffic risks of the current configuration can be completed.

Thank you,
Duane Pugh
5315 Briley Pl
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I OPPOSE the Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:53:50 AM

From: Duane Pugh <Duane.Pugh.610604463@p2a.co>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 7:43 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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Bethesda, MD 20816
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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I oppose the proposed "asphalt park" on Little Falls Parkway
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 8:11:26 AM

Jeff Zyontz

Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board

Montgomery County Planning Department
2425 Reddie Drive, 14th Floor, Wheaton, MD 20902
MCP-CHAIR@mncppc-mc.org
301.495.4605

From: Anne White <annejanwhite@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 9:00 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: I oppose the proposed "asphalt park" on Little Falls Parkway

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I live walking distance from Little Falls parkway where the trail crosses to the public pool. I walk the trail frequently and have walked with my grandchildren, ages 8 and 11. This is a dangerous section of road, and the trail crossing is very dangerous. I oppose the current configuration--a pilot project sometimes referred to as "road diet", "linear park", or "asphalt park amenities." To be successful, any amenities need to attract families and children. This crossing and the blind spots (from stopped cars) are far too dangerous to add "asphalt park amenities" with the goal of *increasing the number of children at risk*. This section of road has always been dangerous. The prior re-configuration with a median for safety and one lane in each direction greatly increased safety. This should be restored.

I also drive that route. There are back ups in traffic driving toward DC as (in my experience) up to 8 cars are at a dead stop at the intersection of the cross roads (in particular, Arlington Rd). Drivers get impatient and the situation becomes unsafe due to an ongoing traffic hazard.

Anne White
4832 Chevy Chase Blvd.
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I oppose the proposed "asphalt park" on Little Falls Parkway
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 11:18:04 AM

From: Anne White <annejanwhite@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 9:05 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: I oppose the proposed "asphalt park" on Little Falls Parkway

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4832 Chevy Chase Blvd.
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I STRONGLY OBJECT to creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:53:58 AM

From: Cynthia Pugh <Cynthia.Pugh.610602906@p2a.co>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 7:29 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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Thank you,
Cynthia Pugh
5315 Briley Pl
Bethesda, MD 20816
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From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I STRONGLY OBJECT to creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103721
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 10:57:16 AM

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I STRONGLY OPPOSE creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:52:06 AM

From: Eleanor Pugh <Eleanor.Pugh.610695959@p2a.co>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 4:59 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: I STRONGLY OPPOSE creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park CRM:0103742
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:27:00 PM

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Received: Thu Mar 16 2023 16:59:24 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

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Date: Monday, March 13, 2023 9:53:27 AM

From: Elizabeth Bergin <elizabeth.bergin@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, March 11, 2023 7:52 PM

To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Branson, Cherri <Cherri.Branson@mncppc-mc.org>; Hill, David <David.Hill@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Presley, Amy <Amy.Presley@mncppc-mc.org>; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us; Korman, Marc Delegate <Marc.Korman@house.state.md.us>; sara.love@house.state.md.us; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; Friedson's Office, Councilmember <Councilmember.Friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Albornoz's Office, Councilmember <Councilmember.Albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Councilmember.Balcombe@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Fani-Gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov; Pamela Dunn <pamela.dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov>; OCE@montgomerycountymd.gov; Marc.Elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov

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To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: IN AGREEMENT! Petition for reversing the Linear Park and building a People's Bridge over Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 8:48:42 AM

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To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: LFP
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 8:16:47 AM

Jeff Zyontz

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From: Darc <darcking@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, March 13, 2023 7:38 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: LFP

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I object to Parks' plans to make its road diet on LFP permanent. I drive on LFP almost every day. The current configuration on LFP and CCT is unsafe for pedestrians, bicyclists and drivers. Bicyclists don't stop. Runners seemingly come out of nowhere.

I am also concerned that if Parks gets its way on the road diet, they will proceed with the linear park, which I consider to be an irresponsible use of taxpayers money. No one wants to visit a strip adjacent to a busy road.

Sincerely

Darcy King
Chevy Chase MD

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway - Linear Park
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 2:10:11 PM

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From: maureen shuler <maureen.shuler@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 19, 2023 2:38 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Little Falls Parkway - Linear Park

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Hi Jeff,

I'm writing to you to express my concerns about the proposal of the Linear Park at Little Falls parkway. In addition to a number of safety concerns I will address below, are you aware that there already IS a park (a linear one at that) on the other side of the capital crescent trail in the Kenwood neighborhood? So we are closing down a part of a parkway to put yet ANOTHER park in the same location? Can you explain the logic to me or doing this?

I live in the Kenwood neighborhood and have serious safety concerns about the closure of even part of Little Falls Parkway. It has diverted an incredible amount of traffic into our neighborhood (where we have no sidewalks), including emergency vehicles seeking to avoid traffic back ups created by the lane closures.

The current configuration of the parkway today to get ready for this park is in and of itself dangerous. Cars don't know the route, pedestrians and bicyclists don't know where the cars will be; I have spoken with multiple neighbors who have had "near misses" because of the new flow of traffic.

There has been very little consideration to the increased density of living via the Westbard development. If there has been consideration, please share the data with me. The Parks call I attended on February 15th sited that traffic has been decreasing in our area over the past many years (which I don't trust), and then what about the growth? Has there been a simulation model done? Can this be shared?

I continue to be concerned about the lack of proper prioritization from the parks department on projects people want? And then pushing through of a project that so many are opposed to? Less than a mile from this area is a beautify park called Poter park which literally NO ONE goes to because there are 4 parking spaces. We need more park areas we can actually visit, why not finish one project properly before embarking on another?

I would very much like to understand the timeline here, the yardstick for the pilot program, and what feedback you have received from the community and how you are taking this into consideration. I believe strongly that the roll of the parks department is to curate parks and spaces for people to congregate THAT PEOPLE WANT. Why is no one listening to the community.

I look forward to your response.

Maureen Shuler
6219 Garnett Drive Chevy Chase MD 20815

Sent from my iPad

From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway - No to park, yes to two lanes CRM:0103689
Date: Tuesday, March 14, 2023 3:30:30 PM

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Received: Tue Mar 14 2023 11:06:11 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <jeffrey.zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org; James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org; Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org; Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org;

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Best,

Reed

Reed Dewey, CRC, CPRC, CPC

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To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway - No to park, yes to two lanes
Date: Tuesday, March 14, 2023 11:34:27 AM

From: Reed Dewey <reedconnect@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2023 11:05 AM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway - No to park, yes to two lanes
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:27:01 AM

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Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2023 11:05 AM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Little Falls Parkway - No to park, yes to two lanes

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Hello Planning Board Members:

At the crossroads of Little Falls and the Crescent Trail (Bethesda), please vote to return to the split lanes as opposed to its current configuration with two-way traffic on one side of the road.

Please vote against the Road Diet Park plan for Little Falls Parkway given, no proof that it would be used and given that increasing development at Westbard and elsewhere requires more capacity for traffic between River Road and Bethesda.

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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway - two votes against linear park/please return to previous design
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 8:49:11 AM

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Sent: Saturday, March 11, 2023 7:20 PM
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Cc: brittanicushman@gmail.com
Subject: Little Falls Parkway - two votes against linear park/please return to previous design

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Montgomery County Planning Board,

I wanted to voice our frustration with the new Little Falls Parkway layout. In short:

- This is not desired by the community at large;
- We have ample parks in the area, including literally right next to it with the glorious Capital Crescent Trail;
- The “linear park” is ugly, has no parking/ways to get to it, and, I mean, is just dumb. None of the proposals will ever come to fruition (cornhole? Kids are going to steal that day 1. Food trucks/concerts? There are a million better locations for that. No one is going to show up. This is just so ... dumb);
- Like, why go forward with something that has inspired so much vitriol in the community? Aren’t these types of things supposed to at least have general indifference? Look at me. I love parks. I am a daily long-distance runner on the CCT. I have a young family that regularly uses the parks surrounding Little Falls Parkway. I don’t even drive on the Little Falls Parkway that often. Put this whole thing just infuriates me. The few times I use the Little Falls Parkway to drive to Bethesda have morphed from a very pleasant drive to an ugly experience that makes me more likely to drive to DC instead. (And I realize this is a longshot, but I would love the speed bumps and signage to disappear from the lower portion of Little Falls Parkway, as that portion of the drive have transformed from incredibly scenic and enjoyable to obnoxious eye-

soar and uncomfortable drive with the bumps).

There are a bunch of signature petitions going around that I haven't signed, because I think group petitions are dumb and I don't want to get added to those email distribution lists. But please consider our family signed up if it comes to you all counting numbers.

Thanks for your consideration.

Best,

Travis and Brittani Cushman (Westbrook Neighborhood)

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway (Reopening 2023) II
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 11:34:40 AM

From: Sam Farnum <sfarnum@amrcommercial.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 11:27 AM
To: Riley, Mike <Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org>; MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Cc: andrew.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; Higgins, Matt <matt.higgins@montgomerycountymd.gov>; County.Council@montgomerycountymd.gov; marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; susan.lee@senate.state.md.us; Marc.Korman@house.state.md.us; Sara.Love@house.state.md.us; Ariana.kelly@house.state.md.us; Riley, Mike <Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org>; Figueredo, Miti <Miti.Figueredo@montgomeryparks.org>; Frank, Andrew <Andrew.Frank@montgomeryparks.org>; Flusche, Darren <Darren.Flusche@montgomeryparks.org>; Emerson, Sean <Sean.Emerson@montgomeryparks.org>; Hisel-McCoy, Elza <elza.hisel-mccoy@montgomeryplanning.org>; Aldrich, Stephen <stephen.aldrich@montgomeryplanning.org>; Dickel, Stephanie <Stephanie.Dickel@montgomeryplanning.org>; Bridget.Broullire@montgomeryplanning.org; KWoodroffe@mdot.maryland.gov; JMoges@mdot.maryland.gov; Mark.Terry@montgomerycountymd.gov; michael.paylor@montgomerycountymd.gov; Kathleen.Connor2@mail.house.gov; Lucy.Shaw@mail.house.gov; Nina.Weisbroth@mail.house.gov; Wade.Holland@montgomerycountymd.gov
Subject: RE: Little Falls Parkway (Reopening 2023) II

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All- I wanted you to be aware of a new petition (that is approaching 1500 signatures) regarding Little Falls PKWY. The people have & are speaking as to what they want from their elected officials:

<https://www.change.org/p/let-s-make-little-falls-parkway-safe-again>

Thank you for your time.

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From: Sam Farnum
Sent: Monday, December 19, 2022 4:39 PM

To: 'Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org' <Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org>; 'mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org' <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>

Cc: 'andrew.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov' <andrew.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Higgins, Matt <matt.higgins@montgomerycountymd.gov>;

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Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway (Reopening 2023) II

Importance: High

Resending the below email with added, relevant parties.

Hello, I am writing as a Sumner neighborhood resident and commercial real estate agent with AMR Commercial, a small business located in downtown Bethesda. I, like many of my Sumner neighbors and coworkers (all MOCO residents), am reaching out in hopes of stopping work on the linear park and to immediately reopen Little Falls Parkway (LFP) to 4 lanes. In my opinion, this road diet is discouraging the vast majority of those who live in or near West Bethesda from patronizing retail, restaurants, and office buildings in or near downtown Bethesda. In fact, many of my neighbors are now going into DC to shop and dine. Offices are barely at 50% occupancy (this especially hurts the "mom & pops" who own a vacant office condo or small office building). This is the time to help downtown Bethesda, not hurt it.

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Please also note that after the Westbard redevelopment is complete, over HUNDREDS of new housing units will be added to the immediate area which equates to more cars and more traffic.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Happy Holidays.

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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway (Reopening 2023)
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:33:49 AM
Importance: High

Jeff Zyontz

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From: Sam Farnum <sfarnum@amrcommercial.com>
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 4:25 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Little Falls Parkway (Reopening 2023)
Importance: High

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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway changes
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 8:46:32 AM

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From: Keith Lindgren <keithlindgren@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, March 12, 2023 5:43 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Little Falls Parkway changes

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Dear Mr. Zyontz, As a citizen of Montgomery County, I object to the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway because of safety issues on the parkway itself and danger to neighboring communities. Sincerely, Keith Lindgren, MD. 5315 Sunset Lane, Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway Closing
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:43:18 AM

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Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 12:17 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair@mnsppc-mc.org;
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Subject: Little Falls Parkway Closing

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As a member of the Kenwood community in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase area, I am petitioning the Planning Board to delay to a later date the currently scheduled March 23, 2023 review of the traffic data from the Parks Department to keep two lanes of Little Falls Parkway closed in light of the following:

-- **More time is needed by the public to pursue an independent analysis** of the large amount of data presented to us by the Parks Department at the February 15, 2023 meeting.

-- **IF the lane closings are approved by the Planning Board, a second hearing on the proposed linear park should be held.**

--**Public concerns** (i.e., safety, sanitation, emergency access) that a proposed linear park would create **have not been addressed by the Parks Department.**

For the record, the Parks Department failed to consult or conduct a survey with my community in advance of its decision to close off two lanes of traffic along Little Falls Parkway. In pursuing its objective to develop a linear park, the Parks Department has been in violation of the democratic process and principles upheld by the Montgomery County, Maryland government for informed public input to its decision-making processes.

Sincerely,

Jim Alexander
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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway closure
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:23:56 AM

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From: penny.catterall@gmail.com <penny.catterall@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 5:24 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Little Falls Parkway closure

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Dear Mr. Zyontz,

As a long time resident of the Westbrook neighborhood of Bethesda, I am writing to voice my strong opposition to the permanent closure of part of Little Falls Parkway to replace it with a "linear park". During the past several months while the traffic has been rerouted, I have seen just a handful of people actually using it for walking or biking and I take this route almost daily. Yesterday, for instance, I was on LFP 4 times, and only saw one cyclist using it the entire time. It was a warm sunny Sunday afternoon, and yet the cars were piled up at the Arlington intersection and virtually no one was using the dedicated cyclist and pedestrian section.

This part of the parkway exactly parallels the popular Capital Crescent trail which continues to be used by walkers and cyclists. Why would people just come off the road for half a mile to use a liner park when there is already a park right there?

In addition, it is very nerve-wracking to be driving on this section of road at night with cars coming straight at you with no divider and only one lane and some crazy maneuvering.

Finally, none of the neighborhoods that will be impacted by this well intentioned, but poorly thought out decision, were even consulted before the lanes were abruptly closed. There needs to be more input from the affected communities before a final decision is made. With all the construction, building and population density increase in the adjoining areas (like the Westbard development), there should be easier access for traffic to get in and out on important roads like LFP, not less.

Thank you,

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From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway CRM:0103688
Date: Tuesday, March 14, 2023 8:20:36 AM

Sean Emerson | Public Information & Customer Service Manager

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From: John Stewart <johnistewart@comcast.net>;

Received: Fri Mar 10 2023 15:35:03 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

To: MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

Cc: Sharon Stoliaroff <drsharon@aol.com>;

Subject: Little Falls Parkway

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Dear Board Members:

We are long-time residents of the Town of Somerset. We are writing to express our strong opposition to the plan for a permanent "linear park" along Little Falls Parkway. We request that the Board reject the plan for a continuation of the project and the return of Little Falls Parkway to four-lane vehicular traffic.

Many local residents have already raised substantial questions about cut-through traffic impacts in Somerset and Kenwood, reduced capacity to accommodate future Westbard and Bethesda development, and Montgomery Parks' lack of legal authority to close the roadway. We want to focus in particular on the absence of any showing of need for the proposed "Park" and the inadequate consideration of the impact on emergency services.

The proposed project will eliminate a public resource already paid for with taxpayer funds, in exchange for an ill-defined paved "park" for which no need has been shown. The representatives of the Parks Department blithely asserted in the public meeting on February 15 that everyone always wants more parks. But there has apparently been no survey or other research done that could establish an actual demand, much less a need, for this particular new "park." Nor, in our view, could any need actually be established, since the proposed Linear Park is immediately flanked by two other public recreation areas, the Capital Crescent Trail and the Little Falls Trail. No mention at all was made in the February 15 presentation of the extent to which the Little Falls Trail park, as opposed to the CCT, already serves some of the same purposes as the proposed new "park" (I raised this question in the Q&A but it was

never answered). How can we spend additional taxpayer money to create something for which no need whatsoever has been demonstrated? Collecting statements from people who say they have used or would be happy to use the new space doesn't answer the question of whether it's actually needed, when the other two trails and Norwood Park are all already available, mere yards away. And the proposed configuration of the new "park" cannot even be used for through-biking (if yet a third bike path were needed), since it terminates before Dorset, leaving only a dangerous path to connect to the CCT.

One issue of particular concern to us is the potential impact on emergency services in Somerset, as to which no proper analysis has been done. It was reported in the February 15 meeting that the Police and Emergency Services departments were asked about the reconfiguration of the Parkway and they "see no problem." But we had the unfortunate experience of being in the back of an ambulance one afternoon in late September during Phase I, on our way from Westbrook Elementary to Suburban Hospital, with Sharon bleeding from a serious head wound suffered in a fall. The ambulance made it from Massachusetts to River (and Dorset) just fine, because cars were able to pull over on the shoulders to let it through. But when we moved to the two-way section between Dorset and Arlington Road, the ambulance was forced to stop several times. That's because there is inadequate room to pull off the roadway in that section. On the median side, cars had to pull onto the grassy hill down towards the trees. We eventually got through and Sharon was treated at the hospital. But a cavalier "we see no problem" is a wholly inadequate governmental response to the question of whether emergency vehicles will be unduly hampered as a result of the "Linear Park." At the least, more consideration would need to be given to any necessary modifications of the remaining roadway to ensure there is adequate room for cars to pull over throughout the entire run.

We support public policy goals aimed in general at increasing green space and reducing automobile use. But this proposal will do neither. A significant part of the Linear Park will remain paved, and there will be more rather than fewer cars, because Parks intends to create "destination" amenities like cornhole, giant checkers and food trucks that will induce more people to drive to it and park nearby.

Our family has lived in Somerset for more than 30 years, and a few blocks north of Somerset for the 10 years before that. We have been walking and biking the Little Falls Trail and the Capital Crescent Trail for over 40 years (though we well remember when there were still freight trains running where the CCT now lies). Our kids learned to ride bikes and rollerblade and skateboard just fine, without doing it on Little Falls Parkway. The idea that there is a need for this bizarre new "park," given the trails and parks we already have right here, is simply absurd, and an abuse of governmental authority.

The Montgomery Parks Linear Park plan would unjustifiably eliminate an existing public resource, without a corresponding benefit. We strongly oppose the continuation of the plan and request that the Parkway be restored to its pre-Pandemic configuration.

Thank you,

John Stewart
Sharon Stoliaroff, PhD
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From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway CRM:0103733
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:12:07 PM

Sean Emerson | Public Information & Customer Service Manager

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From: JoAnn Kingdon <joann.kingdon@bladetec.com>;

Received: Thu Mar 16 2023 21:46:57 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: Councilmember Friedson <councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Jawando's Office, Councilmember <councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Zyontz, Jeffrey <jeffrey.zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Albornoz's Office, Councilmember <councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Councilmember Glass <councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Mike Riley <mike.riley@montgomeryparks.org>; Marc.Elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov <marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov>; MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Mike Riley <mike.riley@montgomeryparks.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov; Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org; James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org; Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org; Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org;

Subject: Little Falls Parkway

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Please reopen Little Falls Parkway to 4 lanes again where it has recently been constricted to two lanes from Dorset Ave., to Hillandale Rd. As a citizen of Montgomery County I object to the road restrictions on Little Falls Parkway because of safety concerns for drivers and cut through traffic in neighboring communities. The recent reconfiguration also endangers bicyclists and pedestrians at the crossing of the Capitol Crescent Trail. I am also aware that this is a difficult road for Fire and Rescue to access in times of an emergency.

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To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway CRM:0103739
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Subject: Little Falls Parkway

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway is a MESS!!
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:25:32 AM

From: Carl Becker <Carl.Becker.610937798@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:03 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Little Falls Parkway is a MESS!!

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

Jeff, this new trail crossing is DANGEROUS! Someone is going to get killed there. Just today we met with Craig from Councilmember Balcombe's office. Just prior to his arrival we witnessed a near collision where two pedestrians walking a dog entered the crossing just as a vehicle was accelerating. The vehicle had to make an abrupt stop and came to a stop just about two feet from hitting the dog. It was unbelievable. Southbound vehicles don't see pedestrians crossing from the north side of the parkway because a large pad is wrapped around a light post which creates a huge blind spot. Southbound Bicyclists cross the parkway very quickly and make a sudden right turn but southbound drivers can't easily see the bicyclists as they are cutting across the drivers peripheral view. Please meet me out there sometime. It would be a tragedy to let the planning board vote without meeting me at the site!

Thank you,
Carl Becker
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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway Lane Closures and Planned Development
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:42:31 AM

Jeff Zyontz

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From: robert.benton@verizon.net <robert.benton@verizon.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2023 8:17 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>; Riley, Mike <Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org>; Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; Pamela.Dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov
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As a citizen of Montgomery County, living in the WoodAcres subdivision, I'm writing to object to the restrictions and lane closures on Little Falls Parkway between Arlington Road and River Road. They decrease safety, in my direct experience, on the parkway itself and add no value to the neighboring communities. The increased congestion alone has caused two near wrecks in my presence.

Plans to convert the closed lanes into a linear park are ill-conceived and would be difficult to use. Surely these funds can be put to use in place that local families can use that is

more than a few feet away from significant traffic.

Best,
Robert Benton

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway Linear Park Pilot Program
Date: Friday, February 24, 2023 12:50:53 PM

From: Alex Tanzi <abtanzi@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 19, 2023 3:22 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Little Falls Parkway Linear Park Pilot Program

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Just my two cents on the **Little Falls Parkway Linear Park Pilot Program...**

I live near the dc / md line. The reduction of lanes on Little Falls Parkway makes shopping in the bethesda much less attractive. Its simply not enjoyable to drive that way. Therefore instead of spending money in Maryland most of the time I shop in Washington now. I goto the tenley hardware instead of the one on Arlington blvd. I goto the cvs in spring valley (dc) instead of bethesda. I go the the sandwich shop in spring valley instead of bethesda. Thousands of my spending dollars and taxes generated in dc now instead of maryland. Alex Tanzi

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway Linear Park Pilot Program
Date: Friday, February 24, 2023 2:30:41 PM

From: kerrymoore@aol.com <kerrymoore@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 22, 2023 12:59 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Re: Little Falls Parkway Linear Park Pilot Program

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My address for the letter below is:

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Sent: Wed, Feb 22, 2023 12:56 pm
Subject: Little Falls Parkway Linear Park Pilot Program

Dear Sir or Madam,

I recently attended the virtual meeting relating to the Little Falls Parkway (LFP) traffic study and discussion of the proposed linear park. During Covid, I did bike over to LFP from Westmoreland Hills with my family and spent a few hours at a time here and there enjoying the outdoors in that location. I saw friends and neighbors also enjoying the closed roads, as we all had very little to do and everything was closed. It was such a nice break from a difficult situation and great that Parks was able to pivot at the time to give the surrounding area that benefit. As life resumed, we returned to our busy schedules. While everything isn't fully back to normal most of our time is otherwise spoken for and we are back to enjoying other activities during our limited leisure time.

Parks now needs to pivot back to operations that made sense pre-Covid. I am surprised that this Little Falls Linear Park program effort continues to move forward when it doesn't seem supported by the majority of residents that live in this area and use that road regularly. Those that support the park are much louder and speak often (in all venues) whereas those against the road closures or diet assumed the road would return to normal usage after everything went back to pre-Covid times. I really started to pay attention to this issue 6 or so months ago after the humps went in on part of the LFP and I know many of my neighbors don't necessarily have the bandwidth regarding life demands right now or skills to monitor online activities (including Nextdoor discussions or Parks' posts) about these developments. I don't believe that there has been true outreach to determine what the neighborhood really wants here based on my discussions with others and what I have read on Nextdoor (or from what I heard at the recent virtual meeting). Now that more people are expressing concerns about these changes, I am not sure they are being heard by Parks representatives who seem to express that community input and study had been

extensive.

A few comments:

1) Survey - If you truly want to find out neighbors preferences, send out a survey to all neighbors in the surrounding area in paper format, with the option to reply online or by mail. This should have been done before the arbitrary linear park was proposed. It most certainly should be done if the temporary linear pilot park is established and it is time for real honest community input. The linear park wasn't a neighborhood generated proposal in response to demand. For instance, I would imagine that alternatively adding a sidewalk along the entire LFP to the existing unadulterated (2 lanes each direction) road would be a popular change as many use the road as a logistical connector walking in the dirt usually on the Somerset neighborhood side of the road. A Survey would indicate the popularity of this option.

2) CCT Safety - The cut to one lane and adjustments by the CCT crossing make sense, particularly due to the recumbent bicycle tragedy, but a ramp will always be more functional and safer for everyone even if it remains one lane at that juncture. As an adult, that crossing is always disconcerting, but notably difficult with children walking or on bicycles or with impaired adults. The focus should be this crossing, not adding a park.

3) CCT - Everyone loves the CCT, it connects to many locations in the DC area and it is widely used. Further development to expand and support the CCT is welcome by all. I would love to see it expanded with dedicated bike lanes on one side so that there wasn't competition for the walkers, runners, and tricycles/strollers. Why are we spending money on a park that no one asked for and not on improvements to a trail everyone enjoys at many points of entry across the whole county? I know I am not alone in this belief. (Facets of the proposed linear park could be employed in existing nearby parks, for example, Norwood, Kenwood, Willard Ave Park, or particularly in the open space at the Westbard development or by the tennis courts in that location given how many new residences without yards are being constructed there. Wouldn't a food truck/music in that area make more sense as well with other infrastructure to enjoy and draw in and support neighbors and visitors including bathrooms and trash receptacles? What about a skateboard park near Westland Middle School and the Little Falls Library where there would be clear demand and usage?)

4) LFP - This used to be a beautiful leisure drive as well as a uniquely calm, functional and efficient way to cross Bethesda. The only one in this local area. Now it is exasperating and more dangerous regardless of traffic due to the driving patterns, lane closures, traffic changes and obstacles of all shapes and colors and regular driver confusion. Other than the now one small segment of two lanes near the Washington Episcopal School, the LFP drive is thoroughly and unnecessarily, unpleasant and difficult. For example, on the Massachusetts/River stretch, some drivers come to a complete stop before the humps and others drive around them in addition to other antics. On the other side of River by the pool, clearly some drivers are continually confused about where to drive with all the reflectors, lane changes, barriers and bright car lights shining in your face at particular and sudden angles while driving along the curvy and rolling road.

5) LFP Size and Safety - If safety and driver speed was the primary concern, there are other tools that can be used to minimize speed beyond the speed limit reduction including traffic cameras with large fines and patrols. Reducing the lanes, but setting up an area for small children across from a busy road --- continual car movement due to limited reasons to stop or turn without street parking----doesn't make a lot of sense as a parent. These sorts of activities located on the pool side on the other side of the parking lot on Hillandale would be more appropriate. It is closer to more homes without green space/yards and on the same side of the street as another attraction for children. Additionally, the thought of children crossing back and forth from the pool to the "linear park" without a walking ramp is a deadly accident waiting to happen.

6) Traffic Studies - The traffic studies presented cannot be used to make such a large decision as to cutting off a major transportation artery. There will certainly be significant cars and traffic added due to the Westbard development as well as the development in downtown Bethesda. Permanently closing a lane of traffic before the results of a true traffic study which incorporates the completed and occupied

Westbard development as well as a full return to work is negligent. (Though some believe, including expressed by Parks, part time in person work is here to stay, that doesn't apply to all jobs and is not necessarily true even in all white collar positions. Just last month more employers started to mandate a return to the office. It is not clear how this is going to shake out for everyone and is premature to decide that many will never return to the office due to current traffic studies. Additionally, a lot of jobs needing on site workers are still severely understaffed in the area.) Additionally, for those of us North and West of Massachusetts Ave, public transportation options are more limited and most of us are unable to bike for our daily work or errands either physically or practically.

Given the above, and many more unheard concerns from the public, I believe its important that a decision is delayed about the LFP until the interests and needs of the community stakeholders are fully addressed. A park can rarely be considered objectionable in my view, but the placement, rationale and ultimate cost of this park and amenities appears premature and should be discussed and researched further with all relevant parties.

Thank you for your consideration on this important matter.

Sincerely yours,
Kerry Moore
Westmoreland Hills

From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway project CRM:0103718
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 10:56:03 AM
Attachments: [Mayor Letter Planning Board Little Falls Pkwy.pdf](#)

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Subject: Little Falls Parkway project

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Mr. Zyontz:

I have attached a letter from our Mayor regarding the proposal for Little Falls Parkway.

Thank you,

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To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway project
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:54:33 AM
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From: Julian Mansfield <jmansfield@friendshipheightsmd.gov>
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To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway proposal
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:15:54 AM

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From: Maya Weil <mayaweil@compuserve.com>
Sent: Monday, March 13, 2023 10:58 PM
Subject: Little Falls Parkway proposal

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As a citizen of Montgomery County and resident of Dorset Ave only a block away from Little Falls Parkway, I object to the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway because of safety issues on the parkway itself and danger to neighboring communities. I would really like to see a bridge connecting the Capital Crescent Trail over Little Falls Parkway next to the Bethesda pool.

Maya Wei
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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway Proposed Permanent Lane Restrictions
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 2:11:00 PM

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Sent: Sunday, March 19, 2023 11:07 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Little Falls Parkway Proposed Permanent Lane Restrictions

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As a citizen of Montgomery County, I object to the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway because of safety issues on the parkway itself and danger to neighboring communities.

In 1978 my wife and I moved from Woodacres into Kenwood to accommodate our growing family. Numerous other Woodacres families did the same for similar reasons. We liked the narrow smaller streets, limited access into Kenwood, and limited traffic.

With the advent of Metro and the subsequent commercial development of Bethesda, the local traffic has increased significantly. With the development of the Westbard track, more traffic will be imposed on Little Falls Parkway and Kenwood. The only main arteries between Bethesda, River Road, and Massachusetts Ave. are Wisconsin Ave., Little Falls Parkway, and Goldsboro Road.

The Crescent Trail / Little Falls Crossing is functional at the moment due to Covid having lowering traffic. In the future, crossing will have to be dealt more formally. More people including myself use the trail for recreation, not the presently closed LFP lane.

I am against permanently bottlenecking LFP with one lane each way from Dorset Ave. to Arlington Blvd.

Sincerely,

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Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway request to re-open
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:22:17 AM
Attachments: [L Fall Parkway.pdf](#)

From: Joe Metzler <joemetzl@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, March 19, 2023 3:32 PM

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Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
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As a citizen of Montgomery County and resident of a neighborhood directly effected (Somerset) , I object to the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway because of safety issues on the parkway itself and danger to neighboring communities.

Michael Meyer

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:27:48 AM

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I have lived near Little Falls Parkway for close to 20 years. I have found it to be a convenient way to navigate into Bethesda without the extra miles it takes to reach town via other routes. While the Parkway was closed, I stopped going into Bethesda due to the headache of getting there. I know many others who did as well. When residents choose to forgo Bethesda due to such inconveniences, businesses suffer. Even now, with the new two lane road, I find it challenging to maneuver. The lanes are small with no room on the sides for any sway. The signs are confusing and driving at night on it is unpleasant as it is hard to navigate and see pedestrians. I would like to see this go back to its original four lane structure. There is absolutely no need for a park area there as it is next to the crescent trail as well as a park. This trail provides space for exercise enthusiasts and allows families to walk easily into town while the park provides a place for families and children to relax.

It is a shame that the county decided to create this unnecessary space and to inconvenience local residents because it feels some sort of need to create open space where there already is plenty. I would prefer to see this money spent on communities that truly need this type of space and want it. Please reconsider and return little falls to its former structure.

Julie Coe
301-922-3653

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:25:54 AM

From: William Bonacki <brooklynbill@verizon.net>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 5:56 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Riley, Mike <Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org>; Pamela.Dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>; Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us; marc.korman@house.state.md.us; sara.love@house.state.md.us
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Bill Bonacki _____
Name

4956 Sentinel Drive, Bethesda MD_20816 _____
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Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
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From: Laurie Gross <lgross8820@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 8:56 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Riley, Mike <Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org>; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>; Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us; marc.korman@house.state.md.us; sara.love@house.state.md.us; Pamela.Dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov
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Laurie Gross

4952 Sentinel Drive

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Bethesda, MD

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 8:43:08 AM

Jeff Zyontz

Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board

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From: Sara McNamara <saramcnamara@me.com>
Sent: Monday, March 13, 2023 12:22 AM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>
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Dear Sir or Madame:

As a citizen of Montgomery County, I object to the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway because of safety issues on the parkway itself and danger to neighboring communities.

There is considerable development happening in downtown Bethesda and Westbard which will lead to more cars on our roads. Little Falls Parkway provides a convenient route allowing cars to move on a street which doesn't contain houses. Other cut through streets such as Goldsboro and Wilson are lined with residences. Narrowing Little Falls will result in cars being distributed to other streets where people live and children play - such as the streets in Kenwood and Somerset, Goldsboro and Wilson.

We do not need a "linear park" next to a roadway. What we need is safety measures that allow bikes & pedestrians to cross at the capital crescent trail. How about a pedestrian crossing light? Or a bridge?

Regards,

*Sara McNamara
7710 Oldchester Rd
Bethesda MD, 20817*

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 8:14:14 AM

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From: Emily Harris <emily.o.harris@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 12, 2023 1:10 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>;
Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem,
Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>
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Good afternoon,

I am a resident of Montgomery County and live in close proximity to Little Falls Parkway.

Bottom line, the focus on Little Falls Parkway as a potential park is misplaced and has been handled a very confusing way.

Montgomery County has many existing parks (a few of which are in close proximity to Little Falls Parkway); while each of those parks has potential (in terms of available space and age of equipment/lack of activities), none of those parks are anything of note relative to some of the other great parks in the region (see, Turtle Park, Clemyjontri Park). For example, Norwood Park has a nice little playground for smaller kids, and a great tennis space, but the age of (and wear and tear on) those spaces is very evident.

In addition, the CCT is a much better option for recreation and the only thing that Montgomery County should spend money on (relative to Little Falls Parkway) is making sure that the CCT crossing is as safe as it can be.

Thank you for making the county I grew up in, and thought would be a great county for my young kids to grow up in, materially less appealing.

Regards,

Emily Harris
20815

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 8:13:18 AM

Jeff Zyontz
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From: Edward Tabor <thousandyears@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, March 12, 2023 12:49 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>;
Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem,
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To the Planning Board:

I am very concerned about the hazardous driving created by the reduction in lanes on Little Falls Parkway.

Although the current experimental traffic pattern slows down the traffic, it also has created a winding, obstacle-filled roadway. The lanes change multiple times, and they weave in and out of posts placed to guide traffic.

I have driven on Little Falls Parkway for decades, and I know it well. Despite this, I find it difficult to drive its new bizarre pattern, particularly at night. It must be a nightmare for anyone who is driving on it for the first time, or infrequently.

Little Falls Parkway has been a beautiful break from urban traffic ever since it was first built about 60 years ago. It was paid for with tax money from residents of Montgomery County, including my parents who lived here at that time. Why should this be taken away now, and why should it be replaced with more hazardous, narrow traffic lanes?

Sincerely,

Edward Tabor
Bethesda, MD

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Telephone: 301-785-1418

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:50:45 AM

From: JoAnn Kingdon <joann.kingdon@bladetec.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 9:46 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Riley, Mike <Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org>; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>; Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
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Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:47:00 AM

From: CARMEN PETRUZZI <cpetruzzi@verizon.net>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 9:29 AM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Riley, Mike <Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org>; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>; Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us; marc.korman@house.state.md.us; sara.love@house.state.md.us
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Respectfully,

Carmen Petruzzi

4982 Sentinel Drive, Apt 102

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:45:21 AM

From: Carlos Ricardo Escudero <carlorescudero01@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 10:47 AM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Riley, Mike <Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org>; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>; Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us; marc.korman@house.state.md.us; sara.love@house.state.md.us
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Friday, March 10, 2023 4:45:49 PM
Attachments: [Invitation to Planning Board to visit LFP.pdf](#)

From: David Forman <davidforman01@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 9, 2023 6:06 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Cc: jazlyn.moock@mncppc-mc.org
Subject: Fwd: Little Falls Parkway

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From: **David Forman** <davidforman01@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 9, 2023 at 5:59 PM
Subject: Little Falls Parkway
To: <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>, <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>, <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>, <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>, <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>

Please see the attached communication from the Citizens Coordinating Committee on Friendship Heights regarding Little Falls Parkway.

David S. Forman

Chair, Citizens Coordinating Committee on Friendship Heights

5344 Falmouth Road

Bethesda, MD 20816

cell: (202) 294-1426

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Friday, March 10, 2023 4:28:41 PM

From: JOHN STEWART <johnstewart@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, March 10, 2023 3:35 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Cc: Sharon Stoliaroff <DrSharon@aol.com>
Subject: Little Falls Parkway

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Dear Board Members:

We are long-time residents of the Town of Somerset. We are writing to express our strong opposition to the plan for a permanent "linear park" along Little Falls Parkway. We request that the Board reject the plan for a continuation of the project and the return of Little Falls Parkway to four-lane vehicular traffic.

Many local residents have already raised substantial questions about cut-through traffic impacts in Somerset and Kenwood, reduced capacity to accommodate future Westbard and Bethesda development, and Montgomery Parks' lack of legal authority to close the roadway. We want to focus in particular on the absence of any showing of need for the proposed "Park" and the inadequate consideration of the impact on emergency services.

The proposed project will eliminate a public resource already paid for with taxpayer funds, in exchange for an ill-defined paved "park" for which no need has been shown. The representatives of the Parks Department blithely asserted in the public meeting on February 15 that everyone always wants more parks. But there has apparently been no survey or other research done that could establish an actual demand, much less a need, for this particular new "park." Nor, in our view, could any need actually be established, since the proposed Linear Park is immediately flanked by two other public recreation areas, the Capital Crescent Trail and the Little Falls Trail. No mention at all was made in the February 15 presentation of the extent to which the Little Falls Trail park, as opposed to the CCT, already serves some of the same purposes as the proposed new "park" (I raised this question in the Q&A but it was never answered). How can we spend additional taxpayer money to create something for which no need whatsoever has been demonstrated? Collecting statements from people who say they have used or would be happy to use the new space doesn't answer the question of whether it's actually needed, when the other two trails and Norwood Park are all already available, mere yards away. And the proposed configuration of the new "park" cannot even be used for through-biking (if yet a third

bike path were needed), since it terminates before Dorset, leaving only a dangerous path to connect to the CCT.

One issue of particular concern to us is the potential impact on emergency services in Somerset, as to which no proper analysis has been done. It was reported in the February 15 meeting that the Police and Emergency Services departments were asked about the reconfiguration of the Parkway and they "see no problem." But we had the unfortunate experience of being in the back of an ambulance one afternoon in late September during Phase I, on our way from Westbrook Elementary to Suburban Hospital, with Sharon bleeding from a serious head wound suffered in a fall. The ambulance made it from Massachusetts to River (and Dorset) just fine, because cars were able to pull over on the shoulders to let it through. But when we moved to the two-way section between Dorset and Arlington Road, the ambulance was forced to a stop several times. That's because there is inadequate room to pull off the roadway in that section. On the median side, cars had to pull onto the grassy hill down towards the trees. We eventually got through and Sharon was treated at the hospital. But a cavalier "we see no problem" is a wholly inadequate governmental response to the question of whether emergency vehicles will be unduly hampered as a result of the "Linear Park." At the least, more consideration would need to be given to any necessary modifications of the remaining roadway to ensure there is adequate room for cars to pull over throughout the entire run.

We support public policy goals aimed in general at increasing green space and reducing automobile use. But this proposal will do neither. A significant part of the Linear Park will remain paved, and there will be more rather than fewer cars, because Parks intends to create "destination" amenities like cornhole, giant checkers and food trucks that will induce more people to drive to it and park nearby.

Our family has lived in Somerset for more than 30 years, and a few blocks north of Somerset for the 10 years before that. We have been walking and biking the Little Falls Trail and the Capital Crescent Trail for over 40 years (though we well remember when there were still freight trains running where the CCT now lies). Our kids learned to ride bikes and rollerblade and skateboard just fine, without doing it on Little Falls Parkway. The idea that there is a need for this bizarre new "park," given the trails and parks we already have right here, is simply absurd, and an abuse of governmental authority.

The Montgomery Parks Linear Park plan would unjustifiably eliminate an existing public resource, without a corresponding benefit. We strongly oppose the continuation of the plan and request that the Parkway be restored to its pre-Pandemic configuration.

Thank you,

John Stewart
Sharon Stolaroff, PhD
4823 Dorset Avenue

Somerset, MD 20815

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 7:57:36 AM

Jeff Zyontz

Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board

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From: joann lang <langjat@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 6, 2023 4:56 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Little Falls Parkway

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Dear Chairman Zyontz,

As citizens and taxpayers in Bethesda, my husband and I are very concerned and very unhappy with the current restrictions on Little Falls Parkway.

Travel along the parkway has become difficult and very frustrating because of the traffic backups occurring during rush hour since only one lane now exists for our vehicles. There will be additional traffic congestion because of the current and future Westbard realignment and also because of the congestion that will result when full time federal government workers return to their offices in May of 2023.

It is our belief that the data to justify the development of the proposed linear park fails to recognize the safety problems that road restrictions will create for neighborhoods, such as Kenwood and Somerset, and nearby roads where there are no sidewalks and where homes face directly out to streets. The Parks Department traffic data does not seem to consider the safety issues for drivers, pedestrians and cyclists alike now that opposing lanes of traffic are no longer separated by a median but are now side by side. There is also concern for the safety of pedestrians and cyclists at the trail crossing and the roadway.

As taxpayers, we believe that we should be consulted about projects that significantly impact our community. We strongly object to your proposed changes to Little Falls Parkway.

Sincerely,

JoAnn Lang
(Mrs. Roger H.)
Sumner residents

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 11:15:17 AM

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From: Noreen Mclane Phelan <noreen.mclane@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 9:47 AM
To: Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov;
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<Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org>
Subject: Little Falls Parkway

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All,

Since the road diet has been put in place on Little Falls Parkway, we have been run off the road on three separate occasions by vehicles attempting to merge into the one remaining lane at the last minute as they approach the Dorset intersection (where the second lane has been turned into a turn only lane). The most recent incident occurred this past Sunday at 4pm as we were driving our young children home from their sporting events. This new traffic pattern has created a very unsafe situation and is putting the safety of those who use the road at risk. This should not be the case. Our community is already blessed with the Capital Crescent Trail and a number of surrounding parks. Roadways should not be made unsafe in exchange for providing more green space to neighbors who are not even asking for. Moreover, traffic should not be being diverted into the surrounding neighborhoods (where families take walks and children play on their lawns and in the neighborhood parks); yet, that is happening, as people prefer to cut through the neighborhoods rather than endure the unsafe and chaotic conditions that have arisen as a result of

the poor reconfiguration of the Parkway. As the major redevelopment projects at Westbard and Downtown Bethesda achieve completion, the traffic on the Parkway will undoubtedly increase and the safety issues that we are experiencing now will only be exacerbated.

Please let common sense prevail and prioritize the safety of Montgomery County residents by restoring the Parkway to 4 safely operating lanes. Thank you for your consideration and please feel free to reach out with any questions. Please find our signed petition below.

Noreen and Pat Phelan (570-650-9754)

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As a member of the Kenwood community in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase area, I am petitioning the Planning Board to delay to a later date the currently scheduled March 23, 2023 review of the traffic data from the Parks Department to keep two lanes of Little Falls Parkway closed in light of the following:

-- **More time is needed by the public to pursue an independent analysis** of the large amount of data presented to us by the Parks Department at the February 15, 2023 meeting.

-- **IF the lane closings are approved by the Planning Board, a second hearing on the proposed linear park should be held.**

--**Public concerns** (i.e., safety, sanitation, emergency access) that a proposed linear park would create **have not been addressed by the Parks Department.**

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Noreen and Pat Phelan

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 10:15:34 AM

From: Darcy King-Leatham <darcyking02@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 6:08 PM
To: Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; Congressman Jamie Raskin <md08jr.outreach@mail.house.gov>; Councilmember.Albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; ariana.kelly@house.state.md.us; Sara.Love@house.state.md.us; Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Mills-Pherigo, Aishah L. <Aishah.Mills-Pherigo@montgomerycountymd.gov>
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The People's Bridge over Little Falls Parkway

Promoting Safety for All

Acting in my individual capacity from Brookdale a community in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase area, I hereby oppose the current design of the Little Falls Parkway and Capital Crescent Trail crossing, the reduction of the Parkway from four divided lanes to two undivided lanes, and the proposed formation of a Linear Park. I support a long-term solution of building a walker, jogger, bicycle bridge for the Capital Crescent Trail over a reopened divided four lanes of Little Falls Parkway, which will provide safety for all users for now and into the future. **The current roadway design and trail crossing conflicts with Vision Zero and is dangerous for pedestrians, cyclists, and vehicles. Watch here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BkxH5Dj9BXM>**

These **essential Montgomery County values have been ignored by the Parks Department** by dictating to the surrounding communities the development of a linear park along Little Falls Parkway.

Ignored: Public Input and Collaboration Through the Democratic Process

- **The proposed Little Falls Parkway Linear Park is being developed out of convenience by the Parks Department because it's more cost effective because we already own the land," even though no formal needs assessment was done.** Community priorities for parks are expressed in the Bethesda Downtown Plan (2017) and the Westbard

Sector Plan (2016). LFP is discussed in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Sector Plan (1990). The Parks Department could have requested that the Planning Board review and update the B-CC sector plan to receive community input on the changes they are making and have proposed on LFP, but they didn't do this. Since when does a county administrative agency dictate to communities how public property, which they provide stewardship of, should be used without getting public input prior to changes?

Ignored: Racial Equity and Social Justice for all County Residents

- **A formal needs assessment would show that two major public recreational facilities – Norwood Park and the Capital Crescent Trail – are within walking distance of the single and multi-family dwellings** in this area. Repair and upkeep of those existing facilities would be of greater benefit to all residents than a park no larger than 1.4 acres, which is parallel to the CCT.
- **A formal needs assessment would show that the County's equity priorities have been ignored.** The Bethesda-Chevy Chase area is clearly not in an equity-focused area as defined by Thrive 2050. By targeting this community for another park, and where there are already two major recreational areas, the Parks Department is ignoring the priority established in Thrive 2050 to provide amenities in areas of the county that were previously ignored. Why isn't the Parks Department upholding the concept of racial equity and social justice, as supported in Thrive 2050 and by our County Council, by offering this amenity to a community on the eastern side of our county that may lack green or recreational space?

Ignored: Transparency in Decision-Making by County Administrators

- **Itemized expenditures and funding sources are not provided to the public.** Normally, a public parks project on public land would require the Parks Department to first solicit community input on the parameters of the project, followed by the Parks Department developing a plan and a budget for carrying it out, which then would be presented to the public. Sources for funding and all the expenditures for development and future maintenance would be itemized. That has not been the *modus operandi* with the changes for LFP and the proposed linear park. Parks Dept. personnel have not provided the public with line-item expenditures for the money they have already spent on the road changes, nor have they itemized where funding for the linear park project is coming from or what the itemized costs for its development and future maintenance will be.
- **The Parks Department uses traffic data to justify development of the park, but its data is incomplete and fails to recognize new safety problems the road restriction has created and will be exacerbated with recreational facilities and events.** However:
 - **they are ignoring that some of the LFP traffic has been transferred to nearby neighborhoods – Kenwood, and Somerset – and nearby roads, i.e.,**

Goldsboro, **where there are no sidewalks** and where homes face directly onto streets. They do not recognize that they have increased the possibility of more vehicular accidents on neighborhood streets, and they have no traffic data for Goldsboro Road._

- **they have not acknowledged that the linear park will result in more pedestrians crossing from the east side of LFP**, where there is some parking and a county swimming pool, **to the west side** to participate in activities and events, also increasing the possibility of accidents and traffic delays._
- **they have not recognized the safety issues that have resulted for drivers, pedestrians and bicyclists now that opposing lanes of traffic are no longer separated by a median but are side-by-side.** This configuration has created turning issues for drivers at the intersections of Dorset Avenue and Hillandale Road where there are blind spots that did not exist with a divided parkway. It has created problems for pedestrians and bicyclists at the CCT crossing when a driver in one lane of traffic might stop, but the other coming in the opposite direction might not. bicyclists routinely, almost always run the stop sign. This is a very dangerous trail crossing which does not have any active signalization controlling the flow of vehicles, pedestrians, or cyclists. "Near Collisions" between vehicles and pedestrians or bicyclists routinely happen as a result of this new trail crossing design. This design conflicts with vision zero. _

- **The Parks Department has not considered significant changes expected in traffic patterns** when federal government workers return to their offices full-time in May 2023, and when the Westbard Avenue realignment is completed in late 2023. **As a result of the recent changes, vehicular traffic now crawls during commuting hours. Watch this clip to see how far vehicles back-up:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=njSwHel-Zpc>

- **User counts of walkers/joggers/bikers on the closed road are inflated.** The counters do not recognize individual users, so one person could pass by a counter multiple times and be counted as a user each time. We would like to see a needs assessment or traffic study which compares the usage of the linear park to the usage of the CCT. We would like to know if the money would be better spent on widening the CCT.
- **We have not seen data for Linear park pedestrian usage from the past 4-6 months.** Parks said they haven't checked the counter in months. It's very simple to check the counter so we don't believe this and we expect to see this data with ample time to have it interpreted.

Mixing people and cars on a roadway is an invitation for tragedy – a child being struck by an SUV driver who can't see her as she runs across LFP or a biker darting across the CCT before a driver can brake. Our communities need a long-term solution to solve our safety issues. Our communities need and support a pedestrian/jogger/biker bridge over Little Falls Parkway at

the Capital Crescent Trail. A bridge, similar to the one over River Road, will return Little Falls Parkway to be the sylvan and safe connection between downtown Bethesda and the southwestern Bethesda communities while ensuring safe passage for decades to come whether people walk, jog, bike or drive along Little Falls Parkway.

Darcy King-Leatham

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
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Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 10:11:24 AM

From: Noreen Mclane Phelan <noreen.mclane@gmail.com>
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All,

Since the road diet has been put in place on Little Falls Parkway, we have been run off the road on three separate occasions by vehicles attempting to merge into the one remaining lane at the last minute as they approach the Dorset intersection (where the second lane has been turned into a turn only lane). The most recent incident occurred this past Sunday at 4pm as we were driving our young children home from their sporting events. This new traffic pattern has created a very unsafe situation and is putting the safety of those who use the road at risk. This should not be the case. Our community is already blessed with the Capital Crescent Trail and a number of surrounding parks. Roadways should not be made unsafe in exchange for providing more green space to neighbors who are not even asking for. Moreover, traffic should not be being diverted into the surrounding neighborhoods (where families take walks and children play on their lawns and in the neighborhood parks); yet, that is happening, as people prefer to cut through the neighborhoods rather than endure the unsafe and chaotic conditions that have arisen as a result of the poor reconfiguration of the Parkway. As the major redevelopment projects at Westbard and Downtown Bethesda achieve completion, the traffic on the Parkway will undoubtedly increase and the safety issues that we are experiencing now will only be exacerbated.

Please let common sense prevail and prioritize the safety of Montgomery County residents by restoring the Parkway to 4 safely operating lanes. Thank you for your consideration and please feel free to reach out with any questions. Please find our signed petition below.

Noreen and Pat Phelan (570-650-9754)

As a member of the Kenwood community in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase area, I am petitioning the Planning Board to delay to a later date the currently scheduled March 23, 2023 review of the traffic data from the Parks Department to keep two lanes of Little Falls Parkway closed in light of the following:

-- **More time is needed by the public to pursue an independent analysis** of the large amount of data presented to us by the Parks Department at the February 15, 2023 meeting.

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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
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Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:47:45 AM
Attachments: [Little Falls Pkwy Changes Petition 22723.pdf](#)

Jeff Zyontz

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Please see attached my position on the Little Falls Parkway road changes. I live in Kenwood and am a frequent user of the Parkway.

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Friday, February 24, 2023 1:08:57 PM

From: Lisa Lawler <wlawler@msn.com>
Sent: Monday, February 20, 2023 8:00 AM
To: MC-LFP <lfp@montgomeryparks.org>; MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Little Falls Parkway

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Please open the Parkway back up!!!! We don't need green space there.

The Capital Crescent trail is available, and there is a beautiful wooded path on the other side of the road between Norwood park and Little Falls Parkway. No one actually wants to hang out in an area that is right next to the cars on the parkway. Also, people can ride or walk through the Kenwood neighborhood which is beautiful and has little traffic.

I love green space but this one is ridiculous. I live nearby, and walk and drive through the neighborhood daily. I didn't even like walking on the parkway when it was completely shut down for Covid.

Lisa Lawler
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
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Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Friday, February 24, 2023 12:51:30 PM

From: Wendy Smith <wendykhsmith@gmail.com>
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Subject: Little Falls Parkway

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I understand there is an effort to make the current two- lane restriction for driving and two- lane setaside for walkers and bikers permanent on Little Falls Parkway. I am 72 years old and cannot ride a bike or walk distances, but I can still go to downtown Bethesda from my home in lower Bethesda to work, shop, and eat at restaurants. Why does the park plan discriminate against elderly drivers? It is particularly galling to drive up the parkway and see the two lanes that are now supposedly for walkers and bikers absolutely empty, while traffic gets backed up in rush hour. I have never seen anyone use those other two lanes, and I drive frequently between the Chevy Chase area and downtown Bethesda. There are bike and walking trails in the parks adjacent to the parkway. What is the need to take the two lanes out of commission for drivers? It is just redundancy for the bikes and hikes, and truly a poor option to impede traffic and discriminate against those who have to drive.

Wendy Smith

4700 Park Ave., Bethesda

Wendy Smith

Sent from my iPhone

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway, Against New Configuration & Lane Closures
Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 11:28:37 AM
Importance: High

From: Leanne Tobias <leanne.tobias@malachitellc.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 4:19 PM
Subject: Little Falls Parkway, Against New Configuration & Lane Closures
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Subject: Little Falls Parkway, Against New Configuration & Lane Closures

March 20, 2023

SUBJECT: Little Falls Parkway: Against No-Median Configuration and Permanent Lane Closures

Dear Congressman Raskin, MD State Legislative Delegation District 16, County Executive Elrich, Council President Glass, Council Vice President Friedson, Members of the Montgomery County Council, Planning Board Chair Zyontz, and Members of the Montgomery County Planning Board:

I have lived in the Springfield neighborhood of Bethesda for over 28 years, near the Westbard shopping center. As a hiker, I frequently cross Little Falls Parkway via the crosswalk for the Capital Crescent Trail. I also use the Parkway regularly to access downtown Bethesda by car.

I oppose the recent reconfiguration of Little Falls Parkway into two directly opposing lanes with no median. Longer term, I support the re-opening of Little Falls Parkway between Hillandale Road and Dorset Avenue to four lanes (two in each direction), divided by a central median. As detailed in the attached Change.org petition, thousands of my neighbors agree with me: <https://chnng.it/bzXHsqpG28>

I am opposed to making the current configuration of Little Falls Parkway (2 opposing lanes of traffic, no median) permanent for the following reasons:

- Safety
- Connectivity
- Impact on area economic growth
- Lack of due process and the needs of nearby residents

These factors are discussed below, as are the need for more careful study of traffic conditions and projections and competing priorities for parks spending.

Safety. The current configuration of Little Falls Parkway (2 opposing lanes, no median) is unsafe:

- There is nowhere for drivers and bicyclists to pull over to allow emergency vehicles to pass.
- The new configuration makes the crosswalk more difficult for pedestrians and bicyclists to traverse safely. I can attest to the heightened difficulty of using the crosswalk from my experience hiking the Capital Crescent Trail at Little Falls Parkway. The situation is unsafe due to limited visibility stemming from the road curvature, and blind spots created by vehicles of different heights.
- The new configuration is more difficult for drivers to navigate safely, especially at night, increasing the risk of collisions.

Connectivity. Recent land use decisions are substantially increasing development density in the immediate vicinity of Little Falls Parkway. Even with limitations on parking ratios, these density increases are adding thousands of vehicles to our roads, warranting four-lane capacity on Little Falls Parkway in the coming years. New residential and commercial projects immediately surrounding the Parkway include:

- Millions of square feet of new development underway in downtown Bethesda, almost of which is residential, with more anticipated for delivery over the next several years.
- 179,000 square feet of commercial space and 300 residential units under development at Westbard. The 2016 Westbard sector plan and zoning permits construction of approximately 800 additional units on Westbard Avenue on the sites of the Residences at Capital Crescent Trail and the Bowlmor bowling alley.

- Close to 1,500 residential units under development in Friendship Heights.
- In addition, Montgomery County's new Thrive 2050 plan, approved in October 2022, designates River Road as a development growth corridor between the DC line and the Beltway. Little Falls Parkway is one of the two connector roads between the River Road growth corridor area and downtown Bethesda.

Permanently reducing Little Falls Parkway from four lanes to two lanes:

- Reduces needed road capacity between downtown Bethesda and southwest Montgomery County.
- Will increase congestion on nearby roadways (Wisconsin Avenue, River Road, Massachusetts Avenue, Bradley Boulevard and Goldsboro Road.)
- Increases cut-through traffic in nearby neighborhoods.

Economic Growth. Additional development in downtown Bethesda, at Westbard and in Friendship Heights is intended to increase economic growth. But desired growth will be constrained in the absence of adequate road connections between these areas, even in the presence of robust mass transit. Little Falls Parkway is one of only two connector roads linking southwest Montgomery County and downtown Bethesda. Long-term, it is important to keep Little Falls Parkway at 4 lanes to maximize economic activity, including retail sales.

Lack of Persuasive Forward-Looking Traffic Modeling. More careful traffic modeling is needed to evaluate traffic use on Little Falls Parkway in 2023 and in the coming years. Montgomery Parks presented its traffic model at a February 15, 2023 online event. The presentation creates substantial doubts as to the adequacy and accuracy of the model, warranting additional study before permanently reducing Little Falls Parkway to two lanes:

- The model's end-point occurs during the pandemic. No specific modeling tracks traffic increases as the pandemic wanes. Federal workers are mandated to return to the office in May 2023. The model constructed by the Parks Department does not specifically address the federal return to the office, nor does it address the possibility of additional traffic increases post-pandemic, despite substantial data indicating that traffic is on the rise throughout the U.S.
- The Parks Department stated on February 15 that its upside traffic estimate relied on a 2015 baseline plus an increase of 10%. This does not specifically address the impact of development plans approved after 2015, including the Westbard sector plan (2016), the Bethesda sector plan (2017), redevelopment plans for Friendship Heights (2018 - 2022) and the designation of lower River Road as a growth corridor (2022.) The combined impact of these plans on traffic on Little Falls Parkway and on surrounding roads should be evaluated before permanently reducing Little Falls Parkway from 4 lanes to 2.

Due Process Concerns. In September 2022, County Council members recommended (hearing on RESJ study findings on Thrive 2050) that, going forward, County land use decisions make better use of citizen engagement tools, including improved outreach,

surveys and focus groups. No public outreach nor study was conducted by the Parks Department on the proposed 2 opposing lane configuration for Little Falls Parkway or the permanent reduction of Little Falls Parkway to 2 lanes. Kenwood Citizens Association's 2023 survey of residents of six surrounding neighborhoods (631 respondents) indicates that close to 80% oppose the current Little Falls Parkway configuration (2 opposing lanes, no median) and the permanent reduction of the Parkway to 2 lanes.

Better Uses for Much-Needed Parks Funds. As a long-time resident of southwest Bethesda, I am grateful for every dollar spent on public parks. Added parks funding benefits the people of Montgomery County. That said, the current proposal to create a linear park adjacent to Little Falls Parkway would divert monies from more important priorities for the area, including widening and maintenance of the Capital Crescent Trail, maintenance of the Little Falls Trail, and creation of the Willett Branch greenway, a key recommendation of the 2016 Westbard sector plan. It should be noted that funds spent on the improving the existing Capital Crescent Trail and Little Falls Trail will immediately benefit our bicyclists and walkers more than will the creation of a new linear park of under 1.5 acres. If cornhole and other games are desired in the vicinity, a better site is available in the existing Norwood Park (~17 acres), which is closer to the apartments on Bradley Boulevard and most of downtown Bethesda than the proposed Little Falls Parkway site.

Respectfully,

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Subject: Little Falls Parkway

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to reiterate concerns about the project to alter Little Falls Parkway between Dorset Ln. and Arlington Rd. This ongoing project has affected my commute by car as well as frequent bike trips. It has been flawed in scope and poorly implemented since it began many years ago. As the only direct route from River Rd. to downtown Bethesda, this parkway is a major artery, and requires a more thoughtful and competent process for any alterations.

The worst losers overall in this situation are cyclists. I often ride this route toward Bradley Blvd., and the two lanes with a substantial shoulder were ideal for safety. The first lane closure around the Crescent trail forced drivers and cyclists into one lane with no shoulder; the traffic furniture was difficult to navigate, and signs placed haphazardly in the middle of the old lane obstructed cycle traffic. It appears no cyclist was involved in this decision. The further lane closures have only made this worse. Technically, we can ride in the closed lanes, but they are not maintained so they fill up with debris and leaves. In wet conditions, this is exceedingly dangerous. And the new closed lanes area does not have any access for cyclists at Dorset Ln. Ultimately, this forces cyclists into the single traffic lane, where impatient drivers already resent our presence.

Do pedestrians benefit? Perhaps, in very small numbers. The pandemic closures increased foot traffic, primarily from the few hundred local residents who live within walking distance and already

have back roads to use for this purpose, and also for people who could drive to the few dozen parking spaces near Massachusetts Ave. and Bradley Blvd. Between the Little Falls Park Trail and the Crescent Trail, pedestrians already have ample space to walk away from traffic. The new proposed "linear park" seems redundant to this, and unless there is a proposal for increased parking, this will simply aggravate the already poor traffic conditions.

The traffic issues are numerous, and have been articulated extensively. Constricting traffic at high volume times and eliminating right turn lanes are self-evidently problematic, and if there is no actual benefit to pedestrians and increased danger to cyclists, they are a net harm to the community. Traffic is simply diverted to other neighborhood routes, such as Brookside Dr.

Finally, increasing park land and expanding green areas are noble pursuits, and they should always be on the county's agenda. But one of the most expensive, exclusive, and homogeneously white neighborhoods in the country (not just Montgomery County) and a well-established commuting corridor is not the place for this. The residents of this area seem to agree, as they did not request this change. There are far better places in Montgomery County to explore these projects that do not adversely affect drivers and cyclists, and that can add a natural environment to be enjoyed by a more numerous and diverse group of people.

Reopen all four lanes of Little Falls Pkwy and explore other ways to maintain pedestrian and cyclist safety.

Sincerely,

Erich Heckscher

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls parkway
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:12:13 AM

Jeff Zyontz
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From: Janet Lindgren <janetlindgren@comcast.net>
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Subject: Little Falls parkway

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As a citizen of Montgomery County, I object to the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway because of safety issues on the parkway itself and danger to neighboring communities.

Janet Lindgren

Sent from my iPad

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
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Subject: FW: Little Falls Pkwy
Date: Friday, February 24, 2023 12:39:26 PM

From: Lana <lhpewter@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2023 8:20 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Re: Little Falls Pkwy

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To Whom it May Concern:

Please leave the lanes at Little Falls Pkwy as is. I see that there are gates in case you want to close it off on the weekends. Are there enough people that use it to warrant this overkill?

Specifically, I do not normally use that road. However, my husband recently had surgery at Sibley Hospital and it is an easy way to get to the hospital from Old Georgetown Rd. without going on the spur of the backed up beltway at Old Georgetown Rd. You do not have many lights, the traffic is light and now you want to do something to mess it up.

That's my opinion.

Sincerely,

Lana Halpern

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Pkwy
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 8:15:44 AM

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From: Martha Blair FitzGerald <mbwfitzgerald@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 12, 2023 2:41 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Little Falls Pkwy

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To Jeffrey Zyontz
I object to the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway as it is unsafe as well as dangerous for the surrounding communities.
Sincerely,
Martha Blair FitzGerald
FitzGerald Interiors
703-517-7759

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Proposed Park
Date: Friday, March 3, 2023 4:32:48 PM

From: chuck.bethesda@gmail.com <chuck.bethesda@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 3, 2023 3:59 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Little Falls Proposed Park

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Dear Planning Board,

I've been a resident of Bethesda for over 40 years. I'm an avid biker and often use the Capitol Crescent Trail. When the Parks Department closed Little Falls Pkwy during the weekends it was a traffic nightmare causing back-ups and cut through traffic. I'm glad they stopped that restriction. However during the time the road was blocked off to vehicles I never once saw even one person using the road. It was just a barren hot asphalt space that no one used.

Why would they use the road when there's the Capital Crescent Trail and an adjacent trail to the road right there? There's also a very wide paved shoulder for people to use. So basically this road is unused except by cars.

I posted about the available lanes during the weekends on the East Bethesda Citizen's Association Facebook page. Most people did not know about it and only 50% said they might use it. Some said they would use it to teach their kids how to ride a bike. I think there are plenty of other parks and parking lots for this purpose. Even after this post last year I never saw one person using the road for recreation.

Now I understand there's a proposed park along the closed lanes that will have games and other services. This is an ill-conceived idea. If you build it, no one will come. It's out of the way and during the summer a hot asphalt area not conducive to this concept.

Although I prefer using the road as it was built, I'm fine with closing the road as it is currently configured. If you want to improve this area than remove the asphalt and let it be more green space.

I often ask the Parks Department for park improvements like additional play equipment, parking at Angler's Inn, tree maintenance and I always get the same answer: we have no funds. I think the Parks Department does a great job and I'm glad they're thinking outside the box but this linear park is a bad idea that will

cost too much money and not be supported by the community. Let's use the sparse funds to improve our existing parks instead.

Your consideration of this email is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Chuck Sullivan
7901 Pearl Street
Bethesda, MD 20814

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little falls
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 2:11:29 PM

Jeff Zyontz
Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board

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From: Barbara Meyer <bdm121212@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 6:39 AM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Little falls

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Sent from my iPhone. Traffic Ba'ath now! Do not close lanes!

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: MY LITTLE FALLS TURNPIKE PARK COMMENTS
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 9:24:04 AM

Jeff Zyontz

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From: Roger Cochetti <rogerjamescochetti@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 8:53 AM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: MY LITTLE FALLS TURNPIKE PARK COMMENTS

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For your information, a copy of my submitted comments.

Roger Cochetti
to LFP@MontgomeryParks.org
Mar 2Details

I've been meaning to offer some comments on your proposed asphalt park replacing two lanes of the LF Parkway.

As background

- I've lived within a mile of LFP for about 30 years
- I raised 2 children on Norwood Drive and used the Park, the Pool, LF Trail and the Crescent Trail for recreation with them every single week for over 10 years
- I have driven on LFP every week for about 30 years
- I am an avid hiker and have hiked both trails almost weekly for around 30 years
- When LFP was closed during the Pandemic, I used it for hiking 2-3 times every week
- I am an avid bicyclist and bicycle the Crescent Trail on both my manual and electric bike.
- I have hiked the HighLine Trail in New York City several times

So I think I have some perspective on the proposal.

While I'm sure that you can find a few local residents who think the proposed park is needed and quite a few people from other parts of MoCo who support it, the overwhelming majority of local

residents feel this is a terrible idea; and I agree.

- Regardless of what carefully constructed studies show, I have been in traffic jams hundreds of times on LFP over the past 30 years and -when normal traffic resumes- this will make them much worse: wasting time, gas and adding to pollution and global warming
- The area is blessed with four magnificent parks. While improvements to them should always be studied, adding another at the cost of LFP isn't even in the top 500 improvements that should be considered.
- I'm sure you can find someone from somewhere who would say that Norwood Park is crowded or overused, but anyone who uses the Park knows that there are huge sections of Norwood Park that could be better utilized or opened up if someone feels the neighborhood desperately needs another park.
- Even if anyone thinks that this new park is not for the benefit of the local community, but is for the benefit of MoCo residents from Rockville, Gaithersburg or Silver Spring, where would they park their cars (Metro is more than a mile away)? You'd need a quarter acre parking lot (the two Bethesda Pool lots are nearly full when the pool is open).
- This proposal has nothing in common with New York's HighLine, which is a hiking trail that stretches for miles where tracks used to run.

My suggestion is that if you want to do something constructive for the community, then figure out a way to extend the Little Falls Trail from Dorset to River so we have full trails on both sides of LFP.

Please put your talent to work on improving existing parks or on the many places in MoCo that may need new parks.

Thanks for your consideration,

Roger Cochetti
www.cochetti.us

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: No changes to Little Falls
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 8:46:57 AM

Jeff Zyontz

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From: Letyadoo <letyadoo@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 12, 2023 5:00 PM
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Subject: No changes to Little Falls

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Lynne Chandler

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Objection to Changes to Little Falls Parkway and Proposal for Linear Park - Sumner Resident - Bethesda, MD 20816
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 2:13:58 PM

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From: JOSEPH LAROSKI <josephlaroski@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 6, 2023 12:18 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>;
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Subject: Objection to Changes to Little Falls Parkway and Proposal for Linear Park - Sumner Resident
- Bethesda, MD 20816

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Dear All:

As a resident of the Sumner neighborhood, a user of the Capital Crescent Trail (“CCT”), and Little Falls Parkway (“LFPW”), I write to express my objection to the current reduction of Little Falls Parkway from four lanes to two and the proposal to make these changes permanent to make way for an unnecessary and unwanted Linear Park. My family of five has made extensive use of the CCT for biking, running, walking, dog walking, transit to shops in Bethesda, and for recreation in the wooded areas. We also rely on LFPW for travel to and from shopping and restaurant options in downtown Bethesda. I object to the Parks Department’s vision for LFPW and to the manner in which they have pushed this proposal without taking into account the legitimate concerns of nearby residents.

The closure of LFPW, coupled has significantly altered my family’s travel patterns and shopping habits. The changes have made short trips to downtown Bethesda significantly less

convenient and less likely to happen. The increased travel time, the difficult traffic pattern, narrow travel lanes, and unsightly plastic pylons has led my family to seek other shopping and dining options in Washington, DC in order. A quick trip to Strosniders Hardware is no longer quick, and far less likely to happen. And our shopping excursions and dinners out are now far more likely to occur in DC. I estimate that my family's change in travel patterns has resulted in our spending our shopping, dining, and entertainment dollars in Washington, DC instead of Montgomery County at least 5 times per week. Perhaps the owners of the Silver Diner and Vace Delicatessen might not care if we chose to frequent their Cleveland Park/Woodley Park, DC locations rather than in Bethesda, but the county government should. I suspect that the owners of Uncle Julio's and Strosniders would rather see us at their Bethesda locations, rather than their competitors' DC locations in Cleveland Park and Tenleytown.

With employees finally starting to return to the office and plans to build more housing in the immediate area along Westbard and River Roads, the disruption to traffic will only get worse. Meanwhile, the Parks Department seems to be basing its assessment of traffic on demand during the height of pandemic shutdowns. We have already seen the back-ups on LFPW, River Road, and Massachusetts Avenue lengthen, but the Parks Department has turned a blind eye to the already increasing traffic likely to come as telework policies increasingly require employees to return to the office.

While the closure of LFPW may have relieved some of the crowding on the CCT during the peak of the pandemic, there is no longer a need for it. Our family uses the CCT at all hours during weekdays and weekends, and see none of the congestion that was present during the height of the pandemic. Meanwhile, we have observed little, if any recreational traffic (walkers, bikers, etc.) on the closed sections of LFPW.

To the extent we see walkers and bikers on LFPW it is often on the shoulder of the section between Massachusetts Avenue and River Road. This is creating an unnecessary danger on this stretch of LFPW: a safe bike trail (the CCT) is just a hundred or so feet away from that section of LFPW and provides a completely safe means of walking or biking from one of these roads to the other. Indeed, the CCT also runs parallel to the entire stretch of road that the Parks Department proposes closing for the Linear Park (and another trail runs along the other side of this same section of LFPW). If the Linear Park is meant to provide access between Downtown Bethesda and River Road, there is no need for it. We have the CCT.

To the extent that the park is designed for other activities (I have seen suggestions of food trucks, giant chess boards, ping pong tables, etc.), it is unclear who is asking for additional space for such activities or how they will get to the Linear Park for this activity. I expect that many, if not most, visitors to the proposed park would be driving to the site. I further expect that many will park in the Somerset and Kenwood neighborhoods? Why bring more traffic to this location and into these residential neighborhoods?

The Parks Department has suggested that this proposed Linear park would be "transformative" like the Highline in New York. This is pure fantasy. I lived in New York's Chelsea neighborhood and could see the Highline from my stoop. Bethesda is not New York City. Tens of thousands of residents and tourists have access to the Highline by foot and by subway. This park is tucked in a quiet residential area, with maybe hundreds within walking distance and with no access by Metro.

The Parks Department has been unsympathetic to legitimate concerns of nearby residents and

appear to be forcing an unwanted park down our throats. The end result will be a mess for residents of Somerset and Kenwood, a loss of revenue for Downtown Businesses in favor of close-in DC businesses, and a traffic nightmare for all.

This project is neither wanted nor needed. The immediate need is for safer crossing (if not a footbridge) where the CCT intersects LFPW. The Parks Department's changes so far at that known problem area have only made the crossing more dangerous.

I urge you to consider more carefully the impact on those closest to LFPW and most that are directly impacted by the lane closures and proposed park. We do not want this park. We have the CCT. Residents on the other end of LFPW have Norwood Park (both CCT and Norwood Park need improvements). We want a safe and convenient means of traveling by car to shop and dine in Downtown Bethesda. The Parks Department's changes to the LFPW have deprived us of this. Please do not make the Parks Department's mistake permanent.

Joseph Laroski
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Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Objection to restrictions on Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:42:48 AM

Jeff Zyontz

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From: Asimina Coroneos <asiminamaria@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2023 9:02 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Objection to restrictions on Little Falls Parkway

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As a citizen of Montgomery County, I object to the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway because of safety issues on the parkway itself and danger to neighboring communities.

Asimina

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: OPEN LFP PARKWAY TO 4 LANES/BUILD A SAFE BRIDGE
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:24:45 AM

From: Patricia Johnson <Patricia.Johnson.611001867@p2a.co>
Sent: Saturday, March 18, 2023 8:31 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: OPEN LFP PARKWAY TO 4 LANES/BUILD A SAFE BRIDGE

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration IS A MESS. TERRIBLE ROAD DESIGN. GET RID OF THE BOLLARDS AND JERSEY WALLS. OPEN THE PARKWAY. IT IS MORE DANGEROUS FOR BIKERS/PEDS AND DRIVERS NOW. BUILD A SAFE BRIDGE OVER 4 LANES, PUT THE MONEY INTO THE CCT AND WIDEN CCT FOR BIKERS, ROLLERS, WALKERS. CLEAN UP LITTLE FALLS PARKWAY FROM FALLEN TREES AND INVASIVE VINES. NATURALIZE THE STREAM. DON'T WASTE MONEY ON THE "PARK". WE ALREADY HAVE 170 ACRES OF PARK IN THIS AREA. WE DON'T NEED CHESS SETS & PING PONG TABLES. WE NEED A SAFE CAPITAL CRESCENT TRAIL AND OPEN PARKWAY.

Thank you,
Patricia Johnson
5301 Oakland Rd
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Oppose Little Falls Parkway "linear park" and narrowing
Date: Friday, February 24, 2023 1:11:51 PM

From: Brian Wong <brian.wong@live.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 21, 2023 11:50 AM
To: MC-LFP <lfp@montgomeryparks.org>; MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Oppose Little Falls Parkway "linear park" and narrowing

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Hello,

I write to register my opposition to the proposed narrowing of Little Falls Parkway and the creation of a "linear park." This project is unnecessary and will have negative safety consequences.

The project is unnecessary. The location of this "linear park" means it will be underused. Most days, I don't see a single person using the pilot "linear park" – not a single pedestrian or bike. There are already plenty of parks nearby and similar green-space amenities.

The project will have negative safety consequences. Little Falls Parkway is an essential connector used by public safety vehicles. With only a single traffic lane in each direction, congestion builds up, and fire trucks and rescue vehicles have no way to get around them. This delays response time, and seconds count in emergencies. Furthermore, the increased congestion on Little Falls Parkway will cause traffic to divert onto adjacent residential roads, which increases the possibility of pedestrian-vehicle conflicts and accidents.

In conclusion, please do not narrow Little Falls Parkway or create a linear park. The existing pilot should be reversed, and all 4 lanes reopened.

Thank you for considering these comments.
Brian Wong

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Oppose the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 8:14:48 AM

Jeff Zyontz

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From: Deborah Jessiman <debbiejessiman@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 12, 2023 1:57 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Oppose the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway

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To Whom It May Concern,

As a citizen of Montgomery County who lives adjacent to the Parkway, I object to the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway because of safety issues on the parkway itself and danger to neighboring communities. The restrictions pose serious safety risks, including jeopardizing efficiency of emergency vehicles, endangering pedestrians, pets, and cyclists and compromising the peaceful, quiet nature of our neighboring communities. We want the original 4 lanes of Little Falls Parkway restored immediately. The cut through traffic alone in the adjacent neighborhoods has endangered us in our own community, and there has been virtually no use of the closed lanes on the parkway for recreation during the entire pandemic.

Respectfully yours,
Deborah E. Jessiman

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Deborah E. Jessiman, M.D.
301-651-2320 cell
debbiejessiman@gmail.com

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Oppose the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 8:15:21 AM

Jeff Zyontz

Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board

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From: Alistair Jessiman <ajessiman@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 12, 2023 2:01 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Fwd: Oppose the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway

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Respectfully yours,
Alistair Jessiman

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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Opposition to Lane Reduction on Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:43:33 AM

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From: Jane Snyder <jsnyder1228@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 4:36 AM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>; Riley, Mike <Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org>; Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov; Pamela.Dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us; marc.korman@house.state.md.us; sara.love@house.state.md.us
Subject: Opposition to Lane Reduction on Little Falls Parkway

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As a citizen of Montgomery County, I object to the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway because of safety issues on the parkway itself and danger to neighboring communities.

Jane Snyder
6105 Ramsgate Road
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Opposition to Lane Reduction on Little Falls Parkway
Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 11:36:30 AM

From: Jane Snyder <jsnyder1228@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 8:32 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Opposition to Lane Reduction on Little Falls Parkway

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Jane Snyder
6105 Ramsgate Road
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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Opposition to Little Falls Parkway "park" and lane closures
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 1:56:51 PM

From: Alice Mayo <a.mayo@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 6, 2023 12:28 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Cc: councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov
Subject: Opposition to Little Falls Parkway "park" and lane closures

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I am writing in opposition to the current plans to make a linear park along closed lanes of Little Falls Parkway in Bethesda. I urge you to listen to individual community voices over the organized bicycle lobbyists who conduct lobbying email campaigns and who would have us close all arteries to cars in favor of bicycle lanes.

1. *I feel that insufficient consideration has been given to the rising population (i.e., increased number of drivers) resulting from current and future development in the Westbard/downtown Bethesda/River Road area and in the Washington Episcopal School zone, as sanctioned by the MoCo Master Plan.* It is ridiculous to cut back on lanes in what will become an increasingly busy thoroughfare providing access to the Beltway, DC, and downtown Bethesda, all for a very small, narrow, disconnected, difficult-to-access "park" next to the roadway. In the virtual meeting we were given assurances that this surging population growth had been taken into account but no studies were presented to support this assurance.

2. *Traffic studies cited in the meeting appeared to compare pre to post pandemic driving patterns that are evolving and changing every day. I therefore submit that they are inadequate to any prediction of traffic in coming years.* We can anticipate increases in rush hour driving as workers return to their offices in the near future. We also have rush hours at lunchtime and at school release time that do not seem to be captured in the traffic studies. We can also anticipate extremely busy traffic on LFP related to the Bethesda pool in the summer months. (Please note as well that the pool parking lot fills up quickly in the summer and will not support additional parking for "park" users.) We can anticipate rising numbers of commuters and drivers as the entire area is increasingly developed with shops, restaurants, condos, and apartments.

3. The long skinny "park" as envisioned seems to be of little to no value. Our children don't need another place to learn how to ride their bikes (generations of kids have used places such the Westbrook school and the Westmorland Park for this purpose). The park will be virtually inaccessible except to very high income Bethesdians in the immediate community who have plenty of parkland nearby. This plan does not appear to benefit the people of wider MoCo. The community does not

need it. *MoCo funds would be better applied to bringing real green space to other underserved areas of the county and hastening the completion of the Willet Branch daylighting/stream valley park project, which has actual environmental value.*

4. The Capital Crescent Trail crossing at LFP continues to provide a frustrating source of traffic delay and backup, especially during the summer months. While improved for safety over the original design, it still leaves drivers waiting for many minutes, especially during warmer weather, as walkers, bikers, and runners continuously stream by. *I would like to know why the plan to divert the trail to the traffic light at LFP and Arlington Road was never instituted, as a traffic light where everyone waits their turn is clearly the safest and most equitable way to handle a trail crossing on a busy road.*

5. Please also note that traffic appears to be on the rise on Hillandale Road, as drivers take detours to avoid the confusion and frustration of the CCT crossing and LFP road changes. Has this phenomenon been reported or studied? It would seem to negatively affect the residents of this community, although perhaps because they are not multimillionaire Kenwood residents, nobody cares.

I suspect this is a “done deal.” You will pay attention only to email campaigns from the bicycle lobby and discount emails from concerned community members and commuters who drive these roads everyday.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Alice Mayo
5020 Newport Ave
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Opposition to making 2 lanes of Little Falls Parkway into a Linear Park
Date: Friday, February 24, 2023 1:10:33 PM

From: Irving Lieberman <ilieberman53@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 20, 2023 1:23 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Cc: Friedson, Andrew <Andrew.Friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov>; wcapresidents@gmail.com
Subject: Opposition to making 2 lanes of Little Falls Parkway into a Linear Park

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Dear MCP Chair and Staff,

As 20+-year residents of the Westhaven neighborhood 2 blocks from Little Falls Parkway, we are writing to say that we are strongly against the idea of turning 2 lanes of Little Falls Parkway into a linear park. My wife and I and thousands of our neighbors rely on LFP as an essential throughfare from our neighborhoods to the shops, banks, bakeries, hardware store, restaurants, pharmacies and other basic retail businesses (and they rely on us), BCC High School (school sports events and performances), Bethesda Library, as well as efficient connections to Rockville Pike and Old Georgetown Road.

With the COVID emergency subsided, LFP remains constricted without neighborhood concurrence by new traffic humps installed between River Road and Massachusetts Ave. (we understand the need for speed control near bikers and hikers), and by stop signs, lane pylons, Jersey barriers, and the crosswalk by Bethesda Pool for the Crescent Trail, when a better, permanent solution should be found for that challenged crossing.

Removing 2 traffic lanes for the thousands of cars that use LFP daily, and the emergency service vehicles that protect our neighborhoods (it's a *road*, not a *park*) to create a short, isolated stretch of "recreation space" *right beside the existing parkland that flanks LFP, and the existing Crescent Trail a few dozen yards from LFP*, does NOT add a meaningful recreational resource to our area. It simply disrupts, impedes and inconveniences the neighborhoods and municipal services that rely on that roadway as an essential thoroughfare. We can't see how fire engines or ambulances can safely navigate the Jersey-barrier constricted lanes created by this pilot project, unless they slow to a crawl--a threat to public safety. Instead, many commuters and emergency vehicles must divert through the Kenwood neighborhood, posing a safety threat to those residents, in a neighborhood without sidewalks. No drivers who do this prefer that cut-through to the ample, direct and navigable parkway that LFP was constructed to be.

Frequently we see NO ONE using those two recreational lanes, as we drive slowly in backed-up

traffic crawling along the constricted lanes created by your ill-conceived "traffic diet." At a meeting of the Westmoreland Citizens Association a few months ago the overwhelming majority of residents who spoke and asked questions of your project team were clearly against what's been done and questioned whether there was any meaningful benefit provided to the nearby neighborhoods in exchange for this disruption, implemented without public hearings or agreement.

At the end of that meeting, association members in attendance, including me on behalf of my wife and myself, asked the Kenwood spokesman how we could contribute financially to support a lawsuit if the county doesn't rescind this misguided plan. Now that Kenwood residents have filed suit against permanent implementation of this plan, you're getting firmer citizen feedback on your experiment foisted on our community.

This is a classic example of government overreach, based on what looked like flimsy supporting "evidence" from incomplete studies (do bike riders from Silver Spring really come cross-county to use a quarter-miles stretch of roadway sided by barricades, when the Crescent Trail is 50 years away?), despite clear indications of citizen opposition which has been disregarded in favor of the personal preferences of unelected bureaucratic officials who "know best" and who appear more interested in progressive virtue signaling than in community-supported programs and services. It doesn't make one a NIMBY-adherent to want to use an essential road *as a road* than to have it commandeered and co-opted by unelected government officials for use as a social experiment. This is a public, taxpayer-supported resource, and redirecting it away from its intended use should require the input and expressed concurrence of the local citizenry.

We ask that the county rescind this experimental pilot program and restore all lanes of Little Falls Parkway to use as a public road along its full length.

Sincerely,
Irving and Judith Lieberman
Wiley Rd., Westhaven
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Opposition to Vertical park at Little Falls Parkway
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 10:01:15 AM

From: Harriet Tritell <htritell@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 6, 2023 5:13 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Opposition to Vertical park at Little Falls Parkway

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Dear Chair Zyontz,

I am writing to voice my displeasure with the vertical park being proposed for Little Falls Parkway. As a resident of the Sumner neighborhood, I use Little Falls Parkway all the time to travel east to west and there has definitely been an increase in the traffic and back-ups due to the construction at Westbard and the restrictions on left turns from Mass Ave.

I also recreate in the area, using the Crescent Trail and Norwood Park, to name just two. These have always been sufficient for my purposes. Both Norwood and the Crescent trail are adjacent to the proposed park and do not require a reconfiguring of the roads. Narrowing the road on LFP, on top of the speed bumps recently placed there, is an inconvenience and is ill-conceived. If you want to recreate there, doing what I'm not sure, given that the park has a limited span, then parking is a problem. There is nowhere to leave your car. There are no shoulders on the roads. It is no benefit to citizens like me who want easy access to the shops in Bethesda and have no need for a space with no added value when we have alternative spaces which fill our recreational needs.

Please suspend this project to keep Bethesda moving.

Sincerely,
Harriet Tritell
4808 Fort Sumner Dr
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Petition to Restore Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 8:47:36 AM

Jeff Zyontz

Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board

Montgomery County Planning Department
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From: arlene bein <arlenebein@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, March 12, 2023 3:16 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>; Riley, Mike <Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org>; Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov; Pamela Dunn <pamela.dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us; marc.korman@house.state.md.us; sara.love@house.state.md.us
Subject: Petition to Restore Little Falls Parkway

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Arlene Bein

6201 Brookside Drive, Chevy Chase MD

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Petition to Restore Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 8:48:14 AM

Jeff Zyontz

Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board

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From: robert l bein <rlbein@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, March 12, 2023 3:04 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>; Riley, Mike <Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org>; Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov; Pamela Dunn <pamela.dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us; marc.korman@house.state.md.us; sara.love@house.state.md.us
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Robert Bein

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Petition to Reverse the Linear Park, Reopen all Lanes on Little Falls Parkway and Install a Pedestrian Bridge over Little Falls Parkway
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:07:28 AM

From: Mark Cheng <markdcheng@yahoo.com>

Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 8:41 PM

To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Branson, Cherri <Cherri.Branson@mncppc-mc.org>; Hill, David <David.Hill@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Presley, Amy <Amy.Presley@mncppc-mc.org>; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us; Korman, Marc Delegate <marc.korman@house.state.md.us>; sara.love@house.state.md.us; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; Friedson's Office, Councilmember <councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Albornoz's Office, Councilmember <councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Councilmember.Balcombe@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Fani-Gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov; Pamela Dunn <pamela.dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov>; OCE@montgomerycountymd.gov; Marc.Elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov

Subject: Petition to Reverse the Linear Park, Reopen all Lanes on Little Falls Parkway and Install a Pedestrian Bridge over Little Falls Parkway

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Respecting the Views of Residents, Voters, and Taxpayers

Promoting Common Sense Safety and Efficient Transportation

As a 20+ year resident of Westmoreland Hills in Bethesda, I oppose the current design of the Little Falls Parkway (and Capital Crescent Trail crossing, the reduction of the Parkway from four divided lanes to two undivided lanes, and the proposed creation of a Linear Park.

I support a long-term solution of building a walker, jogger, bicycle bridge for the Capital Crescent Trail over a reopened divided four lanes of Little Falls Parkway, which will provide true safety for all users now and into the future. The current roadway design

and trail crossing conflicts with Vision Zero and is clearly dangerous for pedestrians, cyclists, and vehicles. Watch here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BkxH5Dj9BXM>

Essential Montgomery County values have been ignored by the Parks Department by dictating to the surrounding communities the development of a linear park along Little Falls Parkway (LFP)

Ignored: Public Input and Collaboration Through the Democratic Process

- **The proposed Little Falls Parkway Linear Park is being developed without any formal needs assessment or dialogue (two way) with the community.** Community priorities for parks are expressed in the Bethesda Downtown Plan (2017) and the Westbard Sector Plan (2016). LFP is discussed in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Sector Plan (1990). The Parks Department could have requested that the Planning Board review and update the B-CC sector plan to receive community input on the changes they are making and have proposed on LFP, but they didn't do this. Since when does a county administrative agency dictate to communities how public property, which they provide stewardship of, should be used without getting public input prior to changes?

Ignored: Racial Equity and Social Justice for all County Residents

- **A formal needs assessment would show that two major public recreational facilities – Norwood Park and the Capital Crescent Trail and Little Falls Park-- are within walking distance of the single and multi-family dwellings** in this area. Repair and upkeep of those existing facilities would be of greater benefit to all residents than a park no larger than 1.4 acres, which is parallel to the CCT. Parks has not adequately maintained their current local parks nor tested their planned activities in existing parks. Local resistance to creation of a dog park is not grounds to scrap experimentation of any activities in any of the parks.
- **A formal needs assessment would show that the County's equity priorities have been ignored.** The Bethesda-Chevy Chase area is clearly not in an equity-focused area as defined by Thrive 2050. By targeting this community for another park, and where there are already two major recreational areas, the Parks Department is ignoring the priority established in Thrive 2050 to provide amenities in areas of the county that were previously ignored. Why isn't the Parks Department upholding the concept of racial equity and social justice, as supported in Thrive 2050 and by our County Council, by offering this amenity to a more deserving community on the eastern side of our county that may lack green or recreational space?

Ignored: Transparency in Decision-Making by County Administrators

- **Itemized expenditures and funding sources are not provided to the public.** Normally, a public parks project on public land would require the Parks Department to first solicit community input on the parameters of the project, followed by the Parks Department

developing a plan and a budget for carrying it out, which then would be presented to the public. Sources for funding and all the expenditures for development and future maintenance would be itemized. That has not been the *modus operandi* with the changes for LFP and the proposed linear park. Parks Dept. personnel have not provided the public with line-item expenditures for the money they have already spent on the road changes, nor have they itemized where funding for the linear park project is coming from or what the itemized costs for its development and future maintenance will be.

- **The Parks Department uses traffic data to justify development of the park, but its data is incomplete and fails to recognize new safety problems the road restriction has created and will be exacerbated with recreational facilities and events.** However:
 - **they are ignoring that some of the LFP traffic has been transferred to nearby neighborhoods** – Kenwood, and Somerset – **and nearby roads**, i.e., Goldsboro, **where there are no sidewalks** and where homes face directly onto streets. They do not recognize that they have increased the possibility of more vehicular accidents on neighborhood streets, and they have no traffic data for Goldsboro Road._
 - **they have not acknowledged that the linear park will result in more pedestrians crossing from the east side of LFP**, where there is some parking and a county swimming pool, **to the west side** to participate in activities and events, also increasing the possibility of accidents and traffic delays._
 - **they have not recognized the safety issues that have resulted for drivers, pedestrians and bicyclists now that opposing lanes of traffic are no longer separated by a median but are side-by-side.** This configuration has created turning issues for drivers at the intersections of Dorset Avenue and Hillandale Road where there are blind spots that did not exist with a divided parkway. It has created problems for pedestrians and bicyclists at the CCT crossing when a driver in one lane of traffic might stop, but the other coming in the opposite direction might not. **bicyclists routinely, essentially always run the stop sign.** The recumbent bicyclist struck and killed is often cited by Parks as a justification for this plan but there is no mention that he failed to stop before crossing. This is a very dangerous trail crossing which does not have any active signalization controlling the flow of vehicles, pedestrians, or cyclists. “Near Collisions” between vehicles and pedestrians or bicyclists routinely happen as a result of this new trail crossing design. This design conflicts with vision zero. _
- **The Parks Department has not considered significant changes expected in traffic volume** when federal government workers return to their offices full-time in May 2023, and when the Westbard Avenue realignment is completed in late 2023, and when the

Westbard Development is completed. **As a result of the recent changes, vehicular traffic now crawls during commuting hours. Watch this clip to see how far vehicles back-up:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=njSwHel-Zpc>

- **User counts of walkers/joggers/bikers on the closed road are grossly inflated.** The counters do not recognize individual users, so one person could pass by a counter multiple times and be counted as a user each time. We would like to see a needs assessment or traffic study which compares the usage of the linear park to the usage of the CCT. We would like to know if the money would be better spent on widening the CCT.
- **We have not seen data for Linear park pedestrian usage from the past 4-6 months.** Parks said they haven't checked the counter in months. It's very simple to check the counter so we don't believe this and we expect to see this data with ample time to have it interpreted. My personal observation is essentially no usage. The LFP will be choked 24/7 12 months a year for activities that will be used only in warmer weather, primarily the weekend, and not when weather is bad.

Mixing people and cars on a roadway is an invitation for tragedy – a child being struck by an SUV driver who can't see her as she runs across LFP or a biker darting across the CCT before a driver can brake. Our communities need a long-term solution to solve our safety issues. Our communities need and support a pedestrian/jogger/biker bridge over Little Falls Parkway at the Capital Crescent Trail. A bridge, similar to the one over River Road, will return Little Falls Parkway to be the efficient and safe connection between downtown Bethesda and the southwestern Bethesda communities while ensuring safe passage for decades to come whether people walk, jog, bike or drive along Little Falls Parkway.

Mark Cheng

5302 Carvel Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Petition to Reverse the Linear Park, Reopen all Lanes on Little Falls Parkway and Install a Pedestrian Bridge over Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:20:48 AM

From: Mark Cheng <markdcheng@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 9:36 AM
To: Office of the Montgomery County Council <county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov>
Cc: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Councilmember Friedson's Office <councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Christopher Danley <christopher.danley@bakerbotts.com>; Rebecca Hanson <rebecca@rebeccahanson.net>; Sofia Blake <sofiablakewca@gmail.com>; David Forman <davidforman01@gmail.com>; Carl G. Becker <carlgbecker@hotmail.com>
Subject: Re: Petition to Reverse the Linear Park, Reopen all Lanes on Little Falls Parkway and Install a Pedestrian Bridge over Little Falls Parkway

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Thanks for your email; residents and myself are well aware of the upcoming 'process.'

As you might imagine, your response is frustrating "following the review process from the Montgomery Planning Board, *which has the sole decision-making authority.*"

The voters did not select the planning board nor the parks dept which has demonstrated to be highly suspect.

Legislation was put forward to exercise more supervision over parks and planning, so that it no longer operates as an autonomous body ignoring the wishes of the taxpayers. Some of your colleagues have rejected that legislation claiming that it is a power grab from the county council to the county executive. You can't have it both ways. And, that objection rests solely on political/process arguments and completely ignores whether the parks and planning dept is actually effectively meeting the needs of taxpayers. Personally I focus on achieving positive outcomes.

My request is that the council govern to serve the people who put you in office or move on. Excuse-making is not leadership in addressing voters' interests. You're the President, I ask that you act accordingly. People who matter to local politicians are unhappy with the current situation and this issue has spurred action.

Mark Cheng

On Monday, March 20, 2023 at 08:55:58 AM EDT, Office of the Montgomery County Council

<county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov> wrote:

Dear Mark,

Thank you for taking the time to write to the Montgomery County Council about the Little Falls Parkway pilot project. Your views are very important to us.

At the height of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, the Montgomery Parks Department launched an Open Parkways program on Little Falls Parkway between Massachusetts Avenue and Arlington Road to expand pedestrian and cyclist access to the Parkway. A pilot project to provide a two-lane road configuration on the Parkway between Arlington Road and Dorset Avenue, while keeping the remaining two lanes closed to vehicle traffic, was initiated in 2022 but requires further approval to be made permanent. Given your interest in this matter, I recommend following the review process from the Montgomery Planning Board, which has the sole decision-making authority.

The Planning Board public meeting, during which Montgomery Parks will present their proposal and traffic data, and members of the public will have the opportunity to testify about it, has been moved to March 30, 2023.

In a subsequent meeting, the Planning Board will review the Parks Department's recommendations and the public testimony to determine whether to maintain the current Little Falls Parkway lane closures and proceed with the pilot project. Once the date is set, it will be publicly announced and posted on the Board's [website](#). The Planning Board independently establishes its meeting schedules and agendas. They can be reached at 301-495-4605 or MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org.

Thank you again for taking the time to write to the County Council.

In service,

Evan Glass
Montgomery County Council President

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Please open Little Falls Parkway to all four lanes of traffic. Vote NO to the road constrictions and proposed linear park, Parks' plans are not safe for neighborhoods, pedestrians or drivers.
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 10:26:03 AM

From: Patricia Johnson <pdjohnson01@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 10:05 AM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov; Pamela Dunn <Pamela.Dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>; Councilmember.Glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember Friedson's Office <councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Fani-Gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov; Ariana Senator Kelly <ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us>; marc.korman@house.state.md.us; Sara Delegate Love <sara.love@house.state.md.us>
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Dear Planning Board Commissioners As a citizen of Montgomery County, I object to the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway because of safety issues on the parkway itself and danger to neighboring communities. I have observed MCFRS (Fire and Rescue vehicles) having difficulty navigating the Parkway to reach accident victims. I have also observed fire trucks and ambulances using neighborhood streets to get to River Road in order to avoid the road diet on Little Falls. This is a danger to the victims they are trying to reach and those that live in nearby neighborhoods. I have spoken to Fire Chief Bailey about this and he is aware of the situation. Please put this in the record and **vote NO to the road diet and do NOT consider a linear park on Little Falls Parkway. Please open the Parkway to all four lanes of**

traffic and keep the CCT crossing as it was before changes occurred in 2020. Sincerely, Patricia Depuy Johnson. 5301 Oakland Road, Chevy Chase, Md. 20815. #3019225382. (member of KCA and CCCFH)

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Please reopen Little Falls Parkway to four lanes
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:47:32 AM

From: Karin Millett <kmilletster@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 8:28 AM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Riley, Mike <Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org>; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>; Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us; marc.korman@house.state.md.us; Love, Sara Delegate <sara.love@house.state.md.us>; Pamela.Dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov
Subject: Please reopen Little Falls Parkway to four lanes

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Please reopen Little Falls Parkway to 4 lanes again where it has recently been constricted to two lanes from Dorset Ave., to Hillandale Rd. As a citizen of Montgomery County I object to the road restrictions on Little Falls Parkway because of safety concerns for drivers and cut through traffic in neighboring communities. The recent reconfiguration also endangers bicyclists and pedestrians at the crossing of the Capital Crescent Trail. I am also aware that this is a difficult road for Fire and Rescue to access in times of an emergency.

Karin Millett

4952 Sentinel Drive #206

Bethesda, MD 20816

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Karin Millett

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Please restore Little Falls Parkway to four lanes
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 11:31:11 AM

From: brianberns@gmail.com <brianberns@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, March 4, 2023 6:24 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us; 'Marc Korman' <Marc.Korman@house.state.md.us>; sara.love@house.state.md.us; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; 'Councilmember Friedson's Office' <Councilmember.Friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.balcombe@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov; Pamela Dunn <pamela.dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov>; OCE@montgomerycountymd.gov; marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov
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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Fw: Please restore Little Falls Parkway to four lanes
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 8:09:03 AM

From: brianberns@gmail.com <brianberns@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, March 4, 2023 6:24 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us <ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us>; 'Marc Korman' <Marc.Korman@house.state.md.us>; sara.love@house.state.md.us <sara.love@house.state.md.us>; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov>; 'Councilmember Friedson's Office' <Councilmember.Friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.balcombe@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.balcombe@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Pamela Dunn <pamela.dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov>; OCE@montgomerycountymd.gov <OCE@montgomerycountymd.gov>; marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov <marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov>
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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Please Restore Little Falls Parkway to Original Design
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:54:13 AM

Jeff Zyontz

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From: Ann Kelly Bolten <annkelly411@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 7:12 PM
Subject: Please Restore Little Falls Parkway to Original Design

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Dear Mr. County Executive, Planning Board Members, County Council Members, and Representative Raskin,

First, let me thank you all for your service to our communities.

I am a resident of the Town of Somerset, wife, professional, and mother of two young, active boys. I traverse Little Falls Parkway by car every day, several times a day. I have watched with great disappointment the various iterations of the Little Falls Parkway "Open Parks" effort over the last several years. What started as a wonderful emergency program to better utilize a parkway during the pandemic lockdowns has become a nightmare of ill-conceived and shortsighted policymaking. I believe the current and proposed plans for the parkway were designed to please everyone when in fact, they will please no one, certainly not over the long-term. **I respectfully request you cease current plans to make the short section of Little Falls Parkway a permanent linear asphalt park and instead return Little Falls to the once idyllic parkway we used to have and desperately need.**

Policymaking on altering the parkway should (a) include ample input from affected communities; (b) take into account the years of feedback residents have already provided on what is need; (c) include forecasted traffic changes from the Westbard and other significant development. Collectively focusing our energies on addressing the urgent need to relocate the Capital Crescent crossing to Arlington road and/or build a pedestrian bridge is a much better use of your legislative and policymaking time and limited resources. Walkers, runners, and

cyclists almost universally prefer to use the Capital Crescent trail. Most days and hours this enormous section of road is unutilized.

We can all agree that we need more green spaces in suburban areas like Chevy Chase. This proposal is not what I envision for my family when I think about new green space. There is nothing green about this space, literally or figuratively. Instead, the work that has been done to date has turned what was once a beautiful, peaceful, utilitarian parkway into one of the ugliest roadways I have ever seen outside of the New Jersey Turnpike while encouraging more traffic through Kenwood and Somerset.

Traveling south on Little Falls during rush hour means only being able to turn into Somerset by running the light - there is just way too much traffic funneled into the single northbound lane to have any hope of turning otherwise. The deadly Capital Crescent crossing has gotten harder to navigate, with less visibility. The metal poles steering traffic from Dorset north onto Little Falls jut out into the traffic lane - it's a miracle someone hasn't hit one. The cut-through traffic has increased noticeably. I could go on and on about how bad an idea this is and I certainly hope you will hear from many affected residents on this.

Please end this shortsighted and destructive plan, focus on real, strategic ways to improve non-vehicular access to gathering spaces, and restore the parkway to its former, beautiful and useful self.

Sincerely,

Ann Bolten
4715 Cumberland Avenue

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Please Restore Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 8:17:14 AM

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From: Elizabeth Hurwit <eahurwit@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 13, 2023 7:05 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Bartley, Shawn <Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org>; Hedrick, James <James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org>; Pedoeem, Mitra <Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org>; Riley, Mike <Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org>; Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov; Pamela.Dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.steward@montgomerycountymd.gov; arian.kelly@senate.state.md.us; Korman, Marc Delegate <marc.korman@house.state.md.us>; Love, Sara Delegate <sara.love@house.state.md.us>
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Dear County and State Officials,

As a citizen of Montgomery County who lives near Little Falls Parkway, I object to the road diet and proposed linear park for many reasons, chief among them that the changes have already made walking, biking, and driving less safe on the parkway and in neighboring communities.

Thank you for your consideration and all your hard work on behalf of residents.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Hurwit
4521 Dorset Avenue
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Please visit the 4/10th of a mile of Little Falls Parkway between Dorset Ave and Arlington Road
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 12:45:09 PM

From: Patricia Johnson <pdjohnson01@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 12:44 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
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Thank you. P.Johnson

Begin forwarded message:

From: Patricia Johnson <pdjohnson01@yahoo.com>
Subject: Please visit the 4/10th of a mile of Little Falls Parkway between Dorset Ave and Arlington Road
Date: March 15, 2023 at 10:47:21 AM EDT
To: Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org, Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org, James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org, Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org

Dear Planning Board Commissioners: Please visit this restricted length of roadway between Dorset Avenue and Arlington Road. There will be a public hearing on March 30th at 7pm to discuss retaining the road diet installed by the Montgomery County Parks Department. Many citizens are against these restrictions and the proposed linear park that is not needed nor was it asked for. The restrictions have made it difficult for Fire and Rescue to use. We have observed Fire Trucks and Emergency vehicles using neighborhood streets instead of the Parkway because of the circuitous narrow route created by bollards and jersey walls. **Please come and see the road for yourself. We citizens are happy to pick you up from wherever you are and take you on a tour so you know where this is and what it looks like. It is dangerous to drive (especially at night).** We have observed MCFRS having difficulty getting to accidents/victims on this stretch of road. Please let us know if we can give you a ride and a tour of what is happening so that you are informed. There are at least 6 neighboring communities that are against this road diet. We have surveys to prove that as well as a petition that has over 1000 signatures (and growing) asking that the the Parkway be reinstated to four lanes. Please accept this invitation to view the Parkway. When MCFRS was asked about this Parkway, the heads of that department were unaware of the restrictions or what it

looked like. Thank you for your attention to this safety issue. Sincerely, Patricia Jonson/
5301 Oakland Road, Chevy Chase, Md. 20815. #3019225382.

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Proposed changes to Little Falls
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:40:23 AM

Jeff Zyontz

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From: Barbara Brincefield <brince22@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 1:44 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Proposed changes to Little Falls

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Greetings:

The planning for these changes has NOT fully consulted or considered those residents of the surrounding areas and I urge a postponement of the scheduled hearing and a new, more thorough traffic study. I live in Chevy Chase West and only learned of this disastrous change after it had been implemented. The present traffic configuration is unsafe and not in the public interest. It takes twice as long to get to important destinations and I am certain that emergency equipment is delayed, but the worst part is that none of you involved in implementing this change bothered to ask those of us more immediately affected what we thought. I am distressed by the way this process has gone forward and hope that you will reconsider whether further community input would be valuable. What's the rush?

Barbara Brincefield
6407 Offutt Road
Chevy Chase, Maryland 20815

From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Reopen Little Falls Parkway CRM:0103746
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:29:30 PM

Sean Emerson | Public Information & Customer Service Manager

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From: Judith Larsen <judithlarsen@gmail.com>;

Received: Thu Mar 16 2023 20:51:58 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: Councilmember Friedson <councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Jawando's Office, Councilmember <councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Zyontz, Jeffrey <jeffrey.zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Sayles's Office, Councilmember <councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Love, Sara Delegate <sara.love@house.state.md.us>; Albornoz's Office, Councilmember <councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Councilmember Glass <councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Katz's Office, Councilmember <councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Office of Council Member Kate Stewart <councilmember.stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Marc.Elrach@montgomerycountymd.gov <marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov>; MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Delegate Marc Korman <marc.korman@house.state.md.us>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us; councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov; Mitra.Pedoeem@mncppc-mc.org; James.Hedrick@mncppc-mc.org; Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org; Shawn.Bartley@mncppc-mc.org; Pamela.dunn@montgomeryxounty.gov;

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Bethesda MD 20816

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Reopen Little Falls Parkway Fully and Permanently CRM:0103687
Date: Tuesday, March 14, 2023 8:19:53 AM

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From: Margaret Cloherty <mlcloherty@verizon.net>;

Received: Sun Mar 12 2023 18:53:22 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)

To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <jeffrey.zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair # <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>;

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Subject: FW: Reopen Little Falls Parkway Fully and Permanently
Date: Monday, March 13, 2023 9:53:09 AM

From: mlcloherty@verizon.net <mlcloherty@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, March 12, 2023 6:53 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
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Subject: Reopen Little Falls Parkway

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To: Montgomery County Planning Board and Council Members

Please reopen Little Falls Parkway to 4 lanes again where it has recently been constricted to two lanes from Dorset Ave., to Hillandale Rd. As a citizen of Montgomery County I object to the road restrictions on Little Falls Parkway because of safety concerns for drivers and cut through traffic in neighboring communities. The recent reconfiguration also endangers bicyclists and pedestrians at the crossing of the Capitol Crescent Trail. I am also aware that this is a difficult road for Fire and Rescue to access in times of an emergency.

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Sent from my iPhone

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Restoration of Four Lanes of Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:15:22 AM

Jeff Zyontz

Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board

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From: Caroline Cooper <carolinecooperesq@gmail.com>
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To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Restoration of Four Lanes of Little Falls Parkway

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As a citizen of Montgomery County, I object to the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway because of safety issues on the parkway itself and danger to neighboring communities. I live very close to the Parkway and see EVERY DAY the dangerous conditions that have developed as a result of the narrowing of the road – including but not limited to (1) lengthy lines of traffic due to the reduction in lanes, particularly acute at the stop light which, in order to accommodate the traffic through Dorset as well as walkers, causes a back-up on Little Falls. The is particularly critical during “rush hours; (2) cars now frequently speeding on the Parkway (rarely a problem previously) in order to make the light and/or lessen the lengthy traffic lines; (3) very confusing traffic patterns coming north from River Road where, suddenly, the two lanes separate with one a right turn only lane, resulting in cars either suddenly moving into the left lane to go straight, or turning right on Dorset into Somerset; (4) an equally confusing traffic pattern coming from Hillandale, where I have seen cars not recognize that there is only ONE lane now left and swerve to avoid the oncoming traffic in the other lane; and (5) a narrowing of the one lane on Dorset at Little Falls (coming from Somerset) making it difficult if not impossible for cars turning from Little Falls onto Dorset to make the turn if another car is on Dorset. I have spoken with many in the community about the new traffic pattern with the reduced lanes on Little Falls and Everyone I’ve spoken with has cited the dangers that the situation has created, including those I’ve referenced. We urgently need a return to the earlier four lane situation.

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Subject: FW: Restore Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:17:23 AM

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From: Steve Heyman <sheyman@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, March 13, 2023 11:00 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Restore Little Falls Parkway

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Dear Mr. Zyontz -

I'm not sure why MNCPPC decided to unilaterally create a "linear park" on half of Little Falls Parkway (LFP) but MNCPPC's decision about LFP to date has created a hazardous situation for drivers and pedestrians alike, is creating more congestion on neighborhood streets, was done without an opportunity for meaningful input by surrounding communities and is a solution in search of a problem. I urge you to vote to restore LFP by reopening all four lanes to traffic while ensuring that pedestrian and biker safety is preserved.

1. The current configuration of LFP is dangerous. More than once since MNCPPC reconfigured I have nearly been hit head-on by drivers not certain where the meandering reconfigured road goes. LFP is not well lit and the meandering configuration of the Parkway is not only unexpected by most motorists, it is an accident waiting to happen. Moreover, since LFP was unilaterally reconfigured by MNCPPC, pedestrians and cyclists crossing the Capital Crescent Trail are now forced to cross two lanes of traffic going in opposite directions rather than safely cross one direction, arriving at a grassy median and then safely crossing the other direction.

2. The current configuration of LFP is creating more congestion on neighborhood streets. Closure of 50% of LFP is artificially restricting cross-Bethesda traffic on one of the only cross arteries in Bethesda. As you are undoubtedly aware, there are few cross arteries in Bethesda. There is Western Avenue which links Connecticut to Wisconsin to Massachusetts Avenues and there is Goldsboro Road that links Bradley to MacArthur Bvlds. LFP is a vital cross-Bethesda artery that is especially important given the interconnection among residents and schools, notably the residents

whose students attend Westland Middle School and/or BCC High School. This dynamic is exacerbated by the current construction at Westbard and the attendant closure of Ridgefield Road. Were any traffic studies conducted to see how much more traffic is now on Wisconsin, Bradley, and River Roads because LFP is not a viable cross-road on which to travel? What about studies of the impacts of the closure of LFP on Somerset or Kenwood? I would request copies of those studies if they exist. Moreover, the simultaneous addition of speed bumps on the LFP from River Road to Massachusetts Avenue has further compounded congestion and traffic in our neighborhoods.

3. The current configuration of LFP is a solution in search of a problem. The ostensible reason given by MNCPPC for reconfiguring LFP in a meandering nonsensical pattern was to create a "Linear Park." Open space is great. I'm supportive of creating more open space - but not by closing down a vital artery that's been in place for decades. I'd love to have all of the farmland that was taken to create the Beltway or 270 but that's not a viable option. Why? Because they are vital arteries used by the public every day. I am a lifelong resident of Montgomery County and LFP has existed for my entire 53 years of residency in Montgomery County. If there was a desire for more parkland, there were ample opportunities to preserve undeveloped, unpaved property. For example, the County and MNCPPC could have forced developers of the GEICO tract to preserve more open space on that site in the development plan. That was not a choice planners made. Having rejected previous efforts to preserve open spaces as part of development projects, it seems wholly unreasonable to unilaterally close a critical roadway that links Bethesda.

Continued restriction of LFP should not be done with additional studies and opportunities for meaningful input by impacted residents. The current configuration is dangerous and does not align with the legitimate transportation needs of the surrounding communities.

Please restore LFP to its original configuration while protecting the safety of pedestrians and cyclists.

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Reverse the Little Falls PKWY 2-lanes and Linear Park Plans
Date: Monday, March 13, 2023 9:53:41 AM

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Sent: Saturday, March 11, 2023 10:03 AM
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Subject: Reverse the Little Falls PKWY 2-lanes and Linear Park Plans

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I am a resident of Sumner, a community in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase area, and I am writing to express my opposition to the current design of the Little Falls Parkway and Capital Crescent Trail crossing, the reduction of the Parkway from four divided lanes to two undivided lanes, and the proposed formation of a Linear Park. I do support a support a safe solution that protects walkers, joggers, bicyclists crossing a reopened divided four lanes of Little Falls Parkway, however. The current roadway design and trail crossing conflicts with Vision Zero and is dangerous for pedestrians, cyclists, and vehicles. Watch here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BkxH5Dj9BXM>

My opposition is based on the following:

- **The proposed Little Falls Parkway Linear Park is being developed out of convenience by the Parks Department because it's more cost effective because we already own the land," even though no formal needs assessment was done.**
- **A formal needs assessment would show that two major public recreational facilities – Norwood Park and the Capital Crescent Trail – are within walking distance of the area and an additional park is not needed.**
- **Itemized expenditures and funding sources are not provided to the public.**
- **LFP traffic has been transferred to nearby neighborhoods – Kenwood, and Somerset – and nearby roads, i.e., Goldsboro, where there are no sidewalks** and where homes face directly onto streets. I stand with my fellow residents unfairly impacted by these changes.
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I know I speak for many of my neighbors who also strongly oppose this action and I urge your to reconsider and stop this disruption to traffic and needless park.

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To: [MC-LFP](#)
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Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 10:23:57 AM

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Sent: Saturday, March 18, 2023 3:08 PM
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I too am a resident of Sumner, a community in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase area, and I am writing to express my opposition to the current design of the Little Falls Parkway and Capital Crescent Trail crossing, the reduction of the Parkway from four divided lanes to two undivided lanes, and the proposed formation of a Linear Park. I do support a support a safe solution that protects walkers, joggers, bicyclists crossing a reopened divided four lanes of Little Falls Parkway, however. The current roadway design and trail crossing conflicts with Vision Zero and is dangerous for pedestrians, cyclists, and vehicles. Watch here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BkxH5Dj9BXM>

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- I believe User counts of walkers/joggers/bikers on the closed road are inflated and my own observations do not see the need for closing two lanes of traffic. This was a product of the Covid-19 lockdown when it "seemed" the trails were not sufficient for proper 6' spacing, however those days are behind us and it is my observation that LFP was never utilized by walkers/joggers/bikers to prompt a complete restructuring and elimination of a major thoroughfare to downtown Bethesda and other points.

I know I speak for many of my neighbors who also strongly oppose this action and I urge your to reconsider and stop this disruption to traffic and needless park.

Concerned Neighbor,

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Sumner Homeowner Request to Re-Instate Little Falls Parkway Four-Lane structure and cancel the Linear Park plans
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 11:30:20 AM

From: Lindsay North <lindsay.north08@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, March 4, 2023 9:14 PM
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Dear All:

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I implore you elected officials to hear the frustration from residents in the area with the plans that have been brought forward to modify Little Falls Parkway. We don't need another park, we don't want Little Falls to be a park, we would like our calm, safe and quick commute from the surrounding neighborhoods via Little Falls back.

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From: [Emerson, Sean](#)
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Subject: FW: Vote to return LFP to original 4 lane configuration north of Dorset Avenue CRM:0103726
Date: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:07:12 PM

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Subject: Vote to return LFP to original 4 lane configuration north of Dorset Avenue

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Dear Montgomery County Planning Board:

I am adding my name to the burgeoning number of Montgomery County citizens who respectfully desire the Planning Board of Montgomery County to reverse the road diet on Little Falls Parkway, stop plans for the Linear Park and return the 4 traffic lanes to their original configuration north of Dorset Avenue. My reasoning for this is as follows:

- 1) The road diet, as currently fashioned, is **dangerous**. I have personally experienced a near head-on collision turning north from Dorset onto LFP, and have since been told by two other citizens of similar experiences of near head-on collisions.
- 2) Fire and Rescue has apparently found this section of road difficult to negotiate, as Hook-and-ladder trucks are seen routinely cutting through adjacent neighborhoods in an effort to avoid this section of roadway. Also, this section of road has no "break-down lane" on either side to allow an ambulance to reach an accident, should this occur. Also, traveling south, cars

turning right onto Dorset cannot see a bike in the adjacent bike lane should it be traveling through the intersection or turning right as well.

3) This road diet and plans for a linear park have been made without first consulting and obtaining permission from NCPC, as required by law (Parks still has not done so). Also, the affected communities have not been consulted as to whether such changes to the roadway and park are needed or wanted (no to both). Over the past two years, very few have been seen actually using the empty part of the roadway (as compared to the swelling volumes of walkers, bikers and in-line skaters on the immediately adjacent Capital Crescent Trail).

4) Limiting access on an established transportation artery between Bethesda (35,000,000 square feet of new commercial and residential space) and the Westbard Development being planned (1,8000,000 square feet) is short sighted, especially since no modeling has been done to determine the transportation needs over the next 5 years. Parks has assumed that a current decline in traffic during the Pandemic will be maintained (Metro has recently noted a surge in riders, and government workers have been ordered back to work, suggesting this assumption will be sadly mistaken).

Thank you for your attention and consideration.

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Subject: FW: Vote to return LFP to original 4 lane configuration north of Dorset Avenue
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Members of the planning board - I am sharing my email below which I sent to various leaders this fall asking for additional information about the impact on safety in Kenwood. Many of these questions unfortunately remain unanswered. I reiterate my concern about the dangers posed to pedestrians and cyclists due to dangerous and distracted driving in Kenwood, particularly during peak hours when traffic on LFP is slowed. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

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From: Amanda Vaughn <ajvaughn1@gmail.com>
Date: November 9, 2022 at 12:46:48 PM EST
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Subject: Little Falls Parkway - Kenwood

Thank you for organizing the recent meeting about LFP and Mass Avenue. I am writing to reiterate my request for meetings intended to specifically address the section of LFP between Dorset and Arlington and the impact of partial closure on surrounding neighborhoods.

As Councilmember Friedson knows, a consequence of the 2020-2022 closure of LFP on weekends was the redirecting of traffic into Kenwood which created dangerous conditions for residents, visitors, and guests. Based on DOT data from 2021, there were close to 2500 cars per weekend day flowing through residential

neighborhood streets without sidewalks - approximately a 300% increase when compared to weekday traffic. These streets are regularly used by walkers, bikers and joggers. Many of the drivers were speeding or distracted. In retrospect, this situation was foreseeable-if LFP was closed, drivers would find another way and Kenwood streets which run roughly parallel to LFP would be the obvious choice. The reopening of LFP had an immediate, positive impact on safety and we are grateful for Councilmember Friedson's efforts in that regard.

With this experience in mind, I want to do what I can to ensure that we don't face similar dynamics in the future as traffic is constricted and slowed on LFP. I have seen the recent traffic counts published by Parks, however, I have not seen output from DOT's separate assessment which included both traffic counters and trucks driving in the neighborhood gathering input for DOT models. It is also important that the raw data from both surveys be made available. (When DOT conducted its 2021 traffic study, I asked for and received the raw data which allowed us to analyze and discuss the results in a more meaningful way with DOT and Parks). In addition, I understood that those agencies were specifically tracking cut through traffic in Kenwood because they placed counters at all of the entry/exit points in the neighborhood — if so, that information should be shared. If a specific assessment of cut through traffic hasn't happened, I would ask that one be conducted because it is critical to understanding the impact of a partial closure.

Thanks for your leadership and for your efforts to keep pedestrians and cyclists safe.

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I am a resident of the Town of Somerset and am writing to request the Montgomery County Planning Board to postpone consideration of the pilot project on Little Falls Parkway.

I participated in the virtual community meeting on February 15. There were two significant gaps in the data presented by Montgomery Parks to justify the road diet and linear park concepts.

First, there were no projections of traffic that would result from planned developments in the area. Past and current traffic data are not sufficient basis to make decisions when there are likely to be significant changes in traffic patterns in the future.

The key question is whether the proposed "road diet" on Little Falls Parkway would be able to accommodate potential increases in commercial and residential traffic in the area once Westbard is fully re-developed and if the County proceeds with plans for greater densification on River Road.

Second, there is no data on the use of the pedestrianized lanes of Little Falls Parkway since the suspension of Open Parkways. One cannot use data on recreational users of Little Falls Parkway during Open Parkways in order to project the potential use of the linear park because they are entirely different concepts.

As any observer can tell, the daily use -- even on weekends -- of the pedestrianized lanes of Little Falls Parkway by walkers and bikers today is substantially less than

during Open Parkways. This is a likely indication that the proposed road diet alignment and linear park are not particularly attractive to recreational users (incidentally, I was a strong supporter and user of the Open Parkway). Perhaps Montgomery Parks could consider planting large trees in this space to expand the wooded area.

If there is unlikely to be much use of a linear park, then one could question why a road diet is necessary at all. Little Falls Parkway has no history of being unsafe, except for the Capital Crescent Trail crossing, which was solved years ago (the crossing is now arguably less safe than it was before the pilot project). And surely there are other pressing needs in Montgomery Parks for scarce tax payer dollars, given the nearby availability of Norwood Park, Little Falls Park, Willard Avenue Park, and another trail that runs parallel to Little Falls Parkway between Dorset and Hillandale.

All this sounds like a solution in search of a problem.

Thank you,

Rohit Khanna
Chevy Chase, MD

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As a long time citizen of Montgomery County, I object to the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway for many reasons, notably because of safety issues on the parkway itself and users of the Capital Crescent Trail, traffic congestion caused by the current configuration, inability for emergency vehicles to pass, and the threat to the peace of neighboring

communities. I use the parkway daily between my home and downtown Bethesda and it now takes considerably longer due to traffic back-up and congestion, and with it increased pollution that idling cars bring. The confusing configuration without a median strip or shoulder is dangerous, especially at night. I definitely don't want outdoor concerts/noise pollution in a residential neighborhood. The quiet tranquility of the Capital Crescent trail and surrounding woods would be ruined by outdoor concerts. It was a very pretty, functional road that is, sadly, being turned into a parking lot for food trucks, noise/outdoor music that predictably poor maintenance/cleanup would render an eyesore. It would also create parking problems as visitors would no doubt drive to it and park along the road/narrow adjoining streets as there is very little nearby public parking. I strongly object to this poorly conceived project and urge you to turn it back.

Thank you,

Helen Bertholf
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As a citizen of Montgomery County, I object strenuously to the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway because of safety issues on the parkway itself and danger to neighboring communities. In addition, the changes have resulted in the addition of ugly orange barricades inappropriate for a park and a manor increase in noise adversely affecting the parkland and the wildlife in the conservation land.

Please reverse and block this stupid design change now.

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Respectfully,

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Subject: Fwd: Opposition to lane reduction on Little Falls Parkway
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Subject: Opposition to lane reduction on Little Falls Parkway

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As a citizen of Montgomery County, I object to the restrictions on Little Falls Parkway because of safety issues on the parkway itself and danger to neighboring communities.

I live nearby and am both a runner and a driver. The continual, confusing changes have made things worse—both for runners and drivers—every single time. It's a source of growing consternation and frustration in our neighborhoods.

It wasn't broken before the pandemic. It should not have been changed. Put it back the way it was, and let us enjoy running, biking, and driving in a safe and pleasant manner. If you need to spend money, please spend it to make traffic better and safer, not worse. There is plenty that needed fixing. I can't imagine why so much money is being spent fixing something that was not broken.

David Snyder
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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Fwd: Please Remove Little Falls Parkway "Linear Park"
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Dear County Executive, Planning Board Members, County Council, and Congressman:

We live in the Town of Somerset, adjacent to the area of Little Falls Parkway designated for a potential linear park.

We travel by car on this section of Little Falls Parkway several times every day. Since the barriers designating a linear park have been put in place, driving has become confusing, challenging, backed up

and potentially dangerous. We are writing to ask you to please vote against proceeding with this ill-conceived plan, and revert back to two lane traffic in each direction.

Ideally, we would like any funds allocated to this project to be redirected to an elevated bridge crossing of Capital Crescent Trail over Little Falls Parkway. We realize this is a dangerous area for pedestrians and bikers and think a bridge would address this issue most effectively.

We are avid users of the two walking trails parallel to the Parkway - the Capital Crescent Trail and the walking path leading up to Norwood Park. However, we have never used this "park" space because it is not pleasant and potentially quite dangerous to access and utilize since it is disconnected from other park space - and so close to oncoming traffic.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of this matter and your leadership.

Best,
Anne & Bob Hawkins
Town of Somerset Residents

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To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Fwd: Please reopen Little Falls Parkway to four lanes
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Bethesda, MD 20816

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Subject: Fwd: Reverse the Little Falls PKWY 2-lanes and Linear Park Plans
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I too am a resident of Sumner, a community in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase area, and I am writing to express my opposition to the current design of the

Little Falls Parkway and Capital Crescent Trail crossing, the reduction of the Parkway from four divided lanes to two undivided lanes, and the proposed formation of a Linear Park. I do support a support a safe solution that protects walkers, joggers, bicyclists crossing a reopened divided four lanes of Little Falls Parkway, however. The current roadway design and trail crossing conflicts with Vision Zero and is dangerous for pedestrians, cyclists, and vehicles. Watch here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BkxH5Dj9BXM>

My opposition is based on the following:

- **The proposed Little Falls Parkway Linear Park is being developed out of convenience by the Parks Department because it's more cost effective because we already own the land," even though no formal needs assessment was done.**
- **A formal needs assessment would show that two major public recreational facilities – Norwood Park and the Capital Crescent Trail – are within walking distance of the area and additional park is not needed.**
- **Itemized expenditures and funding sources are not provided to the public, nor was any due diligence done on the sentiment on the local and impacted neighborhoods.**
- **LFP traffic has been transferred to nearby neighborhoods – Kenwood, and Somerset – and nearby roads, i.e., Goldsboro, where there are no sidewalks and where homes face directly onto streets. I stand with my fellow residents unfairly impacted by these changes.**
- **There are safety issues that have resulted for drivers, pedestrians and bicyclists now that opposing lanes of traffic are no longer separated by a median but are side-by-side.**
- **The Parks Department has not considered significant changes expected in traffic patterns. As a result of the recent changes, vehicular traffic now crawls during commuting hours. This will only be worsened when Westbard's renovations are complete.**
- **I believe User counts of walkers/joggers/bikers on the closed road are inflated and my own observations do not see the need for closing two lanes of traffic. This was a product of the Covid-19 lockdown when it "seemed" the trails were not sufficient for proper 6' spacing, however those days are behind us and it is my observation that LFP was never utilized by walkers/joggers/bikers to prompt a complete restructuring and elimination of a major thoroughfare to downtown Bethesda and other points.**

I know I speak for many of my neighbors who also strongly oppose this

**action and I urge your to reconsider and stop this disruption to traffic and
needless park.**

Concerned Neighbor,

**Kristin Weston
5616 Overlea Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816
301.254.7237**

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Fwd: STOP the creation of the "linear park" on Little Falls Parkway
Date: Saturday, March 18, 2023 9:44:58 PM

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From: Therese Leung <therese.leung@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 6:23:15 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: STOP the creation of the "linear park" on Little Falls Parkway

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I am a resident of the neighborhood of Sumner in Bethesda and I strongly oppose the creation of this park.

The residents who use the Little Falls Parkway to get from their homes to downtown Bethesda will be negatively impacted by the permanent reduction of lanes on Little Falls Parkway should this "linear park" be created. In fact, traffic to get onto the LFP often backs up all the way to Massachusetts Ave, which is already very busy during rush hour traffic. And now that it's transformed essentially into single lanes on the LFP, traffic backs up even further leaving snarls and unnecessary headaches.

Traffic has gotten so bad sometimes that I've decided to not waste my time to get into downtown Bethesda and have instead started going into DC to do errands and shop. If the goal is to divert money away from Montgomery County and into DC, then this "linear park" will have been a tremendous success.

Sincerely,
Therese Leung
5105 Baltan Rd, Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [JUDITH SPARROW](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Fwd: Why add a park
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 12:15:12 PM

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Judy Sparrow
Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: JUDITH SPARROW <judith.sparrow@verizon.net>
Date: February 16, 2023 at 12:05:58 PM EST
To: lfp@montgomerycountyparks.gov
Subject: Fwd: Why add a park

Failed to reach yesterday during zoom. Btw a really horrible meeting: you said more than 129 on phone line and you answered maybe 20! Ridiculous.

Judy Sparrow
Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: JUDITH SPARROW <judith.sparrow@verizon.net>
Date: February 15, 2023 at 7:45:22 PM EST
To: lfp@montgomerycountyparks.org
Subject: Why add a park

In an area which is one of the most expensive in the county. Money better spent in area were more apartments and high rises without backyards. You said yourself 69% houses.

This is a ridiculous plan. I live overlooking LFP and can see no one uses the two lanes marked off. Food trucks will attract vermin. All in all awful. No one I know is for it.

Judy Sparrow
Sent from my iPhone

From: [Danielle Worthington](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I DO NOT support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 6:08:58 PM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

The Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has been a near complete failure and irresponsible expense. The raised crossing at the CCT was a positive change and should be maintained, however, every other change should be returned to it's previous design of two lanes in each direction.

Montgomery Park's reports are based on biased, incomplete, "cherry picked" data which have been grossly misinterpreted by those involved in the pilot project. The initial change to the CCT crossing accounts for the reported improvement in safety, while all changes following have been costly without any measurable benefit. Those engaged in the pilot project have failed to obtain the current views of neighborhood residents, while repeatedly referencing out of date surveys from the peak of COVID which are no longer relevant, and "turning off" comments during "public" meetings and subsequent recordings preventing viewers from easily sharing their current thoughts and responses.

The reconfiguration creates a hazard to neighboring communities by redirecting traffic to smaller neighborhood roads without sidewalks and with cars parked along both sides of the street limiting visibility, making these neighborhoods increasingly dangerous for children playing, pedestrians, and cyclists. Shifting these dangers from one area (the parkway) to another area (our neighborhoods) is no more of a solution than moving dirty dishes from the dining room table to the kitchen counter. Furthermore, the reconfiguration also creates additional risks with the increased traffic backups on the parkway itself leading to confusion and road rage incidents along the parkway. These factors will only worsen as the development of Westbard and surrounding projects are completed, increasing traffic throughout the area overall.

Additionally, this area of Montgomery county is already full of green spaces and recreational areas...Little Falls Parkway is literally surrounded by multiple parks and trails which allow safe and pleasant recreational space for residents. Placing yet more recreational space in this particular neighborhood rather than directing it towards an area with greater need shows a lack of insight into the diversity of Montgomery county and poor understanding of the concept of being equitable with our resources.

I support these next steps, in particular: 1) Maintaining the raised crossing at Capitol Crescent Trail; 2) Immediately discontinuing the pilot project and returning all other aspects of Little Falls Parkway to it's former design; 3) Responsibly redirecting the resources being wasted in support this project towards an area of actual need; and 4) Encouraging improvements to the existing capitol crescent trail and/or common sense improvements such as the addition of sidewalks and improved/increased crosswalks to increase pedestrian safety.

Please count me as an emphatic opponent to the Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project, and consider my views as a neighborhood resident, cyclist and runner, mother of school aged children, and driver who also uses the parkway multiple times daily to commute to and from work, area businesses, and my children's schools.

Thank you,
Danielle Worthington
Bethesda, MD
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Gloria Trattles](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I DO NOT SUPPORT creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 12:50:07 PM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration is a wasteful use of TAX PAYER MONEY, impedes the Westbrook ES and Somerset ES communities' access to downtown Bethesda, creates unnecessary congestion on the Parkway (which contributes to environmental pollution). Montgomery Parks reports, "results of multiple traffic studies show that the reconfigured lane set-up reduces cut-through traffic in neighborhoods surrounding Little Falls Parkway" but that cut-through traffic was itself a direct result of Moco Parks' unilateral decision to close the Parkway entirely to motorists. It's a bit Orwellian to tout the plan as "successful" in eliminating a problem the Moco Parks created to begin with. As for maintaining a safe CCT crossing, there are less disruptive and less expensive ways to prevent CCT users from being injured by their own misconduct in IGNORING THE STOP SIGN AT THE CROSSING. In the two decades I have been a runner on the CCT I have never seen a bicyclist actually stop at the stop sign. Instead, they enter the crossing hoping that motorists will see them and stop. It would cost very little to install a barrier at the crossing that would require bicyclists to stop, dismount and walk their bicycles across the roadway -- WHEN THERE IS A NATURAL LULL IN VEHICULAR TRAFFIC WHICH HAS THE RIGHT OF WAY -- just as I have seen thousands of walkers and runners do, enabling them to cross the parkway in complete safety.

The justification that this plan will increase needed recreational space is also a sham. The neighborhood adjacent to the planned new park is one of the most affluent neighborhoods in all of Montgomery County and it already has a park along the CCT! Does that neighborhood really "need" another park?!? Sure the money that will have to be spent to bring the current plan to fruition could be better spent, giving more green and recreational space to working-class neighborhoods in the County. This is a shameful waste!

Please count me as THUMBS DOWN on this awful project.

Respectfully in opposition to Moco Parks' plan.

Thank you,
Gloria Trattles
4967 Allan Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Lori Berman](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I DO NOT support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 9:17:19 PM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

The Little Falls Parkway linear park seems like an unnecessary and inconvenient park. It is hard to get to and will just cause unnecessary traffic issues as well as potentially MORE accidents. Please rethink the park plans.

Thank you,
Lori Berman
5320 Wakefield Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Elizabeth Dietel](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I do NOT support creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 4:24:46 PM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has been a complete failure. No one uses the large now vacant vehicle lane. The road was built for cars, not walkers. This project seems to be the dream of someone who does not understand traffic and constituents. We did not elect the person who dreamed up this crazy project.

I do not support creating a “linear park” in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities. No one will use it and what was once a beautiful parkway now looks ridiculous with barriers, posts, etc. It is now an eyesore when once it was a beautiful parkway.

Please count me as opposed to a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project.

Thank you,
Elizabeth Dietel
5109 Duvall Dr
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Mark Cheng](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I Oppose creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park, return the road to intended purpose
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 9:16:30 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has been an unwelcome mess. Montgomery Parks reports, “results of multiple traffic studies show that the reconfigured lane set-up reduces cut-through traffic in neighborhoods surrounding Little Falls Parkway, maintains a safe Capital Crescent Trail (CCT) crossing, and safely accommodates vehicle traffic” are biased and not fact based. The latest debacle has nothing to do with the CCT crossing safety and the chicane is dangerous. And, bottom line, there is minimal usage by walkers, rollers, and bicyclists. Go out and look for yourselves. Just as the bike lanes on major county roads ARE EMPTY.

I oppose continuation of the “linear park” plan. It's unnecessary and damages safety and efficient transport in the area. My 93 year old mother is not rolling or biking anywhere. The road is closed 24/7 but only used sparingly on weekends during nice weather in daylight. Safety is a canard here, there are no street lights and minimal maintenance .

Please count me as part of the MAJORITY who OPPOSE the Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project. WABA represents a minority whose members clearly are not regularly out on any of these bike lanes. And, to be honest, want rights as cars but (my personal observation) ignore all laws regarding cars--run stop signs (at LFP), red lights, don't signal, etc.

Thank you,
Mark Cheng
5302 Carvel Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Caroline Handorf](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I oppose creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 10:12:04 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

The Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has been a near complete failure and irresponsible expense. The raised crossing at the CCT was a positive change and should be maintained, however, every other change should be returned to it's previous design of two lanes in each direction.

Montgomery Park's reports are based on biased, incomplete, "cherry picked" data which have been grossly misinterpreted by those involved in the pilot project. Further, the data is historical and does not account for or project the impact of the literally thousands of new residential units at Westbard, the residents of which will likely want to avail themselves of the amenities of downtown Bethesda, which are accessed primarily via LF Parkway. Also, I have not seen current data compared to pre-restriction data that would show whether some of the "improvements" result from residents avoiding downtown Bethesda - a real detriment to the businesses there. Personally, I will note that all of the new traffic changes have resulted in our family shifting our business to the Palisades and Cathedral Commons areas (both in DC), which are both much easier to access now than Bethesda.

The initial change to the CCT crossing accounts for the reported improvement in safety, while all changes following have been costly without any measurable benefit. Those engaged in the pilot project have failed to obtain the current views of neighborhood residents, while repeatedly referencing out of date surveys from the peak of COVID which are no longer relevant, and "turning off" comments during "public" meetings and subsequent recordings preventing viewers from easily sharing their current thoughts and responses.

The reconfiguration creates additional risks with the increased traffic backups on the parkway itself leading to confusion and road rage incidents along the parkway. These factors will only worsen as the development of Westbard and surrounding projects are completed, increasing traffic throughout the area overall.

The proposals also do not account for the increased traffic and parking needs of those looking to access the linear park, particularly in summer months.

This area of Montgomery County is already full of green spaces and recreational areas. Little Falls Parkway is literally surrounded by multiple parks and trails which allow safe and pleasant recreational space for residents. Placing yet more recreational space in this particular neighborhood rather than directing it towards an area with greater need shows a lack of insight into the diversity of Montgomery county and poor understanding of the concept of being equitable with our resources.

I support these next steps, in particular: 1) Maintaining the raised crossing at Capitol Crescent

Trail; 2) Immediately discontinuing the pilot project and returning all other aspects of Little Falls Parkway to its former design; 3) Responsibly redirecting the resources being wasted in support of this project towards an area of actual need; and 4) Encouraging improvements to the existing Capitol Crescent Trail and/or common sense improvements such as the addition of sidewalks and improved/increased crosswalks to increase pedestrian safety.

Please count me as an emphatic opponent to the Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project, and consider my views as a neighborhood resident, cyclist and runner, mother of school aged children, and driver who also uses the parkway to commute area businesses, and my children's schools.

Thank you,
Caroline Handorf
5312 Cardinal Ct
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Duane Pugh](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I OPPOSE the Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 7:43:29 PM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

The Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has been a FAILURE. In each direction the transition points from two lanes down to one lane are unsafe; I have witnessed multiple near-accidents resulting from these new, awkward intersections. The intersection with Arlington Road, and especially the turn from Arlington Road onto the narrowed Little Falls Parkway, is particularly narrow and dangerous and the lane markings have not yet even been corrected to reflect the new traffic pattern.

The Montgomery Parks report praising this narrowing of Little Falls Parkway does not reflect the views of the majority of Bethesda residents who drive on Little Falls Parkway. I have only seen the new recreation space being used ONCE since it has been created, even though I often drive on that section of the Little Falls Parkway multiple times a day and frequently on weekend days.

I urge the Planning Board to at a minimum DELAY any further development of the new recreation space until a full study of the traffic risks of the current configuration can be completed.

Thank you,
Duane Pugh
5315 Briley Pl
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Cynthia Pugh](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I STRONGLY OBJECT to creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 7:29:34 PM

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Thank you,
Cynthia Pugh
5315 Briley Pl
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Eleanor Pugh](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: I STRONGLY OPPOSE creating a Little Falls Parkway linear park
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 4:59:26 PM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

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I urge the Planning Board to at a minimum DELAY any further development of the new recreation space until a full study of the traffic risks of the current configuration can be completed.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project DISSENTER.

Thank you,
Eleanor Pugh
5315 Briley Pl
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Drew Malay](#)
To: [MC-LFP; Councilmember Friedson's Office; Greta Malay](#)
Subject: LFP Proposal
Date: Friday, February 17, 2023 5:54:04 PM

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Hello,

I am writing to recommend the county reverts LFP back to its original state of four lanes.

Based upon the call from earlier in the week you stated there were 1,900 signatures in support of this. That is a negligible amount of support to make such a drastic change. Between zip codes 20816 and 20815 there are nearly 50,000 residents. Glad to hear how less than 2% of the residents impacted voted in favor. How many of those 1,900 live in the surrounding communities most? The communities adjacent to LFP overwhelmingly disagree with the county's lack of due diligence and general arrogance to this plan.

Getting into Bethesda, the economic hub of the county, is a nightmare because of the County's poor planning and it will only get worse over years; particularly due to the "Thrive" initiative.

I drive LFP multiple times a day and at most I've seen two people walking on the "park" - a lovely park at that! It must be very therapeutic walking on a paved street with cars idling 15 feet away, jersey barriers and metal gates. We can't wait to play cornhole and eat hot dogs on the street one day! It will truly breed such a strong sense of community..

At what point does the county realize those most impacted are vehemently opposed to your decision? Your lack of transparency and unwillingness to act upon those you serve is unprofessional. You put children and our neighbor's safety in jeopardy by forcing residents to cut through various neighborhoods, specifically Kenwood.

The county made a mistake, wasted our tax dollars, and is burying their head in the sand. You will lose support for any future projects that may benefit the community by your actions on this project.

You serve your constituents, not your pet projects.

Drew

From: [Darcy King](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: LFP
Date: Thursday, February 23, 2023 3:54:17 PM

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I am writing to urge you to delay action on the proposed road diet at LFP. I attended your recent meeting to unveil your traffic studies. Those studies were totally inadequate. Never mind they included data from the Pandemic shutdown. When queried whether you had considered the influx of traffic from the Westbard development, you more or less shrugged and said it was not a problem. Do you have data to support that position?

As it is currently configured, LFP is particularly dangerous at the point of intersection with Capital Crescent Trail. Granted, there have been no recent fatalities but bikers whiz through the intersection like banshees. Accidents will arise, which is why we need a pedestrian bridge.

You claimed that the public is asking for more park land. Did you ask if they wanted to recreate along a roadway?

This is deeply upsetting.

From: [Cornelius Davies](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: LFParkway
Date: Monday, February 20, 2023 12:18:02 AM

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Leave it alone....Make NO lane changes. The change made at at the bike crossing is OK....good job.

But elimination of other lanes is a very, very bad move.
And speed bumps on a highway is just stupid. Yesterday I slowed down to pass over the bumps.. and cars sped based me on the left !! Crossing the double lines !

Please.... Please listen to us taxpayers, residences....Leave our HIGHWAY a highway....

Cornelius Davies
4920 Earlston Drive,
Bethesda, MD 20816
davies4920@yahoo.com
301-229-7952

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From: [Lawrence Bruser](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway "linear park"
Date: Monday, February 20, 2023 4:25:34 PM

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To the Parks Planners:

I strongly oppose the proposal for a linear park on Little Falls Parkway. I say this as a liberal Democrat, environmentalist, and supporter of biking, walking, and other forms of outdoor recreation. But it seems to me that the linear park concept, however well-intentioned, goes way too far in the direction of promoting these goals, at the expense of common sense. To be specific:

- LFP is one of the few ways, and certainly the best way, to drive by car from the neighborhoods along River Road into downtown Bethesda.
- As a frequent driver on LFP between River Rd. and Bethesda, at many different times of the day, I see **very few** bikers or walkers on the two lanes currently provided for them, while often encountering congested auto traffic on the two driving lanes. The statistics to the contrary in your recent presentation, frankly, are not consistent with the actual experiences of me and many others who drive on LFP.
- There is no evident reason why half of LFP should be converted into another "park". Norwood Park, the Capital Crescent Trail, and Little Falls Park Trail are extremely close to LFP and provide plenty of recreational opportunities.
- With regard to the fatal bike accident where the CCT crosses LFP, I don't know the specific facts of that incident, but as a driver on LFP I've witnessed numerous CCT bikers totally ignoring the Stop signs on the CCT as they shoot across LFP. In my view, bikers pose a greater risk of accidents there than cars do.

For these reasons, the "linear park" idea strikes me as a solution in search of a problem, and I hope you will reject it.

Sincerely, Lawrence Bruser

From: [Carl Becker](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway is a MESS!!
Date: Friday, March 17, 2023 11:03:17 PM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

Jeff, this new trail crossing is DANGEROUS! Someone is going to get killed there. Just today we met with Craig from Councilmember Balcombe's office. Just prior to his arrival we witnessed a near collision where two pedestrians walking a dog entered the crossing just as a vehicle was accelerating. The vehicle had to make an abrupt stop and came to a stop just about two feet from hitting the dog. It was unbelievable. Southbound vehicles don't see pedestrians crossing from the north side of the parkway because a large pad is wrapped around a light post which creates a huge blind spot. Southbound Bicyclists cross the parkway very quickly and make a sudden right turn but southbound drivers can't easily see the bicyclists as they are cutting across the drivers peripheral view. Please meet me out there sometime. It would be a tragedy to let the planning board vote without meeting me at the site!

Thank you,
Carl Becker
4905 Brookeway Dr
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Lhochheiser](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls parkway plans
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 8:24:18 PM

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Like many in my community (Brookdale in Bethesda off River Rd near the parkway), I am NOT in support of the current and future plans for little Falls Parkway. I see very few walkers or bikes using the parkway , especially during the week days . From my neighborhood, there are two ways to get to Bethesda and north - Little Falls and Wisconsin Ave. the latter is becoming increasingly difficult to navigate with building both in Friendship Heights and Bethesda . In addition, I don't understand narrowing Little Falls just as many large apartments and condos are being built in the area - in Friendship Heights , Westbard ,River Rd and Bethesda . Is all the increased traffic supposed to travel on Wisconsin

Ave ? It is dangerous enough for pedestrians (I've been hit crossing at the crosswalk on Friendship Blvd !) now . It will become even more dangerous with more traffic and a less viable alternative route at Little Falls.

The proposed changes "sound good " but are short sighted.

Please don't make the situation worse .

Lisa Hochheiser
4704 Merivale Rd
Chevy Chase, Md

From: [Lucy Freeman](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway plans
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 2:18:01 PM

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Thank you for the presentation last night about the current phase, future plans and statistics about the Little Falls Parkway.

The County Executive, the County Councilmembers, and the Planning Board are concerned about past inequities and current demographics of our County. This is evident in the proposed Thrive plan. I agree, with each decision and bill passed in the county, we should consider how does this fit into addressing past inequities.

The proposed linear park is between two affluent areas, Kenwood and the Town of Somerset. One of the speakers said that traffic would not be an issue for this linear park would probably serve the adjacent neighborhoods. This area has Norwood Park, a park in Kenwood at Dorset and Kennedy, the Crescent Trail, a park on River Road, and a park on Little Falls near Arlington Boulevard. On Wisconsin there is a park on Elm and a future park is planned where the Women's Farmers' Market is. I think more green space should be planned where it is needed.

The proposal is to have the two lanes on the west, near Kenwood, for recreation. One lane would have ping pong tables, picnic tables, chess game, etc; the other lane would be divided with bike lanes going in opposite directions. The photo looked crowded. Where does one teach a child to ride a bike? Walk a dog? Are you saying in this recreational area one can't teach a child to ride a bike?

Last night I asked about the budget for the future recreational plans. I heard \$90,000, then \$300,000. I am opposed to spending this amount of money for these affluent neighbors.

I recommend you plan parks in areas that need green space; perhaps you could have food trucks and special events at Norwood.

I recommend Little Falls Parkway be returned to four lanes with a light at the Crescent Trail crossing.

Lucile Freeman 4719 Falstone Avenue, Chevy Chase, MD 20815 301-654-8115r

From: [Lisa Lawler](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#); [MCP-Chair](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, February 20, 2023 7:59:40 AM

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Please open the Parkway back up!!!! We don't need green space there.

The Capital Crescent trail is available, and there is a beautiful wooded path on the other side of the road between Norwood park and Little Falls Parkway. No one actually wants to hang out in an area that is right next to the cars on the parkway. Also, people can ride or walk through the Kenwood neighborhood which is beautiful and has little traffic.

I love green space but this one is ridiculous. I live nearby, and walk and drive through the neighborhood daily. I didn't even like walking on the parkway when it was completely shut down for Covid.

Lisa Lawler
5400 Burling Rd.
Bethesda, MD 20814

From: [Wendy Smith](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, February 20, 2023 12:57:45 AM

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I understand there is an effort to make the current two- lane change permanent. I am 72 years old and cannot ride a bike or walk distances, but I can still go to Bethesda to work, shop, and eat at restaurants. Why does the park plan discriminate against elderly drivers? It is particularly galling to drive up the parkway and see the two lanes that are now supposedly for walkers and bikers absolutely empty, while traffic gets backed up in rush hour. I have never seen anyone use those two lanes, and I drive frequently between the Chevy Chase area and downtown Bethesda. There are bike and walking trails in the parks adjacent to the parkway. What is the need to take the two lanes out of commission for drivers? It is just redundancy for the bikes and hikes, and truly a poor option to impede traffic and discriminate against those who have to drive.

Wendy Smith

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Eve Katz](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Sunday, February 19, 2023 2:11:35 PM

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I am writing to say that I think the proposed project for Little Falls Parkway Is ill-conceived. The parkway should be returned to its two plus two lane configuration. The conception of a park alongside traffic is foolish. At the public meeting one of the proponents said he wouldn't want to teach his young child to ride a bicycle on the Capital Crescent Trail but would like to do it at the future park? Really? Right next to moving vehicles? The planned "park" appears to be cluttered, with seating and food counters. It looks totally uninviting. Where is nature here? It is entirely absent. Put LFP back the way it was. If safety is a concern, put in bumps and speed limits.

On the other hand, because there is no way for a pedestrian to walk to Massachusetts Avenue from River Road, I propose providing more of a pedestrian path on LFP from River Road to Massachusetts Avenue. Walking there now is hazardous.

My views are shared by several people I have spoken with. I hope the planned project is not too far along to be reconsidered. I believe it is a mistake.

Eve Katz

From: [Rosemary Lyon](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Cc: [Lyon John](#); [Lyon Rosemary](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Friday, February 17, 2023 3:36:29 PM

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Dear Parks Staff:

Unfortunately, I had a conflict and couldn't attend the virtual meeting about Little Falls Parkway. However, I'd like to make a point.

I drive the Parkway frequently. However, I have hardly EVER seen anyone using the newly created pedestrian/bicycling lane! Even on beautiful, sunny days. There is a bike/walking path a short distance away.

It is beyond belief that the residents of Kenwood (and I'm not one of them) would want a park aside their community! The proposed plan takes away a useful asset (a route to Bethesda, which keeps people from taking a short-cut through their neighborhood) and imposes a not-well-thought-through solution to a problem that doesn't exist.

Please rethink this idea.

Rosemary Lyon
Worthington Drive
Bethesda

From: [JOHN STEWART](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Cc: [Sharon Stoliaroff](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Friday, March 10, 2023 3:49:45 PM

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Dear Friends:

We are long-time residents of the Town of Somerset. We are writing to express our strong opposition to the plan for a permanent "linear park" along Little Falls Parkway. We request that the Parks abandon the plan for a continuation of the project and request the return of Little Falls Parkway to four-lane vehicular traffic.

Many local residents have already raised substantial questions about cut-through traffic impacts in Somerset and Kenwood, reduced capacity to accommodate future Westbard and Bethesda development, and Montgomery Parks' lack of legal authority to close the roadway. We want to focus in particular on the absence of any showing of need for the proposed "Park" and the inadequate consideration of the impact on emergency services.

The proposed project will eliminate a public resource already paid for with taxpayer funds, in exchange for an ill-defined paved "park" for which no need has been shown. Representatives of the Parks Department blithely asserted in the public meeting on February 15 that everyone always wants more parks. But there has apparently been no survey or other research done that could establish an actual demand, much less a need, for this particular new "park." Nor, in our view, could any need actually be established, since the proposed Linear Park is immediately flanked by two other public recreation areas, the Capital Crescent Trail and the Little Falls Trail. No mention at all was made in the February 15 presentation of the extent to which the Little Falls Trail park, as opposed to the CCT, already serves some of the same purposes as the proposed new "park" (I raised this question in the Q&A but it was never answered). How can we spend additional taxpayer money to create something for which no need whatsoever has been demonstrated? Collecting statements from people who say they have used or would be happy to use the new space doesn't answer the question of whether it's actually needed, when the other two trails and Norwood Park are all already available, mere yards away. And the proposed configuration of the new "park" cannot even be used for through-biking (if yet a third bike path were needed), since it terminates before Dorset, leaving only a dangerous path to connect to the CCT.

One issue of particular concern to us is the potential impact on emergency services in Somerset, as to which no proper analysis has been done. It was reported in the February 15 meeting that the Police and Emergency Services departments were asked about the reconfiguration of the Parkway and they "see no problem." But we

had the unfortunate experience of being in the back of an ambulance one afternoon in late September during Phase I, on our way from Westbrook Elementary to Suburban Hospital, with Sharon bleeding from a serious head wound suffered in a fall. The ambulance made it from Massachusetts to River (and Dorset) just fine, because cars were able to pull over on the shoulders to let it through. But when we moved to the two-way section between Dorset and Arlington Road, the ambulance was forced to a stop several times. That's because there is inadequate room to pull off the roadway in that section. On the median side, cars had to pull onto the grassy hill down towards the trees. We eventually got through and Sharon was treated at the hospital. But a cavalier "we see no problem" is a wholly inadequate governmental response to the question of whether emergency vehicles will be unduly hampered as a result of the "Linear Park." I also raised this in Q&A during the February 15 meeting, with no response whatsoever except a repetition of the "we see no problem" assertion. At the least, more consideration would need to be given to any necessary modifications of the remaining roadway to ensure there is adequate room for cars to pull over throughout the entire run.

We support public policy goals aimed in general at increasing green space and reducing automobile use. But this proposal will do neither. A significant part of the Linear Park will remain paved, and there will be more rather than fewer cars, because Parks proposes to create "destination" amenities (like cornhole, giant checkers and food trucks!) that are presumably intended to induce more people to drive to it and park nearby.

Our family has lived in Somerset for more than 30 years, and a few blocks north of Somerset for the 10 years before that. We have been walking and biking the Little Falls Trail and the Capital Crescent Trail for over 40 years (though we also remember when there were still freight trains running where the CCT now lies). Our kids learned to ride bikes and rollerblade and skateboard just fine, without doing it on Little Falls Parkway. The idea that there is a need for this bizarre new "park," given the trails and parks we already have right here, is simply absurd, and an abuse of governmental authority.

The Montgomery Parks Linear Park plan would unjustifiably eliminate an existing public resource, without a corresponding benefit. We strongly oppose the continuation of the plan and request that you abandon the plan and request that the Parkway be restored to its pre-Pandemic configuration.

Thank you,

John Stewart
Sharon Stolaroff, PhD
4823 Dorset Avenue
Somerset, MD 20815

From: [Trav Daniel](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls parkway
Date: Tuesday, February 21, 2023 11:29:43 AM

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I think the linear park idea is lame at best. Closing part of the road doesn't seem to be working, I rarely see people enjoying the "park". Maybe use the current configuration during weekends and holidays but not during the week.

Automobiles owners paid for the road through gas taxes we should not be deprived of our investment.

Thanks
Trav Daniel
Cabin John

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

From: [Robin Solomon](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Meeting on 2/15/23
Date: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 8:51:14 PM

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Hello - I just attended the public meeting on Little Falls Parkway. Two comments:

1. Although I understand the purpose of the changes, your department has grossly underestimated the significance of this road to the communities west of River Road. This is the primary roadway to downtown Bethesda - in fact the only non-residential roadway. The shrinking of this road really marginalizes all of these residents. In addition, you did not adequately address the question about increased reliance on LFP with the development at Westbard. Additional traffic studies will be needed.
2. You mentioned on the call that drivers should be wholly focused on the road in front of them without distraction. Based on my own experience, the road diet and barriers have made this much harder for drivers, and have created a very unsafe environment for speedy cyclists. Yesterday, at dusk, a cyclist unexpectedly entered the crosswalk near Dorset right as my slow car (and the slow car next to me) were passing through it. Cars can't stop on a dime! Especially in the dark where visibility is reduced and cyclists are unexpected! The cyclist proceeded to shout obscenities at both cars, of course. My point is that you have emboldened cyclists to behave unsafely and presumptively on a major roadway. Of course, I support the well-marked crosswalk at the CCT trail, but additional crosswalks are problematic where visibility is poor, and they need to be treated with respect by cyclists as well as drivers.

From: [JOSEPH LAROSKI](#)
To: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#); councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; pamela.dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov; marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; marc.korman@house.state.md.us; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; [MC-LFP](#); [Flusche, Darren](#)
Cc: [MCP-Parks](#); [Chotiner, Melissa](#); [Gray, Jordan](#); [Pant, Erin](#); mayor@townofsomerset.com; [Riley, Mike](#); michael.riley@montgomeryparks.org
Subject: Objection to Changes to Little Falls Parkway and Proposal for Linear Park - Sumner Resident - Bethesda, MD 20816
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 12:19:30 PM

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Dear All:

As a resident of the Sumner neighborhood, a user of the Capital Crescent Trail (“CCT”), and Little Falls Parkway (“LFPW”), I write to express my objection to the current reduction of Little Falls Parkway from four lanes to two and the proposal to make these changes permanent to make way for an unnecessary and unwanted Linear Park. My family of five has made extensive use of the CCT for biking, running, walking, dog walking, transit to shops in Bethesda, and for recreation in the wooded areas. We also rely on LFPW for travel to and from shopping and restaurant options in downtown Bethesda. I object to the Parks Department’s vision for LFPW and to the manner in which they have pushed this proposal without taking into account the legitimate concerns of nearby residents.

The closure of LFPW, coupled has significantly altered my family’s travel patterns and shopping habits. The changes have made short trips to downtown Bethesda significantly less convenient and less likely to happen. The increased travel time, the difficult traffic pattern, narrow travel lanes, and unsightly plastic pylons has led my family to seek other shopping and dining options in Washington, DC in order. A quick trip to Strosniders Hardware is no longer quick, and far less likely to happen. And our shopping excursions and dinners out are now far more likely to occur in DC. I estimate that my family’s change in travel patterns has resulted in our spending our shopping, dining, and entertainment dollars in Washington, DC instead of Montgomery County at least 5 times per week. Perhaps the owners of the Silver Diner and Vace Delicatessen might not care if we chose to frequent their Cleveland Park/Woodley Park, DC locations rather than in Bethesda, but the county government should. I suspect that the owners of Uncle Julio's and Strosniders would rather see us at their Bethesda locations, rather than their competitors' DC locations in Cleveland Park and Tenleytown.

With employees finally starting to return to the office and plans to build more housing in the immediate area along Westbard and River Roads, the disruption to traffic will only get worse. Meanwhile, the Parks Department seems to be basing its assessment of traffic on demand during the height of pandemic shutdowns. We have already seen the back-ups on LFPW, River Road, and Massachusetts Avenue lengthen, but the Parks Department has turned a blind eye to the already increasing traffic likely to come as telework policies increasingly require employees to return to the office.

While the closure of LFPW may have relieved some of the crowding on the CCT during the peak of the pandemic, there is no longer a need for it. Our family uses the CCT at all hours

during weekdays and weekends, and see none of the congestion that was present during the height of the pandemic. Meanwhile, we have observed little, if any recreational traffic (walkers, bikers, etc.) on the closed sections of LFPW.

To the extent we see walkers and bikers on LFPW it is often on the shoulder of the section between Massachusetts Avenue and River Road. This is creating an unnecessary danger on this stretch of LFPW: a safe bike trail (the CCT) is just a hundred or so feet away from that section of LFPW and provides a completely safe means of walking or biking from one of these roads to the other. Indeed, the CCT also runs parallel to the entire stretch of road that the Parks Department proposes closing for the Linear Park (and another trail runs along the other side of this same section of LFPW). If the Linear Park is meant to provide access between Downtown Bethesda and River Road, there is no need for it. We have the CCT.

To the extent that the park is designed for other activities (I have seen suggestions of food trucks, giant chess boards, ping pong tables, etc.), it is unclear who is asking for additional space for such activities or how they will get to the Linear Park for this activity. I expect that many, if not most, visitors to the proposed park would be driving to the site. I further expect that many will park in the Somerset and Kenwood neighborhoods? Why bring more traffic to this location and into these residential neighborhoods?

The Parks Department has suggested that this proposed Linear park would be “transformative” like the Highline in New York. This is pure fantasy. I lived in New York’s Chelsea neighborhood and could see the Highline from my stoop. Bethesda is not New York City. Tens of thousands of residents and tourists have access to the Highline by foot and by subway. This park is tucked in a quiet residential area, with maybe hundreds within walking distance and with no access by Metro.

The Parks Department has been unsympathetic to legitimate concerns of nearby residents and appear to be forcing an unwanted park down our throats. The end result will be a mess for residents of Somerset and Kenwood, a loss of revenue for Downtown Businesses in favor of close-in DC businesses, and a traffic nightmare for all.

This project is neither wanted nor needed. The immediate need is for safer crossing (if not a footbridge) where the CCT intersects LFPW. The Parks Department’s changes so far at that known problem area have only made the crossing more dangerous.

I urge you to consider more carefully the impact on those closest to LFPW and most that are directly impacted by the lane closures and proposed park. We do not want this park. We have the CCT. Residents on the other end of LFPW have Norwood Park (both CCT and Norwood Park need improvements). We want a safe and convenient means of traveling by car to shop and dine in Downtown Bethesda. The Parks Department’s changes to the LFPW have deprived us of this. Please do not make the Parks Department’s mistake permanent.

Joseph Laroski
5007 Nahant Street
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Patricia Johnson](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: OPEN LFP PARKWAY TO 4 LANES/BUILD A SAFE BRIDGE
Date: Saturday, March 18, 2023 8:31:34 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration IS A MESS. TERRIBLE ROAD DESIGN. GET RID OF THE BOLLARDS AND JERSEY WALLS. OPEN THE PARKWAY. IT IS MORE DANGEROUS FOR BIKERS/PEDS AND DRIVERS NOW. BUILD A SAFE BRIDGE OVER 4 LANES, PUT THE MONEY INTO THE CCT AND WIDEN CCT FOR BIKERS, ROLLERS, WALKERS. CLEAN UP LITTLE FALLS PARKWAY FROM FALLEN TREES AND INVASIVE VINES. NATURALIZE THE STREAM. DON'T WASTE MONEY ON THE "PARK". WE ALREADY HAVE 170 ACRES OF PARK IN THIS AREA. WE DON'T NEED CHESS SETS & PING PONG TABLES. WE NEED A SAFE CAPITAL CRESCENT TRAIL AND OPEN PARKWAY.

Thank you,
Patricia Johnson
5301 Oakland Rd
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Clifton Foster](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Oppose LFP Diet and Linear Park
Date: Monday, March 13, 2023 5:34:12 PM

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This email is written to oppose the proposed road diet and linear park changes to Little Falls Parkway. It is an unnecessary expenditure of tax funds and does not serve to support the immediate community nor the greater Bethesda / Chevy Chase population.

- 1) the existing hiker/biker Capital Crescent Trail and Little Falls paths that run parallel to LFP need to be maintained. They are lacking proper maintenance.
- 2) there are enjoyable open park / sports / play areas at Norwood Park and Little Falls playground that serve the the immediate community and surrounding population.
- 3) Montgomery Parks should make the wilderness areas adjacent to LFP accessible by making trails and placing benches so the area can be enjoyed by walkers and trail joggers.

Regards,
Clifton and Mette Foster
4836 Drummond Ave
Chevy Chase, MD 20815
via iPhone

Best Regards,
Clifton
via iPhone

From: [Brian Wong](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#); [MCP-Chair](#)
Subject: Oppose Little Falls Parkway "linear park" and narrowing
Date: Tuesday, February 21, 2023 11:50:18 AM

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Hello,

I write to register my opposition to the proposed narrowing of Little Falls Parkway and the creation of a "linear park." This project is unnecessary and will have negative safety consequences.

The project is unnecessary. The location of this "linear park" means it will be underused. Most days, I don't see a single person using the pilot "linear park" – not a single pedestrian or bike. There are already plenty of parks nearby and similar green-space amenities.

The project will have negative safety consequences. Little Falls Parkway is an essential connector used by public safety vehicles. With only a single traffic lane in each direction, congestion builds up, and fire trucks and rescue vehicles have no way to get around them. This delays response time, and seconds count in emergencies. Furthermore, the increased congestion on Little Falls Parkway will cause traffic to divert onto adjacent residential roads, which increases the possibility of pedestrian-vehicle conflicts and accidents.

In conclusion, please do not narrow Little Falls Parkway or create a linear park. The existing pilot should be reversed, and all 4 lanes reopened.

Thank you for considering these comments.
Brian Wong

From: [Robin Solomon](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Public meeting 2/15/23
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 2:26:38 PM

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I am writing to express my deep disappointment in last night's meeting. It is clear that Parks has already determined that it will narrow LFP permanently without obtaining full input from the surrounding communities, and the public meeting was disingenuous as a result.

Parks highlights the small number of pedestrians and cyclists who have praised the idea of a linear park, but most of these individuals simply applaud any effort to create more trails without regard for the impacted communities. Exceptionally few of these supporters actually use the linear park. I drive this route daily, twice a day, and have seen fewer than a dozen people using the linear park since August (in total). The usage numbers you have presented seem absolutely implausible based on my own extensive time spent driving on this road. people signing a survey are undoubtedly supporting the vague concept of "creating a new park" without a full understanding of the impact on area residents.

As for creating a "place to teach your kid to ride a bike", there are already plenty of safe spaces in the area. Church parking lots are ideal, as they are empty M-F. School parking lots are also ideal, as they are empty on the weekends. Both are paved and flat. Apartment dwellers and homeowners alike can utilize the local neighborhood roads as well. It is not necessary to commandeer an important local road for this narrow purpose. In addition, the dramatic increase in cut-through traffic makes the local neighborhoods less safe for area kids learning to ride their bikes.

It is clear to all surrounding communities that Parks will only accept data that support its desired outcome on this project. At the meeting, there was no mention of the outrage voiced by local communities on this issue, or the lawsuit filed by the Kenwood residents association, or the multiple surveys on Next Door in which 80% of local residents west of River Road voted against this project.

The LFP road diet has created a dangerous situation for cyclists, pedestrians, and drivers. It is hard to navigate as a driver (particularly in the dark and in the rain) and a head-on collision is inevitable. It also create the false impression that this heavily-used road is a "safe space" for bicycles and pedestrians to act recklessly. Every driver knows to stop carefully at the well-established CCT crosswalk. But now cyclists and pedestrians are darting into the road at unexpected places too, expecting drivers to stop on a dime. The road diet has emboldened these individuals to behave more recklessly around cars. Merely calling it a "park" does not make it so! I drive this road in constant fear now due to the unnecessary dangers you have

created.

The comparison to the NY Highline - a 1.5 mile *abandoned transit line* - is a joke. This project is more akin to closing off MacArthur Boulevard for the heck of it, just so that area children can romp freely in the street. It makes no sense, it is poorly utilized, and none of the actual residents of this area want it.

Robin Solomon

Sumner

From: [MICHELE BAKER](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Questions
Date: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 7:49:23 PM

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1- you didn't mention that all of your counts have been made during the construction on Westbard. Everyone has changed their traffic patterns. This makes them invalid.

2- widen the crescent trail and put walkers on one side/bikers on other with plastic dividers in between.

3- pool parking lot can NOT be used in summer when pool is open. Neighborhoods aside it will be overwhelmed.

4- tell us what this will cost and ask locals where they would prefer the money spent; this is total waste of funds!

Michele Baker

Sumner resident

Sent from my iPhone

From: [LYNN FRIEDMAN](#)
To: [D.Dale Clayton-Morrison](#)
Cc: [Lynn Friedman](#); [MC-LFP](#); county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov; [SumnerWeb](#)
Subject: Re: [SumnerWeb] This is scary and seems to be a real problem for ALL !
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 10:36:07 AM

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Hi Everyone,

First of all - I really appreciate this information on the listserv! Dale's letter was helpful.

Is there a template of the kind letter we should send and a list of people, places and addresses to which we can send it? I'm new to this kind of effort and would value guidance as to what sorts of letters would be most effective.

Many thanks, Lynn Friedman, Sumner

On Feb 16, 2023, at 9:45 AM, D.Dale Clayton-Morrison <dcmorrison3@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Montgomery Parks & Planning,
You seem to have come up with this scheme without people even knowing about it. 1600 people signed a petition to approve of it???? Where were all of the people I know that travel LFP daily? Everyone that I know is upset and really can't understand how you could go barrelling through with this plan.

The count of people on the 'new' areas is slim to none. I have seen maybe 3 at the most on that barricaded area. THREE !!! Is this worthy of cutting down the safety for travel in cars? Bikes also will have no exit and are much safer on the trail dedicated to walkers, bikers, and folks pushing strollers. SAFETY! That should be part of this plan. It just doesn't look like it.

Where do most of you live? Probably not in Wood Acres, Kenwood, Sumner, Springfield, or most of Bethesda in the south west sector of Montgomery County.

Please consider people needing to get to work, also those already cut off from easy travel from the Springfield Road area. That was/is a problem for all of us.

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money.

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Sincerely and Very upset Citizen who votes every election ,

Dale Clayton-Morrison

4906 Rockmere Court

Bethesda, MD 20816

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From: imb20816@yahoo.com
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Revert to 4 lanes of LFP
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 3:07:26 PM

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Parks Dept - You do not have community support for making LF Parkway a linear park. I live in Sumner and it has made traffic worse and more dangerous on LF Parkway.

Please revert LF parkway to 4 lanes.

Lynne Baum
5004 Fort Sumner Dr
Bethesda MD 20816

From: [Patricia Johnson](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Road diet should be dismantled asap before someone gets hurt
Date: Monday, February 20, 2023 9:03:52 PM

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The road diet on Little Falls Parkway is dangerous. Fire and Rescue can't use the roads anymore and are going through neighborhoods to get to emergencies. Please eliminate the road diet and plans for the linear park. Poorly designed, poorly thought out. Density that is coming is not planned for. Not vetted by the NCPC. Against the law. I speak for many of the surrounding communities. Sincerely, Patricia Johnson (3019225382)

From: [D.Dale Clayton-Morrison](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Cc: county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov; [SumnerWeb](#)
Subject: This is scary and seems to be a real problem for ALL !
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 9:45:42 AM

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Dale Clayton-Morrison
4906 Rockmere Court
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Karen Thornton](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: YES to the Little Falls Parkway Pilot
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 10:20:55 AM

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Dear MoCo Planning Board

Little Falls Parkway roadway reconfiguration has been a success. Montgomery Parks reports, “results of multiple traffic studies show that the reconfigured lane set-up reduces cut-through traffic in neighborhoods surrounding Little Falls Parkway, maintains a safe Capital Crescent Trail (CCT) crossing, and safely accommodates vehicle traffic.” And the reconfiguration creates much-appreciated safe recreation space for walkers, rollers, and bicyclists.

I support next steps, in particular, creating a “linear park” in the repurposed roadway with recreational amenities, to be accessible to park users seven days a week.

Please count me as a Little Falls Parkway Pilot Project supporter.

Thank you,
Karen Thornton
5005 Allan Rd
Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [Roger Cochetti](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Comments on LF Parkway proposal
Date: Thursday, March 2, 2023 9:59:35 AM

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I've been meaning to offer some comments on your proposed asphalt park replacing two lanes of the LF Parkway.

As background

- I've lived within a mile of LFP for about 30 years
 - I raised 2 children on Norwood Drive and used the Park, the Pool, LF Trail and the Crescent Trail for recreation with them every single week for over 10 years
 - I have driven on LFP every week for about 30 years
 - I am an avid hiker and have hiked both trails almost weekly for around 30 years
 - When LFP was closed during the Pandemic, I used it for hiking 2-3 times every week
 - I am an avid bicyclist and bicycle the Crescent Trail on both my manual and electric bike.
 - I have hiked the HighLine Trail in New York City several times
- So I think I have some perspective on the proposal.

While I'm sure that you can find a few local residents who think the proposed park is needed and quite a few people from other parts of MoCo who support it, the overwhelming majority of local residents feel this is a terrible idea; and I agree.

- Regardless of what carefully constructed studies show, I have been in traffic jams hundreds of times on LFP over the past 30 years and -when normal traffic resumes- this will make them much worse: wasting time, gas and adding to pollution and global warming
- The area is blessed with four magnificent parks. While improvements to them should always be studied, adding another at the cost of LFP isn't even in the top 500 improvements that should be considered.
- I'm sure you can find someone from somewhere who would say that Norwood Park is crowded or overused, but anyone who uses the Park knows that there are huge sections of Norwood Park that could be better utilized or opened up if someone feels the neighborhood desperately needs another park.
- Even if anyone thinks that this new park is not for the benefit of the local community, but is for the benefit of MoCo residents from Rockville, Gaithersburg or Silver Spring, where would they park their cars (Metro is more than a mile away)? You'd need a quarter acre parking lot (the two Bethesda Pool lots are nearly full when the pool is open).
- This proposal has nothing in common with New York's HighLine, which is a hiking trail that stretches for miles where tracks used to run.

My suggestion is that if you want to do something constructive for the community, then figure out a way to extend the Little Falls Trail from Dorset to River so we have full trails on both sides of LFP.

Please put your talent to work on improving existing parks or on the many places in MoCo that may need new parks.

Thanks for your consideration,

Roger Cochetti
www.cochetti.us

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: LFP
Date: Friday, February 24, 2023 2:36:47 PM

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From: Darcy King <darcking@verizon.net>
Sent: Thursday, February 23, 2023 3:55 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: LFP

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I am writing to urge you to delay action on the proposed road diet at LFP. I attended your recent meeting to unveil your traffic studies. Those studies were totally inadequate. Never mind they included data from the Pandemic shutdown. When queried whether you had considered the influx of traffic from the Westbard development, you more or less shrugged and said it was not a problem. Do you have data to support that position?

As it is currently configured, LFP is particularly dangerous at the point of intersection with Capital Crescent Trail. Granted, there have been no recent fatalities but bikers whiz through the intersection like banshees. Accidents will arise, which is why we need a pedestrian bridge.

You claimed that the public is asking for more park land. Did you ask if they wanted to recreate along a roadway?

This is deeply upsetting.

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway Speed Humps
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:32:29 AM

Jeff Zyontz

Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board

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From: Laura Malowane <mapleecon@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 5:23 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Little Falls Parkway Speed Humps

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Hello. I am writing to strongly encourage reconsideration of the speed humps and new speed limit on Little Falls Parkway. The rationale for reducing the speed limit to 25mph and adding a bunch of speed humps to a road which is an essential thru fare is difficult to understand, to say the least. This is a PARKWAY that involves no pedestrian traffic, and no residences. There is not even a sidewalk. And I have never seen a bicyclist on this road.

With the building of Westbard neighbors have been concerned about people using residential streets as "cut-throughs" and this is only making matters worse. And the constant braking while driving this short parkway is needlessly adding to environmental pollution.

If the goal is to slow people down on the parkway then surely a reduced speed limit (say 30 mph) with a speed camera is the solution.

Thanks very much,
Laura Malowane
5103 Brookeway Dr, Bethesda, MD 20816

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Meeting request - Linear Park issues
Date: Friday, February 24, 2023 2:35:55 PM

FYI—meeting request was forward to Chair Zyontz and Mike Riley

From: Carl G Becker <carlgbecker@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 23, 2023 12:27 PM
To: Jeff Zyontz <jeffreyzyontz@hotmail.com>; Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Cc: Naomi Spinrad <nspinrad@gmail.com>; Jenny Dailey <jennysuedailey@aol.com>; Jeffrey Z Slavin <jzslavin@aol.com>
Subject: Meeting request - Linear Park issues

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Meeting request - Linear Park issues
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:07:34 AM

From: Carl G Becker <carlgbecker@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 10:39 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Re: Meeting request - Linear Park issues

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Chair Zyontz,

Marc Elrich reviewed these video clips last week and I'd like to review them with you. Could I come meet you sometime this week? This is very important to me and I would sincerely appreciate the opportunity to explain the nuances of these videos.

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From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Petition for reversing the Linear Park and building a People's Bridge over Little Falls Parkway
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:07:14 AM

From: Carl Becker <carlgbecker@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 5:16 PM
To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Branson, Cherri <Cherri.Branson@mncppc-mc.org>; Hill, David <David.Hill@mncppc-mc.org>; Piñero, Roberto <Roberto.Pinero@mncppc-mc.org>; Presley, Amy <Amy.Presley@mncppc-mc.org>; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us; Korman, Marc Delegate <Marc.Korman@house.state.md.us>; sara.love@house.state.md.us; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; Friedson's Office, Councilmember <Councilmember.Friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Albornoz's Office, Councilmember <Councilmember.Albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Councilmember.Balcombe@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Fani-Gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; Councilmember.Stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov; Pamela Dunn <pamela.dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov>; OCE@montgomerycountymd.gov; Marc.Elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov
Subject: Petition for reversing the Linear Park and building a People's Bridge over Little Falls Parkway

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The People's Bridge over Little Falls Parkway

Promoting Safety for All

Acting in my individual capacity from Sumner, a community in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase area, I hereby oppose the current design of the Little Falls Parkway and Capital Crescent Trail crossing, the reduction of the Parkway from four divided lanes to two undivided lanes, and the proposed formation of a Linear Park. I support a long-term solution of building a walker, jogger, bicycle bridge for the Capital Crescent Trail over a reopened divided four lanes of Little Falls Parkway, which will provide safety for all users for now and into the future. **The current roadway design and trail crossing conflicts with Vision Zero and is dangerous for pedestrians, cyclists, and vehicles. Watch here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BkxH5Dj9BXM>**

These **essential Montgomery County values** have been ignored by the Parks Department by dictating to the surrounding communities the development of a linear park along Little

Falls Parkway.

Ignored: Public Input and Collaboration Through the Democratic Process

- **The proposed Little Falls Parkway Linear Park is being developed out of convenience by the Parks Department because it's more cost effective because we already own the land," even though no formal needs assessment was done.** Community priorities for parks are expressed in the Bethesda Downtown Plan (2017) and the Westbard Sector Plan (2016). LFP is discussed in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Sector Plan (1990). The Parks Department could have requested that the Planning Board review and update the B-CC sector plan to receive community input on the changes they are making and have proposed on LFP, but they didn't do this. Since when does a county administrative agency dictate to communities how public property, which they provide stewardship of, should be used without getting public input prior to changes?

Ignored: Racial Equity and Social Justice for all County Residents

- **A formal needs assessment would show that two major public recreational facilities – Norwood Park and the Capital Crescent Trail – are within walking distance of the single and multi-family dwellings** in this area. Repair and upkeep of those existing facilities would be of greater benefit to all residents than a park no larger than 1.4 acres, which is parallel to the CCT.
- **A formal needs assessment would show that the County's equity priorities have been ignored.** The Bethesda-Chevy Chase area is clearly not in an equity-focused area as defined by Thrive 2050. By targeting this community for another park, and where there are already two major recreational areas, the Parks Department is ignoring the priority established in Thrive 2050 to provide amenities in areas of the county that were previously ignored. Why isn't the Parks Department upholding the concept of racial equity and social justice, as supported in Thrive 2050 and by our County Council, by offering this amenity to a community on the eastern side of our county that may lack green or recreational space?

Ignored: Transparency in Decision-Making by County Administrators

- **Itemized expenditures and funding sources are not provided to the public.** Normally, a public parks project on public land would require the Parks Department to first solicit community input on the parameters of the project, followed by the Parks Department developing a plan and a budget for carrying it out, which then would be presented to the public. Sources for funding and all the expenditures for development and future maintenance would be itemized. That has not been the *modus operandi* with the changes for LFP and the proposed linear park. Parks Dept. personnel have not provided the public with line-item expenditures for the money they have already spent on the road changes, nor have they itemized where funding for the linear park project is coming from or what the itemized costs for its development and future maintenance

will be.

- **The Parks Department uses traffic data to justify development of the park, but its data is incomplete and fails to recognize new safety problems the road restriction has created and will be exacerbated with recreational facilities and events.** However:
 - **they are ignoring that some of the LFP traffic has been transferred to nearby neighborhoods** – Kenwood, and Somerset – **and nearby roads**, i.e., Goldsboro, **where there are no sidewalks** and where homes face directly onto streets. They do not recognize that they have increased the possibility of more vehicular accidents on neighborhood streets, and they have no traffic data for Goldsboro Road._
 - **they have not acknowledged that the linear park will result in more pedestrians crossing from the east side of LFP**, where there is some parking and a county swimming pool, **to the west side** to participate in activities and events, also increasing the possibility of accidents and traffic delays._
 - **they have not recognized the safety issues that have resulted for drivers, pedestrians and bicyclists now that opposing lanes of traffic are no longer separated by a median but are side-by-side.** This configuration has created turning issues for drivers at the intersections of Dorset Avenue and Hillandale Road where there are blind spots that did not exist with a divided parkway. It has created problems for pedestrians and bicyclists at the CCT crossing when a driver in one lane of traffic might stop, but the other coming in the opposite direction might not. bicyclists routinely, almost always run the stop sign. This is a very dangerous trail crossing which does not have any active signalization controlling the flow of vehicles, pedestrians, or cyclists. “Near Collisions” between vehicles and pedestrians or bicyclists routinely happen as a result of this new trail crossing design. This design conflicts with vision zero. _
- **The Parks Department has not considered significant changes expected in traffic patterns** when federal government workers return to their offices full-time in May 2023, and when the Westbard Avenue realignment is completed in late 2023. **As a result of the recent changes, vehicular traffic now crawls during commuting hours. Watch this clip to see how far vehicles back-up: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=njSwHel-Zpc>**
- **User counts of walkers/joggers/bikers on the closed road are inflated.** The counters do not recognize individual users, so one person could pass by a counter multiple times and be counted as a user each time. We would like to see a needs assessment or traffic study which compares the usage of the linear park to the usage of the CCT. We would like to know if the money would be better spent on widening the CCT.

- **We have not seen data for Linear park pedestrian usage from the past 4-6 months.**

Parks said they haven't checked the counter in months. It's very simple to check the counter so we don't believe this and we expect to see this data with ample time to have it interpreted.

Mixing people and cars on a roadway is an invitation for tragedy – a child being struck by an SUV driver who can't see her as she runs across LFP or a biker darting across the CCT before a driver can brake. Our communities need a long-term solution to solve our safety issues. Our communities need and support a pedestrian/jogger/biker bridge over Little Falls Parkway at the Capital Crescent Trail. A bridge, similar to the one over River Road, will return Little Falls Parkway to be the sylvan and safe connection between downtown Bethesda and the southwestern Bethesda communities while ensuring safe passage for decades to come whether people walk, jog, bike or drive along Little Falls Parkway.

Carl Becker

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From: [Darc](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: LFP
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 2:01:01 PM

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my concern with current configuration is that bikes whiz thru intersection of CCT and LFP. why not install a stop light or move trail to force crossing at light? i am surprised no one has been killed recently.

From: [John McGrane](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: LFParkway Meeting
Date: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 8:55:20 PM

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Disagree with Steve Shapiro (7:45 pm) concerning design of LFParkway. Parkway originally designed at 4 lanes between Bethesda and River Rd because it was to ultimately go to Clara Barton Parkway (then GW Parkway). That was abandoned in the 70s.

Section between Mass Ave and River is 2 lanes with a residential community accessing the road on a curve on that stretch. In granting an easement for that access, the Little Falls Place community made a payment to M-NCPPC that was to be used in part for traffic calming measures. It took over a decade, but speed bumps have finally been installed and the speed limit has been reduced to 25 mph. So now vehicles go 30 mph instead of 40+ mph. Much safer!

Also, with the proposed reduced lane configuration between Dorset and Arlington, it doesn't make sense for it to continue to be 35 mph (and in reality, 40+ mph) between Dorset and River Rd, which causes cars to abruptly and dangerously slow down at Dorset and River.

John McGrane

From: [John McGrane](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway Proposal
Date: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 8:12:02 PM

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I have made this comment previously to Parks and MCDOT, but no response to date. The current traffic signals on the reduced lanes are confusing. The traffic signals over each of the two lanes continue to be configured for a 4 lane parkway, with both lanes showing the same traffic signal. This may confuse traffic and does so in my experience – I have seen people going forward in the left lane because there is a green light over that lane and then are surprised to see oncoming traffic in the lane. There is an easy answer – cover the light in the oncoming lane, but it has been a month and still nothing.

From: [David Forman](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway virtual community meeting: Recording
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 2:14:08 PM

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Thank you for posting the recording of the meeting. Could you please post the Questions. The hundreds of questions include a lot of useful information.

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From: [Mark Cheng](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway virtual community meeting: Recording
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 8:01:14 PM

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Hi:

Where can we find a record of the Q&A section of the 2/15 virtual community meeting?

Will Parks answer each of those questions and make the responses available to the public?

Thanks,

Mark Cheng

From: MC-ParksOutreach <parksmouth@montgomeryparks.org>
Date: February 16, 2023 at 1:48:57 PM EST
Subject: Little Falls Parkway virtual community meeting: Recording

Hello,

Thank you to all of those who registered and attended the virtual community meeting about the traffic studies conducted along Little Falls Parkway on Wed., Feb. 15, 2023. For those who were not able to join, you can now view the [recording](#) on the [Little Falls Parkway Pilot project webpage](#).

For questions and concerns please email LFP@MontgomeryParks.org.

Warmly,

Michelle Ramirez

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From: [Alexandra Acosta](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Monday, February 20, 2023 2:29:50 PM

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I'm a Somerset resident and am writing in regard to the proposed "park" on Little Falls Parkway between Dorset Avenue and Arlington Road. While I have been open-minded and willing to allow Parks and Planning staff ample time to create and unveil their vision for LFP, last week's meeting left me deeply disappointed to see how notional and limited that vision is.

Unlike many of my neighbors, I'm not opposed to the road diet and have been willing to accept some resulting inconvenience, but I certainly expected that in return for shrinking traffic lanes, there would be some gain to Somerset and other neighboring communities, and to MoCo residents from farther away, in terms of enhanced cyclist and pedestrian safety, as well as recreational opportunities.

Sadly, what Parks and Planning is offering at this time doesn't provide that at all. The very brief stretch of bike/pedestrian lane that has been installed is too short to make a significant difference in safety either along LFP or on the Capital Crescent Trail. In effect, it's just an onramp to the Crescent Trail. Without connecting this proposed stretch of bike/pedestrian lanes to the Little Falls trail at the intersection of LFP and Massachusetts Avenue, it is worthless. I was actually offended to hear Parks and Planning Staff disingenuously invoke Vision Zero as a basis for their half-baked proposal.

Additionally, the recreational opportunities are -- there is no other word for it -- lame. Other than the small area allotted for young children to practice bike riding, I don't sense a critical mass of demand among residents for *more* food trucks or for ping-pong and cornhole.

Over the nearly 25 years that my family and I have lived in Somerset, we have used the CCT on a weekly and sometimes daily basis, both as cyclists and pedestrians. My husband has biked to work on the CCT and our children learned to ride their bikes on the CCT and later rode their bikes to school. Our oldest son is a triathlete and avid cyclist who has biked to work in the District, Houston, and in Southern California. Our family have also used nearby parks, including Norwood Park extensively for kids' sports, tennis, and exercise boot camps. We truly love and value our MoCo parks, but that doesn't mean we will join Park and Planning in this pretense that they are creating a park. This is just a land and power grab -- nothing more.

Please send this proposal back to the drawing board for further development. At this time, it's not ready for prime time.

Sincerely,
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From: Dennis DuFour
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey; MCP-Chair@mnsppc-mc.org; Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov; Pamela.Dunn; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.steward@montgomerycountymd.gov; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us; marc.korman@house.state.md.us; sara.love@house.state.md.us
Cc: MC-LFP; Dennis DuFour
Subject: Proposed Hearing on Little Falls Parkway Changes
Date: Thursday, March 2, 2023 4:34:02 PM
Attachments: OA-Transcripts-from-Little-Falls-Parkway-Community-Meeting-February-15-2023.pdf

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Chairman Zyontz,

I see that a hearing is scheduled for March 30, 2023 regarding changes to Little Falls Parkway that include permanent traffic lane removal and a potential new park area. You may know, on February 15th, Montgomery County Parks presented their findings in a meeting titled Little Falls Pilot Project and Traffic Study. Here is a recording to said meeting:
<https://youtube.com/watch?v=sWOweqm1XsM>

A by-product of the meeting was a 26 pages list of questions and comments (attached). I have not seen on www.montgomeryparks.org answers to the questions.

Given this and the vast amount of information to digest I ask that you postpone the March 30, 2023 hearing so that the public can:

1. Get answers to questions posed.
2. Get another opinion on the Parks findings presented in the hearing.

In sum, more time is needed to understand what was presented.

I present this as a Chevy Chase resident and a Bethesda business owner. Please feel free to reach me at the # and email below as needed.

With best regards, I am

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From: [Naomi Spinrad](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Q&A transcript from Little Falls Parkway traffic presentation
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 1:51:43 PM

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Could you please also post the transcript of the questions and comments from the LFP presentation on February 15.

Thank you.

Naomi Spinrad

From: [Higgins, Matt](#)
To: [Andrew Hyde](#); [MC-LFP](#)
Cc: [Friedson's Office, Councilmember](#); [Councilmember Evan Glass](#)
Subject: RE: LFP Discussion
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 11:40:51 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)

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Good Morning Andrew,

Thank you for taking the time to share your feedback with us and Montgomery Parks. We have heard from many residents both for and against the pilot program and we believe that public feedback is a critical input to ensure that public infrastructure like Little Falls Parkway best serves all our residents.

If you have any additional thoughts or comments, please do not hesitate to engage with our office.

Best,
Matt

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From: Andrew Hyde <aghyde@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2023 10:28 AM
To: LFP@montgomeryparks.org
Cc: Friedson's Office, Councilmember <Councilmember.Friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov>;
Councilmember Evan Glass <councilmember.glass@public.govdelivery.com>
Subject: LFP Discussion

[EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Dear MoCo Parks,

Thank you for an informative and thorough discussion last night. It helped reinforce my support for this project and the need to change this road to be safer for all users. I see no need for a four-lane road even if it adds a few minutes to my car journey - it is a PARK after all!! The existing two lane configuration between Massachusetts Avenue and River Road that has been there for sixty years has sufficed (even in spite of the Westbard construction spillover).

I hope you and our elected representatives will be able to stand up to the NIMBY crowd who seem to think they have a special claim on this real estate.

Sincerely,

Andrew Hyde
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From: [Mark Redmiles](#)
To: [MC-ParksOutreach](#); [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Re: Little Falls Parkway virtual community meeting: Recording
Date: Friday, March 10, 2023 8:58:49 AM

[EXTERNAL EMAIL] Exercise caution when opening attachments, clicking links, or responding.

Hello Ms. Ramirez:

I did not receive a response to my email so I am following up and adding the LFP@MontgomeryParks.org email address. I would still like to receive a copy of the PowerPoint slides and a copy of the Q & A chat room transcript from the February 15 Zoom community meeting MCParks held regarding Little Falls Parkway.

Best regards,

Mark Redmiles

On Feb 17, 2023, at 8:19 AM, Mark Redmiles <chiefmar@comcast.net> wrote:

Hello Ms. Ramirez:

During the virtual community meeting regarding LFP on Wednesday, MCParks representatives stated that the PowerPoint slides would be posted in addition to the recording of the virtual meeting. I do not see the slides posted and would like to receive a copy of the PowerPoint slides. Also, I would also like to receive a copy of the Q & A that was running during the virtual meeting. The Q & A also is not posted on the MCParks page for LFP.

Thank you,

Mark Redmiles

On Feb 16, 2023, at 1:48 PM, MC-ParksOutreach
<parksoutreach@montgomeryparks.org> wrote:

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From: [LYNNE BATTLE](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Re: Petition To DELAY The March 23 Planning Board Hearing on Little Falls Parkway
Date: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 3:58:55 PM

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Does this mean that the planned hearing on 3/23 will no longer take place? Thanks for letting me know about that.

Lynne Battle
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Bethesda, MD 20816

On Mar 1, 2023, at 2:29 PM, MC-LFP <lfp@montgomeryparks.org> wrote:

Hello,
Thank you for writing to us about Little Falls Parkway. The Montgomery County Planning Board will be holding a work session and public hearing on the Little Fall pilot project on Thursday, March 30th. More information about the work session and hearing can be found in [our recent press release](#).
The exact time of the hearing will be posted within the next two weeks. If you are interested in testifying, you can sign up to do so [here](#) once the agenda is posted for the March 30th meeting.

Please let us know if you have any questions about the hearing.

Regards,

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Sent: Sunday, February 26, 2023 2:14 PM

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Subject: Petition To DELAY The March 23 Planning Board Hearing on Little Falls Parkway

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As a resident of the Westbard Mews Condominiums in Bethesda which back up to Little Falls Parkway, I urge you to DELAY the Planning Board hearing currently scheduled for March 23 to review the traffic data from the Parks Department being reviewed with an eye to closing 2 of the 4 lanes which currently exist on Little Falls for automobile traffic and to create, in their stead, a linear park. I strongly oppose the reduction of Little Falls to only 2 lanes, particularly as currently drawn, which is dangerous and will result in traffic nightmares as the surrounding area adjusts to the increasing development of both residential and commercial expansion. We need time to assess the data that was presented on February 15, 2023, to determine over the next months/years what the impact of all this new development will be, and to obtain meaningful input from the community on how it feels about adding this linear park.

My observation is that people DO NOT WANT this change to Little Falls and do not need the additional park space immediately adjacent to the Capital Crescent Trail. I support the attached Petition and urge any hearing on this topic to be delayed.

Lynne Battle
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From: [Dennis DuFour](#)
To: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#); Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov; [Pamela Dunn](#); councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us; marc.korman@house.state.md.us; sara.love@house.state.md.us; councilmember.stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov
Cc: [MC-LFP](#); [Dennis DuFour](#)
Subject: RE: Proposed Hearing on Little Falls Parkway Changes - 2nd request
Date: Saturday, March 11, 2023 1:16:43 PM
Attachments: [QA-Transcripts-from-Little-Falls-Parkway-Community-Meeting-February-15-2023.pdf](#)

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[Chairman Zyontz](#)

This is a follow up request on the email sent to you on the 2nd (see below). As of today, I do not see answers to questions from the 2/15/2023 meeting on www.montgomeryparks.org.

The questions need to be answered in order to have a meaningful hearing on the path forward for the parkway.

Please postpone this meeting until this occurs. This will allow time to digest the answers and to get other opinions based on said answers.

Thank you in advance.

[Dennis DuFour](#)

From: Dennis DuFour <ddufour@tdec.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2023 4:33 PM
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Cc: lf@montgomeryparks.org; Dennis DuFour <ddufour@tdec.com>
Subject: Proposed Hearing on Little Falls Parkway Changes

Chairman Zyontz,

I see that a hearing is scheduled for March 30, 2023 regarding changes to Little Falls Parkway that include permanent traffic lane removal and a potential new park area. You may know, on February 15th, Montgomery County Parks presented their findings in a meeting titled Little Falls Pilot Project and Traffic Study. Here is a recording to said meeting:

<https://youtube.com/watch?v=sWOweqm1XsM>

A by-product of the meeting was a 26 pages list of questions and comments (attached). I have not seen on www.montgomeryparks.org answers to the questions.

Given this and the vast amount of information to digest I ask that you postpone the March 30, 2023 hearing so that the public can:

1. Get answers to questions posed.
2. Get another opinion on the Parks findings presented in the hearing.

In sum, more time is needed to understand what was presented.

I present this as a Chevy Chase resident and a Bethesda business owner. Please feel free to reach me at the # and email below as needed.

With best regards, I am

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To: [MC-LFP](#)
Cc: [MCP-Service.Center](#)
Subject: Request for LFP info FW: Shared Voicemail (MC Main Chairman's Office)
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 5:34:44 PM
Attachments: [audio.mp3](#)
Importance: High

Please see request for information from a resident regarding Little Falls Parkway project.

From: +1 240-461-2897 <+12404612897>
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Yes, good afternoon. I'd like to speak to someone on the planning board about the Little Falls Parkway project. I live in the ZIP code 20816 and my name is Shahida. That SHAHEDA and the last name is Sultan. Sultan. I would appreciate very much if you could call me back and let me know the name and the phone number of the person that I should speak to. Thank you.

You received a voice mail from [+12404612897](#).

From: [Reid Detchon](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Road design
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 4:17:42 PM

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To Darren, Kyle, and Andrew:

I support the idea of shrinking LFP to two lanes from start to finish - but I strongly object to the design of the current Phase 2 pilot. The Phase 1 design was effective at slowing traffic and reducing risk at the CCT trail crossing - bravo. However, the Phase 2 design, with the road changing sides, creates a new risk of head-on collisions and eliminates the benefit of the open LFP lane at Dorset. In addition, the barrier at the Fairfax Road end of LFP blocks access to the open pavement by cyclists, forcing a swerve through the posts. I am sure you had reasons for everything you did, but to an outside observer the road looks like it was designed while drunk!

I strongly favor a one-lane separated configuration along the median, leaving the outside lane for biking, walking, etc. with appropriate separation by a buffer and barrier - enhanced from the Phase 1 design. Darren's response in the public meeting (at approximately 1:31:30) was that Phase 1 "didn't allow for safe pedestrian access throughout, so we weren't able to design that. People used it, but it wasn't designed." I am extremely confident that you could refine the design to meet your safety objectives, e.g., with a grass buffer strip plus posts.

Darren added that in the future "we could potentially look into that, but it would do two things - it would put the (recreational) park users closer to the moving traffic, and it would split up the public space. So it would sort of mean that we couldn't have more of a park experience." I believe there is ample room on the west side of the road to create as much of a park experience as you want.

Kyle added, "We would definitely want to add in a buffer there, probably four feet or maybe even more, and so if we're doing that, we're going to shrink that available space even more. So what we'd really prefer to do is use the grass median that's currently there to provide that buffer space to keep the different modes of use separated." You already have a shoulder to work with - simply leave a shoulder along the one remaining lane and use the remaining pavement (road plus existing shoulder) for recreation.

I support additional park space in general but find this plan ill-conceived. The park area to be created is physically and psychologically separated from the urban Bethesda target population and will not be a magnet on its own. (The activities you envision seem much better suited to the park planned around the Bethesda Women's Farm Market and the density that will abut that area, with the exception of the bike training area, which could very easily be incorporated into a refined Phase 1.)

Two additional comments:

If you proceed with the Phase 2 design, the lanes should be widened to provide more safety for the opposing traffic. I still don't understand why they swerve back and forth; at the least, they

could be kept to the east/south side of the road. (The shock of the change from Phase 1 to 2 was exacerbated by the failure to give any kind of adequate public notice (and preferably consultation) in advance. It felt highly arbitrary and arrogant.)

Finally, I would suggest for future public meetings of this kind that you use software that allows viewers to "upvote" certain questions so you can get a better (albeit still very rough) sense of the public will.

Thank you for considering these suggestions.

Reid Detchon

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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Delay March 23 Planning Board Hearing
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023 7:57:02 AM

Jeff Zyontz

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We support the petition below, and most importantly are highly concerned by the Parks Department's approach to this highly impactful decision they are seeking to ram through without thorough input from the community. Perhaps most concerning is the data that was presented by Parks on February 15th that warrants an independent review to validate it, which is the primary reason the March 23rd hearing should be delayed. The data was WILDLY inaccurate in the opinion of the people who live in this community, so much so that I believe it was an outright lie. It is highly concerning that the Parks department appears to have resorted to fabricating data and lying to our community to achieve their goals. The dishonest and unfair practices of the Parks Department will soon tarnish the standing of the Planning Board should this hearing proceed.

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Dear Neighbors,

Please join me, Pete Rizik, president of the Kenwood Citizens Association, in this petition to delay the March 23 Planning Board hearing about Little Falls Parkway.

PETITION

To delay the March 23, 2023 Planning Board Hearing on Little Falls Parkway Changes & Add a Subsequent Hearing for Proposed Linear Park

As a member of the Kenwood community in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase area, I am petitioning the Planning Board to delay to a later date the currently scheduled March 23, 2023 review of the traffic data from the Parks Department to keep two lanes of Little Falls Parkway closed in light of the following:

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-- **IF the lane closings are approved by the Planning Board, a second hearing on the proposed linear park should be held.**

--**Public concerns** (i.e., safety, sanitation, emergency access) that a proposed linear park would create **have not been addressed by the Parks Department.**

For the record, the Parks Department failed to consult or conduct a survey with my community in advance of its decision to close off two lanes of traffic along Little Falls Parkway. In pursuing its objective to develop a linear park, the Parks Department has been in violation of the democratic process and principles upheld by the Montgomery County, Maryland government for informed public input to its decision-making processes.

Sincerely,

BRIAN & KATIE MCCARTHY

Name

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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Little Falls Parkway
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:44:06 AM

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Subject: Little Falls Parkway

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As a resident of the Brookdale community in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase area, I am petitioning the Planning Board to delay to a later date the currently scheduled March 23, 2023 review of the traffic data from the Parks Department to keep two lanes of Little Falls Parkway closed in light of the following:

1. More time is needed by the public to pursue an independent analysis of the large amount of data presented to us by the Parks Department at the February 15, 2023 meeting.
2. If the lane closings are approved by the Planning Board, a second hearing on the proposed linear park should be held to air public concerns (i.e., safety, sanitation, emergency access) that a proposed linear park would create have not been addressed by the Parks Department.

For the record, the Parks Department failed to consult or conduct a survey with my community in

advance of its decision to close off two lanes of traffic along Little Falls Parkway. In pursuing its objective to develop a linear park, the Parks Department has been in violation of the democratic process and principles upheld by the Montgomery County, Maryland government for informed public input to its decision-making processes.

Thank you.

Darcy King-Leatham

4510 Dalton RD

Chevy Chase MD p20815

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: March 23, 2023 Planning Board Hearing on Little Falls Parkway
Date: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 8:39:10 AM

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For the record, the Parks Department failed to consult or conduct a survey with my community in advance of its decision to close off two lanes of traffic along Little Falls Parkway. In pursuing its objective to develop a linear park, the Parks Department has been in violation of the democratic process and principles upheld by the Montgomery County, Maryland government for informed public input to its decision-making processes.

Sincerely,

Barbara Bainum
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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Petition re: Planning Board Hearing
Date: Friday, March 3, 2023 11:12:39 AM

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Sincerely,

Betsy P. Mandel

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From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
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Sincerely,

Wendelin A. White, 30-yr. resident of Montgomery County, Maryland

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Sincerely,

Judith B. Ratner

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Sincerely,

Erin Egan

Name

6401 Kennedy Drive, Chevy Chase MD 20815

Street Address City, Zip

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Petition re: Planning Board Hearing
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:48:54 AM

Jeff Zyontz

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_____ Benjamin and Eileen Lee _____

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Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 12:01 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Riley, Mike <Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org>
Subject: Re: Petition re: Planning Board Hearing

No, we don't want to move the date past March 30 - 4 weeks is plenty of time for people to get ready for a planning board hearing.

Miti Figueredo | Deputy Director

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From: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
Date: Monday, February 27, 2023 at 11:43 AM
To: Riley, Mike <Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org>; Figueredo, Miti <Miti.Figueredo@montgomeryparks.org>
Subject: FW: Petition re: Planning Board Hearing

Hi,

I am getting a number of these directly....since nothing has gone out....do you want a date after March 30 to get to the Board??

Jeff Zyontz

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Street Address City, Zip

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Name

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Subject: Petition re: Planning Board Hearing
Date: February 27, 2023 at 11:30:54 AM EST
To: sepcd13@gmail.com
Reply-To: president@kcherrytrees.org

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Sincerely,
Carroll Dunn

Name

6201 Elmwood Road, Chevy Chase, MD
20815_____

Street Address City, Zip

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Petition re: Planning Board Hearing
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:23:00 AM

Jeff Zyontz

Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board

Montgomery County Planning Department
2425 Reddie Drive, 14th Floor, Wheaton, MD 20902
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From: Sarah Lynch <sarahmgaia@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 6:37 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair@mnsppc-mc.org;
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To: sarahmgaia@gmail.com
Subject: Petition re: Planning Board Hearing
Reply-To: president@kcherrytrees.org

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Sincerely,

Sarah Lynch

Name

____ 6104 kennedy drive

Chevy _____ chase md

20815

Street Address City, Zip

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Petition re: Planning Board Hearing
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:21:57 AM

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From: Gillian Ward <gillyward1965@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 7:25 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair@mnsppc-mc.org;
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From: <president@kcacherrytrees.org>
Date: Mon, Feb 27, 2023 at 11:31 AM
Subject: Petition re: Planning Board Hearing
To: <gillyward1965@gmail.com>

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6404 Highland Drive, Chevy Chase, MD 20815

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To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Petition re: Planning Board Hearing
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:21:19 AM

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Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board

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From: Meka Parker <mekaparker@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 8:33 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair@mnsppc-mc.org;
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Sincerely,

Meka Parker
Name

5800 Hillburne Way, Chevy Chase, MD 20815
City, Zip

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Petition re: Planning Board Hearing
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:20:06 AM

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From: Kay D Bowles <kdb9@verizon.net>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:18 AM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>
Subject: Fwd: Petition re: Planning Board Hearing

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Sincerely,
Kay D Bowles

Name
6209 Brookside Drive, Chevy Chase, MD 20815

Street Address City, Zip

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Petition re: Planning Board Hearing
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:10:21 AM

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From: KIM KELLY <ct4kelly@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 9:02 AM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair@mnsppc-mc.org;
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From: president@kcherrytrees.org
Subject: Petition re: Planning Board Hearing
Date: February 27, 2023 at 11:31:08 AM EST
To: ct4kelly@aol.com
Reply-To: president@kcherrytrees.org

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Sincerely,

____Kathleen M. Kelly _____
Name

____6412 Elmwood Road, Chevy Chase, MD
20815_____

Street Address City, Zip

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Petition re: Planning Board Hearing
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:09:04 AM

Jeff Zyontz

Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board

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From: Jgoodwinb <jgoodwinb@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 9:46 AM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair@mnsppc-mc.org;
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Thank you.

From: president@kcacherrytrees.org
To: jgoodwinb@aol.com
Sent: 2/27/2023 11:31:23 AM Eastern Standard Time
Subject: Petition re: Planning Board Hearing

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Sincerely,

Jackson Bennett

Name

____ 6211 Kennedy Drive, Chevy Chase,

MD

20815 _____

Street Address City, Zip

From: [MCP-Chair](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Petition re: Planning Board Hearing
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:07:37 AM

From: arlene bein <arlenebein@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 8:25 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov; Pamela Dunn <pamela.dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.stewart@montgomerycountymd.gov; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us; marc.korman@house.state.md.us; sara.love@house.state.md.us; Riley, Mike <Mike.Riley@montgomeryparks.org>
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From: president@kcacherrytrees.org
Reply-To: president@kcacherrytrees.org
To: arlenebein@verizon.net

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Name

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Street Address City, Zip

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Petition re: Planning Board Hearing
Date: Friday, March 3, 2023 11:13:05 AM

Jeff Zyontz

Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board

Montgomery County Planning Department
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MCP-CHAIR@mncppc-mc.org
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From: EDWARD MANDEL <nedmandel@aol.com>

Sent: Friday, March 3, 2023 11:09 AM

To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; MCP-Chair@mnsppc-mc.org; Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov; Pamela Dunn <pamela.dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov; councilmember.steward@montgomerycountymd.gov; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us; marc.korman@house.state.md.us; sara.love@house.state.md.us

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Edward S. Mandel

Name

5320 Woodlawn Avenue

Chevy Chase, MD 20815 _____

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: Fw: Petition re: Planning Board Hearing
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From: Janinne Dall'Orto <jdallorto@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 4:15 PM
To: Zyontz, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Zyontz@mncppc-mc.org>; Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov <Marc.elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov>; Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov <Jamie.raskin@mail.house.gov>; Pamela Dunn <pamela.dunn@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.glass@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.friedson@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.albornoz@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.fani-gonzalez@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.jawando@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.katz@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.luedtke@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.mink@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.sayles@montgomerycountymd.gov>; councilmember.steward@montgomerycountymd.gov <councilmember.steward@montgomerycountymd.gov>; ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us <ariana.kelly@senate.state.md.us>; marc.korman@house.state.md.us <marc.korman@house.state.md.us>; sara.love@house.state.md.us <sara.love@house.state.md.us>
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Janinne Dall'Orto

5309 Oakland Rd. Chevy Chase, MD 20815

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
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Sincerely,

Richard Parker //s// _____
Name

5800 Hillburne Way, Chevy Chase, MD 20815 _____
Street Address City, Zip

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To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Petition t delay the March 23, 2023 Planning Board Hearting on Little Falls Parkway Changes and Add a Subsequent hearing for proposed Linear Park
Date: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 8:38:42 AM

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Sincerely,

Deborah E. Jessiman
5214 Parkway Drive

Chevy Chase, MD 20815

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Deborah E. Jessiman, M.D.
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debbiejessiman@gmail.com

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Subject: FW: Petition To Delay March 23, 2023 Planning Board Hearing on Little Falls Parkway Changes & Subsequent Hearing for Proposed Linear Park
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Sincerely,

Mary Jo and Tom Wells _____
Name

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20815 _____

Street Address City, Zip

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Subject: FW: Petition To DELAY The March 23 Planning Board Hearing on Little Falls Parkway
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:50:04 AM
Attachments: [2023-02-25 Petition to Delay PB Hearing.pdf](#)

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As a resident of the Westbard Mews Condominiums in Bethesda which back up to Little Falls Parkway, I urge you to DELAY the Planning Board hearing currently scheduled for March 23 to review the traffic data from the Parks Department being reviewed with an eye to closing 2 of the 4 lanes which currently exist on Little Falls for automobile traffic and to create, in their stead, a linear park. I strongly oppose the reduction of Little Falls to only 2 lanes, particularly as currently drawn, which is dangerous and will result in traffic nightmares as the surrounding area adjusts to the increasing development of both residential and commercial expansion. We need time to assess the data that was presented on February 15, 2023, to determine over the next months/years what the impact of all this new development will be, and to obtain meaningful input from the community on how it feels about adding this linear park.

My observation is that people DO NOT WANT this change to Little Falls and do not need the additional park space immediately adjacent to the Capital Crescent Trail. I support the attached

Petition and urge any hearing on this topic to be delayed.

Lynne Battle
5157 Westbard Avenue
Bethesda, MD 20816

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Subject: FW: Petition to delay the March 23, 2023 Planning Board Hearing on LFP
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I would like to have a delay to this hearing.
Barbara Rein 6423 Shadow Rd Chevy Chase, MD 20815

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Dear KCA members,

We are petitioning the MoCo Planning Board in an attempt to delay a hearing currently set for March 23 at which we anticipate the Parks Dept will seek approval to permanently close 2 lanes on Little Falls Parkway.

You will shortly receive an email from me with that petition which I hope you will send to the Planning Board and other government officials. More people signing the petition increases our chances of success.

When you get the email, just click on Forward, type in your name and address in the spots at the bottom, copy and paste the email addresses of the government officials that appear below, and send it off.

Thanks!

Pete Rizik

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Subject: FW: Petition to delay the Public Hearing scheduled March 23rd concerning the road restrictions on LFP
Date: Thursday, March 2, 2023 12:58:37 PM
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Sincerely,

Donna Fey Collins

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Dennis B. Collins

From: [Zyontz, Jeffrey](#)
To: [MC-LFP](#)
Subject: FW: Petition to Reverse the Linear Park, Reopen all Lanes on Little Falls Parkway and Install a Pedestrian Bridge over Little Falls Parkway
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 10:20:56 AM

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Respecting the Views of Residents, Voters, and Taxpayers

Promoting Common Sense Safety and Efficient Transportation

As a 20+ year resident of Westmoreland Hills in Bethesda, I oppose the current design of the Little Falls Parkway (and Capital Crescent Trail crossing, the reduction of the Parkway from four divided lanes to two undivided lanes, and the proposed creation of a Linear Park.

I support a long-term solution of building a walker, jogger, bicycle bridge for the Capital Crescent Trail over a reopened divided four lanes of Little Falls Parkway, which will provide true safety for all users now and into the future. The current roadway design and trail crossing conflicts with Vision Zero and is clearly dangerous for pedestrians, cyclists, and vehicles. Watch here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BkxH5Dj9BXM>

Essential Montgomery County values have been ignored by the Parks Department by dictating to the surrounding communities the development of a linear park along Little Falls Parkway (LFP)

Ignored: Public Input and Collaboration Through the Democratic Process

- **The proposed Little Falls Parkway Linear Park is being developed without any formal needs assessment or dialogue (two way) with the community.** Community priorities for parks are expressed in the Bethesda Downtown Plan (2017) and the Westbard Sector Plan (2016). LFP is discussed in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Sector Plan (1990). The Parks Department could have requested that the Planning Board review and update the B-CC sector plan to receive community input on the changes they are making and have proposed on LFP, but they didn't do this. Since when does a county administrative agency dictate to communities how public property, which they provide stewardship of, should be used without getting public input prior to changes?

Ignored: Racial Equity and Social Justice for all County Residents

- **A formal needs assessment would show that two major public recreational facilities – Norwood Park and the Capital Crescent Trail and Little Falls Park-- are within walking distance of the single and multi-family dwellings** in this area. Repair and upkeep of those existing facilities would be of greater benefit to all residents than a park no larger than 1.4 acres, which is parallel to the CCT. Parks has not adequately maintained their current local parks nor tested their planned activities in existing parks. Local resistance to creation of a dog park is not grounds to scrap experimentation of any activities in any of the parks.
- **A formal needs assessment would show that the County's equity priorities have been ignored.** The Bethesda-Chevy Chase area is clearly not in an equity-focused area as defined by Thrive 2050. By targeting this community for another park, and where there are already two major recreational areas, the Parks Department is ignoring the priority established in Thrive 2050 to provide amenities in areas of the county that were previously ignored. Why isn't the Parks Department upholding the concept of racial equity and social justice, as supported in Thrive 2050 and by our County Council, by offering this amenity to a more deserving community on the eastern side of our county

that may lack green or recreational space?

Ignored: Transparency in Decision-Making by County Administrators

- **Itemized expenditures and funding sources are not provided to the public.** Normally, a public parks project on public land would require the Parks Department to first solicit community input on the parameters of the project, followed by the Parks Department developing a plan and a budget for carrying it out, which then would be presented to the public. Sources for funding and all the expenditures for development and future maintenance would be itemized. That has not been the *modus operandi* with the changes for LFP and the proposed linear park. Parks Dept. personnel have not provided the public with line-item expenditures for the money they have already spent on the road changes, nor have they itemized where funding for the linear park project is coming from or what the itemized costs for its development and future maintenance will be.
- **The Parks Department uses traffic data to justify development of the park, but its data is incomplete and fails to recognize new safety problems the road restriction has created and will be exacerbated with recreational facilities and events.** However:
 - **they are ignoring that some of the LFP traffic has been transferred to nearby neighborhoods** – Kenwood, and Somerset – **and nearby roads**, i.e., Goldsboro, **where there are no sidewalks** and where homes face directly onto streets. They do not recognize that they have increased the possibility of more vehicular accidents on neighborhood streets, and they have no traffic data for Goldsboro Road._
 - **they have not acknowledged that the linear park will result in more pedestrians crossing from the east side of LFP**, where there is some parking and a county swimming pool, **to the west side** to participate in activities and events, also increasing the possibility of accidents and traffic delays._
 - **they have not recognized the safety issues that have resulted for drivers, pedestrians and bicyclists now that opposing lanes of traffic are no longer separated by a median but are side-by-side.** This configuration has created turning issues for drivers at the intersections of Dorset Avenue and Hillandale Road where there are blind spots that did not exist with a divided parkway. It has created problems for pedestrians and bicyclists at the CCT crossing when a driver in one lane of traffic might stop, but the other coming in the opposite direction might not. bicyclists routinely, essentially always run the stop sign. The recumbent bicyclist struck and killed is often cited by Parks as a justification for this plan but there is no mention that he failed to stop before crossing. This is a very dangerous trail crossing which does not have any active signalization controlling the flow of vehicles, pedestrians, or cyclists. “Near Collisions” between vehicles and pedestrians or bicyclists routinely happen as a result of this new trail crossing design. This design conflicts with vision zero. _

- **The Parks Department has not considered significant changes expected in traffic volume** when federal government workers return to their offices full-time in May 2023, and when the Westbard Avenue realignment is completed in late 2023, and when the Westbard Development is completed. **As a result of the recent changes, vehicular traffic now crawls during commuting hours. Watch this clip to see how far vehicles back-up:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=njSwHel-Zpc>
- **User counts of walkers/joggers/bikers on the closed road are grossly inflated.** The counters do not recognize individual users, so one person could pass by a counter multiple times and be counted as a user each time. **We would like to see a needs assessment or traffic study which compares the usage of the linear park to the usage of the CCT.** We would like to know if the money would be better spent on widening the CCT.
- **We have not seen data for Linear park pedestrian usage from the past 4-6 months.** Parks said they haven't checked the counter in months. It's very simple to check the counter so we don't believe this and we expect to see this data with ample time to have it interpreted. My personal observation is essentially no usage. The LFP will be choked 24/7 12 months a year for activities that will be used only in warmer weather, primarily the weekend, and not when weather is bad.

Mixing people and cars on a roadway is an invitation for tragedy – a child being struck by an SUV driver who can't see her as she runs across LFP or a biker darting across the CCT before a driver can brake. Our communities need a long-term solution to solve our safety issues. Our communities need and support a pedestrian/jogger/biker bridge over Little Falls Parkway at the Capital Crescent Trail. A bridge, similar to the one over River Road, will return Little Falls Parkway to be the efficient and safe connection between downtown Bethesda and the southwestern Bethesda communities while ensuring safe passage for decades to come whether people walk, jog, bike or drive along Little Falls Parkway.

Mark Cheng

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Please consider this petition to delay the Planning Board meeting on March 23. The data is not ripe for the Planning Board to decide on this issue.

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PETITION

To delay the March 23, 2023 Planning Board Hearing on Little Falls Parkway Changes & Add a Subsequent Hearing for Proposed Linear Park

As a member of the Kenwood community in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase area, I am petitioning the

Planning Board to delay to a later date the currently scheduled March 23, 2023 review of the traffic data from the Parks Department to keep two lanes of Little Falls Parkway closed in light of the following:

-- **More time is needed by the public to pursue an independent analysis** of the large amount of data presented to us by the Parks Department at the February 15, 2023 meeting.

-- **IF the lane closings are approved by the Planning Board, a second hearing on the proposed linear park should be held.**

--**Public concerns** (i.e., safety, sanitation, emergency access) that a proposed linear park would create **have not been addressed by the Parks Department.**

For the record, the Parks Department failed to consult or conduct a survey with my community in advance of its decision to close off two lanes of traffic along Little Falls Parkway. In pursuing its objective to develop a linear park, the Parks Department has been in violation of the democratic process and principles upheld by the Montgomery County, Maryland government for informed public input to its decision-making processes.

Sincerely,

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I am a resident of the Town of Somerset and am writing to request the Montgomery County Planning Board to postpone consideration of the pilot project on Little Falls Parkway.

I participated in the virtual community meeting on February 15. There were two significant gaps in the data presented by Montgomery Parks to justify the road diet and linear park concepts.

First, there were no projections of traffic that would result from planned developments in the area. Past and current traffic data are not sufficient basis to make decisions when there are likely to be significant changes in traffic patterns in the future.

The key question is whether the proposed "road diet" on Little Falls Parkway would be able to accommodate potential increases in commercial and residential traffic in the area once Westbard is fully re-developed and if the County proceeds with plans for greater densification on River Road.

Second, there is no data on the use of the pedestrianized lanes of Little Falls Parkway since the suspension of Open Parkways. One cannot use data on recreational users of Little Falls Parkway during Open Parkways in order to project the potential use of the linear park because they are entirely different concepts.

As any observer can tell, the daily use -- even on weekends -- of the pedestrianized lanes of Little Falls Parkway by walkers and bikers today is substantially less than during Open Parkways. This is a likely indication that the proposed road diet alignment and linear park are not particularly attractive to recreational users (incidentally, I was a strong supporter and user of the Open Parkway). Perhaps Montgomery Parks could consider planting large trees in this space to expand the wooded area.

If there is unlikely to be much use of a linear park, then one could question why a

road diet is necessary at all. Little Falls Parkway has no history of being unsafe, except for the Capital Crescent Trail crossing, which was solved years ago (the crossing is now arguably less safe than it was before the pilot project). And surely there are other pressing needs in Montgomery Parks for scarce tax payer dollars, given the nearby availability of Norwood Park, Little Falls Park, Willard Avenue Park, and another trail that runs parallel to Little Falls Parkway between Dorset and Hillandale.

All this sounds like a solution in search of a problem.

Thank you,

Rohit Khanna
Chevy Chase, MD

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Ms. DuFour,

The Board will be proceeding with the hearing on March 30. No decision will be made by the Board until April 13 at the earliest. I expect staff to present its response to testimony on April 13.

Jeff Zyontz

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Thank you in advance.

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In sum, more time is needed to understand what was presented.

I present this as a Chevy Chase resident and a Bethesda business owner. Please feel free to reach me at the # and email below as needed.

With best regards, I am

R. Dennis DuFour

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With best regards, I am

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Ms. DuFour,

The Board will be proceeding with the hearing on March 30. No decision will be made by the Board until April 13 at the earliest. I expect staff to present its response to testimony on April 13.

Jeff Zyontz

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Chairman Zyontz

This is my third request to postpone the meeting you have schedule for Thursday March 30 at

5:30pm regarding changes to the Little Falls Parkway. My first request (below) and second request (also below) are unanswered nor responded to. Montgomery County Parks has 26 pages of questions and comments (attached) they have failed to answer. How can you have a meaningful hearing without all the data available?

Please postpone this meeting until this occurs.

Dennis DuFour

From: Dennis DuFour

Sent: Saturday, March 11, 2023 1:16 PM

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Subject: RE: Proposed Hearing on Little Falls Parkway Changes - 2nd request

Chairman Zyontz

This is a follow up request on the email sent to you on the 2nd (see below). As of today, I do not see answers to questions from the 2/15/2023 meeting on www.montgomeryparks.org.

The questions need to be answered in order to have a meaningful hearing on the path forward for the parkway.

Please postpone this meeting until this occurs. This will allow time to digest the answers and to get other opinions based on said answers.

Thank you in advance.

Dennis DuFour

From: Dennis DuFour <ddufour@tdec.com>

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Chairman Zyontz,

I see that a hearing is scheduled for March 30, 2023 regarding changes to Little Falls Parkway that include permanent traffic lane removal and a potential new park area. You may know, on February 15th, Montgomery County Parks presented their findings in a meeting titled Little Falls Pilot Project and Traffic Study. Here is a recording to said meeting:
<https://youtube.com/watch?v=sWOweqm1XsM>

A by-product of the meeting was a 26 pages list of questions and comments (attached). I have not seen on www.montgomeryparks.org answers to the questions.

Given this and the vast amount of information to digest I ask that you postpone the March 30, 2023 hearing so that the public can:

1. Get answers to questions posed.
2. Get another opinion on the Parks findings presented in the hearing.

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