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THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION



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The Honorable Kate Stewart

President, Montgomery County Council
Stella B. Werner Council Office Building
100 Maryland Avenue
Rockville, Maryland 20850

Subject: Bill 24 – 25 – Transportation Demand Management – Repeal

Dear Council President Stewart,

On behalf of Montgomery Planning, I am writing to express our support for Transportation Demand Management (TDM) initiatives as a vital component of our county's transportation strategy.

TDM policies help reduce congestion, improve air quality, and enhance public health by promoting alternatives to single-occupancy vehicle travel. These approaches, including TDM marketing, transit benefit programs, and parking cash out programs, align with the goals of *Thrive Montgomery 2050*.

Incorporating TDM into our planning processes ensures smarter land use, more resilient infrastructure, and a transportation system that reflects the values of our residents and the future we envision for our county. As part of Bill 24-25, we encourage the Council to consider replacing Chapter 42A of the County Code with streamlined legislation that authorizes the Montgomery County Department of Transportation to continue to conduct TDM activities. We also support language that allows transportation demand management measures as conditions of development application approvals.

As the Transportation and Environment (T&E) Committee advances work on this bill, we look forward to collaborating with the Committee to better understand the implications for Planning Board approvals and any existing Traffic Mitigation Agreements (TMAs) and TDM Plans. While some development applicants may have satisfied their initial development-related TDM conditions, many TMAs and TDM Plans are ongoing commitments related to business operations and continue to remain in effect.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason K. Sartori".

Jason K. Sartori
Planning Director