REQUEST NO REQUEST DATE 99807 12/06/2017 CIP PROGRAM **SIDEWALK** CIP PROJECT NO 506747 **LOCATION** Kensington Parkway STREET NAME Glenmoor Dr SIDE East **FROM** 3500 Littledale Rd TO LENGTH **LONGITUDE** LATITUDE REQUESTOR PENDING INVEST **STATUS**

May need a engineered plan at areas due to water ways and all Parl and

COMMENTS

Planning property

REQUEST NO

99806

REQUEST DATE

12/06/2017

CIP PROGRAM

SIDEWALK

CIP PROJECT NO

506747

LOCATION

STREET NAME

Kent St

FROM

Stoneybrook Dr

SIDE North

TO

Kensington Parkway

LENGTH

2240

LATITUDE

LONGITUDE

REQUESTOR



STATUS

PENDING INVEST

COMMENTS

Impacts Completed. Impacts also requested for South side.

REQUEST DATE 12/06/2017 **REQUEST NO** 99805 506747 CIP PROJECT NO CIP PROGRAM **SIDEWALK LOCATION** Old Spring Rd STREET NAME SIDE South FROM Beach Dr Elrod Rd LENGTH 2300 TO LONGITUDE LATITUDE REQUESTOR STATUS PENDING INVEST

Impacts completed .Also includes Saul Rd from Elrod Rd to Kingston Rd

COMMENTS

REQUEST NO REQUEST DATE 12/6/2017 99804 SIDEWALK CIP PROJECT NO 506747 CIP PROGRAM **LOCATION** Saul Rd STREET NAME SIDE North Old Spring Rd FROM 400 Haverhill Dr LENGTH ТО LATITUDE **LONGITUDE** REQUESTOR PENDING INVEST **STATUS**

COMMENTS

Impacts complete

REQUEST NO

10326

REQUEST DATE

08/27/2017

CIP PROGRAM

SIDEWALK

CIP PROJECT NO

506747

LOCATION

STREET NAME

Kingston Road

FROM

Saul Road

SIDE West Side

TO

East Bexhill Drive

LENGTH

1685

LATITUDE

39.013199

LONGITUDE

-77.074523

REQUESTOR

STATUS

PENDING INVEST

COMMENTS

REQUEST NO 10211 REQUEST DATE 12/6/2017 CIP PROJECT NO 506747 CIP PROGRAM **SIDEWALK LOCATION** STREET NAME Saul Rd SIDE See Notes Bel Elrod Rd **FROM** Old Spring Rd TO **LENGTH** 39.016156 LONGITUDE -77.076102 **LATITUDE** REQUESTOR **STATUS** UNDER INVEST **COMMENTS** Kensington, MD 20895; .com Covers multiple streets; connect existing sidewalks 1. Saul Rd to Elrod; Elrod to Old Spring; Old Spring to Beach 2. Kensington Pkwy- East Side of Road @495 to Frederick Rd 3. Saul Rd @ Haverhill to Old Spring (Both Sides) 4. Kent St-Stoneybrook Dr to kensington Parkway

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Rock Creek Hills Citizens' Association ~ For residents & friends of Rock Creek Hills ~ www.rchca.org 9723 Kingston Road, Kensington MD 20895

November 9, 2017

Mr. Al R. Roshdieh Director, Montgomery County Department of Transportation via email

Re: Transportation Safety & Improvements in Rock Creek Hills

Dear Director Roshdieh,

A new middle school opened this year in the Rock Creek Hills community, which is located just outside the Beltway to the east of Connecticut Avenue. While cut-through traffic and speeding have been concerns here for some time, these are of greater importance now that Silver Creek Middle School has opened, and we are seeing increased walking students and an increase in traffic at intersections on the principal local streets used to reach the school. On October 24, 2017, the members of the Rock Creek Hill Citizens' Association voted to request your Department to evaluate several sidewalk, intersection, and traffic calming measures, in order to improve the safety of our community and especially the safety of children accessing the new school. As both traffic study and engineering matters are involved, this letter is copied to Mr. Bruce Johnson, Chief, Division of Transportation Engineering, and Mr. Chris Conklin, Acting Chief, Division of Traffic Engineering and Operations. Our requests are as follows.

1. Area Transportation Study

The part of Rock Creek Hills that is most impacted by through traffic lies south of Saul Road and east of Connecticut Avenue to the park area adjacent to the Mormon Temple. This traffic is a function of local, cut-through, and middle school traffic (including buses) with particularly heavy volumes on Saul Road, Elrod Road, Old Spring Road, and Kensington Parkway. As discussed further below, the intersections with the most traffic violations are Old Spring & Elrod Roads, Elrod & Saul Roads, and Elrod Road & Calvend Lane. Excessive speed is an issue on Kensington Parkway, Elrod Road, and Old Spring Road below Saul Road.

We believe that most of these issues can be addressed through engineering changes and turn restrictions that are consistent with your Department's policies. In that vein, we are not requesting stop sign changes as a principal means for controlling excessive speeding. Rather, as has already been done at one intersection (Saul Road & Haverhill Drive) within the new school zone, such steps as intersection change, traffic calming measures, and selected use of sidewalks should meet our immediate concerns. However, the specific requests below should be supported by a general area traffic study that would form a baseline for the specifics and allow the determination of traffic increases resulting from the addition of another grade to Silver Creek Middle School in the next school year.

2. Sidewalk Construction

Sidewalks can be a thorny issue in any community that does not have them. However, RCHCA has concluded that sidewalks are warranted for safety purposes on the following streets: (a) Saul Road between Haverhill Drive and Old Spring Road; (b) Kensington Parkway between Beach Drive and Littledale Road; (c) Kent Street between Kensington Parkway and Stoneybrook Drive; and (d) Elrod from Saul to Old Spring Road and then down Old Spring to Beach Drive. Sidewalk configurations along this last, (d), which is a direct route between Beach Drive and the middle school, must reflect that triangular intersections at Elrod & Saul Roads, and at Elrod & Old Spring Roads, should be converted to T intersections (per point 3, following).

3. Intersection Modifications

There are triangular intersections at Elrod & Saul Roads, and Elrod & Old Spring Roads, which are inconsistent with current County policy, and which encourage stop sign running. They are particularly dangerous because both intersections involve downhill grades, with those on Elrod and southbound Old Spring being relatively steep. The intersection at Elrod & Saul Roads is just opposite the new middle school and just east of its lower entrance, which provides an additional hazard. Changing the Elrod Road side of both intersections to a T intersection (as was done recently at Saul & Haverhill, as mentioned) would require a full stop, and significantly reduce speeds and intersection hazards. As noted, any sidewalk plans for the Old Spring-Elrod-Saul corridor should be consistent with these urgently needed intersection modifications.

4. Turning Restrictions

There is very heavy AM traffic turning left on Franklin Street from Connecticut Avenue south bound and then right onto Kensington Parkway, in order to bypass the traffic lights at Saul Road & Connecticut, and at Beach Drive & Connecticut. A reverse flow occurs during the PM rush. Accordingly, RCHCA requests that an AM no left turn restriction be placed on Connecticut at Franklin, and a PM no left turn restriction be placed on Kensington Parkway at Franklin.

5. Traffic Calming Measures

Excessive speeding on Kensington Parkway between Littledale Drive and Beach Drive persists, despite the installation several years ago of speed bumps between Franklin Street and Saul Road. RCHCA therefore requests that your Department study, and hopefully recommend, the installation of traffic calming devices along Kensington Parkway between Franklin Street and Beach Drive.

I realize that these are extensive concerns, but RCHCA believes that they are a comprehensive package which addresses much of the cut-through and speeding traffic that has afflicted our community for years, which have worsened now that the new Silver Creek Middle School has opened, and which now raise concerns regarding the safety of children accessing the new school. In closing, I would like to express our appreciation for Mr. Bilgrami and Mr. Calderon's very helpful participation in RCHCA's October 24 membership meeting.

Thank you very much for your consideration. Please do not hesitate to let me know if you have any questions about any of the above.

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Sincerely yours

James J. Pekar, Ph.D.

President, Rock Creek Hills Citizens' Association

Cc: Mr. Bruce Johnson, Chief, Division of Transportation Engineering, MCDOT

Mr. Chris Conklin, Acting Chief, Division of Traffic Engineering and Operations, MCDOT

Ms. Dewa Salihi, Chief, Traffic Engineering Studies Section, MCDOT

Mr. Casey Anderson, Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board

Dr. Traci Townsend, Principal, Silver Creek Middle School

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REQUEST FORM FOR SIDEWALK INSTALLATION

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KENSINGTON, MD 20895
Daytime Phone:
Email Address:
Where do you think a new sidewalk is needed? (Street name)
What are the limits of the new sidewalk? (Street name or a description of the beginning and ending locations)
SEE BELOW &
On which side of the street should the sidewalk be constructed? ATTACHED DOCUMENTS
Please check any of the following existing roadway conditions which support sidewalk installation
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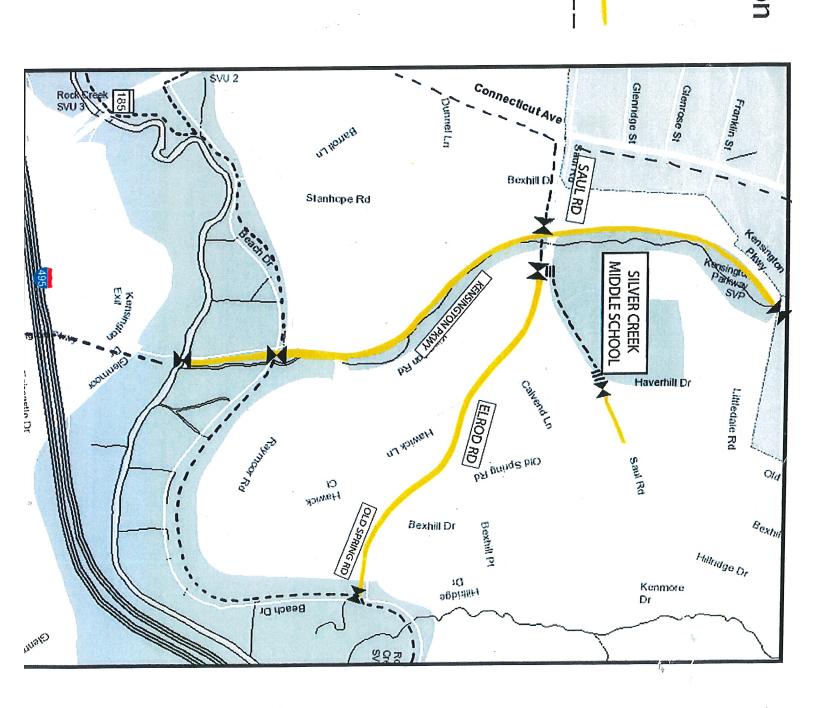
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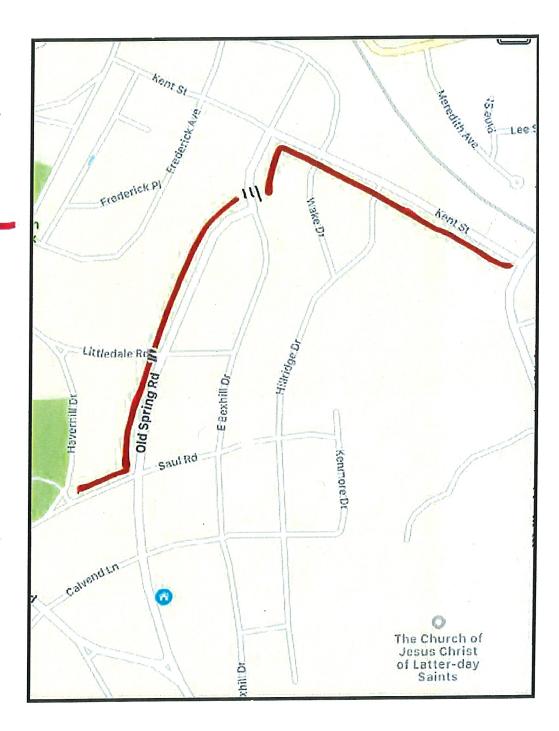
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Saul (SCMS) to Elrod to Old Spring to Beach - (South side)

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