

COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK, MARYLAND  
Resolution 2024-R-03

Introduced by: CM Foday Kallon

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FOR THE PURPOSE OF establishing the Town of Riverdale Park's vision for and commitment to transportation.

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Town Council to establish a vision and commitment to a transportation network that aligns with the Town's Walk, Bike, Drive Safety Initiative and is further described as safe, multi-modal, and provides convenient and equitable access to jobs, commercial and professional services, entertainment and recreation for all residents in the community; and

WHEREAS, a multi-modal transportation network includes roads, rail and bus transit, sidewalks and bike and hiking trails that together connect residents to important places and lessens reliance on cars thereby reducing greenhouse gas emissions and improving air quality in the Town, county and region; and

WHEREAS, a well-maintained, safety focused, and complete transportation network influences where businesses choose to locate, where residents choose to live, work, shop and play, and how visitors access places of interests; and

WHEREAS, specific components of a multi-modal transportation network should accommodate and co-exist with other modes of transportation for a safer environment that is equally accessible for users of all abilities (and disabilities) and ages, for example designated travel lanes for buses along busy corridors; connected pedestrian infrastructure, including sidewalks, curb ramps and safe street crossings; protected bike lanes, and shared use paths along major corridors; and, the ability to transport bicycles on trains and buses; and

WHEREAS, the Town recognizes the need to approach transportation in a coordinated way and from a regional perspective; and the need to maximize the benefit of the transportation network for all users; and

WHEREAS, the State of Maryland, Prince George's County, Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, private businesses, adjacent municipalities, and the Town own and are responsible for separate components of the transportation network and each must properly plan, finance, maintain, and upgrade their transportation resources in a timely and responsible way, including understanding and seeking to avoid adverse impacts on the environment, community safety and local roads; and

WHEREAS, transportation facilities in Town must be well planned, properly constructed,

maintained and upgraded to meet expectations for safety and functionality today and in the future;  
and

WHEREAS, adequate transportation resources are essential to maintaining a healthy community and economy that continue to attract and retain residents, businesses, services and investments, and in support thereof the Mayor and Town Council are committed to operations, programs, initiatives, legislation and resources that further establish and maintain adequate transportation resources in Town.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Riverdale Park do hereby establish this vision and commitment for transportation on behalf of the Town.

ATTEST:

COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF  
RIVERDALE PARK

  
Jessica E. Barnes, Town Clerk

  
Alan K. Thompson, Mayor