



Coalition of Kensington Communities

A Unified Body of Civic Associations
Founded To Enhance the Quality of Life in the Kensington Area

**MEMBER
ASSOCIATIONS**
(NUMBER OF HOMES)

BYEFORDE-ROCK
CREEK HIGHLANDS
(364)

CAPITOL VIEW PARK
(330)

GARRETT PARK
CITIZENS ASSOCIATION
(325)

KENGAR (110)

KENSINGTON ESTATES
(425)

KENSINGTON HEIGHTS
(711)

KENSINGTON VIEW
(125)

PARKWOOD (925)

ROCK CREEK HILLS
(660)

ROCK CREEK
PALISADES (1,700)

February 1, 2011

Council President Valerie Ervin
Montgomery County Council
100 Maryland Avenue
Rockville, MD 20850

re: Kensington Sector Plan

Dear Council President Ervin:

The Coalition of Kensington Communities became aware, late on Sunday, January 30, of the staff recommendation to deny the Kensington Sector Plan. We are extremely concerned by this recent development and urge the Council to:

1. Convey in specific language that the sole reason for this denial is to allow the Planning Board to address issues regarding the CR zone.
2. Request that the Planning Board limit its review of and modifications to the Kensington Sector Plan to cover only the CR zoning amendments.
3. Keep the Kensington Sector Plan as a priority and on track, and urge the Planning Board to expedite the proposed CR-zone modification as soon as possible. We strongly oppose the proposed schedule on page 2 of the January 21, 2011, Council Memo to the Planning Board Chair in which the Kensington Sector Plan would come before the Council again in November or December 2011.

We agree that the CR zone as originally proposed was not a good fit for Kensington, and we are encouraged by what we are hearing about modifications that would better delineate zoning impacts on surrounding neighborhoods.

We would like to remind the Council that, for the past 3+ years, the CKC has been actively engaging our communities on this topic. We have hosted joint meetings with the Town of Kensington, and we have communicated the plan to our various neighborhoods via listserves, newsletters, and association-specific meetings. We testified when the plan came before the Planning Board and the County Council. We have met regularly with Planning staff and Town of Kensington leadership throughout this process. We have done everything we can to keep the Kensington Sector Plan on track. We hope the Council will do everything in its purview to do so, too.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Brennan
Current CKC Chair
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