

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
Legislative Session 2024, Legislative Day No. 6

Resolution No. 10-24

All Councilmembers

By the County Council, March 18, 2024

A RESOLUTION of the Baltimore County Council to adopt the Baltimore County Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan.

WHEREAS, Baltimore County first began bicycle and pedestrian planning in 2000, with the adoption of the Baltimore County Master Plan 2010, which called for the creation of a countywide plan focused on improving the County's transportation system for pedestrian and bicycle use; and

WHEREAS, the planning process undertaken by the County in response resulted in the adoption of two plans; the Eastern and Western Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Plans; and

WHEREAS, the Eastern Baltimore County Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Plan for the Fifth, Sixth, and Seventh Councilmanic Districts was adopted by the Council and incorporated into Master Plan 2010 with the passage of Resolution 87-06 on November 20, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Western Baltimore County Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Plan for the First, Second, Third, and Fourth Councilmanic Districts was adopted by the Council and incorporated into Master Plan 2020 with the passage of Resolution 83-12 on November 19, 2012; and

WHEREAS, on November 2, 2023, the Department of Public Works and Transportation presented the Baltimore County Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan to the Baltimore County

Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, this planning document offers a strategic roadmap for the development of active transportation infrastructure; updates the two previous plans integrating new development patterns and the growing enthusiasm for active transportation witnessed in the County; and provides a prioritized list of bike and pedestrian improvement projects, ensuring that investments are made where they will have the greatest impact; and

WHEREAS, on November 16, 2023, the Baltimore County Planning Board held a public hearing on the proposed Baltimore County Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan and voted on January 4, 2024 to approve the Plan and forward it to the County Council for further review; and

WHEREAS, the County Council held a public hearing on the proposed Plan on March 26, 2024; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, that the Baltimore County Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Plan, a copy of which can be viewed [here](#) and is made a part hereof, is hereby adopted and incorporated into Master Plan 2030, subject to ~~such~~ further amendments as deemed advisable by the County Council; and the following modifications:

Councilman Kach

On page 49, at the end of the paragraph labeled “NCR Trail Extension” insert the following:

“The studies that the County will conduct to evaluate options for extensions of the NCR Trail shall consider the spot improvements where the Trail extension crosses York Road to ensure the safety of the Trail users, including the use of pedestrian bridges or pedestrian activated crossing guard arms or gates. If the County does not pursue these safety measures, then the County shall consider alternative sites to connect the areas of the NCR Trail that provide safe passage for Trail users”.

Councilman Marks

On pages 110-111 in Appendix D to the Baltimore County Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan titled “Prioritized Recommended Network Projects,” strike Segment #87:

“87 Northeast Trail Silver Spring Rd. Honeygo Blvd. 1.38 Paved Shared Use Path 5 Tier 2 - (Medium Priority)” and renumber Segment #87 to Segment #28:

“28 Northeast Trail Silver Spring Rd. Honeygo Blvd. 1.38 Paved Shared Use Path 5 Tier 2 - (Medium Priority)” and insert the new Segment 28 after Segment #27 on pages 108-109 and renumber the remaining Segments through pages 114-115 consecutively after Segment 28.

Place an asterisk (*) next to Segments 27 and 28; on pages 114-115 in Appendix D to the Baltimore County Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan titled “Prioritized Recommended Network Projects,” at the bottom of those pages and after the last Segment is listed, insert the following:

“*The expansion of the Northeast Trail, to include extending the trail and providing overall connectivity, has been a priority of the County Council for the last decade.”

Throughout the Baltimore County Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan, where there are references on any Maps in the Plan to “Nottingham” as an area or place, strike “Nottingham” and substitute “Perry Hall”.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution shall be sent to the Baltimore County Planning Board and Planning Department; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect from the date of its passage by the County Council.



LEGISLATION DETAIL

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AMENDMENTS _____

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