

Mayor Tracey Furman

**Council Member Darin Bartram
Council Member Nate Engle**



**Council Member Conor Crimmins
Council Member Bridget Hill-Zayat**

Released: December 10, 2021

**Monday, December 13, 2021
Town Council Meeting, 7:00 pm**

The Town Council Meeting will be held through the Zoom Video Conferencing application. We recommend downloading the Zoom app prior to the meeting at the following link: [www.zoom.us](https://zoom.us)

The Council Meeting will begin at 7:00 pm. Access to the meetings will be through the following Zoom Video Conferencing link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89622096566?pwd=ZFFISmdwZzhUL2NCc3I0eldTazg2QT09>

Meeting ID: 896 2209 6566

Password: 347210

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CALL TO ORDER

MOMENT OF SILENCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Town Council Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2021

THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL

1. County Bikeshare Program:

- a. Presentation by Sandra Brecher, Office of Transportation Policy with Montgomery County, to discuss Montgomery County's Bikeshare Program.

2. Montgomery County Redistricting Map:

- a. Update on the Redistricting Map approved by the County Council.
- b. The Town of Kensington has been moved to District 4, which will include Ken-Gar, Chevy Chase View, Garrett Park, North Bethesda, Silver Spring, and Takoma Park.

3. Housing and Building Regulations:

**Town of Kensington 3710 Mitchell Street Kensington, MD 20895
Phone 301.949.2424 Fax 301.949.4925
www.tok.md.gov**

- a. Discuss possible Code revisions to address certain zoning changes from Montgomery County and to address certain encroachment concerns.
- b. An ordinance will be introduced at an upcoming Council Meeting addressing these concerns.

4. Town Traffic Committee Reorganization:

- a. Formally change the Traffic Committee (TC) to the Traffic and Mobility Committee (TMC) and establish the Pedestrian and Bicycling Access & Safety Working Group as a sub-Committee of the Traffic and Mobility Committee.

THE TOWN MANAGER AND STAFF

• **Tax Duplication County Bill:**

- a. Update on the County Bill to fully fund municipalities on duplicated services.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES

(The public is invited to speak on any subject that is not a topic on tonight's agenda)

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND REGULATIONS

(Ordinances, resolutions, and regulations to be introduced or adopted following appropriate procedures required by the Town Code; or resolutions that may require discussion by the Mayor and Council prior to approval)

Ordinance No. O-03-2021 (Introduction) – AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL TO AMEND CHAPTER IV, "TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES", ARTICLE 3, "TRAFFIC CONTROL", SECTION 4-302, "SPEED LIMITS IN THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON", TO REDUCE THE SPEED LIMIT ALONG TOWN MAINTAINED STREETS FROM 25 MILES PER HOUR TO 20 MILES PER HOUR.

- a. *The Public Hearing will be scheduled for Monday, January 10, 2022, 7:00 pm.*

ADJOURNMENT

(The Mayor and Council may move to close the meeting and may move to reopen the meeting)

THE NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING(S) OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL WILL BE HELD:

Monday, January 10, 2022, 7:00 pm



2021 Approved Council District Map

Downloadable Map Data (ESRI/KMZ/CSV)

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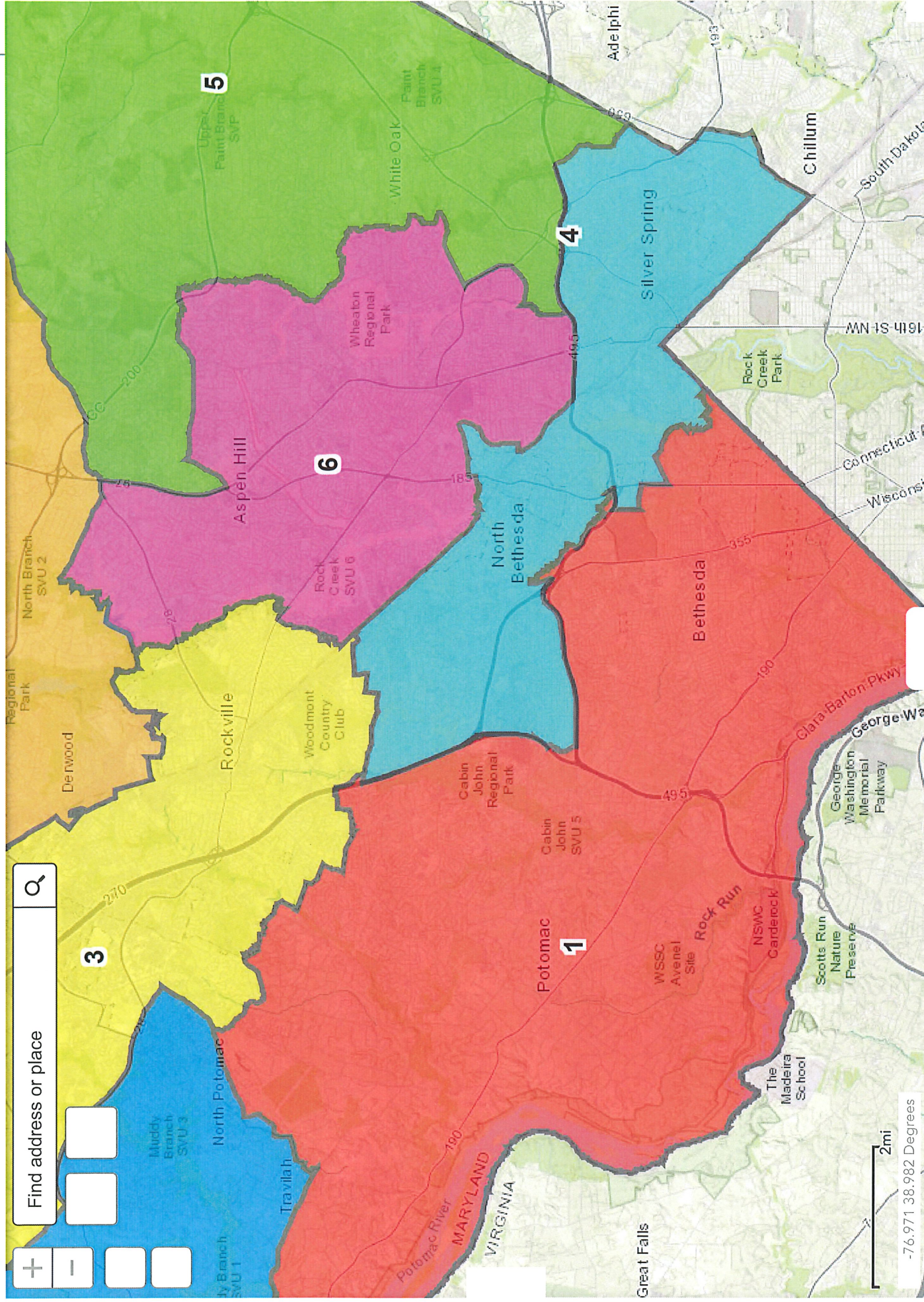
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Ordinance No. O-03-2021
Introduced: December 13, 2021
Public Hearing: January 10, 2021
Adopted: _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL TO AMEND CHAPTER IV, "TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES", ARTICLE 3, "TRAFFIC CONTROL", SECTION 4-302, "SPEED LIMITS IN THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON", TO REDUCE THE SPEED LIMIT ALONG TOWN MAINTAINED STREETS FROM 25 MILES PER HOUR TO 20 MILES PER HOUR.

WHEREAS, §5-201 *et seq.* of the Local Government Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, authorizes the Mayor and Town Council to adopt such ordinances as it deems necessary to assure the good government of the Town of Kensington; to protect and preserve the rights, property and privileges of the Town; to preserve peace and good order; to secure persons and property from danger and destruction; and to protect the health, comfort and convenience of Town residents; and

WHEREAS, Section 602, "Specific Powers", subsection (a)(38), "Regulations", of the Town of Kensington Charter, authorizes the Town Council to adopt by ordinance and enforce within the corporate limits of the Town, traffic and speed regulations not in conflict with the laws of the State of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, §21-803 of the Transportation Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, authorizes the Town, if it determines on the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation that any maximum speed limit on roadways in the Town is greater than reasonable or safe under existing conditions, to establish a reasonable and safe maximum speed limit for said roadways; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have determined that 25 miles per hour on Town roadways is greater than reasonable or safe under existing conditions, and that the reasonable and safe maximum speed for Town roadways, except in school zones, is 20 mph; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Town Council have determined that it is in the public interest and necessary for the protection of public health, safety, and welfare, and the preservation of peace and good order, to repeal and re-enact Article 3, "Traffic Control", Section 4-302, "Speed Limits in Town of Kensington", of the Town Code to reduce the general speed limit in the Town to 20 mph.

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NOW THEREFORE, the Mayor and Town Council of Kensington does hereby adopt the following ordinance:

Chapter IV

TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

Article 3. Traffic Control

Section 4-302. Speed Limits in Town of Kensington

No motor vehicle shall be operated upon any street or other public way within the jurisdiction of the Town at a rate of speed exceeding ~~[twenty-five (25)]~~ **TWENTY (20)** miles per hour or fifteen (15) miles per hour in school zones.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ORDERED, this ____ day of March, 2022, by the Mayor and Town Council of Kensington, acting under and by virtue of the authority granted to it by §5-201 *et seq.* of the Local Government Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, and Article VI, “Powers of the Council”, Section 601, “General Powers” of the Town Charter that:

(1) If any part of provision of this ordinance is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the part of provision held to be invalid shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any remaining part thereof; and

(2) This ordinance shall take effect on the ____ day of July, 2022, provided the following:

(a) Posted at Town Hall by the next business day following introduction; and

(b) Posted on the official Town website; and

(c) Sent to those persons listed on the official Town email list/mail subscription service; and

(d) Published once prior to the public hearing in the Town newsletter or sent by substitute regular mail to newsletter circulation addresses.

INTRODUCED by the Mayor and Town Council of Kensington, Maryland at the regular public meeting assembled on the ____ day of December, 2021.

ADOPTED by the Mayor and Town Council of Kensington, Maryland at the regular public meeting assembled on the ____ day of March, 2022.

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EFFECTIVE the ____ day of July 2022.

ATTEST:

TOWN OF KENSINGTON, MARYLAND

By: _____
Susan C. Engels, Clerk – Treasurer

Tracey C. Furman, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Suellen M. Ferguson, Town Attorney

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