

RESOLUTION NO. R-17-2013

**A Resolution of the Mayor and Council for the Town of Kensington Opposing the Amendments to the Public Benefits Points and Categories of the CRT Zone in the County Zoning Ordinance**

**Whereas**, the Mayor and Council have previously supported the CR Town ("CRT") Zone for the Town of Kensington, which included a public benefits system based on points which also required that benefits be provided from more categories; and

**Whereas**, the Mayor and Council supported the public benefits system as it provides incentives to development in the Town; and

**Whereas**, the Planning Board has recommended changes to Division 6.6 "Optional Method Public Benefits" which significantly reduces the number of points allowed for certain incentives; and

**Whereas**, the Planning, Housing and Economic Development ("PHED") Committee of the County Council has recommended that the changes to the public benefits system be adopted; and


**Whereas**, certain incentive benefits that are particularly useful to encourage development in the Town are the subject of the point reductions recommended by the Planning Board and the PHED Committee; and

**Whereas**, the public benefits system for the CRT has not yet been tested in Kensington, with its areas of smaller lot sizes and lower height and density recommendations, and there is no basis at this point for changing a system that was supported by the Town; and

**Whereas**, the Mayor and Council have determined that it is in the public interest to oppose the amendments to Division 6.6 "Optional Method Public Benefits".

**Now Therefore Be It Resolved** that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Kensington oppose the proposed amendments to Division 6.6 "Optional Method Public Benefits" of Chapter 59, Montgomery County Zoning Code, recommended by the Planning Board and the PHED Committee.

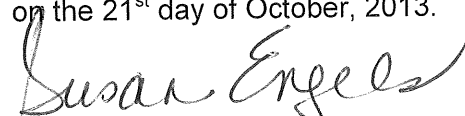
**Adopted** by the Town of Kensington Council, in public meeting assembled, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2013.



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Peter Fosselman, Mayor

**This to certify** that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Town Council in public meeting assembled on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2013.



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Susan Engels, Clerk-Treasurer