

Kensington Around Town

August/September 2019



Make Way For



Kensington's 52nd Annual Labor Day Parade and Festival

Monday

2

September

Parade 10am

The parade starts at St. Paul Park and ends at the grandstand next to Noyes Children's Library.

Festival 9am-2pm

As the parade moves through town, Armory Avenue comes alive with food trucks, vendors and fun.

We would like to thank our generous Labor Day Parade and Festival Sponsors

Platinum Sponsor

Gold Sponsor

Silver Sponsors

Bronze Sponsors



For more details, parade route and festival map go to:

TOK.md.gov/events/52nd-Annual-Labor-Day-Parade-and-Festival

Table of Contents

From the Mayor	2
Town/Building Permits	2
Town Minutes	3-9
Cycling in the Circle	10-11
2020 Town Directory	12
Development Review	
Process Workshop	13
Kensington Listserv & Facebook	14
Town Staff	14
Kensington Murals & Contest	15
Community Resources	16-17
Upcoming Events	18-19
Farmers Market	20

Upcoming Events

KHS Summer Concert Series
Saturdays through Sept • 10-11am

Food Truck Night
1st & 3rd Thursdays
through October • 5-8pm

Vintage Car Show at KPSL*
Sunday, Aug 18 • 11:30am-2:30pm

Summer Cookout at KFVD
Saturday, August 24 • 12-3pm

Summer Concert at KPSL
Sunday, August 25 • 6:30-7:30pm

Paint the Town Art Show & Plein Air Competition
Aug 31, Sept 1 & 2

52nd Annual Labor Day Parade and Festival
Monday, Sept 2 • 9am-2pm

Adah Rose Art Gallery Opening
Friday, Sept 6 • 6:30-8:30pm

Movie in the Park at KPSL*
Friday, Sept 6 • 7:30-10pm

Kensington Train Show
Sept 7 & 8 • 11am-5pm

Town Council Meeting
Monday, Sept 9 • 7pm

Development Review Process Workshop
Saturday, Sept 14 • 9am-12:30pm

Opera in the Circle
Saturday, Sept 14 • 5:30-8pm

Kensington Car Show
CANCELLED

Kensington 8K Race
Saturday, Sept 21 • 7:30-10:30am

TOK.md.gov/Events-Calendar

*Kensington Park Senior Living

From the Mayor

The 52nd Annual Kensington Labor Day Parade and Festival is fast approaching, and our Parade and Festival Coordinators, Lisa Kelley-Connor and Victoria Randall, have been busy, along with the Town staff, preparing for our Town's signature event. The Labor Day Parade and Festival is a wonderful event for our community, and we are always looking for volunteers to help the day of the event! If you are interested, and would like to receive a \$25 gift card to either Starbucks or Strosniders, please contact Lisa and Victoria at LaborDay@tok.md.gov. The Montgomery Art Association will also once again be holding Paint the Town in conjunction with the Labor Day weekend, and will be open Sat., Aug. 31st through Mon., Sept. 2nd.

The festivities do not end with the Labor Day Parade and Festival, however, as September is jam-packed with many weekend activities, including: The Kensington Train Show (Sept. 7th and 8th), Opera in the Circle (Sept. 14th), The Kensington Car Show (Sept. 15th), and the Annual Kensington 8K Race (Sept. 21st). Please be sure to check Page 19 of the Around Town Journal, or our website Calendar, for all our upcoming events.

The Town is sponsoring a Design Review workshop, along with Montgomery Planning, Sat., Sept. 14th, to provide residents an opportunity

to learn about the design, review, and approval process of development projects. The workshop will be held at St. Paul's United Methodist Church and additional information may be found in the Journal or on our Town Calendar.

I would like to thank Council Members Crimmins and Rollins, along with Town Manager Daily, for their efforts in securing the Community Parks and Playground funding for the Pavilion at St. Paul Park. The process was lengthy from conception to build, but the Pavilion is a welcomed addition to St. Paul Park.

I would also like to thank and recognize Angie and Stuart Freeman for the many hours they spend each year tending to the Howard Avenue Park garden. Alison and John Oppenheim, along with members of the Kensington Historical Society, have also been gracious with their time attending to our community garden spaces. Please take the time to visit our community garden spaces, as they are beautiful, thanks to our many volunteers.



Building & Town Permits

Please be reminded that both a Town and County permit are needed for any interior or exterior structural changes, with the exception of landscaping and general repairs. Historic District properties will also require a Historic Area Work Permit (HAWP). Please contact the Town staff at 301-949-2424 with any questions.

3701 Howard Avenue - Utility
10540 Metropolitan Avenue - Utility
3947 Washington Street - Fence
3700 Calvert Place - Interior Alteration
10315 Detrick Avenue - Storage Container

Town Minutes

June 10, 2019 Town Council Meeting

- Approved the Town Meeting Minutes from May 13, 2019.
- Approved Resolution No. R-10-2019 – A Resolution authorizing the installation of “Two Hour, 7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., M-F” signs along the northeast side of the 10300 block of Kensington Parkway, which will replace the existing “One Hour, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.” signs.
- Approved Resolution No. R-11-2019 – A Resolution authorizing the extension of an existing contract with NZI Construction Corporation for resurfacing certain Town streets.

Town Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Furman; Council Members Bartram, Crimmins, Hill-Zayat, and Rollins; Town Manager Daily; Assistant Town Manager Hoffman; and Clerk-Treasurer Engels were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and a moment of silence was observed.

The Town Meeting Minutes from May 13, 2019 were reviewed and approved following a grammatical correction. See Council Actions.

From the Mayor and Council

Council Member Rollins asked if the Town could temporarily place delineator flex-posts at the intersection of University and Farragut while the State reviews the request for the plug.

Mayor Furman suggested waiting 60 days since the State Highway Administration noted that they plan on having a solution installed this summer.

Mayor Furman noted that she is working with Nicole Bourgea on a sketch design for a proposed mural at 10405 Montgomery Avenue (Dr. Ho, DDS' property) and is also working with Public Works Supervisor, Jason Swain, on a carved bench at St. Paul Park, which would depict a bear.

Assistant Town Manager Hoffman noted that

Spring Bilingual Montessori School has requested a reimbursement for the new video monitoring system installed at their facility, which also monitors St. Paul Park for the Town. Mr. Hoffman stated that the Town purchased the previous video monitoring equipment, which recently needed to be replaced, and Spring Bilingual has requested to be reimbursed for the \$1,587 cost.

The Council concurred to reimburse Spring Bilingual Montessori School \$1,587 for the cost of the video monitoring system at St. Paul Park.

Council Member Hill-Zayat reported that Invisible Fence has a program that provides protective masks for dogs if caught in a fire; is researching a Bike Share program through Montgomery County that would require bikes to be docked in a designed space; and presented a flyer for Sustainable Maryland for the Town's consideration.

Council Member Rollins noted that Food Truck Nights will continue the first and third Thursdays of the Month and include Denizens Brewing Company.

Mayor Furman congratulated Council Members Bartram and Crimmins on their re-election to the Town Council; noted that while the annual Organizational Meeting will still be held prior to the Council Meeting in July, the areas of responsibility will not be assigned until August, as Council Member Hill-Zayat will not be available for the July meeting; thanked Julie O'Malley, Gary Ditto, and the Kensington Historical Society for the successful 125th Anniversary event at Kensington Cabin Park; noted that 1784 Capital Holdings has filed a revised application with Montgomery Planning for the proposed Kensington Square Self Storage project at 10619 Connecticut Avenue, and that the Town will be sending a letter opposing the conditional use plan; installation of the pavilion at St. Paul Park is scheduled to begin the week of June 24th; the parking structure at 10400 Connecticut Avenue is currently being repaired and the Town has confirmed that the renovation was reviewed by a civil engineer; thanked Council Member Rollins and Kensington Can! for a successful Paper Airplane Day; and noted the following upcoming events: Movie Night on June 22nd; Cycling in the Park on June 30th; and the 25th

Town Minutes

Annual Bike Parade on July 4th.

Mayor Furman noted that her daughter, Caitlin, was attending her last Council Meeting as a resident of the Town, as she will be moving to Miami for her next assignment with the United States Coast Guard.

Mayor Furman noted that she would like the Council to consider adopting Montgomery County's alcohol regulations and suggested having a representative from the Department of Liquor Control at the July meeting.

The Council agreed to review adopting the County's alcohol regulations.

The Mayor reported that she received a complaint with regards to recycling collections at the Kensington Train Station and found out that MTA does not collect the recycling and requested that the Town's contractor collect the recycling.

The Council concurred to have the Town's contractor, Ecology Services, collect recycling at the Train Station.

Council Member Rollins suggested adding a recycling tote to help with the volume of recycling.

Julie O'Malley questioned whether the recycling volume was due to the Farmers Market.

From the Town Manager and Staff

Assistant Town Manager Hoffman announced the hiring of Anothai 'Annie' Thoopsamoot as the Town's new full-time Code Enforcement Officer. Ms. Thoopsamoot will begin on Monday, June 24, 2019. Mr. Hoffman also thanked Jim Snow, Bill D'Albora, and Tom D'Albora for their service to the Town as part-time Code Enforcement Officers the last few years.

Mayor Furman noted that the Town is currently working on an agreement with Konterra Limited Partnership for the use of the property located at 10450 Metropolitan Avenue. The site will need clearing and grading, a perimeter fence, along with a sidewalk to connect to the existing apron at an estimated cost of \$25,000. The Mayor also noted

that Jon Gerson and Jessica Chertow will lead an ad-hoc committee for the dog park.

Chris Kohl asked if the park would provide a separate area for both small and large dogs.

Mayor Furman stated that the existing area would not allow for separate small and large dog areas; however, the ad-hoc committee could review establishing certain times.

The Memorandum of Understanding and fencing contract will be prepared for the Council's review at the July Meeting.

Council Member Rollins questioned the fence quotes and specifically the stated depth of posts, the commencement of work, and the no limit on the delay section.

Town Manager Daily noted that he will be sending a notice to Montgomery County initiating the termination agreement for additional police coverage, as the Town is in the process of hiring two part-time police officers to enforce the Town's vehicle restrictions; and also noted that the storm drains to be included within the recent annexation had been reviewed and cleared by an independent contractor and the report will be available soon.

Public Appearances

David Romeo questioned the difference in responsibilities between the newly hired Code Enforcement position and the part-time police officers; and also asked whether the proposed Dog Park MOU would be for a specific time period.

Mayor Furman explained that the Code Enforcement Officer enforces and issues violations for code infractions, while the police officers have the authority to issue moving violations; and that the Town is proposing a use of the Konterra property for not less than three years.

Jack Gaffey congratulated Council Members Bartram and Crimmins on their re-election and thanked the Town staff and the Kensington Historical Society for the 125th celebration; and suggested having two recycling containers at the train station.

Town Minutes

Sharon Scott questioned if a stop bump could be installed at the intersection of St. Paul and Oberon Street in front of St. Paul Park; and noted that signage on the windows and doors at the shopping center on Metropolitan Avenue should be reviewed.

Council Member Bartram stated that the Town may only install a speed hump that meets Montgomery County standards.

Julie O'Malley asked if the Town was planning on working with Chevy Chase View on accessibility issues to Kensington Cabin Park; and requested an update on the HOC parking lot situation.

Town Manager Daily stated that he discussed the situation with Chevy Chase View's manager and that the Town will be repairing the curb to allow for greater access to the park.

Mayor Furman stated that once HOC relocates, the parking lot will be returned to green space.

Ordinances, Resolutions, Regulations

Resolution No. R-10-2019 – A Resolution authorizing the installation of “Two Hour, 7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., M-F” signs along the northeast side of the 10300 block of Kensington Parkway, which would replace the existing “One Hour, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.” signs was presented. See Council Actions.

Council Member Bartram stated that the Traffic Committee recommended the change following a request by a local business owner and to allow for greater uniformity along the block.

Resolution No. R-11-2019 – A Resolution authorizing the extension of an existing contract with NZI Construction Corporation for resurfacing certain Town streets was presented. See Council Actions.

Town Manager Daily stated the Resolution was to extend the existing contract for an additional \$525,000 to continue the existing street resurfacing program. Mr. Daily also noted that there is a provision to provide for a price adjustment to reflect the increased price of asphalt under the State Highway Administration's Price Adjustment

for Asphalt Binder.

Council Actions

Council Member Rollins moved to approve the Town Meeting Minutes from May 13, 2019. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Rollins moved to approve Resolution No. R-10-2019 to authorize the Town Manager to install “Two Hour, 7:30 am – 5:30 pm, M-F” signs along the northeast side of the 10300 block of Kensington Parkway, adjacent to the post office, in lieu of the existing 1 hour parking signs. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Bartram moved to approve Resolution No. R-11-2019 to authorize the Town Manager to extend an existing contract with NZI Construction Corporation for resurfacing additional Town streets. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Hill-Zayat moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

June 19, 2019 Special Town Council Meeting

- Approved **Resolution No. R-12-2019** – A Resolution opposing the conditional use Application, CU 19-03, by Capital Holdings LLC to Construct a Self-Storage Facility at 10619 Connecticut Avenue, and any related Zoning and Land Use Authorizations, and to authorize the Mayor and Town Manager to issue a letter on behalf of the Town to that effect, to appear at any Planning Board and /or Hearing Examiner Hearing to represent the Town's position, and to take other actions necessary to fully represent the Town's position.

Town Meeting 6:35 p.m.

Mayor Furman; Council Members Bartram, Crimmins, and Rollins; Assistant Town Manager Hoffman; and Clerk-Treasurer Engels were present. Council Member Hill-Zayat and Town Manager Daily were necessarily absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and a moment of silence was observed.

Town Minutes

Ordinances, Resolutions, Regulations

Resolution No. R-12-2019 – A Resolution opposing the conditional use Application, CU 19-03, by Capital Holdings LLC to Construct a Self-Storage Facility at 10619 Connecticut Avenue, and any related Zoning and Land Use Authorizations, and to authorize the Mayor and Town Manager to issue a letter on behalf of the Town to that effect, to appear at any Planning Board and/or Hearing Examiner Hearing to represent the Town's position, and to take other actions necessary to fully represent the Town's position was presented.

Mayor Furman stated that the Resolution was necessary to confirm the Town's opposition to the proposed conditional use at 10619 Connecticut Avenue, and that the Resolution will be included within the County Planning staff's report for the July 18th meeting.

The Council discussed the importance of adopting the Resolution to oppose the conditional use application before the Planning Commission; and also concurred to remove "in substantially the form attached" from the corresponding draft letter, which will be sent to the Hearing Examiner once the Council reviews the final draft.

Council Actions

Council Member Crimmins moved to approve Resolution No. R-12-2019 - A Resolution opposing the conditional use application, CU 19-03, by Capital Holdings LLC to Construct a Self-Storage Facility at 10619 Connecticut Avenue, and any related Zoning and Land Use Authorizations, and to authorize the Mayor and Town Manager to issue a letter on behalf of the Town to that effect, to appear at any Planning Board and /or Hearing Examiner Hearing to represent the Town's position, and to take other actions necessary to fully represent the Town's position as amended by removing "in substantially the form attached" from the corresponding draft letter. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Bartram moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

July 8, 2019 Town Council Meeting

- Approved the Town Meeting Minutes from June 10, 2019 and the Special Town Meeting Minutes from June 19, 2019.
- Held a Public Hearing on **Ordinance No. O-03-2019** – An Ordinance Amending Chapter VI, Article 1, "Signs and Solicitors", Sections 6-101, "Signs"; 6-102, "Town Sign Permit Required"; 6-103, "Signs in the Public Right of Way"; 6-104 "Signs on Private Property – CRT, CRN and Industrial Zones"; and 6-106, "Enforcement and Penalties" to identify the types of signs that are authorized and are required to be permitted; expand the prohibition on pole signs; to regulate limited duration signs on private property; to clarify that all illuminated signs are regulated in the same manner and to make conforming changes. The Public Record will remain open until 4:00 pm on Friday, August 9, 2019.
- Approved **Resolution No. R-13-2019** – A Resolution of the Mayor and Town Council extending a contract with Maier Warner Public Relations, LLC, to serve as Marketing and Public Relations representatives for the Town.
- Approved **Resolution No. R-14-2019** – A Resolution of the Mayor and Town Council authorizing the Town Manager to execute a road transfer agreement with Montgomery County to transfer responsibility of certain roads through Annexation Resolution No. AR-01-2018 and the accompanying storm drain facilities.
- Approved **Resolution No. R-15-2019** – A Resolution of the Mayor and Town Council to approve an Easement Agreement with SHI-III Solera Kensington Owner, LLC, owner of 10540 Metropolitan Avenue, for use and maintenance of land adjacent to the St. Paul Street right-of-way on the part of the Town, and for maintenance of sidewalk in the public right-of-way by SHI-III Solera Kensington Owner, LLC.
- Tabled **Resolution No. R-16-2019** – A Resolution of the Mayor and Town Council to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Konterra Limited Partnership for the use of the property located at 10450 Metropolitan

Town Minutes

Avenue as a dog park, in substantially the form attached, subject to review and approval of the Town Attorney, and to authorize the purchase and installation of a fence from Capital Fence for the purpose of enclosing the dog park.

Town Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Furman; Council Members Bartram, Crimmins, and Rollins; Town Manager Daily; Assistant Town Manager Hoffman; and Clerk-Treasurer Engels were present. Council Member Hill-Zayat was necessarily absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and a moment of silence was observed for Betty Ball, who recently passed away.

The Town Meeting Minutes from June 10, 2019 were reviewed and approved following the correction to delete the reference of the incorrect date for the Traffic Committee meeting. See Council Actions.

The Special Town Meeting Minutes from June 19, 2019 were reviewed and approved. See Council Actions.

From the Mayor and Council

Mayor Furman acknowledged the re-appointment of Jeff Capron, Leslie Olson, and Kerry Thompson to the Audit Committee.

Council Member Crimmins reported that the Development Review Board met on June 19th with the developers of Lauraner Knowles Estate at Knowles Station, a proposed 12-unit residential townhome project. Due to the pending one-year moratorium on certain residential projects within the Walter Johnson school cluster, the Planning Board deferred the project for future consideration once the moratorium has been lifted.

Council Member Crimmins reported that he and Town Manager Daily met with State Highway Administration (SHA) and Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) in a meeting Delegate Carr arranged to review adding a 'jumper lane' for buses on Knowles Avenue. The proposal would add a fourth lane eastbound along Knowles Avenue, which would serve as a que lane for buses only, when turning northbound on Connecticut Avenue. SHA and MCDOT determined that the proposal was not feasible due to the limited amount of right-of-way. The

meeting also provided an opportunity to discuss the importance of the proposed Summit Avenue Extension project; confirming that the temporary flex-posts and quick curb would be installed later this summer on Farragut Avenue; confirming that MCDOT will remove the second travel lane along Summit Avenue and return it to a parking lane between Prospect Street and Brookfield Road; and discuss the possible reconfiguration of the straight lane on westbound Plyers Mill Road to a left-turning and straight lane.

From the Town Manager and Staff

Town Manager Daily stated that he is working with Safeway's management to confirm their delivery times in an effort to close Armory Avenue during Food Truck Nights.

Council Member Crimmins also suggested positioning the food trucks to help with pedestrian safety.

Council Member Rollins noted that the sidewalk on Plyers Mill Road needed to be repaired.

Town Manager Daily stated that he will advise NZI to repair the section of sidewalk.

Mayor Furman asked Town Manager Daily to determine the reason for the metal pipe protruding out of the sidewalk in front of Car Wash Coffee.

Council Member Rollins stated that the recycling collection at the train station had improved and asked if additional containers would be added.

Council Member Crimmins noted the recent and successful Cycling in the Circle and Bike Parade events; and also thanked Katherine Wood, Friends of Warner Circle, and Mark Hudson for their efforts.

Public Appearances

Lori Simmons stated that she appreciated the new sidewalk along Frederick Avenue, but was still concerned with the amount of water channeling down the foundation on the bridge; and also noted impediments along Howard Avenue sidewalks for pedestrians.

Town Manager Daily stated that NZI will be repairing the wooden fence along the Frederick Avenue bridge and confirmed that each of the Town's bridges are inspected by Montgomery

Town Minutes

County through periodic inspections.

Joe Campbell stated that he was unable to attend the previous meeting when the NZI contract extension was approved, and noted his concerns towards their lack of responsiveness to residents and care towards the environment; stated that contracts lasting several years are an invitation to corruption; and noted that continuing this violates the spirit of the Town Code.

Ordinances, Resolutions, Regulations

Resolution No. R-15-2019 – A Resolution of the Mayor and Town Council to approve an Easement Agreement with SHI-III Solera Kensington Owner, LLC, owner of 10540 Metropolitan Avenue, for use and maintenance of land adjacent to the St. Paul Street right-of-way on the part of the Town, and for maintenance of sidewalk in the public right-of-way by SHI-III Solera Kensington Owner, LLC was presented. See Council Actions.

Juan Cameron, McCaffery Interests, stated the agreement would formalize the easement that exists between the Town, Ayoub Carpet, and Solera to provide egress and ingress along St. Paul Street.

Ordinance No. O-03-2019 – A Public Hearing was held to amend Chapter VI, Article 1, “Signs and Solicitors”, Sections 6-101, “Signs”; 6-102, “Town Sign Permit Required”; 6-103, “Signs in the Public Right of Way”; 6-104 “Signs on Private Property – CRT, CRN and Industrial Zones”; and 6-106, “Enforcement and Penalties” to identify the types of signs that are authorized and are required to be permitted; expand the prohibition on pole signs; to regulate limited duration signs on private property; to clarify that all illuminated signs are regulated in the same manner and to make conforming changes. The Public Record will remain open until 4:00 pm on Friday, August 9, 2019. See Council Actions.

David Meit, Oculus Realty, spoke against the proposed Ordinance, which would require the Kensington Shopping Center to remove their pylon sign within five years. Mr. Meit noted that this regulation would be a hardship for their tenants and proposed that the existing pylon sign be re-faced with individual channel letters, reducing the illumination, in return for allowing the pylon to

remain for 20 years.

John Blick spoke in opposition to the proposed Ordinance with regards to the restrictions on limited duration signs. Mr. Blick noted the difficulty for brokers to lease commercial spaces and stated that the proposed limited duration restrictions would prevent him from advertising vacant space for lease.

Resolution No. R-13-2019 – A Resolution of the Mayor and Town Council extending a contract with Maier Warner Public Relations, LLC, to serve as Marketing and Public Relations representatives for the Town was presented. See Council Actions.

Joe Campbell questioned the marketing extras and whether the contract was less than previous years; suggested exploring social media outlets besides Facebook, such as Instagram or Twitter; and questioned the website hosting fee of \$3,500.

Mayor Furman and Town Manager Daily stated that the scope of work had been amended from previous years, as the Town’s new communications and marketing specialist, Kariann, was able to complete many of the promotional materials.

Council Member Crimmins stated that Facebook has been an effective social media tool for marketing the Town and noted that the hosting fee includes securing the ExploreKensington.com website.

Resolution No. R-14-2019 – A Resolution of the Mayor and Town Council authorizing the Town Manager to execute a road transfer agreement with Montgomery County to transfer responsibility of certain roads through Annexation Resolution No. AR-01-2018 and the accompanying storm drain facilities was presented. See Council Actions.

Town Manager Daily stated that the Resolution authorized the road transfer agreement to be executed, subject to approval by the Town Attorney, and includes responsibility of the storm drains. Mr. Daily also noted that the storm drains were filmed and showed no intrusions and were reported to be in good condition and should last 100 years.

Council Member Rollins stated that he was still concerned that the Town was taking on responsibility for a storm drain that may need to

Town Minutes

be replaced in 40 years.

Town Manager Daily stated that the Town already has the responsibility of the storm drain system south of Perry Avenue, and the annexation added two blocks of responsibility; and noted that new technology allows the lining of pipes instead of a full replacement if the pipes incur future failures.

Resolution No. R-16-2019 – A Resolution of the Mayor and Town Council to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Konterra Limited Partnership for the use of the property located at 10450 Metropolitan Avenue as a dog park, in substantially the form attached, subject to review and approval of the Town Attorney, and to authorize the purchase and installation of a fence from Capital Fence for the purpose of enclosing the dog park was presented. See Council Actions.

Council Member Rollins suggested the fence contract include the cost of a delay and the depth of the footings be changed to 48 inches along with the necessary width to support the fence and gate.

Council Member Bartram questioned the length of fencing, which was a different length in the easement memorandum.

The Resolution was tabled until the next Town Meeting, August 12th, as the MOU had not yet been reviewed by Konterra Limited Partnership.

Joe Campbell stated he was very pleased bids were sought for the fencing which should be a precedent; and questioned who will be maintaining the dog park.

Mayor Furman stated the crew will be responsible for any areas that need mowing, trash removal, dog station bags, and an ad hoc committee of volunteers will help maintain the park.

Council Actions

Council Member Crimmins moved to approve the Town Meeting Minutes from June 10, 2019 as amended with omission of reference to the incorrect Traffic Committee date. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Rollins moved to approve the Special Town Meeting Minutes from June 19, 2019. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Bartram moved to approve Resolution No. R-15-2019 to approve an Easement Agreement with SHI-III Solera Kensington Owner, LLC, owner of 10540 Metropolitan Avenue, for use and maintenance of land adjacent to the St. Paul Street right-of-way on the part of the Town, and for maintenance of sidewalk in the public right-of-way by SHI-III Solera Kensington Owner, LLC. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Crimmins moved to close the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. O-03-2019 Amending Chapter VI, "Article 1, "Signs and Solicitors", Sections 6-101, "Signs"; 6-102, "Town Sign Permit Required"; 6-103, "Signs in the Public Right of Way"; 6-104 "Signs on Private Property – CRT, CRN and Industrial Zones"; and 6-106, "Enforcement and Penalties" to identify the types of signs that are authorized and are required to be permitted; expand the prohibition on pole signs; to regulate limited duration signs on private property; to clarify that all illuminated signs are regulated in the same manner and to make conforming changes and hold the record open until 4:00 pm on Friday, August 9, 2019. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Crimmins moved to approve Resolution R-13-2019 extending a contract with Maier Warner Public Relations, LLC, to serve as Marketing and Public Relations representatives for the Town as amended deleting reference in the contract to attending revitalization committee meetings. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Bartram moved to approve Resolution R-14-2019 authorizing the Town Manager to execute a road transfer agreement with Montgomery County to transfer responsibility of certain roads through Annexation Resolution No. AR-01-2018 and the accompanying storm drain facilities. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Crimmins moved to table Resolution R-16-2019 until the August 12th meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Rollins moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Cycling in the Circle

Cycling in the Circle Sunday on June 30th at Warner Circle Park was a great success with over 100 families attending! Helped by the glorious weather we heard from parents and kids alike that it was a great day. Whether arriving on bike, scooter or foot there was a skill to learn, a ride to take, or a game to play, and a community spirit to savor.

See the day in photos from Montgomery County Parks and Photographer Tony Ventouris
[Flickr.com/photos/mc_parks_mncppc/albums/72157709345270387](https://www.flickr.com/photos/mc_parks_mncppc/albums/72157709345270387)

MCDOT Traffic Gardens

You had to ride the traffic garden to fully appreciate the amazing work of Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT). Cyclists navigated intersections, stop signs, yields, pedestrian and railway crossings, construction sites and roundabouts, all to scale. MCDOT also developed our very own Kensington bike map showing the low stress routes for cycling around town and that connect to our area parks. It's a great way to check routes around town. Extra copies are available at town hall.



Montgomery County Parks Pump Track

Montgomery County Parks pulled out all the stops to provide us with their pop-up pump track for the event. They also sent us eight BMX bikes of different sizes and bike helmets so that no one was excluded from giving it a try. The 'rolling' style needed for a BMX track defeated plenty of the adults and it was the skilled younger set that mastered this cycling challenge. Everyone was very courteous taking turns and sharing the track regardless of age or ability.



Cycling in the Circle

Volunteers

Timed to prepare for the Kensington 4th of July bike parade Noyes Children's Library Foundation and The Ditto Group generously provided a team of volunteers and decorations for bikes.



Bimodal Solutions Bike Safety

The event provided a special opportunity for kids to learn important elements of bike safety with the Bimodal Solutions skills clinic. We were delighted to have small clinics throughout the event with kids getting one-on-one help mastering the basics.

Bike Adjustments

District Cycle Works specialize in expert and personalized service, bicycle builds and experienced consultation of all bicycle-related matters. They performed bike checks on-site and organized a ride for DC riders to discover Kensington for the day. Bike Hub of Rockville was also on hand to provide on-site adjustments and bike assessments by their qualified technicians.



Police Biking Unit

Edie Mann and Eric Baca of the Maryland-National Capital Park Police Biking Unit demonstrated their amazing cycling skills on the pump track guiding cyclists around the slow ride course, and awarding new bike bells to participants. Cycling in the Circle was a great way for kids to meet our wonderful Park Police under fun circumstances. No traffic citations were issued!



Thanks to our partner the Town of Kensington, to Mayor Furman and the town staff for their hard work, and to all our sponsors for helping make the inaugural Cycling in the Circle such a great success! And thanks to Tony Ventouris for the wonderful photos.

Katherine Wood
Friends of Warner Circle

2020 Town Directory

We are in the process of updating the Town of Kensington directory that connects you to your neighbors and community. Once complete, a new directory will be mailed to every town resident.

If you are new in town, or your information has changed since the last directory, please email your information to Kariann.Zentz@tok.md.gov.

If you know a new neighbor please share this information with them.

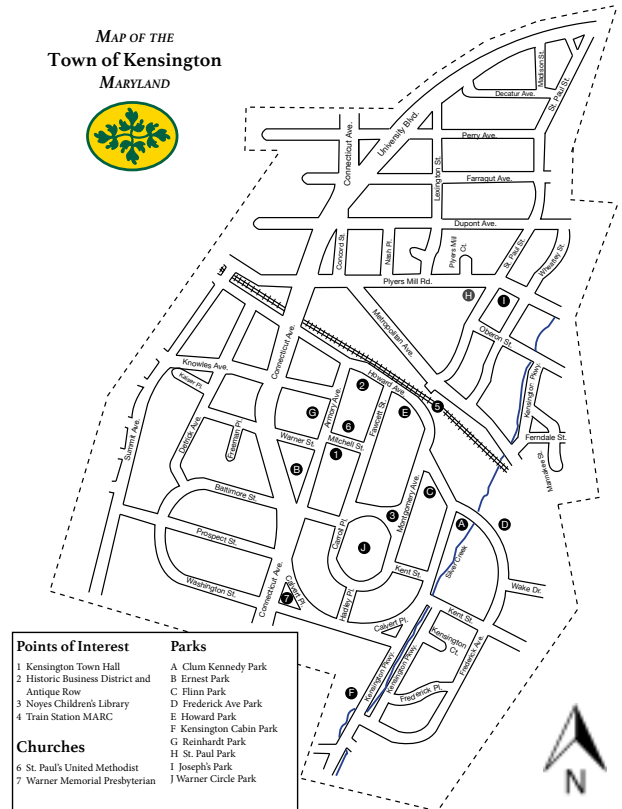
Please include:

**Full Adult Name(s) • Full Street Address
Phone(s) • Email(s)**

Please indicate if you don't want your phone and/or email in the directory.

**Town of Kensington residents are
within the boundary lines of this map.**

MAP OF THE
Town of Kensington
MARYLAND



Points of Interest	Parks
1 Kensington Town Hall	A Chum Kennedy Park
2 Historic Business District and Antique Row	B Ernest Park
3 Noyes Children's Library	C Flinn Park
4 Train Station MARC	D Frederick Ave Park
	E Howard Park
	F Kensington Cabin Park
	G Reinhardt Park
	H St. Paul Park
	I Joseph's Park
	J Warner Circle Park

Churches
6 St. Paul's United Methodist
7 Warner Memorial Presbyterian



A Farm to Fork Restaurant & Cocktail Bar

"Drams" of Whiskey * Creative Cocktails * Local Tap Beer * International Wine Program



Join the **Kensington Wine Club!**

kwc@thedishanddrum.com

Happy Hour & Bar Bites at the Cocktail Bar: Tuesday to Friday 3p to 6:30p, Sat 11:30a to 6:30p
Tuesday to Saturday: lunch and dinner, 11:30a to 9/9:30p (ish)
Sunday Brunch 10a to 3p

We cater! In your home, office or favorite event space
Our Absinthe Room is available for private events
Rent the whole restaurant Sundays & Mondays

The Washington Post calls us a "Model Neighborhood Restaurant" with
"one of the best cheeseburgers in the DMV for under \$15."

10301 Kensington Parkway, Kensington, MD * 301/962-4046 * www.thedishanddrum.com * Twitter/Instagram/Facebook @TheDishandDram

Sip * Savor * Social

Development Review Process Workshop

Montgomery Planning Design and Development Review Process Workshop

Saturday, September 14, 2019 • 9:00 am – 12:30pm

St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 10401 Armory Avenue

Enter at the ramp on Mitchell Street across from Town Hall

The Town of Kensington grew out of a vision for a livable and walkable community, a vision still shared by those who live and work here. Learn about how recommendations from the 2012 approved and adopted Kensington Sector Plan are being implemented now and what is on the horizon. **Your participation in this workshop** and process will help each of us to become more effective toward producing more positive outcomes for the local community.



Kensington Garden Shop
by Eleanor Tanno

Workshop Goals

- Understanding of Montgomery Planning's process from development and design review to approval
- Understand interagency coordination and the Town's role in the review process
- Learn how the Zoning Ordinance and other regulations, guidelines, and the Sector Plan influence development proposals
- Learn how and when to effectively work with the Planning Department and Developers throughout the review process to resolve issues



Kensington Market
by Susan Brown

Presenters

Montgomery Planning Staff; Town of Kensington

Target Audience

TOK residents and business owners; Kensington area Civic Association representatives



RSVP by Thursday, September 12

Mayor.Tracey@tok.md.gov

Refreshments will be provided



Kensington Listserv & FB

The Kensington community hosts a listserv where neighbors can share information and exchange ideas. This is purely a neighborhood connection and is not affiliated with the Town of Kensington Government. Below are the steps to join. If you have any questions please contact Darin Bartram at drb3515@gmail.com. Please feel free to share this with anyone who is new to town and who may not already be a member.

There are two steps to join the (unofficial, Yahoo-based) listserv.

1. Send a blank email (from the email account they would like subscribed) to kensingtown-subscribe@yahoogroups.com/
2. They will receive an auto-generated email asking for the name and address, to confirm they live in town. If they don't receive that email (checking spam folders first), they can contact me for help.

In addition, there is a Facebook group, which they can ask to join as well. Again, they will be asked for their address to confirm residency within the town. [Facebook.com/groups/kensingtown/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/kensingtown/)

Just FYI, the listserv and Facebook group membership is open to current and former TOK residents, residents of Ken-Gar, and local elected representatives who would like to stay up to date on issues in the Town.

To join the official TOK email notice list, there is a link at the bottom of TOK.MD.GOV



The Kensington
Connection



MAYOR

Tracey Furman
Mayor.Tracey@tok.md.gov

COUNCIL

Darin Bartram
(Mayor Pro-Tem)
Conor Crimmins
Bridget Hill-Zayat
Duane Rollins
Mayor.Council@Tok.md.gov



TOWN STAFF & CREW

Sanford W. Daily, Town Manager
SWDaily@tok.md.gov
Matt Hoffman, Asst. Town Manager
MJHoffman@tok.md.gov
Susan Engels, Clerk - Treasurer
Susan.Engels@tok.md.gov
Shirley Watson, Facility Manager/Events
Shirley.Watson@tok.md.gov
Kariann Zentz, Communications & Marketing Specialist
Kariann.Zentz@tok.md.gov
Annie Thoopsamoot, Code Enforcement
Code@tok.md.gov
Jason Swain, Joe Natali, and Pablo Oliva, Public Works
Jamie Simms, Facility Maintenance

Kensington Murals

Murals are appearing on walls, fences and streets throughout our country. Originally tagged as graffiti, this beautiful and thought provoking street art can be found from Philadelphia to Baltimore, Atlanta to Portland and even in Kensington!

In October 2017 Kensington's first major mural was produced by Matt Corrado and Meaghan McNamara to celebrate the local community's history. This 75-by-28 foot mural is located on Howard Avenue on the wall of the M&T Bank.



Plans for additional Kensington murals are in process, but Mayor Furman spotted the flowers below that blossomed this spring. Where is this Kensington Mural? The first person to email Kariann.Zentz@tok.md.gov with the address and closest merchant, will receive a \$5 gift certificate from that establishment. Voting closes on Friday, August 23, 2019. We'll solve the mystery in the next journal.



Where is this Kensington Mural?

Community Resources

O'CONNOR

PLUMBING

Serving the Greater Washington Area since 1949

- Up Front Pricing
- Lifetime Parts Warranty
- 24-Hour Emergency Service
- Full Service Plumber
- Available When You Need Us
- Our Pricing Fits Your Budget

www.oconnorplumbing.net

1-833-RIGG044



**Neighbor To
Neighbor
Living Well,
Aging Better**

For details, more events, and general info, check our website!

VillagesofKensington.org

301-509-0191

Featured Artist



Thanks to Vicky Surles for the use of her art for the journal. "Making a Joyful Noyes" is a color pencil drawing of the Kensington Labor Day Parade passing Noyes Library. Townspeople eagerly wait at this location with their lawn chairs and blankets for the parade to arrive.

You can find more of Vicky's art at Gallery209art.com/vicky-surles



**Proud To Serve
The Town of Kensington**

MARK HUDSON | Licensed in DC & MD
301.641.6266 | MHudson@mceneaney.com
MarkHudsonGroup.com

McEneaney Associates Realtors®
3804 Howard Ave, Kensington, MD 20895
301.979.7270 | McEneaney.com



Artwork by Vicky Surles

And proud to have lead
the Fountain Committee
for this wonderful
addition to Kensington.

Community Resources

The KTown Ladies Guild aims to improve the lives of Kensington residents through social interaction, neighborhood sharing and community support.



New Neighbor Welcome Baskets are filled with gift cards and coupons for local services, along with helpful information about the town.

Wine Down Wednesdays for You to discover everything that Kensington has to offer.

Wine Down Wednesdays For Your Business to showcase your products and services, and attract new clientele.

If you are interested in donating to the welcome basket or hosting/attending Wine Down Wednesdays, email Angelika Stablow at info.ktownladies@gmail.com.

[Facebook.com/KTownLadiesGuild](https://www.facebook.com/KTownLadiesGuild)



CONTACT US TODAY
ERIK@EGSELECTRIC.COM

TITAN RESTORATION CO.
www.titanrestoration.com
info@titanrestoration.com
540-349-1503

Exterior Restoration Specialists

Serving Northern Virginia, Maryland, and DC since 2002

Titan Restoration Company is your single source provider of professional exterior building restoration, preservation, repair, and maintenance services for commercial, multi-unit residential, and historical properties!

Our Services Include:
Tuck Pointing — Masonry Restoration — Concrete Repair
Waterproofing: Foundation to Roof — Balcony Repair & Coating
Exterior Cleaning & Sealing — Exterior Caulking & Glazing
Protective Coatings — Leak Investigation & Repair
Parking Structure Repairs & Maintenance
Roof Repair, Replacement, & Maintenance

★ **Titan is Hiring:** ★
Laborers/Apprentices, Skilled Masonry Mechanics, Roofers, & Foremen
JOIN TEAM TITAN TODAY
www.titanrestoration.com/jobs
Call: 540-349-1503 or Para Espanol: 571-762-3266
6683 Merchant Place, Suite 200, Warrenton, VA 20187



Paul C Sexton, AAMS®
Edward Jones Financial Advisor
EdwardJones.com

10401 Connecticut Ave
Suite 105
Kensington, MD 20895
301-933-6753

Paul.Sexton@edwardjones.com

Branch Team

Julie Bishop
Sr. Branch Office Administrator

**Why not get a review?
I am happy to come to you.**

Upcoming Events

Kensington Historical Society's Summer Concert Series

Saturdays from 10-11am
June through September
Howard Avenue Park



KensingtonHistory.org

- Aug 17 Spencer J
- Aug 24 Peace Run
- Aug 31 GP Jams
- Sept 7 Esther Haynes & Keith Grimes
- Sept 14 Ruthie Logsdon
- Sept 21 Silver Creek
- Sept 28 SmithJackson



3rd Annual Vintage Car Show
Saturday, Aug 18 • 11:30am - 2:30pm

Summer Concert in the Park
Sunday, Aug 25 • 6:30-7:30pm

Movie in the Park - Sandlot
Friday, Sept 6 - 7:30-10pm

KensingtonParkSeniorLiving.com

KENSINGTON VOLUNTEER
FIRE DEPARTMENT

FIRST ANNUAL SUMMER COOKOUT

August 24th 12 - 3PM

KVFD STATION 5
10620 CONNECTICUT AVE., KENSINGTON, MD
301-929-8000

Hot dogs, hamburgers, BBQ chicken, and sides.

Have your picture taken with a firefighter

Kids can participate in Fire and EMS training.

Suggested Donation

\$10 FOR ADULTS

\$5 FOR KIDS under 12

Proceeds benefit KVFD's apparatus and gear funds



Make Way For Kensington's 52nd Annual Labor Day Parade and Festival

**Monday
2
September**

Parade 10am
Enjoy marching bands, equestrian show groups, dance groups, floats and ambassadors. The parade starts at St. Paul Park and ends at the grandstand next to Noyes Children's Library.

Festival 9am-2pm
As the parade moves through town, Armory Avenue comes alive with food trucks, vendors and activities. Additionally, Olney Winery, Knowles Station Wine & Co. and 7 Locks Brewing will have beer & wine for purchase.

This event is held rain or shine.

We would like to thank our generous Labor Day Parade and Festival Sponsors

Platinum Sponsor Gold Sponsors Silver Sponsors Bronze Sponsors



2019 Paint The Town Art Show

Sponsored by
Montgomery Art Association and the Town of Kensington

LABOR DAY WEEKEND

Saturday, August 31 – Monday, September 2

Saturday and Sunday, 11:00 am – 5:00 pm
Reception: Saturday, 6:00 – 8:00 pm
Monday, 9:30 am – 5:30 pm



Judged for Awards by Glen Kessler
at the Kensington Town Hall / Armory
3710 Mitchell Street, Kensington, MD 20895



MontgomeryArt.org

Free to the Public!

Upcoming Events

Kensington FOOD TRUCK NIGHT!

Thursdays, Sept 5 & 19

Enjoy dinner each 1st and 3rd Thursday through October when food trucks gather on Armory Avenue.



Sponsored by KBDA

[Facebook.com/KtownFoodTruckNight](https://www.facebook.com/KtownFoodTruckNight)



Kensington Train Show

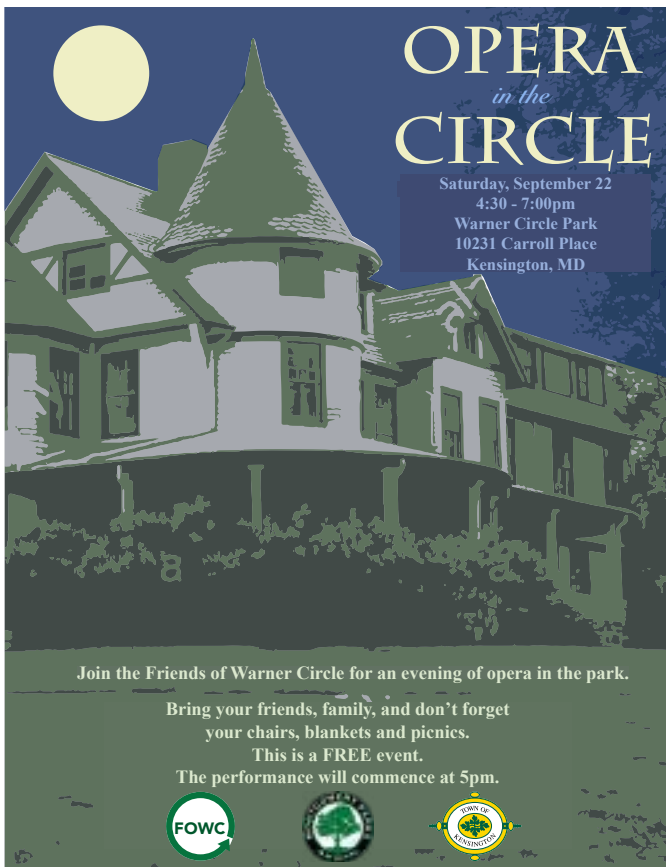
September 7 & 8

11am-5pm

Kensington Town Hall

Adults \$7; Children \$2; \$15 max for a family


KensingtonTrainShow.com



OPERA
in the
CIRCLE

Saturday, September 22
4:30 - 7:00pm
Warner Circle Park
10231 Carroll Place
Kensington, MD

Join the Friends of Warner Circle for an evening of opera in the park.
Bring your friends, family, and don't forget your chairs, blankets and picnics.
This is a FREE event.
The performance will commence at 5pm.



Saturday, September 21

8K Race, 2 Mile Challenge, 1K Fun Run
Benefits Kensington Parkwood, North Bethesda,
Silver Creek & Walter Johnson Schools
Sign-Up or Volunteer Kensington8k.org
A Town of Kensington Event

KENSINGTON



FARMERS' MARKET

Explore
KENSINGTON

ExploreKensington.com

Shopping, dining and events around town.

Featured Vendor!!

Orchard Breeze Farm brings high quality pasture raised 100% certified Berkshire pork, chicken, lamb, beef, eggs and turkey to the farmers market.

Orchard Breeze **FARM**

OPEN YEAR ROUND!

Every Saturday 9am-1pm
Howard Avenue Train Station
Kensington, MD

ExploreKensington.com/farmers-market

Kensington Around Town August/September 2019



3710 Mitchell Street Office: 301.949.2424
Kensington, MD 20895 www.tok.md.gov

To: