Mayor Tracey Furman

Council Member Darin Bartram Council Member Bridget Hill-Zayat



Council Member Conor Crimmins Council Member Duane Rollins

Released: March 6, 2020

Monday, March 9, 2020 Town Council Meeting, 7:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Town Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2020

FROM THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL

- 1. <u>Development Review Board (DRB):</u>
 - a. The Residences at Knowles Station Phase I (4000 Knowles Avenue) Discussion by the Council to provide a letter of support to County Planning for the proposed 6-unit Townhome project for the property located at 4000 Knowles Avenue. (*Brault*)
- 2. <u>Town Composting Update:</u>
 - a. Update on the Town's discussion with Compost Crew. (Crimmins)
- 3. Kensington Dog Run:
 - a. Update from the Kensington Dog Run ad-hoc committee. (Chertow)

FROM THE TOWN MANAGER AND STAFF

- 1. **Ethics Commission** Acknowledge that the Ethics Commission met on March 5, 2020 to accept and review the annual Financial Disclosure forms.
- 2. Town Manager Update from the Town Manager on Town business.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES

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

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND REGULATIONS

Town of Kensington 3710 Mitchell Street Kensington, MD 20895 Phone 301.949.2424 Fax 301.949.4925 www.tok.md.gov (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-01-2020 (Public Hearing) Public Hearing for an Ordinance of the Mayor and Town Council Amending Chapter VI, Article I, "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.
 - a. Ordinance No. O-01-2020 is a re-introduction of Ordinance No. O-03-2019 following revisions by the Town Council.
- Ordinance No. O-02-2020 (Introduction) An Ordinance of the Mayor and Town Council Introducing the Fiscal Year 2020-21 (FY21) Budget. The Public Hearing will be scheduled for Monday, April 13, 2020.
- 3. **Resolution No. R-02-2020** A Resolution of the Kensington Town Council to Confirm the Mayor's Appointments to the Board of Supervisors of Elections.
- 4. **Resolution No. R-03-2020** A Resolution of the Kensington Town Council to Confirm the Mayor's Appointments to the Town's Ethics Commission.

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, April 13, 2020, 7:00 pm SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON AMENDING CHAPTER VI, ARTICLE I, "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 IDENTIFYTHE TYPES OF SIGNS THAT ARE AUTHORIZED AND ARE REQUIRED TO BE PERMITTED, EXPAND THE PROHIBITION ON POLE REGULATE LIMITED DURATION SIGN ON PRIVATE SIGNS, TO PROPERTY, TO CLARIFY THAT ALL ILLUMINATED SIGNS ARE REGULATED IN THE SAME MANNER AND TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

WHEREAS, pursuant to §5-201 et seq. of the Local Government Article, Annotated Code

of Maryland, the Town of Kensington (hereinafter, the "Town") has the power to pass such ordinances as it deems necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the municipality and to prevent and remove nuisances; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Land Use Article, Annotated Code of Maryland the Town is authorized to adopt additional or stricter commercial sign regulations than are otherwise imposed by the State, the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission, or Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have determined that it is in the public interest and will promote the preservation, improvement and redevelopment of the Town's commercial areas to adopt certain sign regulations; and

- : Indicate matter deleted from law.
- : Indicate matter remaining unchanged in existing law but not set forth in Ordinance.

[:] Indicate matter added to existing law.

[:]Indicate matter added in amendment

[:] Indicate matter deleted in amendment

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have determined that clarification with respect to A-

frame and sandwich signs requirements, permitting requirements, and signs in the right of way, a reduction in the landscape requirement and a revision of the length of time that a limited duration sign may be posted in the right of way are appropriate and in the public interest.

Section 1. NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, by the Mayor

and Council of the Town of Kensington, Maryland that Chapter 6, "Signs" Article 1 "Signs and

Solicitors", Section 6-101 "Signs" of the Code of the Town of Kensington be, and is hereby, repealed

and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

Section 6-101. Signs

(a) The Town shall have the power to enforce, and incorporates by reference herein as if fully set forth, the provisions of Chapter 59, Article 59-6, Division 6.7 of the Montgomery County Code, as amended, entitled "Signs", except as otherwise provided herein. This Article is an exception to the general exemption from County law contained in Section 1-202 of this Code.

(b) The purpose of Sections 6-101 through 6-106 of this Article is to regulate the location, size, placement and certain features of signs placed in the public right of way, and in commercial and industrial zoned properties. These regulations do not apply to signs in a residential zone, unless specifically stated. These regulations are intended to protect the public health, safety, comfort and welfare, to enable the public to locate goods, services and facilities without difficulty, danger or confusion, to prevent hazards to life and property, and to preserve and strengthen the character of the town and to protect property values.

(c) The following sections contain additional requirements that supplement portions of Chapter 59, Article 59-6, Division 6.7, of the Montgomery County Code and, in cases of conflict, shall supersede and take precedence over Chapter 59, Article 59-6, Division6.7, of the Montgomery County Code.

(D) ONLY SIGNS DEFINED AS PERMANENT OR LIMITED DURATION SIGNS ARE AUTHORIZED. TEMPORARY SIGNS ARE PROHIBITED. PERMANENT SIGNS ARE DEFINED AS A SIGN, REQUIRING A PERMIT FROM MONTGOMERY COUNTY, THAT IS CONSTRUCTED IN A MANNER AND OF MATERIALS THAT WILL WITHSTAND LONG-TERM DISPLAY AND IS INTENDED TO BE DISPLAYED FOR AN INDEFINITE PERIOD OF TIME. A LIMITED DURATION SIGN IS DEFINED AS A NON-PERMANENT SIGN THAT IS:

(1) DISPLAYED ON PRIVATE PROPERTY, AND IS CONSTRUCTED IN A MANNER AND OF MATERIALS THAT WILL NOT WITHSTAND LONG-TERM DISPLAY, AND/OR IS NOT INTENDED TO BE DISPLAYED FOR AN INDEFINITE PERIOD; OR

(2) WITHIN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY.

Section 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Mayor and Council of the

Town of Kensington that, Chapter 6, "Signs and Commercial Regulations" Article 1 "Signs and

Solicitors", Section 6-102 "Town Sign Permit Required" of the Code of the Town of Kensington be,

and is hereby, repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

Section 6-102. Town Sign Permit Required – CRT, CRN and Industrial Zones (a) THE PERMITTING REQUIREMENTS OF THIS CHAPTER DO NOT EXEMPT ANY APPLICANT FROM OBTAINING PROPER PERMITS FROM MONTGOMERY COUNTY AS REQUIRED BY COUNTY LAW.

(b) It shall be unlawful to erect, construct, POST, MOUNT, locate, place or alter any permanent sign or part thereof, AND ANY LIMITED DURATION SIGN OR PART THEREOF [or any A frame type sign or sandwich type sign], without first obtaining a sign permit from the Town. A permit application, together with a copy of plans and specifications for the work and any required fee, shall be filed with the Town Manager or designee, who shall issue a permit in accordance with the provisions of the Town code. THE PERMIT SHALL INCLUDE DATE OF ISSUANCE. By application for a sign permit, the applicant and owner give consent to the Town Manager or designee to enter onto the property to inspect any activity encompassed in the permit as often and at such times as deemed necessary during the course of the activity to ensure compliance with this chapter and other applicable law. Applicants must provide the Town with any information deemed necessary to process the permit.

[(b) The permitting requirements of this Chapter do not exempt any applicant from obtaining proper permits from Montgomery County as required by County law.]

(c) Permit fees shall be set by resolution of the Council.

(d) The date of erection of any limited duration sign must be written in indelible ink on the lower right corner of the sign.

Section 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Mayor and Council of

the Town of Kensington that, Chapter 6, "Signs and Commercial Regulations" Article 1 "Signs and

Solicitors", Section 6-103 "Signs in the Public Right-of-Way" of the Code of the Town of Kensington

be, and is hereby, repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

Section 6-103. Signs in the Public Right-of-Way.

(a) Except as otherwise provided herein, it shall be unlawful to display or post any sign in a public right of way under the Town's jurisdiction.

(b) It [shall be] IS unlawful to attach any otherwise lawful sign to utility poles, trees, fences or other signs in the public right of way.

(c) It shall be lawful to post or mount limited duration signs in the public right of way from 10:00 a.m. on Friday through 5:00 p.m. the following Sunday. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS SECTION, IT IS PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES TO POST OR MOUNT ANY SIGN IN THE MEDIAN OF A PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY. Signs authorized by this Section may not be installed or removed in a manner that will cause damage to the right of way. Authorized signs may not block or obstruct any permanent signage, [nor may they obstruct] OR pedestrian or vehicular traffic or sightlines.

(d) Any otherwise lawful sign required by law or regulation, and signs used by a government agency or utility company erected by, or on the order of, a public officer or utility official in the performance of official duties, such as controlling traffic, identifying streets, warning of danger, or providing information, is exempt from this section.

(e) All signs posted in violation of this section shall be considered a nuisance and are removable without notice by a public or governmental official at any time thereafter, unless said signs have been authorized to remain by the town government.

Section 4. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Mayor and Council of the

Town of Kensington that, Chapter 6, "Signs and Commercial Regulations" Article 1 "Signs and

Solicitors", Section 6-104 "Signs on Private Property" of the Code of the Town of Kensington be,

and is hereby, repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

Section 6-104. Signs on Private Property – CRT, CRN and Industrial Zones

(a) Comprehensive Signage Plan Required – Before a permit may be issued under this Article for properties within the CRT, CRN and Industrial Zones, for properties occupied by more than one (1) business/tenant, a signage plan must be filed demonstrating that each sign for which a permit is requested is consistent and harmonious in terms of location, design, color, shape, size, style, material, and mounting with all other such signs on the property. Signs for individual businesses/tenants in a multi-tenanted building shall be placed only on the BUILDING LEVELS ACCESSIBLE ON THE EXTERIOR BY pedestrianS [levels of the building]. A signage plan for the entire property shall be submitted by the owner prior to the issuance of the first sign permit for the property and shall be updated to include all existing and proposed signs when any sign is installed, altered or replaced.

(b) Prohibited Signs - The following sign types are prohibited:

(1) Internally illuminated box signs with flat graphics and/or translucent face material are prohibited.

stores with greater than one hundred (100) parking places. Retail shopping centers [and grocery stores] will be allowed only one pole sign each; or] [(b)] located in the Kensington Historic District, when the Historic Preservation Commission has made a determination that the sign is an integral part of the environmental setting or is important to the historic character of the neighborhood. ONE POLE SIGN LOCATED AT A GROCERY STORE THAT WAS LAWFULLY EXISTING IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO FEBRUARY 1, 2020, BUT WHICH DOES NOT CONFORM TO THE REQUIREMENTS AS NOW CONSTITUTED OR AS THEY MAY HEREAFTER BE AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME. MAY REMAIN BUT SHALL BE REMOVED OR MODIFIED TO COME INTO COMPLIANCE WITH THIS ARTICLE WITHIN FIVE (5) YEARS FROM FEBRUARY 1, 2020. ONE POLE SIGN LOCATED AT A SHOPPING CENTER WITH GREATER THAN ONE HUNDRED (100) PARKING PLACES THAT WAS LAWFULLY EXISTING IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO FEBRUARY 1, 2020, BUT WHICH DOES NOT CONFORM TO THE REQUIREMENTS AS NOW CONSTITUTED OR AS THEY MAY HEREAFTER BE AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME MAY REMAIN, BUT SHALL BE REMOVED OR MODIFIED TO COME INTO COMPLIANCE WITH THIS ARTICLE WITHIN TWENTY (20) YEARS FROM FEBRUARY 1, 2020 OR SUCH TIME AS THE PROPERTY IS REDEVELOPED, WHICHEVER FIRST OCCURS.

(3) Internally illuminated signs (except as provided herein);

(4) Portable signs or flashing or scrolling signs.

(5) Illuminated signs in the R-60 Zone.

(6) [A-frame type signs or sandwich signs unless they meet the following conditions:

(a) Can only be utilized during the hours of operation, on the site where the business is located, and must be removed at the close of business each day;

(b) Cannot exceed six (6) square feet per side, regardless of how connected or viewed;

(c) Cannot be placed in the public right of way and must provide a clear unobstructed path for use by pedestrians to and from the establishment and must meet the Americans with Disabilities Act Requirements; and

(d) Must be constructed and anchored in a manner to achieve wind grade certification. Examples of acceptable A-frame signs are attached as Figure 1.

(e) Must be permitted by the Town as a limited duration sign.]

VEHICLES THAT ARE PRIMARILY USED AS AN APPARATUS OR SUPPORT FOR ADVERTISING, THAT ARE PARKED OR LOCATED ON PRIVATE PROPERTY IN SUCH A WAY AS TO BE VISIBLE FROM BEYOND THE PROPERTY LIMITS AND SERVE AS AN ADVERTISEMENT OF A BUSINESS LOCATED AT THE PROPERTY.

(c) <u>Ground freestanding signs</u> – Ground freestanding signs measuring less than six (6) feet in height and fifty (50) square feet in area, and including a landscaped area at the base of the sign measuring a minimum of one square foot for each square foot of sign area, are permitted. Only one ground freestanding sign shall be permitted per recorded lot. Once installed, landscaping must be properly maintained IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPROVED PLANS.

(d) <u>Illumination (External)</u> - Exterior sign illumination shall be discrete, uniform, and compatible with the architecture of the structure. The light source shall only illuminate the sign and shall not glare, reflect, or shine onto public ways, streets, park areas, or residential properties. Sign illumination must use an enclosed lamp design or indirect lighting from a shielded source in a manner that prevents glare from beyond the property line. The light source shall be shielded or controlled in a manner so that it does not generally shine above or beyond the sign. EXCEPT IN THE CRT AND CRN ZONE, On properties abutting, contiguous or confronting, or within 150 feet of, a residential property or use, all signage illumination light sources (including neon) must be turned off when the business is not open for public access or before 10:00 p.m. daily, whichever occurs first.

(e) Illumination (Internal) – Only internal, HALO, or backlit illumination signs composed of individually mounted channel letters, or in box signs with opaque face panels that utilize routed push-through or LED text or overlay translucent text material ARE PERMITTED. Individual letters shall be mounted directly to the building or on raceways or tracks attached to the building are permitted. INTERNAL SIGN ILLUMINATION SHALL BE DISCRETE, UNIFORM, AND COMPATIBLE WITH THE ARCHITECTURE OF THE STRUCTURE. THE LIGHT SOURCE SHALL ONLY ILLUMINATE THE SIGN AND SHALL NOT GLARE, REFLECT, OR SHINE ONTO PUBLIC WAYS, STREETS, PARK AREAS, OR RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES. SIGN ILLUMINATION MUST USE AN ENCLOSED LAMP DESIGN OR INDIRECT LIGHTING FROM A SHIELDED SOURCE IN A MANNER THAT PREVENTS GLARE FROM BEYOND THE PROPERTY LINE. THE LIGHT SOURCE SHALL BE SHIELDED OR CONTROLLED IN A MANNER SO THAT IT DOES NOT GENERALLY SHINE ABOVE OR BEYOND THE SIGN. EXCEPT IN THE CRT AND CRN ZONE, FOR PROPERTIES ABUTTING, CONTIGUOUS OR CONFRONTING, OR WITHIN 150 FEET OF, A RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY OR USE, ALL SIGNAGE ILLUMINATION LIGHT SOURCES (INCLUDING NEON) MUST BE TURNED OFF WHEN THE BUSINESS IS NOT OPEN FOR PUBLIC ACCESS OR BEFORE 10:00 P.M. DAILY, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST.

(F) COUNTY REGULATIONS WITH RESPECT TO INDIVIDUAL AND TOTAL SIGN AREA APPLY TO PERMANENT AND LIMITED DURATION SIGNS, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE SET OUT HEREIN. A LIMITED DURATION SIGN OR SIGNS THAT MEASURE OR EXCEED A TOTAL OF TEN (10) SQUARE FEET IN SIZE, OR ARE PLACED MORE THAN FIVE (5) FEET FROM THE FACE OF THE MAIN BUILDING, MAY BE PLACED ON PRIVATE PROPERTY FOR NOT MORE THAN SIXTY (60) DAYS IN ANY CALENDAR YEAR. NO TIME LIMIT APPLIES TO LIMITED DURATION SIGNS THAT MEASURE LESS THAN A TOTAL OF TEN (10) SQUARE FEET AND ARE LESS THAN FIVE (5) FEET FROM THE FACE OF THE MAIN BUILDING. ONE SIGN IS ALLOWED PER PERMIT, WITH A MAXIMUM OF FOUR PERMITS AT ANY ONE TIME. MULTIPLE LIMITED DURATION SIGNS THAT ARE SIMILAR MAY NOT BE USED TO ENLARGE THIS TIME LIMITATION. MULTIPLE SIGNS THAT ARE SIMILAR MAY NOT RECEIVE A PERMIT FOR THE SAME LOCATION. THE MAXIMUM SIGN AREA OF EACH SIGN IS FIFTY (50) SQUARE FEET WITH A MAXIMUM TOTAL SIGN AREA OF ONE HUNDRED (100) SQUARE FEET.

(f) (G) <u>Allowable Signage Calculations</u> – Signage calculations shall include exterior signage of all types including permitted neon signs. Symbols, letters and logos count towards total signage. Properties abutting or confronting residential property shall be limited to one (1) square foot of signage for each lineal foot of building frontage.

(g) (H) Applicability – This section applies only to signs in the CRT, CRN and Industrial zones, except where specifically noted. All new commercial signage, repairs to existing signage, changes to sign text, tenancy changes, property ownership changes, business name changes, or use changes must comply with this Article. Whenever an existing sign is altered, it shall be modified to bring it into conformance with this chapter. Whenever any existing business/tenant/owner erects a new or additional sign, all signs on the premises pertaining to that business/tenant/owner shall be modified to bring them into conformance with this chapter. Any pole sign lawfully existing immediately prior to September 1, 2009 that did not conform to the requirements of this section on that date shall be removed or modified to come into compliance with this article. Signs installed by the Town of Kensington or signs at fire stations and public libraries and schools, any sign required by law or regulation by a governmental agency or utility company erected by, or on the order of, a public officer or utility official in the performance of official duties, such as signs controlling traffic, identifying streets, warning of danger, or providing information, are exempt from This section, but not from the application of Chapter 59, Article 59-6, Division 6.7 of the Montgomery County Code.

(h) (I) Additional Restrictions for Signs within the Historic Commercial District (Howard Avenue, Armory Avenue, Fawcett Street, St. Paul Street, and Montgomery Avenue) -The following types of signs are not permitted in the historic commercial district unless a variance is granted by the Council:

- (1) Internally illuminated signs.
- (2) Neon signs or neon decorations.
- (i) (J)Interior Window Coverage The maximum total area of interior window signs

shall not exceed twenty percent (20%) of the glass area for THAT PART OF each side of the building OCCUPIED BY THE PREMISES OR UNIT, MINUS THE AREA OF ANY PERMANENT WINDOW SIGNS.

-(j) (K) <u>Permitted pole signs</u> – Permitted pole signs shall include a landscaped area at the base of the sign measuring a minimum of one square foot for each square foot of sign area. Once installed, landscaping must be properly maintained IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPROVED PLANS.

(k) (L) <u>Variance Procedure</u> - If a signage permit application is denied by the Town, an applicant may seek a Variance from this section within 15 days of the date of denial. A variance may not be granted for the erection, installation or maintenance of a sign prohibited by Section 6-104(b) OR MONTGOMERY COUNTY CHAPTER 59- 6, DIVISION 6.7. THE TOWN MAY ESTABLISH A DETAILED VARIANCE APPLICATION, CHECKLIST AND CHARGE FEES FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF VARIANCES REQUESTS. A variance may be granted when the Council finds that:

(1) strict application of the Town regulations would result in peculiar and unusual practical difficulties to, or exceptional or undue hardship upon, the owner of the property or owner of such sign;

(2) the variance is the minimum reasonably necessary to overcome any exceptional conditions; and

(3) the variance can be granted without substantial impairment of the intent, purpose, and integrity of this Article. A variance decision must be based on consideration of:

(a) one or more of the following elements: size, shape, color, design elements, location or cost of the sign;

(b) the compatibility of the proposed sign with the surrounding property, the proximity of other signs, and the characteristics of the area; [and]

(c) confirmation that the property and all other signs on the property are in conformance with the Article.

(d) recommendation of the HPC if located in the Historic District and if requested by the Council or offered by the HPC.

(4) Contiguous, confronting and abutting owners must receive notice of the variance application prior to consideration by the Council.

(1) (M)Conditions and Revocation - The Council may impose conditions and terms on a sign variance, and may revoke any previously granted sign variance when it determines:

(1) the applicant supplied inaccurate information to the Council, or

(2) the terms of the variance set by the Council have not been met or have been violated. [The Council may establish a detailed variance application, checklist and charge fees for the consideration of variances requests This provision shall not permit the Council to grant a variance allowing any sign prohibited under Montgomery County Chapter 59-6, Division 6.7.]

Section 5. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Mayor and Council of

the Town of Kensington that, Chapter 6, "Signs and Commercial Regulations" Article 1 "Signs and

Solicitors", Section 6-106 "Enforcement and penalties" of the Code of the Town of Kensington be,

and is hereby, repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

Section 6-106. Enforcement and Penalties.

(a) A violation of Section 6-103 shall be a Class F municipal infraction punishable pursuant to Section 10-303 of this Code. Written notice of violation shall be mailed by certified mail to the property owner and tenant occupant (if applicable). Any costs incurred in the removal of prohibited signs by the Town or its designee shall be assessed to the owner of the sign and may be collected as an ordinary debt or in the manner of taxes and shall be a lien on any property belonging to the owner within the Town. For violation assessment and cost reimbursement purposes, the owner shall be considered the individual(s) benefiting from the sign to be determined by phone number, name or address indicated on the sign. In the event the tenant occupant has vacated, the property owner shall be the responsible party.
(b) A violation of Section 6-102 and 6-104 shall be a Class E municipal infraction punishable pursuant to Section 10-303 of this Code.

Section 6. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Mayor and Council of

the Town of Kensington that upon formal introduction of this proposed Ordinance, the Town Clerk shall distribute a copy to each Council member and shall maintain a reasonable number of copies in the office of the Town Clerk. The proposed ordinance or a fair summary thereof together with a notice setting out the time and place for a public hearing thereon and for its consideration by the Council, shall be:

- a. Posted at the town hall by the next business day;
- b. Posted on the official town website;
- 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.

The public hearing shall be held at least fifteen (15) days after introduction and may be held separately or in connection with a regular or special council meeting and may be adjourned from time to time. All persons interested shall have an opportunity to be heard. This Ordinance shall become effective on ______ provided that the ordinance or a fair summary thereof is:

a. Posted at the town hall by the next business day for at least two (2) weeks;

b. Posted on the official town website;

c. Sent to those persons listed on the official town email list /mail subscription service; and

d. Published once in the town newsletter.

INTRODUCED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Kensington, Maryland at a public meeting assembled on the _____ day of _____ 2020.

ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Kensington, Maryland at a public

meeting assembled on the _____ day of _____ 2020.

EFFECTIVE the _____ day of _____, 2020.

TOWN OF KENSINGTON

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Tracey Furman, Mayor

Susan Engels, Clerk-Treasurer

ATTEST:

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Suellen M. Ferguson, Town Attorney

TOWN OF KENSINGTON

BUDGET DETAILS FY21

		BUDGET D	CIAILS FIZI		
			Proposed	Adopted	Projected
			Budget 2020-	Budget	6/30/2020
			21	2019-20	-,,
REVENUE FUND					
GENERAL PROPERTY 1	AXES	Rates			
	Real Property Tax	0.1312	792,594	\$763,592	\$763,592
	Personal Property Tax - Utilities	5.0000	432,983	\$432,983	\$432,983
	Personal Property Tax - Business	0.8000	120,084	\$93 <i>,</i> 580	\$120,307
		SUBTOTAL	\$1,345,661	\$1,290,155	\$1,316,882
OTHER TAXES					
	Income Taxes		668,825	618,345	784,428
	Admissions and Amusements Tax		250	250	250
		SUBTOTAL	\$669,075	\$618,595	\$784,678
LICENSES & PERMITS					
	Town Building and Sign Permits		12,000	5,000	12,000
	Parking Permits		6,000	5,270	8,000
	Cable Franchise Fees		27,558	29,008	29,474
	Traders' Licenses		9,000	9,000	9,000
		SUBTOTAL	\$54,558	\$48,278	\$58,474
INTERGOVERNMENTA	L REVENUE				
	County Tax Duplication		176,213	156,806	156,809
	Highway User Funds		105,069	102,453	103,029
	Bank Shares		4,226	4,226	4,226
		SUBTOTAL	\$285,508	\$263,485	\$264,064
FINES AND FEES					
	SafeSpeed Camera Program		3,000	18,327	3,554
	Parking & Municipal Infractions		1,000	1,000	1,328
		SUBTOTAL	\$4,000	\$19,327	\$4 <i>,</i> 882
OTHER					
	Town Hall Rentals		30,000	30,000	30,000
	Park Rentals		2,500	500	2,180
	Municipal Events		13,500	13,500	14,525

	Interest			30,000	30,000	40,000
	Miscellaneou	z		5,400	7,900	8,431
			SUBTOTAL	\$81,400	\$81,900	\$95,136
GRANTS				\$0	\$0	\$0
		TOTAL REVENUE		\$2,440,202	\$2,321,740	\$2,524,115
		UNAPPROPRIATED SURPLUS		662,726	\$765,666	
		TOTAL REVENUE INCLUDING UNAPPR	OPRIATED SURPLU	\$3,102,928	\$3,087,406	\$2,524,115
EXPENDITURES						
GENERAL GOVERNMENT						
PERSONNEL S	SERVICES					
	Salaries & W	/ages		501,132	481,734	463,392
	Social Secur	ity, Medicare, Unemployment Taxes		37,498	36,980	35,856
	Workers Co	mpensation Insurance		4,934	9,292	9,292
	Health, Life,	, and Employee Benefits		61,201	43,991	42,554
	Retirement	- 401 (A) Money Purchase Plan		40,911	40,273	42,457
			SUBTOTAL	\$645,675	\$612,270	\$593,551
OPERATING E	XPENSES					
	ELECTED OF	FICIALS				
	Mayor and	Council Compensation		24,000	24,000	24,000
	Mayor and	Council Legislative, Education, Travel		15,200	13,680	13,680
			SUBTOTAL	\$39,200	\$37,680	\$37,680
	PROFESSION	AL SERVICES				
	Town Attor	ney		50,000	40,000	50,000
	Audit			10,700	10,700	10,700
	Other Profe	ssional Services		53,800	40,865	30,865
			SUBTOTAL	\$114,500	\$91,565	\$91,565
	TOWN GOVE	ERNMENT OPERATIONS				
	Town Hall N	Naintenance		45,700	42,615	42,615

	Town Hall Utilities		41,000	49,387	32,265
	Town Hall Equipment		6,000	8,000	8,000
	Economic Development & Commercial Revitalization		120,000	95,075	95,075
	Office Expenses		28,350	27,874	31,660
	Office Equipment/Furniture		2,000	500	0
	Insurance		21,000	21,000	15,409
	Municipal Dues, Memberships and Fees		10,485	9,797	9,722
	Conferences, Training, & Travel		6,500	7,850	500
	Miscellaneous		3,000	3,000	1,000
		SUBTOTAL	\$284,035	\$265,098	\$236,246
	TOTAL GENERAL GOVERN	MENT EXPENSES	\$1,083,410	\$1,006,613	\$959,042
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PERSON	INEL SERVICES				
	Salaries & Wages		341,878	320,770	251,931
	Social Security, Medicare, Unemployment Taxes		25,290	24,406	19,373
	Workers Compensation Insurance		16,972	23,256	23,526
	Health, Life, and Employee Benefits		68,989	70,292	65,424
	Retirement - 401 (A) Money Purchase Plan		27,743	24,490	24,629
		SUBTOTAL	\$480,871	\$463,214	\$384,883
OPERAT	ING EXPENSES				
	OPERATING SUPPLIES				
	Conferences, Training, and Travel		500	500	0
	Drug Testing		1,000	1,000	250
	Uniforms, Gloves, Vests, Boots, and Shirts		3,000	2,000	2,000
	Small Equipment Purchases		12,000	7,500	7,500
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	Vehicle Fuel Expenses		8,000	9,000	7,265
			8,000 3,500		7,265 5,000
	Vehicle Fuel Expenses			9,000	,
	Vehicle Fuel Expenses Small Equipment Maintenance and Repairs		3,500	9,000 5,000	5,000
	Vehicle Fuel Expenses Small Equipment Maintenance and Repairs Vehicle Repairs		3,500 20,000	9,000 5,000 20,000	5,000 20,000

TRASH, BRUSH, RECYCLING, AND LEAF COLLECTION

EXPENDITURES PUBLIC WORKS

	Trash, Brush, and Recycling Collection		164,720	167,401	154,708
	Leaf Collection and Other Disposal Fees		18,000	15,500	15,500
		SUBTOTAL	\$182,720	\$182,901	\$170,208
INFRAS	RUCTURE				
	Street Sweeping		8,000	8,000	4,000
	Street Maintenance		24,000	24,000	24,000
	Snow Removal		8,500	8,500	8,500
	Sidewalk Repair		12,000	20,000	20,000
	Storm Drain Maintenance		6,000	20,000	20,000
	Landscaping Vegetation Management		25,000	40,000	50,000
	Landscaping Street Trees Maintenance and Planting		75,000	40,000	50,000
	Garage Maintenance, Miscellaneous & Utilities		13,700	8,422	8,422
		SUBTOTAL	\$172,200	\$168,922	\$184,922
	TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS EX	PENSES	\$887,791	\$863,537	\$785,537
FLKSON	INEL SERVICES Salaries & Wages		152,307	143,290	101,819
PUBLIC SAFETY					
	Salaries & Wages		152,307	143,290	101,819
	Social Security, Medicare, Unemployment Taxes		11,429	11,013	7,912
	Workers Compensation Insurance		9,347	10,389	10,389
	Health, Life, and Employee Benefits		10,053	11,216	9,134
	Retirement - 401 (A) Money Purchase Plan		5,298	5,263	4,978
		SUBTOTAL	\$188,434	\$181,171	\$134,232
OPERA	TING SUPPLIES & SERVICES	SUBTOTAL	\$188,434	\$181,171	\$134,232
OPERA	TING SUPPLIES & SERVICES PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	SUBTOTAL	\$188,434	\$181,171	\$134,232
OPERA		SUBTOTAL	\$188,434	\$181,171	\$134,232 \$4,000
OPERA	PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	SUBTOTAL	\$188,434 2,000		
OPERA	PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES Building Inspector (Moved to Prof Serv)	SUBTOTAL		\$4,200	\$4,000
OPERA	PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES Building Inspector (Moved to Prof Serv) Parking Lot Lighting (Metropolitan)	SUBTOTAL	2,000	\$4,200 \$2,000	\$4,000 \$2,000
OPERA	PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES Building Inspector (Moved to Prof Serv) Parking Lot Lighting (Metropolitan) Public Street Lighting	SUBTOTAL	2,000	\$4,200 \$2,000 \$56,142	\$4,000 \$2,000 \$50,929
OPERA	PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES Building Inspector (Moved to Prof Serv) Parking Lot Lighting (Metropolitan) Public Street Lighting Traffic Enforcement MCP Contract (Deleted)	SUBTOTAL	2,000 56,000	\$4,200 \$2,000 \$56,142 \$0	\$4,000 \$2,000 \$50,929 \$8,538
OPERA	PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES Building Inspector (Moved to Prof Serv) Parking Lot Lighting (Metropolitan) Public Street Lighting Traffic Enforcement MCP Contract (Deleted) Traffic Control & Engineering	SUBTOTAL	2,000 56,000 12,000	\$4,200 \$2,000 \$56,142 \$0 \$12,000	\$4,000 \$2,000 \$50,929 \$8,538 \$12,000

PARKS & RECREATION

FACILITIES AND PUBLIC UTILITIES

I ACILITILS AND FOBLI	C OTILITILS				
Park Utilities			1,750	1,803	1,803
		SUBTOTAL	\$1,750	\$1,803	\$1,803
OPERATING SUPPLIES	AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES				
Small Equipment Main	tenance and Repairs		5,000	15,000	15,000
Equipment Purchases	·		10,000	4,000	4,000
Landscape Architectur	e Services		3,000	0	750
Miscellaneous			1,000	750	0
		SUBTOTAL	\$19,000	\$19,750	\$19,750
LANDSCAPING					
Landscaping and Vege	tation Management		5,000	0	0
Parks and Town Hall La	andscaping		25,000	30,000	30,000
		SUBTOTAL	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000
TOWN MUNICIPAL EVE	NTS				
Municipal Events - Lab	or Day Parade and Festival		29,500	\$22,740	\$20,870
Municipal Events - Oth	ner Municipal Events		21,000	16,290	16,290
		SUBTOTAL	\$50,500	\$39,030	\$37,160
	TOTAL PARKS RECREATIO	N EXPENSES	\$101,250	\$90,583	\$88,713
Contingency			10,000	10,000	0
	TOTAL NON DEPARTMEN	TAL EXPENSES	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0
	TOTAL OPERATING BUDG	ET	\$2,342,885	\$2,226,746	\$2,045,491
	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	PROGRAM	\$760,043	\$860,659	\$860,659
	TOTAL CIP BUDGET APPR	OPRIATIONS	\$760,043	\$860,659	\$860,659
	TOTAL OPERATING & CIP		\$3,102,928	\$3,087,405	\$2,906,150
	TOTAL OF LIVETING & CIP	LAF LINDITUKES	JJ,102,320	JJ,007,405	JZ, 300, 130

NON DEPARTMENTAL

Total Fund Balance 6/30/19	3,062,693
Reserved for Prepaid Expenses 6/30/19	(26,823)
Non Lapsing Assigned & Committed Fund Balance for CIP 6/30/19	(1,607,478)
Use of Fund Balance for FY2020 Budget including addition to CIP	(765,666)
Projected Unassigned Fund Balance 6/30/20	662,726

DRAFT Budget Ordinance No. O-02-2020 Introduced: March 9, 2020 Adopted:

SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AND ADOPT THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 – 2021 (FY21) BUDGET AND TO LEVY A TAX ON CERTAIN REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF §6-203 OF THE TAX-PROPERTY ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, AS AMENDED.

WHEREAS, §5-205 *et seq.* of the Local Government Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, authorizes the Mayor and Town Council to provide for the control and management of its finances and expend money for any public purpose and for the safety, health, and general welfare of the Town and its occupants; and

WHEREAS, §6-203 of the Tax-Property Article, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (as amended), grants authority to municipal corporations to levy a tax on personal property, land, and improvements thereon, within the municipal corporation; and

WHEREAS, Article VIII, "Finance", Section 801, "Fiscal Year", of the Town Charter states that the Fiscal Year of the Town shall begin on July 1, 2020 and end on June 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Section 802, "Proposed Budget", of the Town Charter states that the Town Manager shall submit to the Council prior to the third Monday in April, a Budget of anticipated revenues, proposed operating expenditures, and proposed capital project expenditures, along with a written financial plan for the succeeding fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, Section 803, "Adoption", of the Town Charter states that prior to adopting the Budget, the Council shall hold a public hearing following due notice and a favorable vote of at least a majority of the total elected membership of the Council shall be necessary for adoption.

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

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AND ADOPT THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 – 2021 (FY21) BUDGET AND TO LEVY A TAX ON CERTAIN REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF §6-203 OF THE TAX-PROPERTY ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, AS AMENDED.

ANTICIPATED REVENUE			
General Propert	y Taxes	\$ 1,345,661	
Other Taxes		\$ 669,075	
Licenses & Perm	its	\$ 54,558	
Intergovernmen	tal Revenues	\$ 285,508	
Fines & Fees		\$ 4,000	
Miscellaneous R	evenue	\$ 81,400	
Grants - County	& State	\$ -	
TOTAL ANTICIPATED REVEN	NUE		\$2,440,202
Re-Appropriatio	n	\$ 662,726	
TOTAL ANTICIPATED FUND	S AVAILABLE		\$3,102,928
PROPOSED EXPENDITURES			
General Govern	ment	\$ 1,083,410	
Public Works		\$ 887,791	
Public Safety		\$ 260,434	
Parks & Recreati	on	\$ 101,250	
Non-Departmen	tal	\$ 10,000	
			\$2,342,885
Capital Improve	ement Budget	\$ 760,043	
TOTAL PROPOSED EXPEND	TURES		\$3,102,928

SECTION 1:

BE IT ORDAINED AND ORDERED this _ day of May, 2020, by the Kensington Town Council, acting under and by virtue of the authority granted to it by §5-205 *et seq.* of the Local Government Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, and Article VIII of the Kensington Town Charter, that the budget for Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, be and the same hereby is appropriated and adopted.

SECTION 2:

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ORDERED, this _____ day of May, 2020, by the Kensington Town Council, acting under the virtue of the authority granted to it by §6-203 of the Tax-Property Article, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (as amended), and Article VIII of the Kensington Town Charter, hereby levies a tax at the rate of One thousand, three hundred

twelve ten-thousandths cents (*\$0.1312*) per One Hundred Dollars of full value assessment on all taxable real property located within the corporate limits of the Town of Kensington. **SECTION 3:**

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ORDERED, this <u>day</u> of May, 2020, by the Kensington Town Council, acting under the virtue of the authority granted to it by §6-203 of the Tax-Property Article, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (as amended), and Article VIII of the Kensington Town Charter, hereby levies a tax at the rate of eighty cents (**\$0.80**) per One Hundred Dollars of full value assessment on all taxable personal property located within the corporate limits of the Town of Kensington.

SECTION 4:

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ORDERED, this <u>day</u> of May, 2020, by the Kensington Town Council, acting under the virtue of the authority granted to it by §8-101 of the Tax-Property Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland (as amended), and Article VIII of the Kensington Town Charter, hereby levies a tax at the rate of five dollars (**\$5.00**) per One Hundred Dollars of full value assessment on all taxable personal property set forth by §8-101 of the Tax-Property Article, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (as amended):

- 1. Operating personal property of a railroad;
- 2. Operating personal property of a public utility that is machinery or equipment used to generate electricity or steam for sale;
- 3. All other operating personal property of a public utility; and
- 4. Machinery and equipment, other than operating personal property of a public utility, that is used to generate electricity or steam for sale or hot or chilled water for sale that is used to heat or cool a building.

SECTION 5:

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ORDERED, this <u>day</u> of May, 2020, by the Kensington Town Council, hereby adopts the imposition of a full-year, one-half year, threequarter year, and one-quarter year tax levies, authorized pursuant to §10-102, 10-103, 10-104, and 10-105 of the Tax-Property Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland (as amended), and authorizes and empowers Montgomery County, Maryland, to collect and remit the same to the Town of Kensington, consistent with the imposition and collection of such levies on real property by Montgomery County.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ORDERED, this _____ day of May, 2020, by the Kensington Town Council, 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 May, 2020, 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 March, 2020.

ADOPTED by the Mayor and Town Council of Kensington, Maryland at the regular public meeting assembled on the _____ day of May, 2020.

EFFECTIVE the <u>day of July</u>, 2020.

ATTEST:

TOWN OF KENSINGTON, MARYLAND

By: _____ Susan C. Engels, Clerk – Treasurer

Tracey C. Furman, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Suellen M. Ferguson, Town Attorney

Resolution No. R-02-2020 Introduced: March 9, 2020 Adopted:

SUBJECT: A Resolution of the Kensington Town Council Confirming Appointments Made by the Mayor to the Board of Supervisors of Elections

WHEREAS, Article VII, "Registration, Nominations and Elections", Section 702, "Board of Supervisors of Elections", of the Town Charter, requires that there shall be a Board of Supervisors of Elections, consisting of three (3) members who shall be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the Council on or before the first Monday in April; and

WHEREAS, the term of members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections shall begin on the first Monday in April in the year in which they are appointed and shall run for one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections shall be qualified voters of the Town and shall not hold or be candidates for any elective office during their terms of office; and

WHEREAS, the Board shall appoint one of its members as Chairperson.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Kensington Town Council that the following appointments by the Mayor are confirmed as follows:

Martha Deale	3941 Washington Street	One Year Term Expires	3-31-2021
Spencer Harrill	3810 Warner Street	One Year Term Expires	3-31-2021
Jennifer Smith	10537 St. Paul Street	One Year Term Expires	3-31-2021

ADOPTED by the Town Council of Kensington, Maryland at the regular public meeting assembled on the _____ day of March, 2020.

EFFECTIVE the <u>day of March</u>, 2020.

ATTEST: TOWN OF KENSINGTON, MARYLAND

By: _____

Susan C. Engels, Clerk – Treasurer

Tracey C. Furman, Mayor

SUBJECT: A Resolution of the Kensington Town Council Confirming Appointments Made by the Mayor to the Town Ethics Commission

WHEREAS, Chapter II, "Government and Administration", Article 3, "Public Ethics", Section 2-304, "Ethics Commission", of the Town Code requires that there shall be a Town Ethics Commission consisting of three (3) members who shall be appointed by the Mayor, with the approval of the Council, on or before the first Monday in April; and

WHEREAS, the terms of members of the Town Ethics Commission shall begin on the first Monday in April in the year in which they are appointed and shall run for two (2) years with staggered terms; and

WHEREAS, the Town Code provides that vacancies on the Commission shall be filled by the Mayor with the approval of the Council for the remainder of the unexpired term; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Town Ethics Commission shall be qualified voters of the Town and shall not hold or be candidates for any elective office during their terms of office, nor be employees of the Town; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Kensington Town Council that the following appointments by the Mayor are confirmed as follows:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Kensington Town Council that the following terms continue as follows:

David Beaudet	3506 Farragut Avenue	Two Year Term Expires	4-01-2021
Tina Sherman	3515 Perry Avenue	Two Year Term Expires	4-01-2021

ADOPTED by the Town Council of Kensington, Maryland at the regular public meeting assembled on the _____ day of March, 2020.

EFFECTIVE the _____ day of March, 2020.

ATTEST: TOWN OF KENSINGTON, MARYLAND

By: _____ Susan C. Engels, Clerk – Treasurer