

Resolution No. R-06-2023

Adopted: March 13, 2023

A Resolution of the Mayor and Town Council Authorizing the Town Manager to install additional 'Do Not Enter, 6:00 am – 9:30 am, Monday – Friday' signs at the intersection of University Boulevard at St. Paul Street (southbound), along with the southbound turn lane from westbound University Boulevard onto St. Paul Street, to reinforce the Town's restriction and alleviate cut-thru traffic along McComas Avenue and the Kensington Heights neighborhood, pending final Approval by the Office of Traffic Safety with the State Highway Administration.

WHEREAS, Article VI, "Powers of the Council", Section 602, "Specific Powers", Subsection (40), "Streets", of the Town Charter states that the Council shall have the power to construct, maintain and improve the streets and to control the public ways of the Town; and

WHEREAS, Chapter IV, "Traffic and Vehicles", Article 2, "Parking", Section 4-103, "Traffic and Parking Control Devices", Subsection (a) of the Town Code states:

The Council may, by resolution, have erected "stop," "no parking," "speed limit," "one way," "yield," "no U-turn," "no-thru traffic," "no right turn," and "do not enter" signs and other traffic control and parking restriction devices to control, regulate, warn, or guide traffic of limit parking on streets, other public ways, or other areas in the Town of Kensington.

WHEREAS, the Town received recommendation following review by the Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) to adjust or reinforce the Town's existing 'Do Not Enter, 6:00 am – 9:30 am, Monday – Friday' signs at the intersection of St. Paul Street (southbound) at Perry Avenue, in an effort to warn southbound motorists turning from westbound University Boulevard of the restriction; and

WHEREAS, the Town and MCDOT have received feedback from the residents of McComas Avenue and the Kensington Heights neighborhood that an unjustified number of vehicles are bypassing the Town's regulation by turning eastbound onto McComas Avenue and re-entering the Town at Farragut Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the Town has been asked by MCDOT to install additional and reinforcing 'Do Not Enter, 6:00 am – 9:30 am, Monday – Friday' signs further north along St. Paul Street at the intersection with University Boulevard to advise motorists of the Town's 'Do Not Enter' restriction; and

WHEREAS, the Town’s Traffic Engineer will monitor the supplemental ‘Do Not Enter, 6:00 am – 9:30 am, Monday – Friday’ signs to confirm the effectiveness of the supplemental signs and the Town may make additional adjustments upon review through separate Traffic Orders.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Manager is hereby authorized to install additional ‘Do Not Enter, 6:00 am – 9:30 am, Monday – Friday’ signs at the intersection of University Boulevard at St. Paul Street (southbound), and within the southbound turn lane from the westbound University Boulevard onto St. Paul Street, along the 10800 block of St. Paul Street.

ADOPTED by the Town Council of Kensington, Maryland, at the regular public meeting assembled on the 13th day of March, 2023.

EFFECTIVE the 13th day of March, 2023.

ATTEST: TOWN OF KENSINGTON, MARYLAND

By: *Susan C. Engels*
Susan C. Engels, Clerk – Treasurer

Tracey C. Furman
Tracey C. Furman, Mayor