

Mayor Tracey Furman

**Council Member Conor Crimmins
Council Member Ann Lichter**



**Council Member Nate Engle
Council Member Stuart Sparker**

Released: December 8, 2025

Wednesday, December 10, 2025

The Town Council meeting will begin at 7:00 pm via the Zoom Video Conferencing Application Only. Access to the meeting is available through the following link:

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Meeting ID: 849 8638 1701

Password: 592002

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CALL TO ORDER

MOMENT OF SILENCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 18, 2025, Town Council Meeting

THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL

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

1. Acknowledge:

a. State Highway Administration (SHA) Response Letter:

- i. The Town received a response from SHA Administrator William Pines in response to the letter sent by the Town in November requesting additional public and traffic safety improvements along University Blvd (MD 193).

b. District 18 Delegation Town Hall:

- i. The District 18 Delegation and SHA are hosting a Town Hall on Wednesday, December 17, beginning at 7:00 pm, at Newport Mill Middle School, regarding proposed safety improvements along the University Blvd. corridor.

2. Montgomery County Public Schools – Board of Education – Woodward Boundary Study:

- a. Update on the proposed MCPS Woodward Boundary Study.

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THE TOWN MANAGER AND STAFF

1. St. Paul Street (10700 and 10800 blocks) Storm Drain Project:

- a. Update on the St. Paul Street storm drain project that will begin this month, which will also include pedestrian and traffic safety improvements at the intersections of Decatur Avenue and McComas Avenue, along with Madison Street.

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND REGULATIONS

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

PUBLIC APPEARANCES

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

ADJOURNMENT

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

Wednesday, January 14, 2026

Please check the Town Calendar to confirm the Council date and time.

November 20, 2025

The Honorable Tracey Furman
Mayor
Town of Kensington
3710 Mitchell Street
Kensington MD 20894

Dear Mayor Furman:

Thank you for contacting me regarding traffic safety improvements within the Town of Kensington (Town) in Montgomery County. I appreciate the opportunity to address your concerns.

We were deeply saddened by the tragic crashes that recently occurred along MD 193 (University Boulevard W.) and MD 185 (Connecticut Avenue) within the Town. The Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) is serious about safety, particularly for our most vulnerable road users. Our Pedestrian Safety Action Plan (PSAP) is advancing numerous vulnerable road user projects Statewide, including MD 124, MD 193, and MD 650 in Montgomery County. I also value the opportunity to outline SHA's short and long-term approaches for addressing the Town's traffic safety concerns.

The SHA has recently implemented several priority safety improvements outlined in the Town of Kensington's Bicycle & Pedestrian Priority Area (BPPA) Plan, including the resurfacing work along MD 185 (Connecticut Avenue) between Warner Street and Aspen Hill Road. The Connecticut Avenue work included existing crosswalk upgrades to higher-visibility continental stripe markings and lane width narrowing to support lower speeds. Additionally, SHA mobilized resources to assess pavement marking conditions. The SHA's pavement marking contractor refreshed or upgraded existing crosswalks along MD 193, where needed. The SHA appreciates the efforts put forth by the Town of Kensington and the Town's collaboration with SHA to develop the Kensington BPPA Plan. We will continue to partner closely with the Town to identify opportunities for near-term implementation of the BPPA Plan through our system preservation and maintenance programs, and other initiatives. Additionally, SHA is currently coordinating with our local partners and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to review potential updates to the roadway functional class system, including within the Town. The process is anticipated to be completed in December 2026.

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Specifically, along MD 193, SHA's traffic engineers are assessing corridor-wide enhancements that align with the BPPA Plan, such as lane width reductions, re-purposed lanes, and speed limit reductions; some of which, as noted in your November 12th letter to me, have been discussed previously with the Town. As part of the project development process, SHA intends to engage fully with community members, residents, elected officials, and local agency partners and stakeholders to gather input on corridor recommendations. The Montgomery County Delegation 18 has scheduled a community town hall on Improving Roadway Safety on University Boulevard with SHA on December 17, 2025. We will be available during the town hall to provide updates on comprehensive and funded plans to calm traffic and improve pedestrian and bicycle safety along the corridor. We value our continued partnership and your continued support for our traffic safety initiatives within the Town.

Thank you again for contacting me. I appreciate hearing from you. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact Derek Gunn, P.E., SHA District 3 Engineer, at 301-513-7311 or dgunn@mdot.maryland.gov. Mr. Gunn will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Will Pines". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

William Pines, P.E.
Administrator

cc: Mr. Jonathan Brown, Assistant District 3 Engineer of Traffic, SHA
Mr. Erich Florence, Deputy District 3 Engineer, SHA
Derek Gunn, P.E., District 3 Engineer, SHA
Ms. Nicole Wojciechowski, Chief of Staff, SHA

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bcc: Ms. Nora Corasaniti, Deputy Director, Office of Government Affairs (OGA), MDOT
Mr. Andre Futrell, Chief Operations Officer, SHA
Mr. Matthew Harrington, Deputy Director, OGA, SHA
Ms. Jean Anne Hosker, State Legislative Manager, OGA, SHA
Ms. Tene Paul-McClelland, State Legislative Analyst, OGA, SHA
Mr. Matthew Mickler, Director, OGA, MDOT
Ms. April Moeller, Director, OGA, SHA
Sutapa Samanta, P.E., Chief Engineer, SHA
Ms. Nicole Wojciechowski, Chief of Staff, SHA



DISTRICT 18 DELEGATION TOWN HALL

*Improving Roadway Safety on
University Blvd.*

December 17th, 7:00pm

**With Senator Jeff Waldstreicher
& Delegates Aaron Kaufman,
Emily Shetty, Jared Solomon &
Maryland State Highway
Administration (SHA)**

**Updates on calming traffic and
improving pedestrian safety along
the University Blvd corridor in
Kensington & Wheaton**



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Newport Mill Middle School
11311 Newport Mill Road
Kensington, MD 20902

RSVP:

tinyurl.com/D18TownHallDec17