#### **Presentation**

Report on Takoma Junction Traffic Studies

#### **Recommended Council Action**

None - Presentation and discussion only

# **Context with Key Issues**

In November 2017, the Council authorized the undertaking of an independent study by A. Morton Thomas & Associates (AMT) to evaluate current traffic patterns in the vicinity of the Takoma Junction area and to identify ways to mitigate the impact of existing traffic and the additional trips projected to be generated by the planned development of the City parking lot. A second study, prepared by The Traffic Group, Inc., was commissioned by the City's development partner, Neighborhood Development Company (NDC), to further the project as required by Montgomery County's site plan review process. The preliminary recommendations of both firms were presented to the City Council in April 2018.

The two studies have been completed and are available for review on the <u>Takoma Junction Project</u> <u>Page</u>. The findings and recommendations of the studies will be presented to the Council on June 20.

## **Council Priority**

Community Development for an Improved and Equitable Quality of Life

### **Environmental Impact of Action**

An anticipated benefit of the proposed traffic study and the implementation of identified mitigation measures is a reduction in carbon emissions from idling vehicles as well as improved conditions for pedestrians and bicyclists traveling through the area.

# **Fiscal Impact of Action**

The cost of the City study, conducted by A. Morton Thomas and Associates, is \$42,500.

# Racial Equity Impact of Action

We are unable to determine whether any group could be disproportionately impacted by potential changes in traffic patterns and/or infrastructure.

#### Attachments and Links

- City of Takoma Park Traffic Study (A. Morton Thomas & Associates, June 2018)
- Neighborhood Development Company Traffic Impact Analysis (The Traffic Group, June 2018)

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