

Introduced by: Councilmember Kostiuk

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

**RESOLUTION 2018-64
ADOPTING 2019 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES**

WHEREAS, the City Council determines state legislative priorities in advance of the General Assembly Session in order to focus the resources of Council, staff, and the City's legislative advocate; and

WHEREAS, the following legislative priorities have been identified for 2019:

- Support for Redevelopment of New Hampshire Avenue (MD 650)
- Bond bill funding for the expansion and renovation of the Takoma Park Maryland Library
- Legislation prohibiting the Maryland Department of Transportation from spending any funds for the construction of Maryland Route 410 through the City of Takoma Park that would involve the addition of a new through lane for motor vehicles
- Protection of small businesses and housing affordability during and after Purple Line construction
- Legislation mandating coordination and cooperation between utilities, the State Highway Administration, and municipalities in order to minimize impacts on residents and businesses resulting from infrastructure construction and repairs
- Support for expanded opportunities for municipalities to raise revenues without increasing dependence on property taxes
- Support for building community resiliency and mitigating the impacts of climate change
- Montgomery County Public School construction funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND THAT the City's state legislative advocacy in 2019 will focus on the priorities listed above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT establishment of these legislative priorities does not limit the City's advocacy in support of or opposition to legislation based on conformance with positions the Council has taken in the past or new positions to be taken by adoption of a Council resolution.

Adopted by the Council of the City of Takoma Park this 5th day of December, 2018.

Attest: _____
Jessie Carpenter, CMC
City Clerk