

Introduced by: Councilmember Small

**CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND**

**RESOLUTION 2024-17**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSMITTAL OF LEGISLATIVE ACTION  
REQUESTS TO THE MARYLAND MUNICIPAL LEAGUE FOR CONSIDERATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Takoma Park City Council is charged with setting policy and pursuing legislative changes in the best interests of the Takoma Park community; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Takoma Park is an active member of the Maryland Municipal League (MML); and

**WHEREAS**, MML pursues legislative changes to benefit Maryland municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council discussed potential requests and a work session on May 15, 2024; and

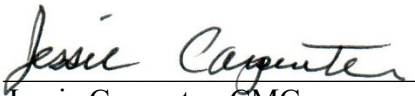
**WHEREAS**, the City Council has identified requests to forward to MML for its consideration as legislative priorities for the League.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the City of Takoma Park authorizes the City Manager to transmit to the MML the following Legislative Action Requests:

1. The Council urges MML to continue efforts to protect Highway User Revenues for municipalities and to initiate or support legislation to provide additional revenue authority for municipalities.
2. The Council urges MML to initiate or support legislation to require the State Highway Administration (SHA) to pay for sidewalk infrastructure along state highways. MML should consider bills related to utility relocation along state roads. MML should also support SHA implementing safety standards for safer and walkable communities including expanding automatic enforcement tools (i.e., stop sign cameras).
3. The Council urges MML to support legislation to increase mental health and substance use services to youth. Efforts may include increasing behavioral health service capacity within schools as well as funding for wraparound youth programming including recreation services and infrastructure.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the City of Takoma Park also urges MML to track legislation designed to advance the states' clean energy goals.

Adopted by unanimous vote this 29th day of May, 2024.

Attest:   
Jessie Carpenter, CMC  
City Clerk