

THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS RESOLUTION IS MARCH 4, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 25-08

**Re: Application for State of Maryland Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Designations
for County and Municipal Locations**

WHEREAS, transit-oriented development (TOD) is a planning and design strategy that promotes sustainable, mixed-use, and pedestrian-friendly development near transit stations to enhance accessibility, reduce automobile dependence, and foster economic growth; and

WHEREAS, the Livable Frederick Master Plan supports affordable housing, economic development, resource conservation, and efficient infrastructure use and management through creating more opportunities for multi-modal accessibility, such as transit-oriented development; and

WHEREAS, the South Frederick Corridors Plan proposes 10,000 new dwellings within the planning area to be served by a transportation network that provides multi-modal accessibility, such as walking, biking, and access to mass transit; and

WHEREAS, the Monocacy MARC Station lies within the planning area of the South Frederick Corridors Plan and presents a significant opportunity to implement many policy outcomes described in the South Frederick Corridors Plan and the Livable Frederick Master Plan through the support of transit-oriented development; and

WHEREAS, Frederick County recognizes the need for coordinated efforts between county and municipal governments to maximize the benefits of TOD designations, including the efficient use of infrastructure, the promotion of housing diversity, and the stewardships of rural and natural resources; and

WHEREAS, Frederick County, the City of Frederick, and the City of Brunswick, through a shared commitment to fostering vibrant, equitable, and sustainable communities that provide opportunities for residents, businesses, and visitors alike, all intend to apply for TOD designations for MARC stations within their jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of TOD designations at strategic locations within Frederick County, the City of Frederick, and the City of Brunswick will enhance access to public transportation, support regional economic development, and align with local and state goals for sustainable growth and development; and

WHEREAS, the TOD designation process is an outgrowth of engagement with stakeholders, including residents, business owners, transit authorities, and community organizations, to ensure that development is inclusive and reflective of community needs and priorities.

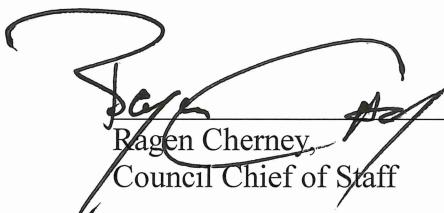
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Frederick County, Maryland, by the County Council's adoption of this Resolution and the County Executive's approval as shown below, hereby shows:

1. Support for the State of Maryland TOD Designation for locations in the County, including the property surrounding the Monocacy MARC Station located within the South Frederick Corridors Plan area.
2. Commitment to collaboration with municipal governments, transit authorities, and other stakeholders to advance the shared goals of transit-oriented development.
3. Alignment with the long-term strategic goals described in the Livable Frederick Master Plan, including affordable housing strategies and multimodal transportation policies, to maximize their impact and effectiveness.

The undersigned hereby certify that this Resolution was approved and adopted on the 4th day of March, 2025.

ATTEST:

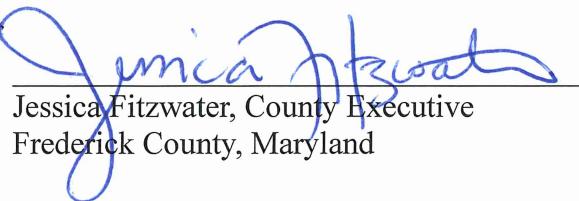
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COUNTY, MARYLAND



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3/7/25
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