


FREDERICK COUNTY GOVERNMENT

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TO: County Council

FROM: County Executive Jan H. Gardner 

DATE: April 20, 2018

SUBJECT: Comments on Amended Council Bill #18-10 – Satellite Simulcast Betting Facility

Please accept these comments in connection with Amended Council Bill #18-10, Satellite Simulcast Betting Facility. This Bill has been sponsored by Council Member Chmelik and is scheduled for public hearing on April 24, 2018.

The Administration is in support of Council Bill #18-10 as amended by the Council at their meeting on April 17, 2018. The Bill will clarify the locations and terms and conditions within the zoning ordinance where Satellite Simulcast Betting Facilities (SSBFs) may be located. We think it is important, as provided in the amendment, for a site plan to be approved in connection with a request for a SSBF. This would be consistent with other uses of this general type and would allow the facility to be evaluated for impacts on traffic, parking, and related issues.

For the above reasons, the Administration supports Amended Bill #18-10.