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Monday, May 13, 2019

To: Montgomery County Executive
Montgomery County Council

Subject: Request for Funding for the Communication Tower at Site 7

The following Resolution was passed at the General Membership Meeting of The Greater Olney Civic Association, Inc., held on Tuesday the 9th day of April 2019

RESOLVED: The Greater Olney Civic Association, Inc., requests that the Montgomery County Council and County Executive add sufficient funds to the 2020 budget to facilitate the installation of a communications radio tower east of the intersection of Md. Rt. 97 (Georgia Avenue) and Md. Rt. 200 on what is called Site 7. The additional funding would support providing adequate access for construction equipment, electrical power and fiber optic cables.

Reasoning:

While the strength, speed, accuracy and consistency of a signal for emergency radio communications is important for our State, county and community, there exists a major concern about the health and financial impacts placing this tower at the intersection of Md. Rt. 97 (Georgia Avenue) and Md. Rt. 200.

The Greater Olney Civic Association believes that that the location, identified as Site 7, would meet both state and county requirements. This site would be of a significant distance away from neighborhoods, which would not transfer health impacts from one neighborhood to another.

Further, it has been determined that Site 7 is not in a forest conservation easement area.

The Greater Olney Civic Association, Inc., (GOCA or Association) is the organization representing the many homeowner associations/community associations within the greater Olney area.

Respectfully

Matthew Quinn
President
Greater Olney Civic Association, Inc.