

Resolution Number: 2021-13

Introduced: <u>12/13/2021</u> Adopted: <u>12/13/2021</u> Effective: <u>12/13/2021</u>

## RESOLUTION DESIGNATING LOWER BROWN STREET AS THE PREFERRED SHARED-USE PATHWAY CONNECTION FOR THE WASHINGTON GROVE CONNECTOR

Whereas, Montgomery County has offered, at its expense, to build a shared use path connection (Washington Grove Connector) linking the Town of Washington Grove with services and amenities outside of Washington Grove, including the Grove Shopping Center, the Shady Grove Metro Station, and the County's extensive network of shared use paths;

Whereas, during its March 8, 2021 meeting the Town Council voted in favor of locating the Washington Grove Connector at the end of lower Brown Street;

Whereas, the Shared Use Pathway Task Force spent four months conducting meetings, receiving residents' comments, making contacts with external specialists, conducting pathway walks, reaching out to multiple bicycling groups, analyzing nearly 100 documents related to bicycle pathway design and safety, and creating a public database of its documents accessible to all; and

Whereas, Washington Grove residents, by a vote of 92-24 at a special Town meeting, registered their preference to locate the Washington Grove Connector at the end of Lower Brown Street;

NOW THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that it is the position of the Town Council that:

- (1) Lower Brown Street is the preferred location for the Washington Grove Connector; and
- (2) The Mayor will ask the County to continue studying the Salt Barn route as a future safe and attractive secondary path and connection and report back to the Town Council within 6 months of the adoption of this Resolution and at least annually thereafter.
- (3) These reports shall also include a summary of material safety incidents or material safety complaints regarding the Lower Brown Street connection.

Adopted and effective this 13th day of December, 2021.

Approved by Mayor and Town Council:

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| Mayor Date

Attest: Kathur L. Lehman 12/16/21
Town Clerk Date