

**SPECIAL SESSION MINUTES**  
**College Park City Council**  
**Tuesday, July 13, 2021**  
**10:20 p.m.**

**Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, this was a Virtual Meeting.**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Wojahn; Councilmembers Kabir, Kennedy, Dennis, Esters, Day, Mitchell, and Mackie.

**ABSENT:** Councilmember Rigg

**ALSO PRESENT:** Bill Gardiner, Interim City Manager; Janeen S. Miller, City Clerk; Suellen Ferguson, City Attorney;; Terry Schum, Director of Planning; Bob Ryan, Director of Public Services; Megha Sevalia, Student Liaison.

During the “Amendments to the Agenda” portion of the July 13 Worksession, a motion was made by Councilmember Mackie and seconded by Councilmember Kabir to add a Special Session item to the Worksession agenda that is time sensitive: to send a letter to the County Executive, County Council, Transportation Planning Board, and Gov. Hogan, restating the City’s opposition to the beltway widening project. The motion passed 7-0.

At 10:20 p.m., a motion to enter into a Special Session to consider this matter was made by Councilmember Mackie and seconded by Councilmember Kabir. The motion passed 7-0.

**ACTION ITEM**

**21-G-127 Approval of a letter to the County Executive, County Council, Transportation Planning Board, and Gov. Hogan restating the City’s opposition to the beltway expansion project.**

Councilmember Mackie said we have discussed this in the past and thought that the matter had been tabled, but it looks like it is being resurrected so it is important now to restate our position.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Mackie and seconded by Councilmember Kabir to send a letter to the County Executive, County Council, Transportation Planning Board, and Gov. Hogan restating the City’s opposition to the beltway expansion project.**

There were no comments from the audience.

Councilmember Kabir said Gov. Hogan is threatening to delay other City projects so we should reiterate our support for those projects in our letter. Mayor Wojahn agreed that City projects should not be held hostage because of the City’s opposition to the beltway expansion.

**The motion passed 7-0.**

A motion was made by Councilmember Mackie and seconded by Councilmember Kennedy to exit the Special Session. The motion passed 7-0 at 10:23 p.m.