

Mayor and Town Council Town of Friendsville Founded 1765 P.O Box 9, Friendsville MD 21531 Ph: 301-746-5919 info@friendsville.org www.friendsville.org

## Public Hearing Monday, February 17, 2025

## Attendance:

Spencer R. Schlosnagle, Mayor Wanda Guard, Administrative Assistant, Clerk-Treasurer Council Members: Pamela Humberson, Michael Artice, Edward Kelley, & Robert Sines

### Citizens/Guests: Jennifer & Terry Uphold

**Call to Order:** Council President Humberson called the public hearing to order on February 17, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. Council President Humberson read the public hearing notice to the group. The purpose of the hearing was to gather citizen input on community, and economic development needs for consideration in a grant application to the Maryland Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG). The proposed project aims to update the Town of Friendsville Zoning Ordinance.

The public hearing notice was published in The Republican Newspaper in the February 6, 2025, and February 13, 2025, editions.

A copy of the public hearing & resolution was available for review at the Ruth Enlow Library, Friendsville Branch, on the bulletin board in the Friendsville Post Office and at the Friendsville Town Hall during regular business hours. (Appendix A)

### **Citizen Input:**

Terry Uphold asked what amount of funding is available for the grant. Wanda shared that the application will be submitted for \$35,000. Afterwards Mayor Schlosnagle explained that the planning commission and the zoning board of appeals committees will review and give recommendations for the zoning ordinance updates.

# Resolution #2025-01: Council President Humberson read Resolution #2025-01 (Appendix B)

Motion #1: (Council member Artice/Council member Sines): Approval of Resolution #2025-01,authorizing the Mayor and Town Council of Friendsville to apply for Community DevelopmentBlock Grant funds in the amount of \$35,000 to support the update of the Town of FriendsvilleZoning Ordinance.4 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention. Motion carries.

### **Motion #2**: (Council member Artice/Council member Kelley): Approval to adjourn the meeting. 4 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention. Motion carries.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Wanda M. Guard, Administrative Assistant, Clerk-Treasurer

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February 3, 2025

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Contact: Wanda Guard, Administrative Assistant, Clerk-Treasurer

### Town of Friendsville Notice of Public Hearing

The Mayor & Town Council of Friendsville will conduct a Public Hearing to obtain the views of citizens on community, economic development, and housing needs to be considered for submission of an application to the Maryland Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) for the project's intent to update the Town of Friendsville Zoning Ordinance. Citizens will have the opportunity to discuss the proposed project and to provide input on other needs to be considered. The hearing will be held at the Friendsville Town Hall Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, February 17, 2025. The draft application will be available for the public to review on February 6, 2025, until February 17, 2025, at Friendsville Town Hall during normal business hours.

Citizens will be furnished with information including but not limited to:

- the amount of CDBG funds available for State Fiscal Year 2025;
- the range of activities that may be undertaken with CDBG funds; and
- proposed projects under consideration by the Town of Friendsville

The Maryland Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program is a federally funded program designed to assist governments with activities directed toward neighborhood and housing revitalization, economic development, and improved community facilities and services. It is administered by the Department of Housing and Community Development.

The Maryland CDBG Program reflects the State's economic and community development priorities and provides public funds for activities which meet one of the following national objectives, in accordance with the federal Housing Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, that:

- 1. benefit to low and moderate income persons and households;
- 2. aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight;
- 3. meet other community development needs of an urgent nature, or that are an immediate threat to community health and welfare.

Efforts will be made to accommodate the disabled and non-English speaking residents with five days' notice to Wanda Guard, Town Clerk at 301-746-5919.

Spencer R. Schlosnagle Mayor

Please run in the issue of February 6, 2025 & February 13, 2025.



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#### Resolution #2025-01

**WHEREAS**, the State of Maryland through the Department of Housing and Community Development has solicited applications from eligible jurisdictions to apply for funding under the Maryland Community Development Block Grant Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Friendsville is eligible to apply for funds from the Maryland Community Development Block Grant program through the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor & Town Council of Friendsville have held the required public hearing(s) related to the formulation of the Town of Friendsville's Block Grant Application; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor & Town Council of Friendsville understand and acknowledge that they would be responsible for completion of grant activities and any corrective actions including the repayment of funds if necessary;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor & Town Council of Friendsville authorize the submittal of an application for Community Development Block Grant funds in the amount of \$35,000 this 17<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025 for the following project:

• Town of Friendsville Zoning Ordinance Update.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Spencer R. Schlosnagle, Mayor is authorized and empowered to execute any and all documents required for the submission of the application.

DULY ADOPTED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF FRIENDSVILLE, MARYLAND, THIS 17<sup>th</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2025.

**ATTEST/WITNESS:** 

**APPROVED:** 

Wanda M. Guard, Administration Assistant, Clerk-Treasurer

Spencer R. Schlosnagle Mayor

# RESOLUTION 2025 – 01 MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF FRIENDSVILLE, MARYLAND

Pamela S. Humberson, Council President

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Michael E. Artice, Council Member

Edward B. Kelley, Council Member

Robert H. Sines, Council Member

I certify the foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Mayor and Town Council at a regular meeting held this 17<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025; I further certify this reproduction is an accurate facsimile of the said resolution; and I further certify I am the Clerk of the said Mayor and Town Council charged with the responsibility of keeping and recording all minutes, records and acts of the Mayor and Town Council; and I further certify Spencer R. Schlosnagle, Pamela S. Humberson, Michael E. Article, James M. Hook, Edward Kelley, Sheryl A MacLane and Robert H. Sines to be the appropriate officials to sign the said resolution.

Wanda Guard Administrative Assistant, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved: Sunes R Schlonage, Mayor 3/17/2025

Sheryl A. MacLane, Council Member

James M. Hook, Council Member