

Monica Haines Benkhedda

From: Morita Bruce
Sent: Monday, December 28, 2009 4:08 PM
To: comments@baltometro.org
Subject: Public comment on changes to the FY2010-2013 Baltimore Region Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

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I strongly support the project changes on this list because they support public transit instead of roadways, thereby helping to protect our health, our economy and our environment.

I'm especially pleased to support the MARC Edgewood Area Maintenance Facility Design & Engineering Study. By contributing land for the project, APG is helping to relieve part of the massive congestion that BRAC and the "Enhanced Use Lease" contractors will bring to Harford County.

Thank you for this opportunity to support public transit.

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From: Colin Furneaux
Sent: Thursday, January 07, 2010 12:44 PM
To: 'Monica Haines Benkhedda'
Subject: RE: January CAC meeting (1/06/10)

Dear Monica, Thanks for yesterday, the meeting was positive and full of ideas.

Following your suggestion, I would like to ask that my following comments re Howard Street/Lexington market be included in the response to Tip changes:

“It was with considerable pleasure that I read that a significant grant from Federal funds has been made available to push forward the needed changes to the erstwhile situation at the Howard Street/Lexington Market area. The existing situation is such a disappointment and acts as positive block to effective interchange.

It is good to see that some vision and thought has gone into a remedy at this important potential interchange. The light rail stop has been moved and a covered way for passengers is to be built. The Federal grant will enable these improvements to be even better, so that passengers will have positive reasons to use the interchange rather than negative ones.

(a) Effective signage would be the next useful addition and then

(b) if the Light Rail could use, what I understand is existing electronic systems, to control Traffic Lights to the advantage of the Light Rail vehicles, to speed up the timings of the Howard Street traverse.”

Hope this helps Monica, do feel free to edit!

As ever, Colin.