County Executive

of

Howard County, Maryland

Executive Order:

2019-02

Dated:

February 7, 2019

Subject:

Creating the Ellicott City Community Development

Corporation (CDC)
Exploration Committee

WHEREAS, the Ellicott City Safe and Sound plan (the "Plan"), developed by County Executive Calvin Ball, is a multi-phase Plan built around the need for public safety, supporting business and property owners, preparing the county for a changing climate, and creating a more inclusive, community driven process for decisions regarding Ellicott City's future; and

WHEREAS, some key elements of the Plan include building acquisition, bolstering the County's Emergency Public Alert System, clearing the waterways and inspecting the waterways more frequently, supporting the public and businesses through the Flood Mitigation Assistance Pilot Program, working with our State partners, creating an ombudsman position to work directly with businesses on Main Street, and possibly creating a Community Development Corporation, and

WHEREAS, Community Development Corporations (CDCs) are 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations that are created to support and revitalize communities and, while CDCs work closely with government representatives, CDCs are not governmental entities; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive wishes to examine the feasibility of creating a CDC for Ellicott City and wishes to create the "Ellicott City Community Development Corporation (CDC) Exploration Committee" (the "Committee"); and

WHEREAS, the Committee will represent a diverse group of stakeholders who will examine what a CDC for Ellicott City would look like, what the role of a CDC would be, and how a CDC would interact with other existing organizations already doing great work for the residents and businesses owners of Ellicott City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, that the Ellicott City Community Development Corporation (CDC) Exploration Committee is hereby established.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the following individuals are appointed as members of the Committee:

- 1. Brooke Abercrombie
- 2. Nathaniel Alston
- 3. Latonia Thompson-Belsches
- 4. Tom Coale
- 5. Simon Cortes
- 6. Matt Fleming
- 7. Chris Gallant
- 8. Charles Kyler
- 9. Tim Lattimer
- 10. Bia Lewis
- 11. Kerri Li
- 12. Ed Lilley
- 13. Gary Maule
- 14. Leonardo McClarty
- 15. Nick Redding
- 16. Mike Smith
- 17. Angie Tersiguel

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the duty of the Committee shall be to:

- 1. Examine the current landscape of organizations and services in Ellicott City to determine if there is a need for a Community Development Corporation.
 - This review will include examining governmental and non-governmental (nonprofit organizations, for-profit businesses, etc.) to see if there are needs that are currently not being met.
- 2. If the Committee determines that there is a need for a CDC in Ellicott City, the Committee may make recommendations to:
 - Determine the geographic boundaries of the CDC;
 - Develop a mission statement for the CDC;
 - Outline the activities and scope of work for the CDC;
 - Determine how the CDC would interact with organizations currently operating in Ellicott City;
 - Outline a structure for the CDC, including staff and board positions, how the CDC would interact with county government, and what organizations would be involved with the CDC;
 - Develop options for generating a steady stream of capital for the CDC;
 - Develop a list of potential projects that could be benefitted by involving the proposed CDC.
- 3. Issue a final report to the County Executive by June 1, 2019.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Mike Smith shall serve as the Chairperson of the Committee, and that the following county staff member shall serve as advisor to the Committee:

Shaina Hernandez, Office of the County Executive

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Committee may meet as subcommittees from time to time, as needed.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Committee shall cease to exist on December 31, 2019 and the terms of the Committee members shall expire on December 31, 2019.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, Calvin B. Ball, as County Executive of Howard County, Maryland have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Howard County to be affixed this 7th day of February, 2019.

Calvin B. Ball, Ed.D. County Executive