



CHARLES VILLAGE
COMMUNITY BENEFITS DISTRICT

November 18, 1999

The Honorable Kurt Schmoke
City Hall
100 North Holliday
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: Redesign of the Charles Street Corridor, 25th Street to University Parkway

Dear Mayor Schmoke,

I am writing to ask that input from the community be integrated into the redesign of Charles street from 25th Street to University Avenue. We have been pleased that the City, both Department of Public Works and Planning Department, have been working hard to look at improving this stretch of Charles Street and that there has been many conversations with the community, especially with the North Charles P.U.D. Committee. As the design company is selected to study the re-development of the street, we simply want to have a segment built into the contract that allows for broad community input and suggestions. I would like to suggest the following possibilities.

- We propose a fact finding/community-brainstorming meeting at the project's inception.
- One workshop and one subsequent presentation during the design phase would be most beneficial in establishing consensus with regard to the concepts to be developed in subsequent phases of the project.
- The community would appreciate a draft copy of the study prior to final submission to ensure the original intent of the design phase remains in the final study documents.

This study of Charles Street is very important to our community. A recent tragedy in the neighborhood reiterates the dangerous vehicular and pedestrian patterns that exist in this area along Charles Street. This confusing traffic pattern led to the death of one of our neighbors and prompts the urgent need for action.

We are excited about this opportunity to make improvements within Charles Village so it is safer place for people to live and work. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Daniel Klocke
Executive Director

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