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The Honorable Secretary Beverley K Swaim-Staley
State of Maryland, Department of Transportation
7201 Corporate Center Drive
Hanover, MD 21076

RE: 2012 Annual MDOT Tour Meeting
Mayor & Council Priorities
City of Hagerstown, MD

Dear Secretary Swaim-Staley:

I am pleased to submit to you the City's list of priority transportation items based on Mayor & Council direction at their March 6, 2012 meeting.

1. Eastern Boulevard Corridor Improvements – We support this Washington County led, multi-phase project that consists of a multi-modal transportation system connecting US Route 40, Maryland Route 64, and Maryland Route 60. Future phases include construction of new diverse routes to disperse traffic and reducing traffic volumes on State routes and the return of existing State intersections back to acceptable traffic operational levels of service. One such route is the construction of Professional Court extended.
2. Highway User Revenues: Continue funding or increase
3. Status of I-70 and I-81 planning studies and long-term improvements.
4. Transportation Enhancement/Pedestrian Access Program: In cooperation with Washington County, the planning, design, construction, and funding for the proposed Civil War Railroad Trail, a 24-Mile Scenic Pedestrian and Bicycle Trail connecting the City of Hagerstown to Weverton in the southern portion of the County. This proposed project creates tourism, recreational opportunities, healthy living, and economic development opportunities in the community.
5. Continued funding from the Retrofit Sidewalk Program and Safe Routes to School Programs. Projects include sidewalks on Route 40 (Franklin Street and Washington Street) and Alt 40 (Frederick Street).

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On behalf of the Mayor & Council, I would like to express our sincere appreciation for your consideration of our priorities. If you have any questions or need additional information before the meeting date, please do not hesitate to contact me at 301-739-8577 extension 128, or rtissue@hagerstownmd.org

Sincerely,

CITY OF HAGERSTOWN



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