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LOCAL STAKEHOLDERS  
AROUND SHARED  
PRIORITIES TO CREATE A  
SAFER AND MORE  
ACCESSIBLE  
TRANSPORTATION  
NETWORK ACROSS  
NATIONAL LANDING.

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Mark Schwartz  
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Dear Mr. Schwartz,

We are the People Before Cars Coalition, an engaged group of business, advocacy, and community groups working together to promote safe, sustainable transportation in National Landing. This letter highlights **CIP transportation priorities to reflect next generation mobility improvements necessary to transform our urban downtown into one of the County's most connected urban areas in Northern Virginia.**

With that in mind, we respectfully offer our strong support to fund the following critically important projects in Arlington County's upcoming Capital Improvement Plan:

**CC2DCA:** Once completed, this multimodal connection between Crystal City and the Washington National Airport will be the only international airport within walking distance to a business district in the Country. We applaud the County's progress in completing the NEPA process and look forward to your upcoming public engagement design process anticipated this Fall. Given the 10-year horizon of the forthcoming CIP, and recent funding shortfalls currently being discussed with regional partners, **we encourage the county to formalize its existing CIP funding allocation by making CC2DCA a standalone project and to include sufficient funding in the out years to ensure the project is fully implementable.**

**Long Bridge Drive Multimodal Connection:** This incredibly important project, both from a regional connectivity standpoint and as an important local connection to the Long Bridge Park Aquatics Facility, is fundamental to National Landing's transformation into a vibrant regional submarket. **We look forward to this project remaining a priority and urge the County to ensure it has sufficient scope and budget to be a safe, pleasant, and attractive connection on the Long Bridge Park Esplanade.**

**Crystal City Bike Network:** Fully connecting National Landing's neighborhoods through the Crystal City Bike network is a welcomed mobility project the Coalition is excited to finally experience. Since the first phase of the network has been implemented, we've noticed many more cyclists are taking advantage of this safe and beautifully designed facility. While the approach to implementing the CCBN has relied on previous CIP commitments and private site plan development, we encourage the County to continue funding any future phases of the network and **recommend funding for the following network improvements:**

- Protected Bike Lanes on Hayes St between Army Navy Dr and 15th St
- Protected Bike Lanes on 15th St from Elm St to Hayes St





- Protected Bike Lanes on Crystal Drive, from Potomac Ave to Long Bridge Drive

We truly appreciate the County's commitment to next-generation mobility in National Landing and hope our input is useful as you prepare your recommendation for the forthcoming CIP.

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