

TOWN OF COTTAGE CITY
RESOLUTION 2023-15

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COTTAGE CITY COMMISSION APPROVING THE
PLACEMENT OF CERTAIN TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES ON BUNKER HILL
ROAD AT THE INTERSECTION OF COTTAGE TERRACE; COTTAGE TERRACE
BETWEEN BUNKER HILL ROAD AND THE DEAD END; SHEPHERD STREET NEAR
COTTAGE TERRACE; AND THE ENTRANCE TO ALLEY BETWEEN 37TH AVE AND
38TH AVE WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 66 of the Town Charter, the Town has control of all public ways in the Town except those that are under the jurisdiction of the State Highway Administration, and subject to the laws of the State of Maryland and said charter, the Town may do whatever it deems necessary to establish, operate, and maintain in good condition the public ways of the Town; and

WHEREAS, Section 25-102 of the Transportation Article (“TR Art.”) of the Maryland Code grants to the legislative body of every local authority in Maryland, including the Town of Cottage City, general power to regulate traffic by means of traffic control devices, to designate roadways as one-way highways, and to adopt such other traffic regulations as are allowed by law; and

WHEREAS, Section 25-104 of the TR Art. states that the State Highway Administration shall adopt a manual and specifications for a uniform system of traffic control devices, consistent with the provisions of the Maryland Vehicle Law, for use on highways in this State, and that this uniform system shall correlate with and, as far as possible, conform to the system set forth in the most recent edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways; and

WHEREAS, Section 25-109 of the TR Art. grants to the legislative body of every local authority in Maryland, including the Town of Cottage City, as to highways under its jurisdiction, general powers to designate through highways and place stop signs or yield signs at specified entrances to them, and designate any intersection as a stop intersection or as a yield intersection and place stop signs or yield signs at one of more entrances to the intersection; and

WHEREAS, Section 25-106 of the TR Art. states that “[o]n every highway under its jurisdiction, a local authority shall place and maintain those traffic control devices that it considers necessary to carry out the provisions of the Maryland Vehicle Law or local traffic ordinances or to regulate, warn, or guide traffic [and] each of these traffic control devices shall conform to the manual and specifications of the State Highway Administration,” and

WHEREAS, Section 6-9, having the catchphrase of “Peace and Good Order,” of the Code of the Town of Cottage City (the “Town Code”) requires that all persons must obey all rules and signs posted by authority of the Town on public property and rights of way; and

WHEREAS, Section 9-4, having the catchphrase of “Parking signs, traffic control devices, and notices,” of the Town Code, as amended, authorizes the Cottage City Commission to erect such signs, traffic control devices and notices regarding parking and traffic for the common good but that the order to take such action shall be issued by ordinance or written resolution and said ordinance or

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resolution or a fair summary thereof shall be published in the Town newsletter or a newspaper of general circulation in the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Cottage City Commission finds that the regulation of vehicular traffic is necessary to promote pedestrian and traffic safety, to advise motorists of the proper and safe use of the Town's roadways, to protect the public and the residents from hazardous conditions, and to accomplish other purposes in furtherance of the public health, safety, and welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Cottage City Commission, that the following actions and/or traffic control devices are hereby approved and ordered:

- A. Placing a stop sign on Bunker Hill Road at the intersection of Cottage Terrace for traffic going in the direction of Cottage City Park;
- B. Placing a sign at the entrance to the BETWEEN 37TH Avenue and 38th Avenue to indicate children at play;
- C. Installing speed humps in the 4000 block of Cottage Terrace between Bunkerhill Road and the dead end near the Cottage City Garden: and
- D. Placing a stop sign on Shepherd St at the intersection of Cottage Terrace.
- E. Painting associated or nearby curbs with yellow paint for the new stop signs stated above.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a fair summary of this Resolution shall be published in the Town newsletter and on the Town website within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commissioner-Chairman shall be authorized to sign this Resolution on behalf of the Commission.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED by the Cottage City Commission at a Meeting on November 8, 2023.