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2024-09-16 7:42:42	Linda	Hanifin Bonner	Annapolis	MD	21401	No	Anne Arundel Connecting Together, Inc.	Resolution No. 34-24: RESOLUTION approving the nominations for appointment to the Stakeholder Advisory Committee for Region Planning Area No. 5	Oppose	<p>The ACT Attainable Housing Committee is providing the following questions and items to be addressed on Bill # 34-24.</p> <p>Focusing on the County's premise that SAC appointments to a regional planning process are to "reflect the ethnic and minority diversity of the regions and "include" a broad section of civic, business, environmental – and others who reside in or own or manage a business in the region planning area, such as longtime resident property owners or renters, recent resident property owners or renters, homeowners 'association or civic association board members, local business representatives, homebuilding, real estate developers or brokers, military members and other relevant government agency employees or contractors, affordable housing advocates, community or social organization members, environmental, commercial, maritime, school organization, youth adult, local recreation council, farming and agriculture representatives."</p> <p>After a review of the identified categories (noted above) for the nominated representatives of the region 5 stakeholder advisory committee, numerous questions regarding the balance of the composition and representation, as well as the "residency" are being brought your attention.</p> <p>The composition of the proposed region 5 SAC 15-member group currently consists of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •6 persons representing the building/developer/real estate interests •5 for the military/government •4 representing community interests •And, of the total group, 4 identify as affordable housing advocates. <p>Who within this group are the ethnic and minority and/or descendant property owner representatives. Why is a building industry member who recently served on the region 1 SAC also being appointed to the region 5 SAC?</p> <p>The region 5 planning area has 6 community sections: Gambrills, Odenton, Piney Orchard, Woodardville. Two Rivers and Crofton. Of the nominated members, who are the specific representatives from these communities?</p> <p>We are also curious as to how an "Affordable Housing Advocate" is defined and evaluated? Have these individuals participated in supporting activities leading to solving the housing issues? And we are also curious as to how the term "recent" residents is defined?</p> <p>Region 5 is one of the more populated areas within the county. It has a transit hub and is currently in the midst of a controversial land use issue with the Navy's Dairy Farm in Gambrills. It is also one that has documented land owned by descendants of enslaved residents.</p> <p>Based on the representation and communication issues evolving out of the region 4 plan, we believe it is highly essential that these questions be resolved before appointments are confirmed.</p> <p>Linda Hanifin Bonner, Ph.D. ACT Attainable Housing Chair</p>	https://www.aacounty.org/system/files/webform/cc_legislative_testimony/37585/sac-region-5.pdf