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October 10, 2012

The Honorable Kristen C. Umstattd, Mayor  
Members of the Town Council  
Town of Leesburg  
25 West Market Street  
Leesburg, VA 20176

RE: Traffic Signal at Battlefield Parkway and Plaza Street

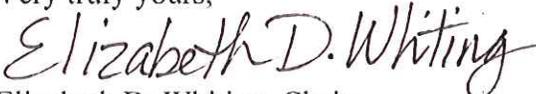
Dear Madam Mayor and Councilmembers:

I am writing on behalf of the Leesburg Standing Residential Traffic Committee (SRTC) regarding the traffic signal at Battlefield Parkway and Plaza Street. At the October 1, 2012 SRTC Meeting Town staff updated the Committee regarding the outcome of staff investigations of the proposal to accelerate the installation of the traffic signal at Battlefield Parkway and Plaza Street, now scheduled for construction in FY 2017. The Loudoun County Public Schools reported that they anticipate that 695 Tuscarora High School students will move to the high school in Lansdowne, resulting in a reduction of 124 vehicle trips per day. This will have no impact on the projected traffic growth on Battlefield Parkway and a traffic signal will still be warranted. Staff also reported that staff does not project any cut-through traffic diverting to Catoctin Circle as that route adds 47 seconds to the driving time. Staff noted that the intersection meets warrants for installing the traffic signal currently.

On motion by Sandy Kane, seconded by Sandy Grossman, the Committee unanimously approved recommending that the Town Council advance the time frame for installing the traffic signal at Battlefield Parkway and Plaza Street from FY 2017 to FY 2014.

The Committee accordingly recommends that Town Council fund the traffic signal in FY 2014.

Very truly yours,

  
Elizabeth D. Whiting, Chair  
Leesburg Standing Residential Traffic Committee

C: John Wells, Town Manager  
SRTC members