LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

O-6-24

City-wide Prohibition on New Drive-through Windows

This summary was prepared by the City of Annapolis Office of Law for use by members of the Annapolis City Council during consideration of the legislation.

BILL SUMMARY

O-6-24 bars ***new*** construction of drive-through windows in the City of Annapolis.

This includes businesses such as fast-food restaurants, banks, and pharmacies that use vehicle drive-up windows to serve customers.

The bill also eliminates all the provisions that allowed the use of drive-through windows from the City Code.

Impact on Existing Drive-through Windows

Annapolis businesses that currently have drive-through windows are allowed to keep and operate them.

The existing drive-through windows have received City approval and are are classified as an approved use. That classification stays with the property, even if it changes ownership, as long as the property has not been abandoned for more than one year.

> A nonconforming use that lawfully occupies a structure or a land site on the effective date of this Zoning Code may be continued so long as it remains otherwise lawful, subject to the standards and limitations in this chapter. -- Chapter 21.68 of the City Code

O-6-24 makes no changes to that chapter of the City Code.