

# PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

## COMMITTEE REPORT

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### REPORT:

Committee Report CR-11-2016

CR-11-2016 is a Resolution pursuant to Section 819 of the Charter. The Resolution as proposed will approve multi-year contracts for the County's trash and recycling collection services. 15 trash haulers in 102 service areas collect trash twice a week from 161,000 residences. The collection services are provided under 29 service contracts.

15 contracts expire in June 2016 and 14 expire in June 2017. 3 of the current 15 haulers also provide recycling services once a week. The recycling service contracts expire in June 2016. The garbage, refuse and recycling haulers employ approximately 300 people.

Under the terms and conditions of the new contracts, refuse and recycling services will now be provided once a week. Other terms and conditions are included in Attachment A-1 to CR-11-2016. The contracts are effective for 5 years, with 4 one year options.

Adam Ortiz and staff from the Department of the Environment and the Office of Management and Budget provided an extensive overview of the proposed contracts and the services to be provided. Committee members raised questions and expressed concerns about the way this program has been rolled out. It was stressed that no jobs would be lost because of the new contracts.

After considerable discussion, including a history of this process, the Committee of the Whole reported the resolution out favorably as amended. The amendment was to strike lines 3-9 on page 2 of the resolution. The Resolution is scheduled for public hearing on March 22, 2016.

The Office of Law finds CR-11-2016 to be in proper legal form and sees no impediment to its enactment.

The Office of Audits and Investigations reports that adoption of this Resolution will have a positive fiscal impact to the County. It is estimated that annual savings will be approximately \$6,000,000 annually, within the Solid Waste Management Fund.

CR-11-2016 was reported out of the Committee of the Whole favorably as amended 7 – 1.