PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

2015 Legislative Session

Meeting Date:	11/10/2015
Reference No.:	CR-77-2015
Draft No.:	1
Proposer(s):	Council Member Lehman
Sponsor (s):	
Item Title:	A Resolution concerning Municipal Annexation for the purpose of waiving, in accordance with State law, the five-year restriction on municipal zoning and development of annexed land and approving the proposed development of land annexed by the City of Laurel with substantially different uses, or at a substantially higher density, than could be granted for the development pursuant to its pre-annexation zoning classification of the property.
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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:	
Date Presented:	// Executive Action://
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Committee Action: _/_/ Date Introduced: 11/10/2015	
Public Hearing: _/_/ _:_	
Council Action:/_/	
Council Votes: MRF:, DLD:, DG:, AH:, ML:, OP:, DT:, KT:, TT:	
Pass/Fail:	
Remarks:	
AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:	

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT: (Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

Title 4 within the Local Government Article of State law provides authority for municipalities in Maryland to increase their corporate boundaries through the annexation of land. More specifically, Section 4-416 of the Local Government Article sets forth certain restrictions on the zoning and development of the newly annexed land, including a five-year hold on certain zoning intensifications via rezoning of the annexed land by the municipality, as well as a five-year hold on the development of the annexed land approved by the municipality at a substantially higher density than could have been approved under the pre-annexation zoning classification for the annexed land. Notwithstanding these restrictions, Section 4-416, Local Government also sets forth a process by which the County Council for the County in which the municipality is located may expressly waive the five-year hold on zoning and development of the annexed land.

Accordingly, this Resolution lifts the remainder of the five-year hold in order to approve the development and construction of approximately 7.375 acres of land known as "Parcel E" within "Parcels D and E, Westside" that was annexed into the City of Laurel on or about September 7, 2012.

CODE INDEX TOPICS:

INCLUSION FILES/ZONING FIGURES:

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