

Prince George's County Council Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 7/21/2009
Reference No.: CR-044-2009
Draft No.: 1
Proposer(s): Harrison
Sponsor(s): Harrison
Item Title: A Resolution approving a certain incentive for an event in Prince George's County in the form of a reduction in the amount of the County Admissions and Amusement Tax levy on the event

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented:		Executive Action:	8/4/2009 S
Committee Referral:	6/23/2009 - PSFM	Effective Date:	
Committee Action:	7/14/2009 - FAV		
Date Introduced:	6/23/2009		
Public Hearing:			
Council Action (1)	7/21/2009 - ADOPTED		
Council Votes:	MB:A, WC:A, SHD:A, TD:A, CE:A, AH:A, TK:-, EO:A, IT:A		
Pass/Fail:	P		
Remarks:			

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Public Safety and Fiscal Management

Date 7/14/2009

Committee Vote: Favorable 5-0 (In Favor: Councilmember's Exum, Knotts, Bland, Campos and Turner)

This resolution will provide for the waiver of fifty percent (50%) of the admissions and amusement tax assessed by the County on the performance of Paul McCartney at Fed Ex Field on August 1, 2009.

The reduction in the amount of the County's admission and amusement tax was the incentive for selecting Fed Ex Field as a venue for the concert.

The anticipated revenue to be collected from the performance in the form of admission and amusement tax is approximately \$300,000. This amount will be offset by a significant number of visitors to the County for the performance thereby increasing the hotel/motel tax and other revenue to the County.

The Office of Law has reviewed this resolution and find it to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption.

The adoption of CR-44-2009 will have a negative fiscal impact on the County with the reduction in the amount the County will received from the admissions and amusement tax. The Office of Audits and Investigation (A&I) estimates the loss revenue as much as \$240,436, if all available event tickets are sold, ranging down to \$120,218 if only 50% of the available tickets are sold.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

This resolution will waive fifty percent (50%) of the County's admissions and amusement tax authorized by Section 4-102(a)(1) of the Tax-General Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland and imposed by Section 10-206 of the Prince George's County Code, on the performance of Paul McCartney at FedEx Field on August 1, 2009. The performance of Paul McCartney in Prince George's County, as one of six venues around the United States, will bring both prestige and economic benefit to the County.

CODE INDEX TOPICS:

INCLUSION FILES:
