

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2026 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-056-2026
Proposed by Council Chair Oriadha
Introduced by _____
Co-Sponsors _____
Date of Introduction May 26, 2026

CHARTER AMENDMENT
RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Amendment of Section 602, Charter of Prince George's County

3 For the purpose of proposing an amendment to Section 602 of the Charter of Prince George's
4 County to grant the County Purchasing Agent full signature authority to execute all contracts,
5 agreements, and purchase orders; to remove the reference to the disposition of certain supplies,
6 materials and equipment; to provide for programs involving joint or cooperative purchasing with
7 other public entities; and generally regarding County procurement.

8 BY proposing an amendment to:

9 Section 602,

10 Charter of Prince George's County, Maryland.

11 SECTION 1. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince
12 George's County, Maryland, that the following amendment to Section 602, Charter of Prince
13 George's County, Maryland, is hereby proposed:

ARTICLE VI. PURCHASING.

Section 602. - Duties of the County Purchasing Agent.

16 The duties of the County Purchasing Agent shall include full signature authority to execute all
17 contracts, agreements, and purchase orders as well as responsibility for: (1) [the] making [of] all
18 purchases and [the] contracting for all public work and services for which payment is to be made
19 [out of] from County funds; (2) [the establishment] establishing, after consultation with the
20 appropriate County officials, [of] specifications and standards for all supplies, material and

1 equipment, and [the inspection of] inspecting all deliveries to [insure] ensure compliance with such
 2 specifications and standards; (3) [the establishment and maintenance] establishing and maintaining
 3 [of] a system of requisitions and receipts covering the furnishing of supplies, materials, and
 4 equipment to the various using agencies; (4) [the preparation] preparing for legislative action
 5 [thereon] by the Council [of] reasonable rules and regulations governing emergency purchases,
 6 contracts, and services or material and equipment of an unusual or noncompetitive nature which
 7 shall not be subject to competitive bidding; and (5) [the sale or other disposition of surplus, old,
 8 and waste supplies, materials, and equipment or the transfer of same between using agencies; and
 9 (6)] [the conduct of] conducting programs involving joint or cooperative purchasing with other
 10 public [jurisdictions] entities.

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12 SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the provisions of this Resolution are
 13 hereby declared to be severable; and, in the event that any section, subsection, paragraph,
 14 subparagraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Resolution is declared invalid or
 15 unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall
 16 not affect the remaining words, phrases, clauses, sentences, subparagraphs, paragraphs,
 17 subsections, or sections of this Resolution, since the same would have been enacted without the
 18 incorporation in this Resolution of any such invalid or unconstitutional word, phrase, clause,
 19 sentence, paragraph, subparagraph, subsection, or section.

20 SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted
 21 to the County Executive for publication and that a copy also be transmitted to the Board of
 22 Supervisors of Elections for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters of this County
 23 at the 2026 General Election.

24 SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the question of adoption of this proposed
 25 Charter Amendment shall be submitted to the voters of the County at the General Election
 26 occurring on November 3, 2026, and shall be placed on the ballot in the following form:

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PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT

**COUNTY PROCUREMENT – EXPANDS AUTHORITY OF COUNTY
PURCHASING AGENT AND ALLOWS THE COUNTY TO ENGAGE IN
JOINT OR COOPERATIVE PURCHASING WITH OTHER PUBLIC
ENTITIES**

This measure will allow the County Purchasing Agent to sign all purchasing documents to promote flexibility in conducting government operations. It will also allow the County to partner with other public entities to buy goods and services.

FOR: A vote for this measure will expand the signature authority of the County Purchasing Agent. It will also allow the County to partner with other public entities to buy goods and services.

AGAINST: A vote against this measure will not expand the current, more limited, signature authority of the County Purchasing Agent and will limit opportunities for the County to partner with other public entities to buy goods and services.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2026, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the full County Council.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Krystal Oriadha
Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: _____ BY: _____
Aisha N. Braveboy
County Executive

KEY:
Underscoring indicates language added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.
Asterisks *** indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.