

# PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

## COMMITTEE REPORT

2023 Legislative Session

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### REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable, 5-0 (In Favor: Council Members Olson, Dernoga, Hawkins, Ivey, and Watson).

The Committee convened on July 13, 2023, to discuss CR-27-2023, which creates an 11-member Task Force to review and evaluate current practices relating to the location of regulated public utility uses in Prince George's County, and to make policy recommendations based on the review. The Task Force consists of:

two (2) representatives from the County Council (who serve as Chair and Vice Chair);

one (1) representative from the Office of the County Executive;

one (1) representative from the Office of Law;

one (1) representative from the County Health Department;

one (1) representative from the County Department of the Environment;

one (1) representative from the Maryland Public Service Commission;

two (2) representatives from registered civic associations in the County; and

two (2) representatives from the business community of the County.

The Task Force is required to issue a final report on or before June 1, 2024. CR-27-2023 follows two earlier resolutions, CR-087-2017 and CR-045-2018, which established this same Task Force and extended the time for the final report. Unfortunately, the earlier Task Force expired prior to the issuance of a final report and recommendations. The intent of CR-27-2023 is to re-establish the Task Force to allow completion of the original intent.

The County Executive took no position on the Resolution and the Office of Law indicated the resolution to be in proper form with no impediments to its adoption. Will Ellis of PEPCO testified, expressing the company's concerns questioning the need for this task force while indicating the company's desire to participate if the task force is established.

After discussion, the Committee voted favorably on CR-27-2023 by a vote of 5-0.