

## PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

## OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

September 23, 2016

The Honorable Derrick Leon Davis Chairman Prince George's County Council County Administration Building Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772

Dear Chairman Davis:

Enclosed for the County Council's consideration is a Resolution designating a contiguous area in Upper Marlboro, Maryland along Pennsylvania Avenue as the "Westphalia Town Center Special Taxing District."

This special taxing district designation will complement the development district designation and assist in supporting tax increment financing bonds that may be issued in calendar year 2017. The Westphalia Town Center project will be one of the largest developments in the County's history. The Baker Administration is starting to review their incentive request, and expect negotiations to continue into the fall 2016. The goal is to reach a development agreement by the end of calendar 2016, and then submit the bond authorization legislation in January 2017 for the County Council's consideration, including the rate and method for special taxes in the district.

The Council's favorable consideration of this legislation is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact my office or Thomas Himler, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Budget, Finance, Economic Development, and Administration at (301) 952-4441.

Sincerely,

Rushern L. Baker, III County Executive

Enclosures