

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2017 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-22-2017

Proposed by Council Member Taveras, Davis and Glaros

Introduced by Council Members Taveras, Davis, Glaros, Lehman, Toles, Turner, Patterson

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction April 4, 2017

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning
2 State of Maryland Sustainable Communities Program for Greater Chillum
3 For the purpose of approving Greater Chillum as a Sustainable Community through the Application
4 and Proposed Plan for submission to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community
5 Development (“Department”) for participation in the Department’s Sustainable Communities
6 Program.

7 WHEREAS, Sections 6-104, 6-201, 6-204 through 6-211, and 6-213 of the Housing and
8 Community Development Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, provide for a Sustainable
9 Community Program to promote economic vitality through growth and development that is
10 sustainable, to enhance ridership and access to transit, and to protect valuable natural, historical and
11 cultural resources; and

12 WHEREAS, Prince George’s County, Maryland recognizes that there is a significant need for
13 reinvestment and revitalization of the communities in the Northern Gateway of Prince George’s
14 County; and

15 WHEREAS, Prince George’s County, Maryland (i) designates the Greater Chillum Area in
16 Prince George’s County, Maryland, as a Sustainable Community, depicted on the Sustainable
17 Community Map as further described in the Plan and (ii) approves the Application for designation
18 and adopts the Plan, as further described in the Application, as set forth in Attachment A, attached
19 hereto and incorporated as is set forth fully herein, and as further set forth as the Greater Chillum
20 Map, as set forth as Attachment B, attached hereto, and incorporated as is set forth fully herein, for
21 the purposes of contributing to the reinvestment and revitalization in the Greater Chillum Area; and

22 WHEREAS, the County is committed to promoting green, growing, and sustainable
23 communities consistent with livability principles that value and support existing communities and

1 neighborhoods; coordinating and leveraging policies and investments that support smart growth and
2 transit oriented development (TOD), enhance the economic competitiveness of the County,
3 promoting equitable housing choices and opportunities, and providing citizens and businesses with a
4 wide array of safe, reliable and economic transportation choices; and

5 WHEREAS, the County Council has approved comprehensive land use policies consistent
6 with smart growth and sustainable community principles; and

7 WHEREAS, the County Council recognizes the important role and partnership that the
8 Office of the County Executive and the State of Maryland must play to support Plan implementation
9 within Greater Chillum; and

10 WHEREAS, the State of Maryland, through the Sustainable Communities Act of 2010, has
11 also taken “a great step forward toward reinvestment and revitalization in our State’s existing
12 communities” through the targeting of State resources and programs into focus areas called
13 “Sustainable Communities Areas”; and

14 WHEREAS, State-designated Sustainable Community Areas will be “eligible for maximum
15 access to State revitalizing funding” within a defined target area that demonstrates strong local
16 leadership and partnerships committed to a multi-year implementation and investment strategy; and

17 WHEREAS, the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, either
18 through Community Legacy or through other programs of the Department, or in cooperation with
19 other State departments or agencies, may provide some or all of the financing for the actions (the
20 “Project Financing”) as defined by the Plan in order to assist in making it financially feasible; and

21 WHEREAS, the Greater Chillum Area is located within a priority funding area under
22 Section 5-7B-02 of the Smart Growth Act, that future Project Financing will conform to the
23 approved plans for the Area, the recommended Plan, and the local zoning code; and

24 WHEREAS, the applicable law and regulations require approval of the Sustainable
25 Community designation and the associated Plan by the governing body for Prince George’s County,
26 Maryland.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County Council of Prince George’s
28 County, Maryland, hereby (i) endorses the designation of Greater Chillum as a Sustainable
29 Community; and (ii) approves the Application for designation and adopts the Sustainable
30 Community Plan described in the Application, set forth in Attachment A and hereby adopts the
31 Sustainable Communities Greater Chillum Map set forth in Attachment B.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the County Executive is hereby requested to endorse
33 this Resolution, indicating his approval by signature hereof; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Executive is hereby authorized to execute documents and take any action necessary to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be sent to the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Community Development of the State of Maryland for consideration by the Smart Growth Sub-Cabinet.

Adopted this 4th day of April , 2017.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Derrick Leon Davis
Chairman

ATTEST:

Redis C. Floyd
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: _____ BY: _____
Rushern L. Baker, III
County Executive