

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

2014 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-102-2014

Proposed by Council Member Franklin

Introduced by Council Member Franklin

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction October 28, 2014

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Spending Affordability Limits for the

3 Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission

4 For the purpose of establishing spending control limits on the Fiscal Year 2016 Water and Sewer
5 Operating and Capital Budgets of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC).

6 WHEREAS, during the Fiscal Year 1994 Bi-County budget process the Montgomery and
7 Prince George's County Councils established a Bi-County Working Group to recommend
8 changes that would control the growth of debt and maintain future rate increases at WSSC close
9 to the level of inflation; and

10 WHEREAS, the Working Group's January 1994 Report recommended the establishment of
11 a spending affordability process; and

12 WHEREAS, the Prince George's County Council endorsed the entire Working Group's
13 report through the adoption of CR-12-1994 and the Montgomery County Council endorsed part
14 of the report's recommendations through Resolution #12-1558; and

15 WHEREAS, the Councils jointly endorsed in concept the January 1994 Working Group
16 Report spending affordability process; and

17 WHEREAS, both Councils endorsed the utilization of the spending affordability process
18 beginning with the formulation of the Fiscal Year 1996 budget; and

19 WHEREAS, the Spending Affordability Working Group, consisting of the staffs of the
20 Montgomery and Prince George's County Councils and both County Executive's offices, make
21 certain recommendations on the WSSC Fiscal Year 2016 Operating and Capital Budgets; and
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1 WHEREAS, the Prince George's County Council and the Montgomery Council have
2 reviewed the information compiled by the staff relating to spending control limits on the
3 percentage of water and sewer increase; new debt; debt service and operating expenditures;

4 WHEREAS, on October 16, 2014, the Transportation, Housing and Environment
5 Committee discussed the spending control limits for WSSC's FY 2016 Capital and Operating
6 Budgets and made recommendations to the Council. The discussion included proposed to
7 changes to the Account Maintenance Fees (AMF), and the creation of an Infrastructure Renewal
8 and Rehabilitation Fee, and the corresponding effects on WSSC's revenue stream as it relates to
9 WSSC's FY 2016, spending control limits.

10 WHEREAS, the Prince George's County Council recommends that WSSC, in conjunction
11 with its Fiscal Year 2016 Budget transmittal, identify priority items that would not be funded
12 within the approved Fiscal Year 2016 spending control limits. These items can be considered for
13 funding at the May 2015 Bi-County meeting; and

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's
15 County, Maryland, that the Prince George's County Council hereby endorses the following
16 spending control limits for the Fiscal Year 2016 Water and Sewer Operating and Capital Budgets
17 of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission:

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19	Water and Sewer Bill increase:	two point 1 percent (2.1%)
20	Account Maintenance Fees (AMF)	One dollar and sixty-seven cents (\$1.67)
21	Infrastructure Renewal Fees	One dollar and ninety-two cents (\$1.92)
22	New Water and Sewer Debt:	Four hundred and forty two million, five
23		hundred and thirty three thousand dollars
24		(\$442,533,000)
25	Water and Sewer Debt Service:	Two hundred and thirty five million, four
26		hundred and eighty three thousand dollars
27		(\$235,483,000)
28	Water and Sewer Operating	Seven hundred and one million,
29	Fund Expenditures:	eight hundred and forty five thousand
30		dollars (\$701,845,000)
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Adopted this 28th day of October, 2014.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Mel Franklin
Chairman

ATTEST:

Redis C. Floyd
Clerk of the Council