

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2022 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-120-2022
Proposed by Council Member Taveras
Introduced by Council Members Taveras, Hawkins, Turner, and Franklin
Co-Sponsors _____
Date of Introduction October 11, 2022

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Electric Vehicle Infrastructure and Deployment Advisory Group

3 For the purpose of establishing an Electric Vehicle Infrastructure and Deployment Advisory Group
4 to study the feasibility of establishing an Electric Vehicle Purchasing Cooperative in the County
5 to assist the private sector in meeting the County’s emission reduction goal of 50% emissions
6 reduction by 2030; if deemed to be feasible, establishing an Electric Vehicle Purchasing
7 Cooperative in the County; and regarding promoting and facilitating the use of Electric Vehicles
8 (EVs) in the County.

9 WHEREAS, according to the Prince George’s County Climate Action Draft Plan (“Draft
10 Plan”), the County’s transportation sector is the single greatest contributor to GHG emissions in
11 the County, accounting for approximately 48% of total emissions. Of all our county’s
12 transportation-related emissions, 92% is generated by on-road vehicles – cars, buses, and trucks;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, according to the Draft Plan, currently there are approximately 620,000 vehicles
15 on the road in Prince George’s County and to support the goal of 50% emissions reduction by
16 2030, the County aims to have at least 15% of those vehicles (approximately 100,000) powered
17 by electricity. This aligns with the State of Maryland’s goal of having 600,000 Electric Vehicles
18 (EVs) registered statewide by 2030. The County recognizes this ambitious goal and will require
19 other market forces, including state and Federal action, to make it a reality; and

20 WHEREAS, according to the Draft Plan, to support this transformation of the transportation
21 sector, the County will develop a Community-Wide EV Deployment Strategy by 2024. The EV
22 Strategy will identify goals and strategies to support the acceleration of community-wide EV

1 deployment and reduce the number of fossil fuel powered vehicles on the road. The Electric
2 Vehicle Infrastructure and Deployment Advisory Group will work with the County in its
3 development of the Community-Wide EV Deployment Strategy by 2024; and

4 WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 5-2022 has established a Climate Action Implementation
5 Task Force and Resident Advisory Group to develop strategies and actions to prioritize Climate
6 Solutions in County Government Operations and to incorporate environmental justice and climate
7 equity policy into decision making across the County Government's portfolio;

8 WHEREAS, regarding private sector business transactions, Montgomery County has
9 launched the region's first Electric Vehicle Purchasing Cooperative, a pilot program that it is
10 working with the MWCOG to expand across the region to encourage residents and businesses to
11 buy EVs, as well as help the county reach its greenhouse gas reduction goals; and

12 WHEREAS, the Montgomery County Electric Vehicle Purchasing Cooperative report, issued
13 in May 2022, indicates that the co-op members and partners will seek to educate residents and
14 businesses and negotiate favorable pricing for EV purchases and leases on behalf of those who
15 have taken the pledge to commit to the purchase of EV's. The pilot program also will include
16 information resources for consumers and dealerships, as well as a program to offer EV training to
17 dealership sales teams and support residents and local businesses in owning electric vehicles
18 (EVs). Further, this online education and resource hub -- together with an expanding network of
19 community partners, participating organizations, and dealers -- will answer consumer questions,
20 support unique local benefits for EV drivers, and make EV ownership attractive, convenient, and
21 cost-effective; and

22 WHEREAS, Prince George's County has taken the lead on EV deployment analysis and
23 mapping, working with the MWCOG on the regions first Electric Vehicle deployment strategy;
24 and

25 WHEREAS, the County has developed a deployment and procurement strategy for both
26 electric fleet vehicles and public transit vehicles; and

27 WHEREAS, the County seeks to expand its role regarding private sector promotion and the
28 facilitating the use of Electric Vehicles (EVs) in the County; and

29 WHEREAS, the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure and Deployment Advisory Group, in
30 conjunction with the County through the Community-Wide EV Deployment Strategy by 2024,
31 may facilitate a public-private/philanthropic or multi-government partnership for the provision of

1 Community-wide training, best practices, educational resources, and analysis support, creating a
2 one-stop shop to support EV transitions for the private sector; and

3 WHEREAS, Section 506 of the Charter provides that the Council may appoint, for designated
4 periods, one or more temporary advisory boards of citizens of the County who shall assist in the
5 consideration of County policies and programs; and

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's County,
7 Maryland, that the Prince George's County Council does hereby establish an Electric Vehicle
8 Infrastructure and Deployment Advisory Group; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure and Deployment
10 Advisory Group that shall be comprised of seven voting members. The Directors or their designees
11 of the Department of the Environment, the Office of Central Services, the Department of Public
12 Works and Transportation, the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement and the
13 Prince George's County Planning Department, as well as, if feasible, a representative of the
14 Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments are ex officio nonvoting members of the
15 Electric Vehicle Infrastructure and Deployment Advisory Group; and

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, each voting member of the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure
17 and Deployment Advisory Group shall be a resident of the County or a member of the governing
18 body or staff of an entity doing business in the County. The Electric Vehicle Infrastructure and
19 Deployment Advisory Group shall include one member representing the banking industry, one
20 member representing utility companies, two members of a non-profit organizations, one member
21 representing consumers, one member representing the automotive industry, and one member
22 representing dealership sales teams; and

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure and Deployment
24 Advisory Group shall have an initial term of two (2) years from the effective date of this Act. If
25 determined advantageous and desirable, it may be reauthorized in subsequent years by Council
26 Resolution; and

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each voting member serves a 2-year term. Of the
28 members first appointed, three (3) shall be appointed for 1-year terms, and four (4) shall be
29 appointed for 2-year terms. A member shall not serve more than 2 consecutive full terms. A
30 member appointed to fill a vacancy serves the rest of the unexpired term. Members continue in
31 the position until their successors are appointed and qualified. The Electric Vehicle Infrastructure

1 and Deployment Advisory Group shall elect one of its members as Chair to be who shall serve as
2 such for one calendar year or until a successor is elected; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Council Administrator shall assign appropriate technical
4 and administrative support staff to assist the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure and Deployment
5 Advisory Group in its work; and

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure and Deployment
7 Advisory Group shall submit a semi-annual report to the Prince George's County Council and the
8 County Executive; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure and Deployment
10 Advisory Group shall adopt rules to govern its procedures including meeting frequency, managing
11 Chair elections, establishing committees, and other issues that pertain to Electric Vehicle
12 Infrastructure and Deployment Advisory Group governance; and

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure and Deployment
14 Advisory Group shall recommend to the Department of the Environment, the Department of Public
15 Works and Transportation, the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement and the
16 Prince George's County Planning Department programs to encourage the uptake of electric
17 vehicles; and

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure and Deployment
19 Advisory Group shall recommend to the County Council legislative and policy actions to
20 encourage the uptake of electric vehicles , and the electrification of public and private fleets; and

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure and Deployment
22 Advisory Group shall study the feasibility of creating an Electric Vehicle Purchasing Cooperative
23 in the County; and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an Electric Vehicle Purchasing Cooperative be
25 established in the County, if deemed feasible and recommended by the Electric Vehicle
26 Infrastructure and Deployment Advisory Group; and

27 WHEREAS, if established, the Electric Vehicle Purchasing Cooperative, in conjunction with
28 the County through the Community-Wide EV Deployment Strategy, shall facilitate a public-
29 private-partnership/philanthropic or multi-government partnership for the provision of
30 Community-wide training, best practices, educational resources, and analysis support, creating a
31 one-stop shop to support EV transitions.

Adopted this 24th day of October, 2022.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Calvin S. Hawkins, II
Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown
Clerk of the Council