

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
SITTING AS THE DISTRICT COUNCIL
2021 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-133-2021

Proposed by Council Members Hawkins, Glaros, Harrison, Taveras, and Turner

Introduced by Council Members Hawkins, Harrison, Glaros, Taveras, Turner, Davis, Ivey,
Franklin, and Dernoga

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction November 16, 2021

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Zoning—Municipal Corporations—Delegation of Powers

3 For the purpose of reapproving the delegation of certain zoning and land use powers to
4 Municipal Corporations, said authority originally codified as Sections 27-924 and 27-925 of
5 Subtitle 27, The Zoning Ordinance of Prince George's County, being also Subtitle 27 of the
6 Prince George's County Code (2019 Edition, 2020 Supplement), and enacted without substantive
7 change as Section 27-3308(b) of the replacement Zoning Ordinance, as an Act of the County
8 Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, sitting as the District Council for that part of the
9 Maryland-Washington Regional District in Prince George's County; and declaring that all
10 current land use and zoning authority conferred upon certain Municipal Corporations by previous
11 action of the Council shall continue without interruption from the effective date of the
12 replacement Zoning Ordinance.

13 WHEREAS, the Regional District Act ("RDA"), more specifically, Section 25-301, Title
14 25 of the Land Use Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, authorizes the District Council to
15 delegate certain zoning and land use powers to the governing body of a municipal corporation
16 within the Regional District in Prince George's County; and

17 WHEREAS, pursuant to the RDA, the Council enacted Chapter 31, 1998 Laws of Prince
18 George's County, also known as Council Bill No. CB-33-1998, thereby codifying the substantive
19 and procedural requirements and standards for exercise of said zoning and land use powers by
20 municipal corporations, known as Section 27-924 of the Zoning Ordinance within Part 17 of

1 Subtitle 27 of the County Code; and

2 WHEREAS, since the time of its first codification in the County Code, Section 27-924 was
3 amended by way of CB-109-1998, CB-16-2010, CB-1-2011, and CB-1-2019, in its current form
4 within Part 17 of the Zoning Ordinance, also known as Subtitle 27, Prince George’s County
5 Code (2019 Edition, 2020 Supplement); and

6 WHEREAS, as a result of the Council’s action to approve a replacement Zoning Ordinance
7 for the County via enactment of Chapter 37, 2018 Laws of Prince George’s County (CB-13-
8 2018), it is the intent of the District Council to comprehensively repeal and replace the Zoning
9 Ordinance with a streamlined, modern code; and

10 WHEREAS, Section 27-3308(b) of the replacement Zoning Ordinance enacted via CB-13-
11 2018 recodifies without substantive change the language of Section 27-924 of the prior Zoning
12 Ordinance; and

13 WHEREAS, the District Council wishes to reaffirm its previous action, including Council
14 Resolutions, to delegate certain zoning and land use powers as authorized in Section 25-301 of
15 the RDA and codified within Section 27-3308(b) of the new Zoning Ordinance.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's
17 County, Maryland, sitting as the District Council for that part of the Maryland-Washington
18 Regional District in Prince George's County, Maryland, that the provisions of Section 27-
19 3308(b) of the replacement Zoning Ordinance enacted by the District Council via CB-13-2018,
20 being also Chapter 37, 2018 Laws of Prince George’s County, be and the same are hereby
21 approved.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, by adoption of this Resolution, it is the intent of the
23 District Council that the land use and zoning authority conferred by previous approval of the
24 Council upon the City of Bowie, the City of College Park, the City of Greenbelt, and the City of
25 New Carrollton shall remain in full force and effect from and after the effective date of the new
26 Zoning Ordinance approved via CB-13-2018.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect on the effective date of
28 the Countywide Map Amendment.

Adopted this 16th day of November, 2021.

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COUNTY, MARYLAND, SITTING AS THE
DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR THAT PART OF
THE MARYLAND-WASHINGTON REGIONAL
DISTRICT IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY,
MARYLAND

BY: _____
Calvin S. Hawkins, II
Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown
Clerk of the Council