

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**2016 Legislative Session**

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**Reference No.:** CR-083-2016  
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**Committee:** PSFM  
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**Action:** FAV

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**REPORT: 1**

Committee Vote: Favorable, 5-0 (In Favor: Council Members Franklin, Patterson, Lehman, Harrison and Turner)

CR-083-2016 is a Resolution endorsing an \$850,000 loan given to Safeway, Inc. from the Maryland Department of Commerce. These State funds are matched through the County's Economic Development Incentive Fund (EDI Fund) in the amount of \$500,000, including the expansion and retention of businesses in the County. State Law requires the County Council's endorsement of State Funds within the jurisdiction benefitting from the Department of Commerce assistance.

Under this \$13.5 million project, Safeway, Inc. will retain the operation of the distribution center located on Leeland Road, previously under the management of C&C Wholesale Grocers, as a Safeway owned and operated facility. The funding from both the EDI Fund and the State Loans will be used to cover project cost including the expansion and renovation of the existing facility and the acquisition of new equipment. Safeway, Inc. has committed to retaining 625 full time employees for the duration of the loan.

David Iannucci, Assistant DCAO, provided the Committee an overview of the Resolution.

The Office of Law reports CR-083-2016 to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption.

The Office of Audits and Investigations notes that while the County will expend \$500,000 from EDI Funds, the retention of Safeway, Inc. and the expansion of the distribution facility and 625 jobs, the County's revenues will be significantly enhanced.

After discussion the Public Safety and Fiscal Management Committee reported CR-083-2016 out favorably 5-0