

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**  
**1998 Legislative Session**

Resolution No. CR-5-1998  
Proposed by Council Member Russell  
Introduced by Council Members Russell, Del Giudice and Wilson  
Co-Sponsors \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Introduction January 20, 1998

**RESOLUTION**

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Spending Affordability concerning Limits for the  
3 Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission

4 For the purpose of establishing spending control limits on the Fiscal Year 1999 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 Groups' 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 Executives' offices, each  
21 produced a separate report which makes certain recommendations on the WSSC Fiscal Year  
22 1999 Operating and Capital Budgets.

1           WHEREAS, the Prince George's County Council and the Montgomery County Council  
2 have reviewed the information compiled by the staff relating to spending control limits on the  
3 percentage of water and sewer rate increase; new debt; debt service and operating expenditures;

4           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's  
5 County, Maryland, that the Prince George's County Council hereby endorses the following  
6 spending control limits for the Fiscal Year 1999 Water and Sewer Operating and Capital Budgets  
7 of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission:

8           Water and Sewer Bill increase:           two percent (2.0)

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11           New Water and Sewer Debt:           Seventy-eight million  
12   eight hundred thousand dollars  
13   (\$78,800,000)

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15           Water and Sewer Debt Service:       One hundred forty-five  
16   million seven hundred fifty  
17   thousand dollars  
18   (\$145,750,000)

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20           Water and Sewer Operating  
21               Fund Expenditures:           Three hundred sixty-eight  
22   million four hundred  
23   thousand dollars  
24   (\$368,400,000)  
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Adopted this 20th day of January, 1998.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE  
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ronald V. Russell  
Chairman

ATTEST:

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Joyce T. Sweeney  
Clerk of the Council