

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**  
**2021 Legislative Session**

Resolution No. CR-100-2021  
Proposed by The Chair (by request – County Executive)  
Introduced by \_\_\_\_\_  
Co-Sponsors \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Introduction September 28, 2021

**RESOLUTION**

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Prince George's County Restoration of Twice-Per-Week Residential Trash and Recyclables  
3 Collection Services

4 For the purpose of authorizing the Department of the Environment to promulgate regulations and  
5 restore twice-per-week curbside and on-premise trash and recyclables collection services.

6 WHEREAS, the County currently provides weekly trash and recycling collection services  
7 to approximately 174,000 households; and

8 WHEREAS, the President of the United States proclaimed that the COVID-19 outbreak in  
9 the United States constituted a national emergency beginning March 1, 2020; and

10 WHEREAS, on March 5, 2020, the Governor of the State of Maryland declared a state of  
11 emergency and a catastrophic health emergency for the State of Maryland to control and prevent  
12 the spread of COVID-19; and

13 WHEREAS, the World Health Organization, on March 11, 2020, announced that the  
14 COVID-19 outbreak can be characterized as a pandemic; and

15 WHEREAS, Prince George's County, Maryland has previously issued the following  
16 emergency declarations: Executive Order Number 6-2020 dated March 16, 2020; Executive  
17 Order Number 7-2020 dated April 13, 2020; CR-31-2020 adopted May 11, 2020; Executive  
18 Order Number 8-2020 dated May 14, 2020; Executive Order Number 10-2020 dated May 28,  
19 2020; CR-51-2020 adopted June 9, 2020; Executive Order Number 13-2020 dated June 12,  
20 2020; Executive Order Number 15-2020 dated June 25, 2020; CR-64-2020 adopted July 7, 2020;  
21 Executive Order Number 20-2020 dated September 3, 2020; CR-90-101 adopted September 15,  
22 2020; CR-101-2020 adopted October 13, 2020; CR-125-2020 adopted November 8 17, 2020;

1 and Executive Order 27-2020 dated December 15, 2020; CR-02-2021 adopted January 12, 2021;  
2 Executive Order 3-2021 dated January 26, 2021; CR-13-2021 adopted February 16, 2021;  
3 Executive Order 8-2021 dated March 11, 2021; CR-33-2021 adopted March 30, 2021; CR 48-  
4 2021 adopted May 11, 2021; Executive Order 11-2021 dated May 14, 2021; Executive Order 14-  
5 2021 dated May 26, 2021; Executive Order 17-2021 adopted June 28, 2021 (amended Executive  
6 Order 14-2021); CR-77-2021 adopted July 6, 2021; Executive Order 18-2021 dated August 5,  
7 2021; and CR-80-2021 adopted September 8, 2021; and

8 WHEREAS, COVID-19 continues to pose an imminent threat to the health, safety, and  
9 welfare of County residents; and

10 WHEREAS, COVID-19 has also caused County residents to make permanent lifestyle  
11 changes that have them working more from home and overall spending significantly more time  
12 in their homes; and

13 WHEREAS, these lifestyle changes have resulted in County residents producing more than  
14 a thirty percent (30%) increase in the amount of residential trash and recyclables; and

15 WHEREAS, this increase in residential trash and recyclables has created a high demand  
16 and need for twice per-week trash and recyclable collection services; and

17 WHEREAS, twice-per-week curbside and on-premise collection services of trash and  
18 recyclables are paramount in creating a clean environment and are integral to the health, safety,  
19 and welfare of residents of the County; and

20 WHEREAS, pursuant to the Prince George's County Charter, a Resolution has the full  
21 force and effect of law, but of a temporary or administrative nature; and

22 WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 21-120 of the County Code, the Department of the  
23 Environment has the authority to make regulations with the consent of the County Council.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's  
25 County, Maryland, that the County Council is hereby authorizing the Department of  
26 Environment to promulgate regulations and provide twice-per-week curbside and on-premise  
27 collection services of trash and recyclables, as follows:

28 Collection Days:

29 Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., on the same two days of the week,  
30 each week for solid waste and recyclables; Wednesday for yard trim. Collection services  
31 not provided due to a holiday shall be provided on the day immediately following the

1 holiday. For example, if a holiday is on a Friday, Friday's collection services will be  
2 provided on Saturday.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect upon the expiration of  
4 the existing Residential Collections Contract date of May 1, 2022, unless all Parties jointly agree  
5 to modify said Contract to provide twice-per-week curbside and on-premise collection services  
6 of trash and recyclables before the May 1, 2022 date.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that provisions of this Resolution are hereby declared to be  
8 severable; and, in the event that any section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence,  
9 clause, phrase, or word of this Resolution is declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of  
10 competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the remaining  
11 words, phrases, clauses, sentences, subparagraphs, paragraphs, subsections, or sections of this  
12 Resolution, since the same would have been enacted without the incorporation in this Resolution  
13 of any such invalid or unconstitutional word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE  
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Calvin S. Hawkins, II  
Chair

ATTEST:

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Donna J. Brown  
Clerk of the Council