PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2019 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CR-65-2019

Draft No.: 2

Committee: Health, Human Services and Public Safety

Date: 9/18/2019

Action: FAV/A

REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable with amendments, 4-0 (In favor: Hawkins, Ivy, Harrison and Taveras)

The Health, Human Services and Public Safety Committee met on September 18, 2019, to consider CR-65-2019 Draft 2. CR-65-2019 Draft 2, encourages the operation of food trucks on Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission (MNCPPC) property and the creation of a memorandum of understanding between the Department of Permits Inspections and Enforcement (DPIE) and MNCPPC.

Councilman Dernoga expressed concern about additional trash at MNCPPC facilities and inquired about plans to handle this issue and ensuring that the community has adequate opportunity to comment. The legislative officer explained that these concerns were addressed in Draft 2.

Wanda Ramos represented MNCPPC during the committee meeting and provided testimony in support of the resolution. The Director of DPIE also participated in the meeting and stated that DPIE is in support but cautioned that there may be increased operational expenses as a result of the legislation. Lori Valentine, Director of Policy and Communications, from the Economic Development Corporation, who chairs the Food Truck Hub Oversight Committee spoke in support of the legislation.

The Office of Audits and Investigations provided a Policy Analysis and Fiscal Impact Statement for CR-65-2019 Draft 2. The statement indicated that adoption of CR-65-2019 Draft 2, should not have an adverse fiscal impact on the County. The discontinuance of the assessment of Food Truck Hub fees on Food Trucks operating at MNCPPC properties or facilities may incentivize the participation of Food Trucks in the Prince George's County Food Truck Hub Program.