

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

2003 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-64-2003

Proposed by The Chairman (by request – County Executive)

Introduced by Council Members Shapiro and Knotts

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction October 7, 2003

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 The 911 Charge

3 For the purpose of approving an increase in the additional charge for switched local exchange
4 access service, commercial mobile radio service, and other 911 accessible service within the
5 County.

6 WHEREAS, Public Safety Article, Section 1-301, et seq., Annotated Code of Maryland,
7 provides for the existence and funding of a 911 System to provide timely and appropriate
8 assistance when the lives or property of the citizens of Maryland are in imminent danger; and

9 WHEREAS, there is currently an additional charge of fifty cents (\$0.50) per month to be
10 applied to all current bills rendered for switched local exchange access service, wireless
11 telephone service, or other 911 accessible service within the County; and

12 WHEREAS, amendments to the Public Safety Article, Section 1-311 of the Annotated
13 Code of Maryland, effective October 1, 2003 authorize the County to increase the 911 additional
14 charge to seventy-five cents (\$0.75) per month per bill for switched local exchange access
15 service, commercial mobile radio service, or other 911 accessible service within the County; and

16 WHEREAS, additional expenditures will be required to enhance the capabilities of the 911
17 system in accordance with time-sensitive State and Federal mandates for the deployment of
18 “Phase II Wireless Enhanced 911” systems; and

19 WHEREAS, proceeds from the 911 additional charge may only be used to fund the
20 installation, enhancement, maintenance and operation of the County’s 911 system; and

21 WHEREAS, the Public Safety Article, Section 1-311(e) of the Annotated Code of
22 Maryland provides that the Public Service Commission shall direct each telephone company that

1 provides service in a county that imposes an additional charge to add, within 60 days, the full
2 amount of the additional charge to all current bills rendered for switched local exchange access
3 service in the county; and

4 WHEREAS, within 60 days after a county enacts or adopts an ordinance or resolution that
5 imposes, repeals, or modifies an additional charge, each 911 service carrier that provides service
6 in the county shall add the full amount of the additional charge to all current bills rendered for
7 commercial mobile radio service and other 911 accessible service in the county;

8 WHEREAS, the County Council conducted a public hearing on November 18, 2003,
9 pursuant to Section 1-311, prior to increasing the 911 additional charge from the charge
10 previously adopted.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's
12 County, Maryland, that the 911 additional charge of seventy-five cents (\$0.75) per month per bill
13 for switched local exchange access service, commercial mobile radio service and other 911
14 accessible service in the County, be and the same is hereby approved, retroactively effective to
15 October 1, 2003.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Council shall forward a copy of this
2 Resolution, upon adoption, to the Public Service Commission.

Adopted this 18th day of November, 2003.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Peter A. Shapiro
Chairman

ATTEST:

Redis C. Floyd
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: _____ BY: _____
Jack B. Johnson
County Executive