

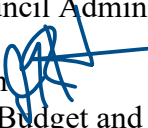



**FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE**

September 25, 2024

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RE: Policy Analysis and Fiscal Impact Statement  
CR-071-2024 Contract Approvals

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**CR-071-2024** (*proposed by:* The Chair of the Council at the request of the County Executive)

Assigned to the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy (GOFP) Committee

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**A RESOLUTION CONCERNING CONTRACT APPROVALS** for the purpose of approving a multiyear contract in accordance with the Prince George's County Charter and Subtitle 10 of the Prince George's County Code.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**Direct Impact:**

*Expenditures:* Expenditures of \$147,153 for FY 2025, and \$755,954 total through FY 2029.

*Revenues:* No direct revenue impact likely.

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### **Indirect Impact:**

No indirect fiscal impact likely.

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### **Legislative Summary:**

CR-071-2024, sponsored by the Chair at the request of the County Executive, was presented to the Council on September 10, 2024, and referred to the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee (GOFP). CR-071-2024 would approve a multiyear contract of up to \$755,954<sup>1</sup> with the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (MWCOG) for services to monitor and reduce litter and trash in the Anacostia River Watershed.

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### **Current Law/Background:**

Section 819<sup>2</sup> of the Charter for Prince George's County, Maryland requires that all personal service contracts greater than \$100,000 and multiyear contracts greater than \$500,000 must be subject to approval by the County Council by resolution.

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### **Resource Personnel:**

- Andrea L. Crooms, Director, Department of the Environment
  - Karen Williams Gooden, Legislative Counsel, Department of the Environment
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### **Discussion/Policy Analysis**

Prince George's County has a long history of commitment to trash reduction programs and initiatives in the Anacostia River. The County is a board member of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (MWCOG) and a signatory of the 2001 Anacostia Watershed Agreement<sup>3</sup>, which set goals and targets for the Anacostia River and its watershed, aiming to improve water quality, enhance ecological integrity, and foster community involvement. The County has also been a member of the Anacostia Trash Workgroup since 1990 and was a participating member of the Anacostia Trash TMDL Development Technical Workgroup. Since 2008, the County has procured MWCOG to perform monitoring of trash and trash reduction within the Anacostia Watershed.

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<sup>1</sup> Note: The text of the resolution appears to have a minor typo, listing \$755,945 as the value of the contract, rather than the actual value of \$755,954

<sup>2</sup> [County Charter, Section 819](#)

<sup>3</sup> [2001 Anacostia Watershed Agreement](#)

CR-077-2024 approves a contract with the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (MWCOG) of up to \$755,954, as detailed in Attachment A to the Resolution. Through this contract, the MWCOG will assist with continued implementation of the 2015 Implementation Plan for the Anacostia River Watershed Trash Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) in the County. Specifically, the MWCOG will support the Department of the Environment’s efforts in tracking trash levels in stream and on land, pinpointing areas with heavy trash accumulation, managing the trash data system and mapping, maintaining trash traps throughout the County, and conducting anti-litter outreach and education. As the County is required to remove hundreds of tons of trash from entering the Anacostia River each year, it is vital that it has the resources to understand where the major sources of trash are and what the most cost-effective strategies for dealing with this trash are. The MWCOG’s data tracking resources, mapping, and trash removal services have been critical to the County achieving its goal.

The life of the contract runs from the current Fiscal Year 2025 through Fiscal Year 2029. **Figure 1** shows the proposed breakdown of cost per year.

**Figure 1**<sup>4</sup>

Fiscal Year	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	Total
Amount	\$147,153	\$152,559	\$150,016	\$152,480	\$153,746	<b>\$755,954</b>

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**Fiscal Impact:**

- *Direct Impact*

Adoption of CR-071-2024 will have an adverse direct fiscal impact on the County of approximately \$147,153 in FY 2025 and an estimated \$755,954 over the term of the contract.

- *Indirect Impact*

Implementation of CR-071-2024 is likely to have a positive indirect impact on the County by providing for the cleanliness and beautification of the Anacostia River Watershed. However, this impact is difficult to determine.

- *Appropriated in the Current Fiscal Year Budget*

Yes, an estimate of the costs for this contract was appropriated in the FY 2025 budget.

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**Effective Date:**

The proposed Resolution shall be effective on the date of adoption.

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<sup>4</sup> [CR-071-2024 Attachment A](#)

If you require additional information or have questions about this fiscal impact statement, please email me.