

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

1996 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-28-1996

Proposed by Council Member Russell

Introduced by Council Member Russell

Co-Sponsors

Date of Introduction May 29, 1996

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION concerning

School Facilities

For the purpose of requiring the Planning Board to conduct a Planning Capacity Analysis at the time of preliminary plat of subdivision.

WHEREAS, the County is experiencing residential growth at a rate that will necessitate the construction of new public school facilities; and

WHEREAS, a school facilities surcharge will be imposed on new residential development as of July 1, 1996; and

WHEREAS, the surcharge may only be used to pay for additional or expanded public school facilities and debt service on bonds issued for such facilities; and

WHEREAS, the application of the school facilities surcharge is not based on a test of the adequacy of schools serving the specific development, but rather is applied uniformly, by unit type; and

WHEREAS, The Zoning Ordinance currently requires a test for the adequacy of school facilities in the Comprehensive Design Zones and the Mixed-Use Community Zone; and

WHEREAS, State law prohibits the County from imposing an adequate public facilities test for schools on developments subject to the school facilities surcharge; and

WHEREAS, there continues to be a need to monitor the impact of new residential growth on school facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that the Planning Board shall conduct a School Planning Capacity Analysis

at the time of preliminary plat of subdivision, for planning purposes only.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board shall use the most recent information provided by the Board of Education regarding pupil yield and school capacity, and shall conduct the test based on the Board of Education's "cluster" boundaries.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this information shall be used by the Planning and Board of Education staffs when assessing the need for new or expanded school facilities, and shall not be used by the Technical Staff, Planning Board, Zoning Hearing Examiner, or District Council when making a recommendation or decision regarding any type of zoning or subdivision matter.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 1996.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY:

Stephen J. Del Giudice
Chairman

ATTEST:

Joyce T. Sweeney
Clerk of the Council