

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2018 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-75-2018

Proposed by The Chair (by request – County Executive)

Introduced by Council Members Glaros, Lehman, Davis, Turner, Taveras and Patterson

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction October 9, 2018

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Transportation Network Services

3 For the purpose of enacting provisions pertaining to the establishment and administration of
4 funds provided for the Transportation Services Improvement Fund of Prince George’s County,
5 which supports a per-trip surcharge on certain transportation network services to increase the
6 safety, accessibility and reliability of the County’s transportation system.

7 WHEREAS, CB-72-2015 established a Transportation Services Improvement Fund
8 comprised of revenues produced as a result of an up to twenty-five (25) cents per trip surcharge
9 for trips provided by transportation network services companies originating within the borders of
10 Prince George’s County; and

11 WHEREAS, CB-72-2015 requires the promulgation of regulations to enable the
12 expenditure of Transportation Services Improvement Fund revenue; and

13 WHEREAS, CB-72-2015 requires those regulations to be approved by the County Council
14 as a pre-condition to expenditure; and

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's
16 County, Maryland, that revenues deposited into the Transportation Services Improvement Fund
17 shall be used for the following purposes:

18 **A. Fund Stabilization and Resiliency.** Prior to any expenditure, \$1,000,000 from the revenue
19 received in the Fund shall be held in a separate reserve sub-account. For each subsequent fiscal
20 year, an amount equal to the first month of revenue received in the account shall be deposited
21 into the reserve sub-account. It is the intent that expenses for services provided by the Fund be
22 budgeted in and paid out of the non-reserve account. Further, the amount in the reserve sub

1 account shall not be allowed to fall below \$1,000,000 unless approved by Council Resolution.

2 **B. Improvement and expansion of Bus Services.** To support expansion, improvement,
3 accessibility to, and utilization of bus services in Prince George's County through the acquisition
4 of fixed assets, improving citizen access to bus services, satisfying the last mile, first mile
5 connectivity through bike share, augmenting the safe operation of buses within the County and
6 improving operational efficiency of bus services.

7 **C. Enhancing and expanding the provision of readily available, quality, accessible taxi**
8 **service in Prince George's County.** To support operation, stabilization, availability,
9 accessibility, reliability, and transparency of taxi operations within Prince George's County.

10 **D. Reimbursement for the provision of Accessible Taxicab Trips.** Accessible taxicab trips
11 dispatched for pickup and provided by a properly registered Prince George's County accessible
12 taxi within Prince George's County limits will be reimbursed at a rate of \$20 per trip. This is
13 intended to account for the added pickup and drop off time associated with these trips as well as
14 the additional costs of potentially travelling greater distances to pick up an Accessible Taxi
15 passenger.

16 To be eligible for the Accessible Taxi Trip reimbursement, documentation of the service
17 request call and trip provided must be submitted to the Department of Public Works and
18 Transportation by the driver, or an association or company on behalf of the driver(s) within 30
19 days following the end of the month in which the trip was provided in a format approved by the
20 Department of Public Works and Transportation. The Department of Public Works and
21 Transportation shall provide the format for reporting Accessible Taxi Trip for such purposes. At
22 any time upon request, the Department of Public Works and Transportation must receive:

- 23 • A copy of the dispatch record that includes the Association or Company name, taxi
24 number, driver name, and time and date of the trip.
- 25 • A copy of the Accessible Taxi Trip form from the driver that includes the Association
26 name, taxi number, driver name, time and date of the trip, and the pickup and drop off
27 location of the requested trip.

28 **E. Systems to monitor and assure compliance with applicable taxi legislation.**

29 Implementation of appropriate technology and monitoring systems necessary to track and verify
30 accessible trips provided and subsidies requested, fulfill taxi reporting requirements, and assure
31 compliance with taxi operating procedures.

1 **F. Other Expenditures.** After fulfilling all requirements of A, B, C, D, and E, the County
2 may distribute any remaining funds for any other purposes permitted by Section 20A-212 of the
3 County Code.

4 **G. Reimbursement Transparency.** No later than July 31 of the following calendar year in
5 which distributions from the Fund were made, the County will make publicly available the
6 annual dollar amounts reimbursed to an association, company or independent driver.

7 **H. Reporting.** A report of revenues and expenditures from the Fund shall be provided to
8 Council no later than July 31 of each calendar year.

Adopted this 16th day of October , 2018.

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BY: _____
Dannielle M. Glaros
Chair

ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Council