

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Meeting Date: 7/29/97

Reference No.: CB-71-1997

Proposer: County Executive

Draft No.: 1

Sponsors: Bailey

Item Title: An Act to clarify the purposes of the CHOICE fund and provide a procedure for the use of moneys paid for alternative compliance to the construction of Moderately Priced Dwelling Units

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Office of Law

Resource Personnel: Michael A. Doaks
Housing

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented: 6/3/97

Executive Action: 8/13/97 S

Committee Referral:(1) 6/3/97 THE

Effective Date: 9/29/97

Committee Action:(1) 6/19/97 FAV

Date Introduced: 7/1/97

Pub. Hearing Date: (1) 7/29/97 10:45 AM

Council Action: (1) 7/29/97 ENACTED

Council Votes: DB:A, SD:A, JE:A, IG:A, WM:A, RVR:A, AS:A, MW:A

Pass/Fail: P

Remarks: _____

TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE DATE: 6/19/97

Committee Vote: Favorable, 4-0 (In favor: Council members Russell, Bailey, Del Giudice and Estep).

The purpose of CB-71-1997 is to clarify and expand the purposes of the CHOICE fund and provide a procedure for the use of moneys paid for alternative compliance to the construction of Moderately Priced Dwelling Units. It permits the Fund to be used for revitalization efforts and to improve the quality of housing in the County. This legislation also clarifies that the Fund can be budgeted for Housing activities consistent with the purposes of the Fund. This legislation amends Section 10-261 and Section 10-253 of the County Code by deleting any reference to affordable housing. It also

provides that the Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development shall notify the Planning Board when such payments to the fund are received for its (ie. the Planning Board) consideration of subdivision applications.

The Planning Board supports the bill, but believes that it may be useful to have a process for providing notification of payment to the Planning Board. Planning Board staff believes an informal notification process should be established by the Department of Housing and Community Development. Michael Doaks, Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) indicated that a procedure is in place to notify the Planning Board of payments for consideration of subdivision applications.

The Acting County Auditor has determined that there should not be any negative fiscal impact on the County and the Legislative Officer find it to be in proper legislative form.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT

(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

CODE INDEX TOPICS:

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Moderately Priced Housing

Capturing Housing Opportunities in Communities Everywhere ("CHOICE")

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