

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
SITTING AS THE DISTRICT COUNCIL
2021 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-079-2021
Proposed by The Chair (by request - Planning Board)
Introduced by Council Members Hawkins, Franklin, Harrison, Davis, Turner,
Glaros and Taveras
Co-Sponsors _____
Date of Introduction September 8, 2021

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Countywide Functional Master Plan of Transportation – Plan 2035 Implementation

3 For the purpose of initiating a Countywide Master Plan of Transportation, a functional master
4 plan, for the that portion of the Maryland-Washington Regional District in Prince George’s
5 County, Maryland, in order to support the development pattern approved via the 2014 County
6 General Plan, *Plan Prince George’s 2035*, to update to 2009 *Countywide Master Plan of*
7 *Transportation*, and to reflect more recent Federal, State, and local transportation policy
8 initiatives; and to approve Goals, Concepts, Guidelines, and a Public Participation Program for
9 the project pursuant to Part 13 of the Zoning Ordinance.

10 WHEREAS, Part 13 of the Zoning Ordinance of Prince George's County, Maryland, sets
11 forth the requirements for initiation of an area master plan by the Prince George's County
12 Planning Board of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission with the
13 approval or concurrence of the District Council; and

14 WHEREAS, the Planning Department’s Fiscal Year 2022 Budget and Work Programs
15 included preparation of a new functional master plan of transportation and, accordingly, the
16 Planning Department engaged a consultant team to assist staff in the gathering and analysis of
17 data and identification of issues to be addressed through such a planning effort; and

18 WHEREAS, a new functional master plan for Prince George’s County is necessary to
19 implement the recommendations of *Plan Prince George’s 2035* General Plan (“Plan 2035”), the
20 County’s comprehensive plan for growth and development, including those recommendations

1 specific to the transportation element countywide; and

2 WHEREAS, a new functional master plan for Prince George's County is further necessary
3 to amend public rights-of-way recommendations from all active master plans; and

4 WHEREAS, the Countywide Functional Master Plan of Transportation – Plan 2035
5 Implementation will create the County's policies for sustainable, equitable, and activity
6 supportive transportation within the county; and

7 WHEREAS, the proposed functional master plan will make transportation
8 recommendations that will support and be informed by the County's adopted 2018 Zoning
9 Ordinance upon its effective date; and

10 WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 27-640(a) of the Zoning Ordinance, upon approval by the
11 County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, sitting as the District Council, the
12 proposed functional master plan will amend portions of Plan 2035 and the County's active
13 master plans and will replace the 2009 *Countywide Master Plan of Transportation*; and

14 WHEREAS, at its July 15, 2021, regular meeting, the Prince George's County Planning
15 Board of The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission initiated the
16 preparation of the proposed functional plan and endorsed the project's Goals, Concepts, and
17 Guidelines and Public Participation Program, as set forth in Attachment A to this Resolution; and

18 WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 27-644(a)(1) of the Zoning Ordinance, the District
19 Council has reviewed the Goals, Concepts, and Guidelines and Public Participation Program and
20 finds that they address an appropriate range of issues to be evaluated through development of the
21 preliminary functional master plan and that the methodology for ensuring adequate community
22 involvement is consistent with the requirements of Section 27-643 of the Zoning Ordinance and
23 should be approved; and

24 WHEREAS, preparation of the Countywide Functional Master Plan of Transportation –
25 Plan 2035 Implementation, will involve coordination with all levels of government, including
26 federal, state, county, and regional agencies, on issues pertinent to the project, and work
27 programs associated with the planning process; and

28 WHEREAS, the Planning Board finds that complexity of the planning process and the
29 complexity of the plan area necessitate significant public and stakeholder engagement and data
30 analysis and requests, pursuant to Section 27-644(a)(3) of the Zoning Ordinance, an eight-month
31 extension to the period for preparation of the preliminary plan; and

1 WHEREAS, the District Council concurs with the Planning Board’s analysis of the
2 complexity of preparation of this functional master plan, as well as with the proposed project
3 schedule as described in Attachment A to the Resolution, attached hereto and incorporated as if
4 set forth fully herein..

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's
6 County, Maryland, sitting as the District Council for that part of the Maryland-Washington
7 Regional District in Prince George's County, Maryland, that the Prince George’s County
8 Planning Department of The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission is
9 hereby directed to prepare a countywide functional master plan in accordance with Parts 3 and
10 13 of the Zoning Ordinance of Prince George’s County, Maryland.

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District Council has considered and hereby
12 approves the Goals, Concepts, Guidelines, and Public Participation Program set forth in
13 Attachment A to this Resolution.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this action conforms to the requirements of Subtitle 27,
15 Part 13 of the Zoning Ordinance; and,

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District Council approves the Project Schedule set
17 forth in Attachment A to this Resolution, including an eight-month extension to the period for
18 preparation of the preliminary plan required by Section 27-644(a)(2) of the Zoning Ordinance.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect upon its adoption.

Adopted this 21st day of September, 2021.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S
COUNTY, MARYLAND, SITTING AS THE
DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR THAT PART OF
THE MARYLAND-WASHINGTON REGIONAL
DISTRICT IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY,
MARYLAND

BY: _____
Calvin S. Hawkins, II
Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown
Clerk of the Council