

## Prince George's County Council

### Agenda Item Summary

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**Meeting Date:** 3/2/2004  
**Reference No.:** CR-016-2004  
**Draft No.:** 1  
**Proposer(s):** Knotts, Dean  
**Sponsor(s):** Knotts, Dean, Harrington, Dernoga, Exum, Peters  
**Item Title:** A Resolution articulating the position of the County Council regarding support of Dimensions Healthcare Systems, Inc. and the Memorandum of Understanding between the County and the State of Maryland.

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**Drafter:** Ralph E. Grutzmacher, Legislative Officer  
**Resource Personnel:**

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#### LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

<b>Date Presented:</b>	<b>Executive Action:</b>
<b>Committee Referral:</b>	<b>Effective Date:</b>
<b>Committee Action:</b>	
<b>Date Introduced:</b> 3/2/2004	
<b>Public Hearing:</b>	
<b>Council Action (1)</b> 3/2/2004 - ADOPTED	
<b>Council Votes:</b> MB:N, SHD:A, TD:A, CE:A, DCH:A, TH:N, TK:A, DP:A, PS:N	
<b>Pass/Fail:</b> P	
<b>Remarks:</b>	

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#### AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

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#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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#### BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

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

Dimensions Healthcare Systems, Inc. operates a multi-unit hospital and healthcare facilities system within the County, including major acute care hospital facilities owned by and previously operated by the County. Dimensions Healthcare has requested financial assistance from the County to help pay for operations costs. The County previously approved emergency appropriations (CB-98-2003) that provided \$5 Million in the current fiscal year. The County Executive and the Governor have negotiated an agreement to provide additional financial assistance to Dimensions Healthcare in future fiscal years that will require the identification of additional sources of revenue by the County Executive and additional appropriations by the County Council.

The proposed resolution states the County Council's position regarding the fiscal justification for providing continuing fiscal support for Dimensions Healthcare and related conditions to be met regarding future appropriations by the Council. The proposed resolution also provides notice of a public meeting of the Council, sitting as the Board of Health, on March 9, 2004, to review all issues pertaining to the continuation of financial support of Dimensions Healthcare.

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**CODE INDEX TOPICS:**

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**INCLUSION FILES:**

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