## COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND 2023 Legislative Session

Resolution No.	CR-031-2023
Proposed by	The Chair – (by request – County Executive)
Introduced by	Council Members Dernoga, Ivey, Olson and Oriadha
Co-Sponsors	
Date of Introduction	May 9, 2023

## RESOLUTION

## A RESOLUTION concerning

## Contract Approval

For the purpose of approving a multi-year contract to procure consultant to assist with developing a Climate Action Implementation Strategy Plan Prince George's County.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 819 of the Charter for Prince George's County, Maryland the County Council must approve, by resolution, all multi-year contracts exceeding an aggregate of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 819 of the Charter for Prince George's County, Maryland no agency of the County Government shall, during any fiscal year, expend any money or incur any liability in excess of the amounts appropriated and no such payment shall be made, nor any obligation or liability incurred, except for purchases in an amount to be fixed by legislative act; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to retain a consultant to assist with developing a Climate Action Implementation Strategy Plan for the County; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to retain a consultant to provide technical expertise, policy advice, research services and other staff support for climate action planning; and

WHEREAS, COG, with funding from the region's Regional Environment Fund ("REF"), is responsible for managing the Climate Energy and Environment Policy Committee ("CEEPC") and has established the region's 2017-2020 Climate and Energy Action Plan to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases to meet climate change goals adopted in the November 2008 Climate Change Report and established the 2030 Climate and Energy Action Plan to meet the 2030 climate goals adopted in 2020; and

WHEREAS, the COG Climate and Energy Action Plan has a goal that COG member governments develop local climate action plans; and

WHEREAS, COG, under its regional Climate and Energy Action Plan, desires to support development and implementation of local climate action plans; and

WHEREAS, COG through a competitive procurement process has and will continue to secure contracts with climate action planning consulting firms, known as "Contractor(s)" for purposes of this Agreement, to assist COG and member governments prepare and provide implementation support for greenhouse gas inventories, climate action planning and resiliency planning; and any related tasks required to achieve the Transformational Commitments and Priority Recommendations ("Priority Recommendations") of the COUNTY'S Climate Action Plan ("CAP"); and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY, through its Department of the Environment ("DoE"), is interested in preparing studies and performing other climate action-related tasks intended to support implementation of the Prince George's County CAP and desires to partner with COG to carry out this work given COG's unique data sets, staff skills, and contraction capabilities; and

WHEREAS, both COG and the COUNTY have funding to support climate action planning and related tasks essential to implementing the County's CAP that could help support partnership with other COG member jurisdictions to perform and collaborate on mutually beneficial climate studies, tasks, or as a participating applicant or partner for regional grant funded opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the County Purchasing Agent has determined that it is the County's best interest to enter a contract with the consultant for the provision of the "Only Practical Source" for delivering the County's first climate action implementation plan; and

WHEREAS, "Attachment A," Prince George's County Climate Action Plan
Implementation Agreement (FY23-FY26) summarizes the terms and provisions of the consultant services to be provided under this Agreement by and between the County and Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 819 of the County Charter, the County Council must approve, by resolution, all multi-year contracts exceeding an aggregate of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's

County, Maryland, that the Contract and Proposal collectively described in Attachment A, and the same is hereby approved, pursuant to Section 819 of the Charter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that that the County Executive is hereby authorized to make any modifications, adjustments, corrections, or any other changes as may be necessary to finalize the agreement in any manner the County Executive may deem necessary or proper but not altering its substance.

Adopted this 11th day of July, 2023.

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

Thomas Throngs

BY:

Thomas E. Dernoga

Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown

Clerk of the Council