

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session _____ 1991 _____

Resolution No. _____ CR-80-1991 _____

Proposed by _____ Council Member Casula _____

Introduced by Council Members Casula, Del Giudice,

Pemberton, Mills, Bell and Wineland _____

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction _____ September 17, 1991 _____

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION concerning

Consolidation of Government Services

FOR the purpose of establishing a task force to identify opportunities for the consolidation of services provided by public agencies operating within Prince George's County.

WHEREAS, the national recession has resulted in decreased business activity in the mid-Atlantic region which in turn has resulted in decreased revenues to the State of Maryland and to Prince George's County; and

WHEREAS, agencies which operate utilizing County tax revenue or which utilize tax revenues levied by the County have renegotiated labor agreements, reduced or eliminated services and programs, and deferred capital improvements needed for an expanding population base; and

WHEREAS, in order to obviate the need to further reduce or

eliminate needed services and programs, each local and bi-county agency operating in Prince George's County seeks to further economize the expense of its operations while minimizing the impact upon desirable services and programs; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to provide for the examination of the operations of local and bi-county public agencies operating within the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that a Consolidation Task Force is hereby created to examine and identify opportunities for the consolidation of services provided by public agencies operating within Prince George's County. The Consolidation Task Force shall:

1. Identify support and program areas of tax-supported organizations which could be consolidated for efficiency.
2. Identify program areas provided by the County which are being provided by another level of government.
3. Examine ways of providing public services more effectively through the use of profit and non-profit private sector service providers.
4. Identify existing services which are properly subject to the imposition of user charges to measure the level of services needed as evidenced by the using population's willingness to pay some or all of the costs of providing such services.
5. Explore existing systems of subsidy to public services to determine whether subsidies should be applied to the service for the benefit of all persons or should be applied to target populations

based upon the ability to pay some or all of the costs of such services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Consolidation Task Force shall be comprised of twenty-five (25) members who shall be appointed in the following manner:

(1) One member shall be appointed by each Council Member who shall reside in the respective Council District;

(2) One member from an organization representing the public interest;

(3) Three members from the business community, one of whom shall be from a service employer employing more than 500 employees, one of whom shall be from an employer who employees less than 500 employees and one representative from the Southern Maryland Building Industry Association;

(4) Four members from public sector employee organizations from the County, the Board of Education, the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, and the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission; and

(5) Four ex officio members representing the County Council, the Board of Education, the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, and the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.

(6) Four ex officio representatives who shall be the Deputy Chief Administrative Officers in charge of Public Safety, Human Services, Administration and Development.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council shall appoint

appropriate staff to assist and advise the Consolidation Task Force in its efforts as necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Consolidation Task Force shall prepare and deliver its findings and recommendations to the Council on or before February 28, 1992.

Adopted this 8th day of October, 1991.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Anne MacKinnon
Acting Chairman

ATTEST:

Maurene W. Epps
Acting Clerk of the Council