

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2021 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CR-122-2022

Draft No.: 1

Committee: Committee of the Whole

Date: October 18, 2022

Action: FAV

REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable on Draft 1, 9-1-1 (In favor: Council Members, Hawkins, Harrison, Franklin, Taveras, Turner, Ivey, Streeter, Glaros, Medlock; Against: Burroughs; Abstain: Dernoga).

The Committee of the Whole met on October 18, 2022 to consider CR-122-2022. The Legislative Officer provided an overview of the legislation, explaining that purpose of the legislation was for confirming the County Council's support for the Prince George's County Public Schools Blueprint Schools Phase II Taskforce recommendation for 1) the six selected schools; 2) the affordability threshold; and 3) the general anticipated terms of the Project Agreement.

Council Member Dernoga expressed his concern that selection process was not as transparent as he would have liked. PGCPS representatives assured Mr. Dernoga that staff from the Office of the County Executive, the County Council, PGCPS and the Consultant comprised the Work Group who provided information to the Taskforce. The selection of schools is based on the Educational Facilities Master Plan (EFMP). There was discussion of the intricacies of the EFMP.

Council Member Glaros tried to clarify the additional breadth of complexity in Phase II as opposed to Phase I. In Phase I, the County and PGCPS fully funded the contribution. In Phase II, the State of Maryland is contributing the amount of \$25 million. The County's contribution is \$10 million and PGCPS's contribution is \$15 million.

Whereupon, The Committee of the Whole voted 9-1-1 to approve CR-122-2022 Draft 1.