

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

2023 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-102-2023

Proposed by The Chair (by request - WSSC)

Introduced by Council Member Dernoga

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction October 24, 2023

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Spending Affordability Limits for the
3 Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission

4 For the purpose of establishing spending control limits on the Fiscal Year 2025 Water and Sewer
5 Operating and Capital Budgets of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC).

6 WHEREAS, during the Fiscal Year 1994 Bi-County budget process the Montgomery and
7 Prince George's County Councils established a Bi-County Working Group to recommend
8 changes that would control the growth of debt and maintain future rate increases at WSSC close
9 to the level of inflation; and

10 WHEREAS, the Working Group's January 1994 Report recommended the establishment of
11 a spending affordability process; and

12 WHEREAS, the Prince George's County Council endorsed the entire Working Group's
13 report through the adoption of CR-12-1994 and the Montgomery County Council endorsed part
14 of the report's recommendations through Resolution #12-1558; and

15 WHEREAS, the Councils jointly endorsed in concept the January 1994 Working Group
16 Report spending affordability process; and

17 WHEREAS, both Councils endorsed the utilization of the spending affordability process
18 beginning with the formulation of the Fiscal Year 1996 budget; and

19 WHEREAS, the Spending Affordability Working Group, consisting of the staffs of the
20 Montgomery and Prince George's County Councils and both County Executive's offices, make
21 certain recommendations on the WSSC Fiscal Year 2025 Operating and Capital Budgets; and

22 WHEREAS, the Prince George's County Council and the Montgomery County Council

1 have reviewed the information compiled by the staff relating to spending control limits on the
2 percentage of water and sewer increase; new debt; debt service and operating expenditures; and

3 WHEREAS, the spending control limits for WSSC’s FY 2025 Capital and Operating
4 Budgets were discussed on October 10, 2023, by the County Council Sitting as the Committee of
5 the Whole, and on October 12, 2023, by the Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy & Environment
6 Committee.

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's
8 County, Maryland, that the Prince George's County Council hereby endorses the following
9 spending control limits for the Fiscal Year 2025 Water and Sewer Operating and Capital Budgets
10 of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission:

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12	Maximum Average Rate Increase	8.5 %
13	New Water and Sewer Debt	\$390,262,000
14	Water and Sewer Debt Service	\$361,968,000
15	Total Water and Sewer Operating Expenses:	\$1,014,059,000
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Adopted this 24th day of October, 2023.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Thomas E. Dernoga
Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown
Clerk of the Council