

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**

**2007 Legislative Session**

Resolution No. CR-1-2007

Proposed by Council Member Exum

Introduced by Council Members Exum, Dean, Dernoga and Harrington

Co-Sponsors \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Introduction December 5, 2006

**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 2008 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 2008 Operating and Capital Budgets; and  
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1 WHEREAS, the Prince George's County Council and the Montgomery Council have  
 2 reviewed the information compiled by the staff relating to spending control limits on the  
 3 percentage of water and sewer increase; new debt; debt service and operating expenditures;

4 WHEREAS, the Prince George's County Council recommends that WSSC, in conjunction  
 5 with its Fiscal Year 2008 Budget transmittal, identify priority items that would not be funded  
 6 within the approved Fiscal Year 2008 spending control limits. These items can be considered for  
 7 funding at the May 2007 Bi-County meeting; and

8 WHEREAS, revenue from surplus property sales increases WSSC fund balance which can  
 9 be used to address one-time budgetary needs and/or provide one-time rate relief;

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's  
 11 County, Maryland, that the Prince George's County Council hereby endorses the following  
 12 spending control limits for the Fiscal Year 2008 Water and Sewer Operating and Capital Budgets  
 13 of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission:

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15	Water and Sewer Bill increase:	five point three percent (5.3%)
16	New Water and Sewer Debt:	One hundred and sixty-one million,
17		four hundred and fifty thousand dollars
18		(\$161,450,000)
19	Water and Sewer Debt Service:	One hundred and sixty million, nine
20		hundred and twenty-two thousand
21		dollars
22		(\$160,922,000)
23	Water and Sewer Operating	Four hundred and fifty-four million,
24	Fund Expenditures:	thirty-eight thousand dollars
25		(\$454,038,000)
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Adopted this 5th day of December, 2006.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE  
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Camille A. Exum  
Chair

ATTEST:

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Redis C. Floyd  
Clerk of the Council