

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**  
**2021 Legislative Session**

Resolution No. CR-15-2021

Proposed by The Chair (by request – County Executive)

Introduced by Council Members Hawkins, Glaros, Davis, Streeter, Franklin, Turner,  
and Harrison

Date of Introduction February 23, 2021

**RESOLUTION**

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 School Facilities Surcharge

3 For the purpose of approving a full exemption of the school facilities surcharge for all residential  
4 units within the Union on Knox project.

5 WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 10-192.01(a) of the Prince George's County Code, the  
6 County Council, acting as the governing body of Prince George's County, shall impose a school  
7 facilities surcharge on new residential construction for which a building permit is issued on or  
8 after July 1, 2003; and

9 WHEREAS, consistent with the requirements of Chapter 351 of the Laws of Maryland of  
10 2019 (House Bill 225), codified as Section 10-192.01(b)(4)(D) of the Prince George's County  
11 Code, the County Council, by Resolution, may exempt some or all of the school facilities  
12 surcharge for undergraduate student housing built west of U.S. Route 1, North of Knox Road and  
13 south of Metzert Road, to promote the goals of the University District Vision 2020 in the City  
14 of College Park; and

15 WHEREAS, the City of College Park passed general motion #20-G-05 on January 14,  
16 2020 affirming that the Union on Knox project, which includes 341 units of undergraduate  
17 student housing in the designated area described in Section 10-192.01(b)(4)(D) of the Prince  
18 George's County Code, is eligible for an exemption from the school facilities surcharge; and

19 WHEREAS, the City of College Park recommends that the County Council approve a  
20 full exemption for the Union on Knox project from the school facilities surcharge, and

21 WHEREAS, the Union on Knox represents a high-quality student housing project that  
22 provides 20,000 square feet of new retail and pedestrian friendly public realm improvements that

1 include connecting the University of Maryland to downtown College Park; and

2 WHEREAS, the County Executive has determined, because the Union on Knox project will  
3 have many positive effects on the residential and commercial environment in the broader College  
4 Park area, that the required school facilities surcharge be fully exempted, and that building  
5 permits may be issued without the full imposition of the surcharge; and

6 WHEREAS, this Resolution, completes the process required for a full exemption of the  
7 school facilities surcharge for the Union on Knox project, subject to the approval of the County  
8 Council, acting as the governing body.

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George’s  
10 County, Maryland, that the school facilities surcharge required in Section 10-192.01(a) of the  
11 Prince George’s County Code is hereby fully exempted, for the property included in the Union  
12 on Knox Project, and building permits may be issued for the dwelling units, with no payment of  
13 the surcharge.

Adopted this 23rd day of March, 2021.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE  
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Calvin S. Hawkins, II  
Chair

ATTEST:

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Donna J. Brown  
Clerk of the Council