

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

**Meeting Date:** 10/6/98

**Reference No.:** CR-73-1998

**Proposer:** Russell

**Draft No.:** 1

**Sponsors:** Russell, Bailey, and Gourdine

**Item Title:** To establish spending control limits for the FY2000  
Water & Sewerage Operating and Capital Budget of  
the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission

**Drafter:** Craig S. Price  
Deputy Council Administrator

**Resource Personnel:** Thomas Street  
Budget Director, WSSC

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

**Date Presented:** \_\_/\_\_/\_\_

**Executive Action:** \_\_/\_\_/\_\_    \_\_

**Committee Referral:**(1) \_\_/\_\_/\_\_

**Effective Date:** \_\_/\_\_/\_\_

**Committee Action:**(1) \_\_/\_\_/\_\_

**Date Introduced:** 10/6/98

**Pub. Hearing Date:** (1) \_\_/\_\_/\_\_    \_\_:\_\_ \_\_

**Council Action:** 10/6/98    ADOPTED

**Council Votes:** RVR:A, DB:A, SD:A, JE:A, IG:A, TH:A, WM:A, AS:A, MW:-

**Pass/Fail:** P

**Remarks:**

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT**

**(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)**

In May of 1993, the Prince George's and Montgomery County Councils agreed to establish a Working Group on WSSC Spending Controls. Council Member Stephen Del Giudice was appointed to serve on the Working Group for Prince George's County and Council Member Derick Berlage for Montgomery County. In January of 1994 the Working Group issued their report calling for a spending affordability process and a better coordination of the land use and development processes with the Counties ten year water and sewerage plans. The Working Group's recommendation was approved by both Councils and was utilized for the first time in the formulation of WSSC's FY 1996 Operating and Capital Budgets.

This resolution proposes to set spending control limits on the Fiscal Year 2000 Water and Sewer Operating and Capital Budgets of the WSSC for the following items:

Water and Sewer Rates including the service charge - 1.0%  
 New Bond Debt - \$45,900,000  
 Water and Sewer Operating Debt Services - \$146,119,000  
 Water and Sewer Operating Expenditures - \$364,817,000

A summary of the spending limits set by the counties is shown below:

(ALL FIGURES IN MILLIONS DOLLARS)

	<u>ADOPTED</u> <u>CR-112-94</u>	<u>ADOPTED</u> <u>CR-66-97</u>	<u>ADOPTED</u> <u>CR-53-96</u>	<u>ADOPTED</u> <u>CR-5-98</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u> <u>CR-73-1998</u>
Rate Increase	3%	3%	3%	2%	1%
New Debt	\$26.5	\$80.4	\$64.5	\$78.8	\$45.9
Debt Service	\$136.7	\$141.2	\$141.7	\$145.7	\$146.1
Operating Expenses	\$358.2	\$357.4	\$366.3	\$368.4	\$364.8

**NOTE: Copies of the September, 1998, Spending Affordability Report are available from the Clerk of the County Council.**