

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**  
**2023 Legislative Session**

Resolution No. CR-031-2023

Proposed by The Chair – (by request – County Executive)

Introduced by Council Members Dernoga, Ivey, Olson and Oriadha

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

Date of Introduction May 9, 2023

**RESOLUTION**

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Contract Approval

3 For the purpose of approving a multi-year contract to procure consultant to assist with  
4 developing a Climate Action Implementation Strategy Plan Prince George’s County.

5 WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 819 of the Charter for Prince George’s County, Maryland  
6 the County Council must approve, by resolution, all multi-year contracts exceeding an aggregate  
7 of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00); and

8 WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 819 of the Charter for Prince George’s County, Maryland  
9 no agency of the County Government shall, during any fiscal year, expend any money or incur  
10 any liability in excess of the amounts appropriated and no such payment shall be made, nor any  
11 obligation or liability incurred, except for purchases in an amount to be fixed by legislative act;  
12 and

13 WHEREAS, the County desires to retain a consultant to assist with developing a Climate  
14 Action Implementation Strategy Plan for the County; and

15 WHEREAS, the County desires to retain a consultant to provide technical expertise, policy  
16 advice, research services and other staff support for climate action planning; and

17 WHEREAS, COG, with funding from the region's Regional Environment Fund ("REF"), is  
18 responsible for managing the Climate Energy and Environment Policy Committee ("CEEPC")  
19 and has established the region’s 2017-2020 Climate and Energy Action Plan to reduce emissions  
20 of greenhouse gases to meet climate change goals adopted in the November 2008 Climate  
21 Change Report and established the 2030 Climate and Energy Action Plan to meet the 2030  
22 climate goals adopted in 2020; and

1           WHEREAS, the COG Climate and Energy Action Plan has a goal that COG member  
2 governments develop local climate action plans; and

3           WHEREAS, COG, under its regional Climate and Energy Action Plan, desires to support  
4 development and implementation of local climate action plans; and

5           WHEREAS, COG through a competitive procurement process has and will continue to  
6 secure contracts with climate action planning consulting firms, known as "Contractor(s)" for  
7 purposes of this Agreement, to assist COG and member governments prepare and provide  
8 implementation support for greenhouse gas inventories, climate action planning and resiliency  
9 planning; and any related tasks required to achieve the Transformational Commitments and  
10 Priority Recommendations ("Priority Recommendations") of the COUNTY'S Climate Action  
11 Plan ("CAP"); and

12           WHEREAS, the COUNTY, through its Department of the Environment ("DoE"), is  
13 interested in preparing studies and performing other climate action-related tasks intended to  
14 support implementation of the Prince George's County CAP and desires to partner with COG to  
15 carry out this work given COG's unique data sets, staff skills, and contraction capabilities; and

16           WHEREAS, both COG and the COUNTY have funding to support climate action planning  
17 and related tasks essential to implementing the County's CAP that could help support partnership  
18 with other COG member jurisdictions to perform and collaborate on mutually beneficial climate  
19 studies, tasks, or as a participating applicant or partner for regional grant funded opportunities;  
20 and

21           WHEREAS, the County Purchasing Agent has determined that it is the County's best  
22 interest to enter a contract with the consultant for the provision of the "Only Practical Source" for  
23 delivering the County's first climate action implementation plan; and

24           WHEREAS, "Attachment A," Prince George's County Climate Action Plan  
25 Implementation Agreement (FY23-FY26) summarizes the terms and provisions of the consultant  
26 services to be provided under this Agreement by and between the County and Metropolitan  
27 Washington Council of Governments; and

28           WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 819 of the County Charter, the County Council must  
29 approve, by resolution, all multi-year contracts exceeding an aggregate of five hundred thousand  
30 dollars (\$500,000.00).

31           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's

1 County, Maryland, that the Contract and Proposal collectively described in Attachment A, and  
2 the same is hereby approved, pursuant to Section 819 of the Charter.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that that the County Executive is hereby authorized to  
4 make any modifications, adjustments, corrections, or any other changes as may be necessary to  
5 finalize the agreement in any manner the County Executive may deem necessary or proper but  
6 not altering its substance.

Adopted this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE  
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Thomas E. Dernoga  
Chair

ATTEST:

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Donna J. Brown  
Clerk of the Council

