

Prince George's County Council Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 6/17/2008
Reference No.: CR-049-2008
Draft No.: 1
Proposer(s): County Executive
Sponsor(s): Dean, Dernoga
Item Title: A Resolution adjusting the Public Safety Surcharge for inflation for Fiscal Year 2009, beginning July 1, 2008, as required by State Law

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented:		Executive Action:	
Committee Referral:	6/3/2008 - PSFM	Effective Date:	7/1/2008
Committee Action:	6/9/2008 - FAV		
Date Introduced:	6/3/2008		
Public Hearing:			
Council Action (1)	6/17/2008 - ADOPTED		
Council Votes:	MB:A, WC:A, SHD:A, TD:A, CE:A, AH:A, TK:A, EO:A, IT:A		
Pass/Fail:	P		
Remarks:			

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC SAFETY & FISCAL MANAGEMENT

Date 6/9/2008

Committee Vote: Favorable 5-0, (In favor: Councilmembers Knotts, Campos, Dean, Exum and Turner.

This resolution will adjust the public safety surcharge for inflation based upon the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for all Urban Consumers effective July 1, 2008, as required by state law. The CPI shows an inflation rate of 3.9% for April 2008 compared to April 2007. Applying the 3.9% rate of inflation to the current public safety surcharge rate, \$2,124 for the Developed Tier and \$6,371 for the Outside Developed Tier, the FY2009 public safety surcharge rate is increased to \$2,207 for the Developed Tier and \$6,619 for Outside the Developed Tier, reflecting an increase of \$83 and \$248 respectively.

The Office of Law has reviewed this resolution and finds it to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption.

The fiscal impact on the County will be positive as a result of adopting CR-49-2008. The level of additional revenue will be incidental and cannot be projected at this time.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

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

Pursuant to Chapter 594 of the 2005 Laws of Maryland the public safety surcharge is required to be adjusted each fiscal year for inflation pursuant to the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers.

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, during the period of April 2007 through April 2008 compared to the 12 month period ending April 2007, shows an inflation rate of 3.9% and results in an increase of \$83 above the Fiscal Year 2008 public safety surcharge of \$2,124 for permits issued inside the Developed Tier and an increase of \$248 above the Fiscal Year 2008 public safety surcharge of \$6,371 for permits issued for all other buildings. For Fiscal Year 2009, the public safety surcharge shall be \$2,207 for permits issued for construction located inside the Developed Tier and \$6,619 for all other buildings.

CODE INDEX TOPICS:

INCLUSION FILES:
