

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2009 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-69-2009

Proposed by The Chairperson (by request – County Executive)

Introduced by Council Members Harrison and Exum

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction September 29, 2009

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Prince George's County Enterprise Zone

3 For the purpose of endorsing the redesignation of the Prince George's County Enterprise Zone
4 and Focus Areas of the Enterprise Zone.

5 WHEREAS, an Enterprise Zone is an area designated by the Secretary of Business and
6 Economic Development, pursuant to Subtitle 7, Title 5 of the Economic Development Article of
7 the Annotated Code of Maryland, for the purpose of focusing State and local resources toward
8 the encouragement of economic growth and employment in economically challenged areas of the
9 State; and

10 WHEREAS, CR-54-1999 established the Prince George's County Enterprise Zone, CR-14-
11 2003 expanded the Enterprise Zone, and CR-66-2004 endorsed the designation of Focus Areas,
12 all of which were approved by the Secretary of Business and Economic Development; and

13 WHEREAS, the existing designation of the Prince George's County Enterprise Zone and
14 Focus Areas will expire on December 15, 2009, unless an application for redesignation is
15 approved by the Secretary of Business and Economic Development; and

16 WHEREAS, the County Executive has filed an application on behalf of Prince George's
17 County with the Secretary for the redesignation of the Prince George's County Enterprise Zone
18 and Focus Areas, both with modifications of the existing Enterprise Zone and Focus Areas; and

19 WHEREAS, the Towns or Cities of Bladensburg, Brentwood, Colmar Manor, Cottage City,
20 District Heights, Edmonston, Fairmount Heights, Forest Heights, Glenarden, Hyattsville,
21 Landover Hills, Mount Rainier, New Carrollton, North Brentwood, Riverdale Park, and Seat
22 Pleasant have approved resolutions of support for the redesignation of the Enterprise Zone within

1 their municipal boundaries, and those areas as well as all areas identified on Map 1 and Map 2
2 are eligible for designation as a State Enterprise Zone in accordance with criteria established by
3 the State of Maryland and administered by the Secretary of Business and Economic
4 Development; and

5 WHEREAS, the proposed Prince George's County Enterprise Zone consists of the
6 following areas detailed in Map 1 and Map 2 and more particularly described in Attachment A:
7 the commercial corridors of New Hampshire Avenue, Riggs Road, University Boulevard and
8 East West Highway in the Langley Park area; Ager Road, Hamilton Street, Rhode Island
9 Avenue, Baltimore Avenue, Annapolis Road, Bladensburg Road, and parts of Kenilworth
10 Avenue in the Arts District, Riverdale Park, Lanham, and Port Towns areas; the industrial areas
11 inside the Capital Beltway between Rt. 50, Martin Luther King Highway, and the District of
12 Columbia; the site of the former Landover Mall, the Hampton Industrial Park, Steeplechase 95
13 International Park, Ritchie Station, and commercial properties inside the Capital Beltway along
14 Central Avenue to the District of Columbia; parts of the commercial corridors along Addison
15 Road, Marlboro Pike, Silver Hill Road, Branch Avenue, St. Barnabas Road, Suitland Road,
16 Allentown Road, and parts of Southern Avenue south of Branch Avenue, including the Camp
17 Springs area; and

18 WHEREAS, the redesignation of the Prince George's County Enterprise Zone will provide
19 for tax incentives to encourage private investment within the Zone to increase private
20 employment opportunities, increase capital investment, and increase the tax base of the political
21 subdivisions within the area where the Zone is located and surrounding areas.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's
23 County, Maryland, that the Council supports the redesignation of the Prince George's County
24 Enterprise Zone and the redesignation of the Focus Areas of the Enterprise Zone, consisting of
25 the areas described above and identified on the attached Map 1 and Map 2.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2009.

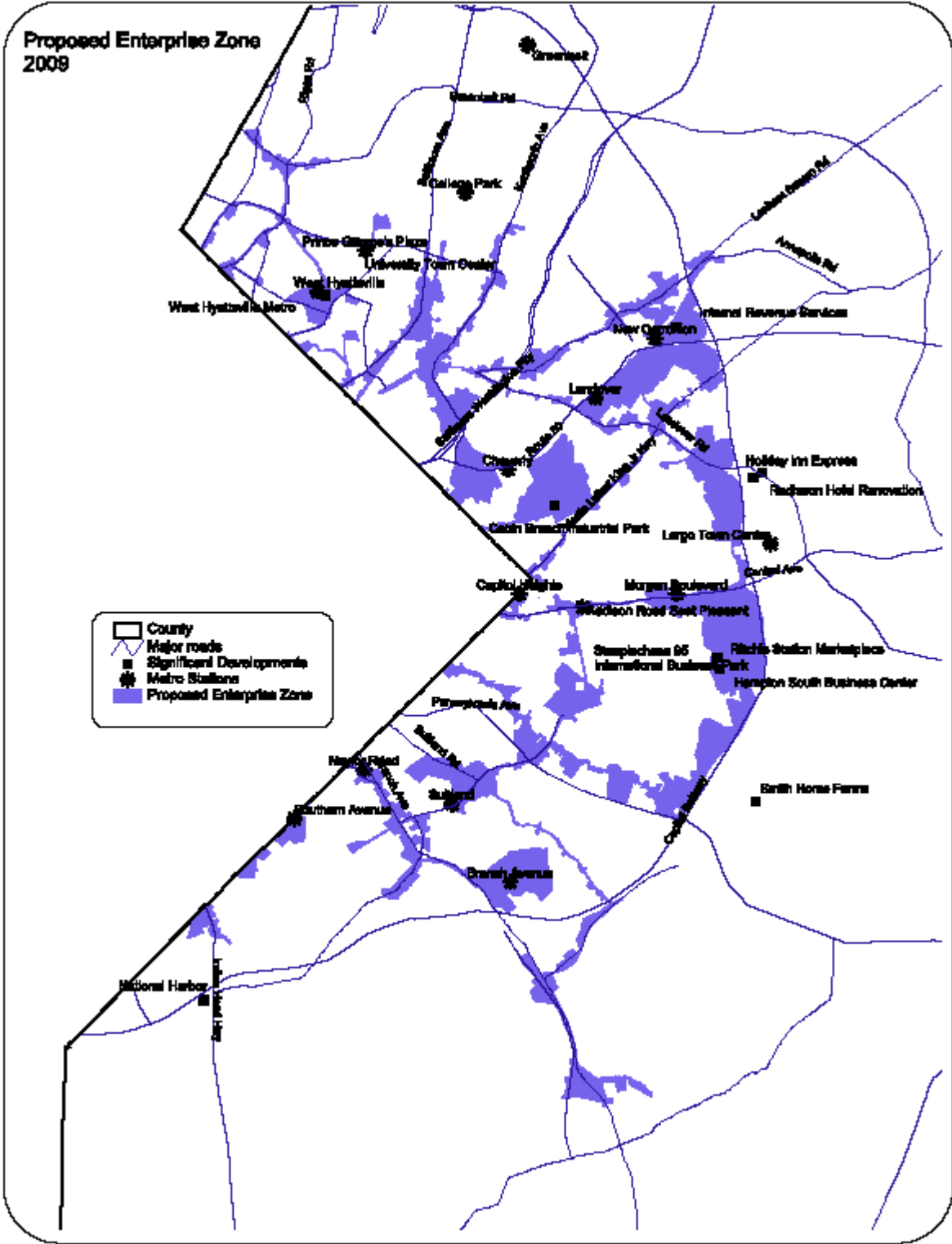
COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Marilynn M. Bland
Chairperson

ATTEST:

Redis C. Floyd
Clerk of the Council

Map 1. Proposed Enterprise Zone



ATTACHMENT A

Description of Prince George's County Enterprise Zone and Focus Areas

I. The proposed redesignation of the Prince George's County Enterprise Zone consists of the following areas:

International Corridor / Gateway Arts District

The commercial areas along University Boulevard from the Montgomery County line to near the intersection with 25th Avenue; commercial properties at the intersection of Riggs Road and University Boulevard and along Riggs Road to the District of Columbia line; commercial properties along New Hampshire Avenue from the District line to East West Highway; East West Highway at the intersection with Ager Road; commercial properties on the southwest and northeast corner of East West Highway and Belcrest Road, and east of Belcrest Road and north of Toledo Drive; commercial properties along Ager Road including the West Hyattsville Transit District Overlay Zone; the Chillum Shopping Center and Washington Gas property; commercial properties along the south side of Hamilton Street east of Queens Chapel Road; commercial properties in the Gateway Arts District along both sides of Route 1, south of East West Highway and continuing until the District of Columbia border; commercial properties in Riverdale Park along the east side of Baltimore Avenue, with the exception of the parcels at the southeast corner with East West Highway; commercial properties along Queensbury Road, Rhode Island Avenue, and Lafayette Avenue in the Riverdale Park town center; commercial properties between Route 1 and the right-of-way for the railroad tracks that run between Route 1 and Alternate Route 1; commercial properties at the District of Columbia border along Varnum Street and Queens Chapel Road; commercial properties along Windom Road and Russell Avenue in Mt. Rainier.

Port Towns and Annapolis Road Corridor

The commercial properties along Bladensburg Road from the District line to the intersection with Annapolis Road, excluding Cottage City, and continuing along Annapolis Road until just

east of the intersection with Lanham Severn Road; the commercial properties along Landover Road from Annapolis Road until John Hanson Highway; the commercial properties along Kenilworth Avenue including the Tanglewood industrial area and continuing along Kenilworth Avenue from the Baltimore-Washington Parkway to the northern Riverdale Park boundary; the commercial area bounded by Veterans Parkway, Annapolis Road, the capital beltway, and John Hanson Highway, including the New Carrollton metro station.

Cabin Branch and Central Area

Commercial properties along Kenilworth Avenue and Frolich Lane from the Baltimore-Washington Parkway to the John Hanson Highway, and the commercial properties south of John Hanson Highway to the District line; commercial properties along Sheriff Road and northwest to John Hanson Highway; including the Cabin Branch and Columbia Park Road commercial areas; commercial properties along Martin Luther King Highway to the capital beltway, including the Pennsy Drive and Ardwick-Ardmore commercial areas south of John Hanson Highway and north of Landover Road; commercial properties along Landover Road from John Hanson Highway until the capital beltway, including the Landover Mall area and the commercial properties along Brightseat Road east of the stadium and west of Interstate 495, south to Central Avenue; commercial properties along Central Avenue to the District line, including the Morgan Boulevard, Addison Road, and Capitol Heights Metro Stations; commercial properties along Addison Road to Walker Mill Road; commercial properties on both sides of Ritchie Road from Central Avenue until the intersection of Ritchie Road and Ritchie-Marlboro Road; commercial properties in the Hampton Park east of Ritchie Road; commercial properties in Steeplechase 95 park and Ritchie Station south of Ritchie Road down to Marlboro Pike; commercial properties along both sides of Marlboro Pike from the District line to the capital beltway; and commercial properties along Silver Hill Road from Pennsylvania Avenue to Walker Mill Road.

Southern Area

Commercial properties along Suitland Road, including the commercial area west and east of the intersection with Silver Hill Road; the commercial properties along Silver Hill Road south of Suitland Road, crossing Branch Avenue and continuing until 23rd Avenue; the commercial properties along Branch Avenue to the capital beltway, including the Suitland, Branch Avenue,

and Naylor Road metro stations, and along St. Barnabas Road from Branch Avenue to Temple Hill Road; commercial properties along Southern Avenue from the Southern Avenue metro station south to the commercial areas in Forest Heights along Oxon Run Drive, Indian Head Highway, and Livingston Road; commercial properties along Allentown Road from just north of Suitland Road to the commercial area at the intersection with Branch Avenue; the commercial properties along Branch Avenue from Center Road south to Springbrook, including Old Branch Avenue and Old Alexander Ferry Road to Highland Meadows

II. The proposed redesignation of the Prince George's County Enterprise Zone Focus Areas consists of the following locations:

International Corridor Focus Areas

In the International Corridor Area, the proposed Focus Area includes the commercial areas along University Boulevard from the Montgomery County line to near the intersection with 25th Avenue. The proposed Focus Area also includes commercial properties along New Hampshire Avenue from the D.C. line to the intersection with East West Highway.

Port Towns and Annapolis Road Focus Area

The Port Towns and Annapolis Road Focus Area includes the commercial properties along Kenilworth Avenue from Lloyd Street to the Baltimore-Washington Parkway

Cabin Branch and Central Focus Areas

The proposed boundaries of the Cabin Branch and Central Focus Areas include the commercial properties south of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway, across the John Hanson Highway to the District line; the Cabin Branch industrial area between John Hanson Highway and Sheriff Road; the commercial properties along Martin Luther King Highway from the D.C. line to Pennsy Drive, and the commercial properties between Martin Luther King Boulevard and John Hanson Highway, south of Pennsy Drive and north of Hawthorne Drive; the commercial properties along East Capitol at the Capitol Heights metro station and Central Avenue from the District line to the Addison Road metro station; the commercial property along Marlboro Pike from the District line to the intersection with Tanow Road.

Southern Focus Area

The proposed Southern Focus Area includes the commercial properties along both sides of Suitland Road from near the intersection with Arnold Street, and east until just before the intersection with Romain Street; the commercial properties along Branch Avenue from the Naylor Road metro south to the Branch Avenue metro Station commercial area, and the properties along Iverson Road from north of 28th Street until the intersection of Iverson and Silver Park Road.