

# PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

## COMMITTEE REPORT

2015 Legislative Session

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**Reference No.:** CR-008-2015  
**Draft No.:** 2  
**Committee:** TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENT  
**Date:** May 7, 2015  
**Action:** FAV (A)

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### REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable with amendments, 5-0

In favor: Council Members Lehman, Turner, Glaros, Taveras and Franklin

The Transportation, Housing and Environment Committee met on Thursday, May 7, 2015 to consider CR-8-2015.

Staff explained the purpose of CR-8-2015. The Five Year Consolidated Plan for FY 2016-2020 creates a template and strategy to ensure that federal funding for housing and community development is utilized to meet the goals of the County. The Five Year Consolidated Plan is a comprehensive multi-year plan for the use of funds.

The County is a recipient of funds under four Federal entitlement programs covered by the Five Year Consolidated Plan; they are Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnerships (HOME), Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA).

The Transportation, Housing and Environment Committee reviewed the Five Year Consolidated Plan FY2016-2020, focusing on the County's overall goal and making sure that there was a strategy in place within the Five Year Consolidated Plan to move the County forward. Section 3 was added into the Plan which was enabled by CB-112-2012.

The Director of Housing and Community Development, Eric Brown and the Assistant Director,

Estella Alexander provided additional information to the Committee and answered questions.  
Amendments to the CR-8-2015 Draft 1 are as follows:

**1. Section 4.2 Housing Needs Assessment**

Insert under – Housing Problems (Households with one of the listed needs)

Insert under – Thousands of Households in the County Struggle to Pay for Housing

**2. Section 4.6 Disproportionately Greater Need: Discussion**

Insert under – Seniors have Disproportionately Greater Need for Suitably Designed and Affordable Housing

**3. Section 4.7 Public Housing**

Insert under – Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act Needs Assessment: Describe the needs of public housing tenants and applicants on the waiting list for accessible units

Insert under – How do these needs compare to the housing needs of the population at large

**4. Section 6.3 Priority Needs**

Insert under – Table 59

**5. Section 6.5 Anticipated Resources**

Insert under – Other CDBG Resources: NRSA and Section 108

**6. Section 6.7 Goals Summary**

Insert – Footnote 45 for construction of new rental units

**7. Section 6.8 Public Housing Accessibility and Involvement**

Insert under – Is public housing agency designated as troubled, under 24 C.F.R. part 902?

**8. Section 6.9 Barriers to Affordable Housing**

Insert – Footnote 47 for Maryland Mortgage Program

**9. Section 6.11 Lead-Based Paint Hazards**

Insert under – Programs and Services to Address Lead Based Paint Hazards

**10. Section 6.12 Anti-Poverty Strategy**

Insert under – How are the Jurisdiction poverty reducing goals, programs, and policies coordinated with this affordable housing plan?

**11. Appendices Section**

Insert under – Appendix 7.2 – Exhibit 2 – Other Local/Regional/Federal Planning Efforts

Insert under – Appendix 7.7 – Exhibit 6 – Vacant Units

Insert – Appendix 7.10 – CB-112-2012

Insert – Appendix 7.11 – CB-067-2014

Insert – Appendix 7.12 – Exhibit 7 – Section 3 Implementation Timeline

The Office of Law finds that CR-8-2015 is in proper legislative form and found no legal impediments to its adoption.

The Office of Audits & Investigations indicated that enactment of CR-8-2015 will have not have a negative fiscal impact on the County.

Attachment A indicates all amendments to the Consolidated Plan and all amendments are reflected in CR-8-2015, Draft 2.