PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2022 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CR-100-2022

Draft No.: 1

Committee: PLANNING, HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Date: 10/12/2022

Action: FAV

REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable, 4-0 (In favor: Council Members Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, and Turner)

The Planning, Housing and Economic Development (PHED) Committee convened on October 12, 2022, to consider CR-100-2022. This resolution was transmitted by the County Executive for the Council's consideration to amend the Prince George's County Fiscal Year ("FY") 2023 Annual Action Plan ("AAP") for the Department of Housing and Community Development ("DHCD") by adding the Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc., Fairmount Heights Net Zero Homes and Microgrid project, an eligible activity not originally funded or described in the FY 2023 Annual Action Plan.

CR-100-2022 also includes the reprogramming of eight hundred ninety-one thousand, nine hundred fifty-nine dollars and thirty five cents (\$891,959.35) in HOME Investment Partnerships Program, Community Housing Development Organization Set-Aside funds from the FY 2019, FY 2020, FY 2021 and FY 2022 Annual Action Plans, and the reallocation and commitment of four hundred fifty eight thousand, forty dollars, and sixty-five cents (\$458,040.65) in HOME Investment Partnerships Program funds from the FY 2023 Annual Action Plan to support the project.

The Fairmount Heights Net Zero Homes and Microgrid project involves the new construction of six (6) affordable Net Zero homes, an electrical microgrid, and pocket park, located at 715-725 60th Place, in Fairmount Heights, Maryland. These apartments will be constructed and sold by Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc.

The PHED Committee Director gave a brief overview of the purpose of the resolution and turned to Ms. Pamela Wilson, DHCD Chief Housing Development Manager, who introduced the presenters in attendance. Joining DHCD Director Xypolia and Ms. Wilson for discussion of CR-100-2022 were Ms. Stephanie Prange-Proestel, Deputy Director, Housing Initiative Partnership; Ms. Maryann Dillon, Executive Director, Housing Initiative Partnership; and Mr. Tony Ruffine, Head of Solar, Emera Technologies. Ms. Prange-Proestel provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Fairmount Heights Net Zero Homes and Microgrid Development Team, project description, eligibility requirements, amenities, sales price, project financing, and schedule.

The Office of Audits and Investigations submitted a Policy Analysis and Fiscal Impact Statement dated October 11, 2022, indicating that adoption of CR-100-2022 should not have a measurable direct fiscal impact as funds are only being redirected from existing categories. The Resolution reallocates \$1,350,000 from prior year funds to the FY 2023 HOME Funds.

After discussion, the Committee voted favorable, 4-0, on CR-100-2022 Draft-1.