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County Executive

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

February 15, 2024

The Honorable Jolene Ivey
Chair
Prince George's County Council
Wayne K. Curry County Administration Building
1301 McCormick Drive
Largo, Maryland 20774

Dear Chair Ivey:

Enclosed for the County Council's consideration is a Resolution to increase the 911 fee by one cent, from its current level of \$1.40 per line to the level of \$1.41 per line. This fee was last increased effective FY 2024. State law was amended in 2022 to allow a County to increase its 911 fee to recover its cost of providing this service without limitation. The FY 2022 audit of revenues and expenses for County 911 service indicated that the County was spending \$9.0 million above the level of revenue from the current amount raised by the existing 911 fee level. However, this does not consider the fee increase that took effect on July 1, 2023, which raised the fee level to \$1.40 per line, based on the fee recovery needed according to the FY 2021 audit of revenue and expenses. For the County to recover the cost of providing the service, the 911 fee would need to be raised by \$0.01 cents per line to \$1.41.

State law requires the County to hold a public hearing on the proposed increase. Once the resolution is adopted, the County would need to provide notice to the Public Service Commission. The Commission requires 60 days to notify all telephone service providers of the increase. To take effect for FY 2025 a signed copy of the Resolution would need to be provided to the State no later than May 1, 2024.

The Council's favorable consideration of this Resolution is requested. If you have any questions, please contact my office or Stanley A. Early, Director, Office of Management and Budget at (301) 952-3218.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Angela D. Alsobrooks".

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Enclosures