

# PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

## COMMITTEE REPORT

2024 Legislative Session

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**Action:** FAV(A)

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### REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable as Amended, 4-0 (In Favor: Council Members Olson, Harrison, Burroughs, and Dernoga).

The Committee convened on March 14, 2024, and again on March 27, 2024, to discuss CR-2-2024, which updates the County's 2024-2033 Ten-Year Solid Waste Management Plan as required by state law. This plan outlines the County's solid waste generation, collection, disposal, recycling, public information, and cleanup programs. The Plan was transmitted by County Executive Alsobrooks on January 12, 2024, introduced by the County Council on January 23rd, 2024, and the public hearing was held on February 27th, 2024.

On March 14<sup>th</sup>, the Department of the Environment (DOE) staff provided an overview of the updated plan, including legislative updates, operational and service updates, partnerships and awards, and goals moving forward. The Solid Waste Advisory Commission (SWAC) provided written comments providing input on strengthening the language in the plan. As a result of the discussion, the resolution was held and staff was directed to work with DOE to develop the following amendments:

1. More specific language regarding where we are heading and what the goals are for methane reduction.
2. Development of benchmarks for food waste: where we want to be and targets on how to get there.
3. Definable steps and timelines for electrification of the fleet at the landfill.
4. More robust language in the Plan about the Reuse Center.
5. Plan to increase Hauler Accountability.

On March 27<sup>th</sup>, staff presented the requested amendments, which were accepted by the Committee.

After discussion, the Committee voted favorably on CR-2-2024 as amended by a vote of 4-0.