

# **Prince George's County Council**

## **Agenda Item Summary**

Meeting Date: 4/23/2024 Effective Date: 4/1/2024

**Reference No.:** CR-013-2024 Chapter Number:

**Draft No.:** 1 **Public Hearing Date:** 04/23/2024 @ 1:00 PM

**Proposer(s):** County Executive

**Sponsor(s):** Ivey, Harrison, Watson and Fisher

Item Title: A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE 911 CHARGE for the purpose of

approving a one cent increase in the additional charge for switched local exchange access service, commercial mobile radio service, and other 911 accessible service

within the County.

**Drafter:** David B. Juppe, Office of Management and Budget

Resource Personnel: Stanley A. Earley, Office of Management and Budget

## **LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
02/27/2024	County Council	introduced and referred	GOFP
	Action Text: This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Ivey, Harrison, Watson, and		

Fisher and referred to the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee.

03/14/2024 GOFP Favorably County Council

recommended

**Action Text:** 

A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Chair Watson, that this Resolution be FAVORABLE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 Watson, Harrison, Dernoga and Franklin

Abstain: 1 Oriadha

04/23/2024 County Council public hearing held

**Action Text:** 

The public hearing for this Resolution was held.

04/23/2024 County Council adopted

**Action Text:** 

A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Burroughs, Fisher, Franklin, Olson

and Watson

Absent: 1 Hawkins

Abstain: 1 Oriadha

#### **AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:**

11-103

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:**

Public Safety Article Section 1-311 of the Annotated Code of Maryland was amended by Chapter 349 of the 2022 legislative session to permit a County to increase its 911 fee to recover the actual County cost of providing that service.

The County completed the FY 2021 audit of 911 fee revenue and the cost of providing service, and found that County expenses exceeded 911 fee revenue by \$9.0 million, however this does not reflect the additional revenue effective July 1, 2023 when the fee level was increased to \$1.40 per line. To recover the cost of service would require that the fee be raised by \$0.01 cent per line, to a revised total of \$1.41 per line. To do so, State law requires the County to hold a public hearing on the proposed fee increase, and upon adoption of a Resolution to notify the Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission requires 60 days to notify telephone service providers before the fee goes into effect.

**Document(s):** R2024013, CR-013-2024 PAFI, CR-013-2024 Transmittal, CR-013-2024 Committee Report, CR-013-2024 Tansmittal