

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

August 29, 2016

The Honorable Derrick Leon Davis Chairman Prince George's County Council County Administration Building Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772

Dear Chairman Davis:

Enclosed for the County Council's consideration is a resolution pertaining to the April 2016 Cycle of Amendments to the 2008 Water and Sewer Plan.

The April 2016 Cycle of Amendments represents the first scheduled legislative cycle of changes to the 2008 Water and Sewer Plan received during the 2016 legislative year. The Cycle contains a proposal by a veterinary facility, located in the Western Branch sewershed, proposing to connect to the City of Bowie's public sewer system; and, a proposal to convert a single-family home to a medical office, located in the Piscataway sewershed, requesting to switch from an abandoned septic system to a County public sewer system connection. The proposals require extensions to the public sewer systems in order to service their existing properties. Both applications are located inside the Sewer Envelope, within the Growth Boundary, and designated within Sustainable Growth Act Tier II.

Enclosed is the Resolution for the April 2016 Cycle, my recommendations and the pertinent maps for each request. Also included is the Staff Report, including comments from the reviewing agencies, as well as a summary of the development proposals by Councilmanic Districts. All applications have been reviewed in accordance with the criteria established in and adopted by the 2008 Water and Sewer Plan (*under revision*), and current policies affecting water and sewer planning adopted in Plan Prince George's 2035 and the Sustainable Growth Act of 2012.

I support projects, such as these, that promote economic development and green initiatives, while ensuring that environmental safeguards and the requisite transportation, public facilities and services are in place to support additional growth. My recommendation for each development, as proposed, is enclosed for your review. The water and sewer category change process provides us with the opportunity to ensure that vibrant and safe communities are constructed for our residents and that these communities improve the quality of life and prosperity of our citizens and businesses well into the future.

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The County Council's favorable consideration of this legislation is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact my office or Adam Ortiz, Director, Department of the Environment, at (301) 883-5812.

Sincerely,

Rushern L. Baker, III

County Executive

Enclosures