

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2020 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CR-30-2020

Draft No.: 1

Committee: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Date: 6/4/2020

Action: FAV

REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable (11-0); No Amendments. (In Favor: Council members Turner, Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, and Taveras.)

The Chairman of the County Council, Chairman Turner, the Legislative Officer, Kathleen Canning, and Estella Alexander, Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development summarized the purpose of the resolution.

Ms. Alexander provided that CR-30-2020 (DR-1) amends the Prince George's County Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan for the Department of Housing and Community Development by modifying the Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-2020 Citizen Participation Plan for the inclusion of an expedited process for notice and reasonable opportunity to comment due to COVID-19. The expedited process is a reduction of the comment period to no less than five days and the waiver of in-person public hearings for proposed uses of CDBG, HOME or ESG funds.

The County Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-2020 Citizen Participation Plan requires at least one public hearing because the proposed amendment would constitute a "substantial change". A public hearing on CR-30-2020 was held on June 2, 2020. The Liaison to the County Executive, Terry Bell, had no additional comments.

The Associate County Attorney, Ms. Skinner, provided that the resolution was in proper legislative form and there were no legal impediments to adoption of the resolution.