



# THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

## Office of Audits and Investigations


July 13, 2020

### MEMORANDUM

TO: Robert J. Williams, Jr.  
Council Administrator

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Deputy Council Administrator

THRU: Josh Hamlin   
Senior Legislative Budget and Policy Analyst

FROM: Warren E. Burris, Sr.   
Senior Legislative Budget and Policy Analyst

RE: Policy Analysis and Fiscal Impact Statement  
CR-47-2020 Five Year Consolidated Plan (DR-1)

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**CR-47-2020** (sponsored by: Council Chair Turner by Request of the County Executive)

Assigned to Committee of the Whole (COW)

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**A RESOLUTION CONCERNING FISCAL YEAR 2021 – 2025 CONSOLIDATED PLAN FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR THE PURPOSES** of approving and adopting the Prince George's County Fiscal Years 2021- 2025 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development.

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### Fiscal Summary

**Direct Impact:**

*Expenditures:* Positive

*Revenues:* Potentially positive

**Indirect Impact:**

Potentially positive

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***Legislative Summary***

CR-47-2020, sponsored by Council Chair Turner by request of the County Executive, and sponsored by Councilmembers Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Hawkins, Ivey, Streeter and Taveras, was presented to the County Council on June 2, 2020 and referred to the Committee of the Whole. CR-47-2020 provides a five-year strategic plan for the County Council's approval to articulate the strategic distribution of federal funds in accordance with federal regulatory statutes and consistent with the 24 Code of Federal Regulations Part 91. The federal funds outlined in CR-47-2020 are for the purposes of providing affordable housing, promoting Neighborhood Revitalization, and providing community development activities and services.

If adopted, CR-47-2020, would authorize the Department of Housing and Community Development to expend the federal grant funds to strategically distribute over the next five years in accordance with federal legislation and programs requirements as outlined in:

- 24 CFR 570.601 & 570.904, which require each entity receiving government funds to certify they are abiding by the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing as directed by the Fair Housing Act of 1968
- The Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, for its entitlement of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) & CDBG program Income;
- The Cranston-Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act, of 1990, for its Entitlement of HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) funds & HOME Program Income Funds.
- The McKinney-Vento Homelessness Assistance Act of 1987 for Entitlement Emergency Shelter Grants program funds.

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***Background/Current Law:***

Division 1 of Subtitle 15A of the County Code currently outlines the policy guidelines, administration, management and application process of utilization of the five (5) year consolidated plan and annual action plans as required by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), consistent with 24 Code of Federal Regulations Part 91. that outlines viable strategies and community development activities by providing decent and affordable housing, suitable living environment and expanded economic development opportunities to low- and moderate-income persons.

***Policy Analysis***

- *Potential benefits of adopting CR-47-2020*

Adoption of CR-47-2020, would provide the Department of Housing and Community Development spending authorization to develop programs and activities to promote decent and affordable housing and expanded community economic development opportunities to revitalize neighborhoods and provide services to qualified residents of the County that directly aligns with the strategic plan outlined within this legislation.

- *Potential costs of adopting CR-47-2020*

Adoption of CR-47-2020 should not cause any negative impact to the County as General Funds are not used to support the provision of the Community Development and Housing programs.

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**Fiscal Impact:**

*Direct Impact*

Adoption of CR-47-2020 would provide spending authority for the Department of Housing And Community Development to allocate federal funds and resources for community economic development programs and activities over the next five years. No General Funds used in the provision of programs and services of the federal funds.

Adoption of CR-47-2020 would set the County's framework for allocation of federal funds from the Department of Housing and Community Development over the next five years consistent with the Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plans. The County government revenues and expenditures increase beginning as early as FY 2021 to the extent that eligible community entities receive and use grants under the program.

*Indirect Impact*

Adoption of CR-47-2020 may promote positive indirect impact through economic development of the County by enhancing various neighborhoods, which may encourage individuals to maintain or establish residency thereby sustaining and possibly increasing indirect sources of County revenue. Adoption of CR-47-2020 should leverage additional resources and opportunities to promote community development revitalization through the gap financing for affordable housing and economic development.

*Appropriated in the Current Fiscal Year Budget*

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***Resource Personnel***

DHCD Staff  
Council Administration

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