

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT Office of the County Executive

February 22, 2021

The Honorable Calvin S. Hawkins, II Council Chair Prince George's County Council County Administration Building Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772

Dear Chair Hawkins:

Enclosed for the County Council's consideration is a proposed Resolution to initiate the (December 2020) Cycle of Amendments to the 2018 Water and Sewer Plan. I have included my recommendations and the pertinent map for each request, along with a Staff Report that includes comments from the reviewing agencies and a summary of proposals by council districts. All applications have been reviewed against (1) the criteria established in, and adopted by, the 2018 Water and Sewer Plan or grandfathered standings, (2) current policies affecting water and sewer planning adopted in Plan 2035, and (3) the Sustainable Growth Act of 2012.

The December 2020 Cycle contains six applications requesting to advance to the appropriate category designations to continue through the development planning process. The applications are located inside the Sewer Envelope, within the Growth Boundary, and designated within Sustainable Growth Act Tiers 1, 2 and 3. The applications are located within the Western Branch, Piscataway and Mattawoman sewer basins.

In addition to the applications described above, the December 2020 Cycle includes residential properties that the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement will redesignate to Sewer Category 3 from Sewer Categories 6 & 5. These existing residential homes are confirmed to be serviced and connected to the public/private pressure sewer, outside the Sewer Envelope, but grandfathered via Appendix 2-1 of the 2018 Water and Sewer Plan, and, are located in Council District 9.

I support projects that promote economic development, while ensuring that environmental safeguards and the requisite transportation, public facilities and services are in place. The water and sewer category change process provides us with the opportunity to ensure that vibrant, safe communities are constructed for our residents, and that these communities improve the quality of life, beautification of our County and prosperity of our citizens and businesses well into the future.

The County Council's favorable consideration of this legislation is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact my office or Melinda Bolling, Director, Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement, at (301) 636-2020.

Sincerely, ngela Aloobrooks

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