



Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 10/26/2021

Effective Date:

Reference No.: CR-124-2021

Chapter Number:

Draft No.: 1

Public Hearing Date:

Proposer(s): Ivey

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Taveras, Anderson-Walker, Dernoga, Harrison, Hawkins, Franklin, Davis and Glaros

Item Title: A RESOLUTION CONCERNING PREVENTING RENT INCREASES, LATE FEES OR PENALTIES AND LIMITING RENT INCREASES ABOVE A CERTAIN AMOUNT FOR TWELVE (12) MONTHS AFTER THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC ENDS for the purpose of encouraging landlords to forgo rent increases and to maintain current rent levels for tenants with a substantial loss of income for twelve (12) months because of the COVID-19 pandemic; and to encourage landlords to limit rent increases to 2.6% for tenants not economically impacted with a substantial loss of income due to the catastrophic pandemic; providing that existing obligations or contract rights may not be impaired by this Resolution; and generally relating to rent increases.

Drafter: Monica Best-James, Esq. Legislative Officer

Resource Personnel: Monica Young Chief of Staff

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
10/26/2021	County Council	introduced and referred	COW

Action Text:

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Ivey, Taveras, Anderson-Walker, Dernoga, Harrison, Hawkins, Franklin, Davis, and Glaros and referred to the Sitting as the Committee of the Whole.

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Action Text:

A motion was made by Member Ivey, seconded by Member Glaros, that this Resolution be Favorably recommended to the County Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Taveras and Turner

Absent: 1 Streeter

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

This Resolution encourages landlords to continue to provide the protections for tenants, which were given pursuant to CB-78-2020, for a period of twelve months after the pandemic ends. CB-78-2020 prohibits rent increases for certain qualifying tenants and restricts the amount of rent increases for another type of qualifying tenant during the COVID-19 Public Health Crisis and for a period within 90 days after the pandemic ends. This Resolution also discourages impairing existing obligations or contract rights despite the extended period of protection.

Document(s): R2021124, CR-124-2021 Report