

County Council Of Howard County, Maryland

2013 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 9

Resolution No. 90-2013

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION approving an application by Barrow Family, LLC to sell an agricultural land preservation easement on their property, located on the north side of Old Frederick Road in Sykesville, Howard County, Maryland at Tax Map 8, Parcel 164 and consisting of approximately 74.06 acres to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation.

Introduced and read first time July 1, 2013.

By order Sheila M. Tolliver, Administrator

Read for a second time at a public hearing on July 15, 2013.

By order Sheila M. Tolliver, Administrator

This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted, Adopted with amendments, Failed, Withdrawn, by the County Council on July 25, 2013.

Certified By Sheila M. Tolliver, Administrator

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing law; Strike-out indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment

1 **WHEREAS**, the Barrow Family, LLC is the fee simple owner of a farm containing
2 approximately 74.06 acres located on the north side of Old Frederick Road at Tax Map 8, Parcel
3 164 in Sykesville, Howard County, Maryland (the "Property"), as shown on the attached map;
4 and

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6 **WHEREAS**, the Barrow Family, LLC has submitted an application to sell an agricultural
7 land preservation easement on the Property to MALPF, and under state law, an application must
8 be referred to the County's governing body for its consideration and to the County Agricultural
9 Preservation Advisory Board for its recommendation; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the State Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board of Howard County has
11 recommended the approval of the application to sell an easement on the Property to MALPF; and

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13 **WHEREAS**, for the reasons above, the County Executive requests County Council
14 approval of the application of Barrow Farm, LLC, to sell and easement on their Property to the
15 Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation.

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17 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the County Council of Howard County,
18 Maryland, this 25th day of July, 2013, that the application of the Barrow Family,
19 LLC to sell an easement on their Property located on the north side of Old Frederick Road at Tax
20 Map 8, Parcel 164, as shown in the attached Exhibit, and consisting of approximately 74.06
21 acres, to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation, is hereby approved.



Barrow Family, LLC, Tax Map 8, Parcel 164

Aerial

By: Joy Levy
Office: Resource Conservation Division
Map Width: 5,400 ft.
Print Date: 6/11/2013



**Howard County**
Internal Memorandum

Subject: Testimony for Approval of MALPF Easement Application, Barrow Property
To: Lonnie Robbins, Chief Administrative Officer, Department of Administration
Through: Marsha McLaughlin, Director, Department of Planning and Zoning *mml*
Through: Beth Burgess, Chief, Resource Conservation Division, Department of Planning and Zoning *bb*
From: Joy Levy, Administrator, Agricultural Land Preservation Program, Department of Planning and Zoning *JL*
Date: June 17, 2013

The Department of Planning and Zoning, of which the Agricultural Land Preservation Program (ALPP) is a part, supports Council Resolution No. -2031. This resolution approves a Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation (MALPF) application for the purchase of an agricultural land preservation easement on property owned by Barrow Family, LLC. County governing body approval of agricultural land preservation easement applications to MALPF is required per Section 15.15.01.09 of the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR).

This is the only property applying for easement sale in MALPF's combined FY13/14 cycle. MALPF purchases are funded by a combination of State general allotted funds and matching funds; MALPF contributes 60% for every 40% of the cost contributed by the ALPP, up to the level of available funding. The County Executive has committed \$660,000 towards matching funds for this acquisition.

Since the application will have minimal impact on staff workloads or the ALPP operating budget, we support approval of the Barrow easement application. Thank you for your consideration.

cc: Jennifer Sager, Legislative Coordinator, Department of Administration
Kim Flowers, Deputy Director, Department of Planning and Zoning
Lisa O'Brien, Senior County Solicitor, Office of Law
Barrow File
Ag Read File

