

Subject:

Testimony & Fiscal Impact Statement

Council Resolution No. - 2019 declaring that a water and utility easement conveyed to Howard County, Maryland is no longer needed by the County for public purposes; authorizing the County Executive to terminate the County's easement interest, provided the fee simple owner, Kellogg-CCP, LLC relocates the currentlyexisting water main and grants the County a new easement for the relocated water main, and providing that the County Executive is not bound to terminate the easement

interest if he finds that the easement may have a further public use.

To:

Lonnie R. Robbins,

Chief Administrative Officer

From:

James M. Irvin, Director
Department of Public Works

Date:

April 25, 2019

The Department of Public Works has been designated coordinator for preparation of testimony declaring that a water and utility easement conveyed to Howard County, Maryland is no longer needed for a public purpose, and authorizing the County Executive to terminate the easement interest, vesting title to the fee simple owner, Kellogg-CCP, LLC; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to convey the property if he finds that the land may have a further public use.

The County acquired a 20-foot water and sewer easement and a 20' temporary construction easement (collectively the "Easement"), by Deed and Agreement, dated June 22, 1987 and recorded among the Land Records of Howard County, Maryland in Liber 1680, Folio 560 as part of Capital Project W-8153, on property that is now owned by Kellogg-CCP, LLC (the "Owner") and is located within the Oxford Square subdivision.

The existing 8-inch water main that runs through the Easement needs to be abandoned and relocated to accommodate the construction of a noise wall adjacent to a CSX railroad track. The Owner will relocate the water main and will grant the County a new easement for the relocated water main.

There is no fiscal impact associated with this termination of easement.

Representatives of this department will be present at the public hearing to answer any questions or concerns. If you require any further information concerning this matter or have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

JMI/KAS

CC:

Jennifer Sager

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