County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2019 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 13

Resolution No. 142 -2019

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

A RESOLUTION increasing Forest Conservation fees-in-lieu.

Introduced and read first time November 4, 2019.	By order	Diane A. Jones
		Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator
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Read for a second time at a public hearing on November 18	_, 2019.	
	By order ₋	Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator
This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted, Adopted with an	mendments	, Failed_, Withdrawn_, by the County Council
on December 2, 2019.		
	Certified 1	By Jane Schwartz Jones, 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, on May 29, 2019, the County Council adopted Council Resolution No. 73-
2	2019 which sets forth a schedule of fees for functions regulated by the Department of Planning
3	and Zoning; and
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5	WHEREAS, among those fees is a schedule of rates adopted pursuant to Section
6	16.1211 of the Howard County Code that allows a developer to pay for the costs of afforestation
7	or reforestation; and
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9	WHEREAS, the County now wishes to increase the fee in-lieu.
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11	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Howard County,
12	Maryland this 2ndday of December 2019 that it amends the schedule for fee-in-lieu of
13	afforestation or reforestation, as shown in the attached Exhibit A; and
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15	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, subject to Council Resolution No. 122-2019, all
16	other Fee Schedules adopted by Council Resolution No. 73-2019 shall remain in effect until
17	changed or repealed by subsequent Resolution of the County Council.

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ZONING SCHEDULE OF FEES

This fee schedule allows a developer to pay for the costs of afforestation or reforestation by the County in accordance with the County guidelines for forest conservation regulations set forth in the Howard County Code, Section 16.1211.

Forest Conservation Fees			
	[[\$0.75]]\$1.25 Per square foot within the Planned Service Area boundary		
Afforestation or reforestation	[[\$0.95]]\$1.50 per square foot outside of the Planned Service Area boundary		
Easement abandonment	[[\$1.25]]\$2.00 Per square foot		
Non-compliance with forest conservation	[[\$1.20]] \$1.25 - <u>\$5.00</u> Per square foot		