County Council Of Howard County, Maryland

2011 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 11

Resolution No. 159 -2011

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

A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code, authorizing the County Executive to grant a permanent easement to the Baltimore Gas and Electric Company in certain real property owned by the County located at Monarch Mills (formerly known as Guilford Gardens); waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to grant the easement if he finds that the land may have a further public use and submits his finding to the County Council for its consideration.

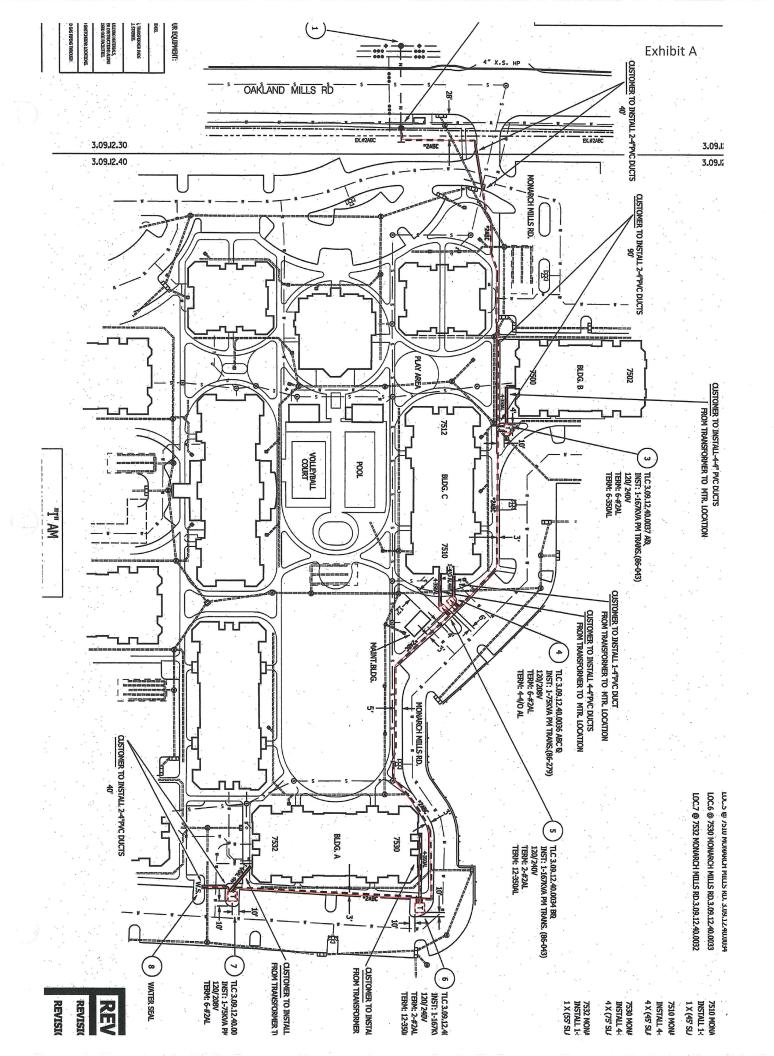
Introduced and read first time October 3, 2011.	
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	Stephen LeGendre, Administrator
Read for a second time at a public hearing on	_, 2011.
	By order Ctyphen wlbcms
	Stephen LeGendre, Administrator
This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted_, Adopted with a	mendments, Failed, Withdrawn, by the County Council
on November 7, 2011.	
	Certified By Stephen wife Gere
	Stephen LeGendre, Administrator

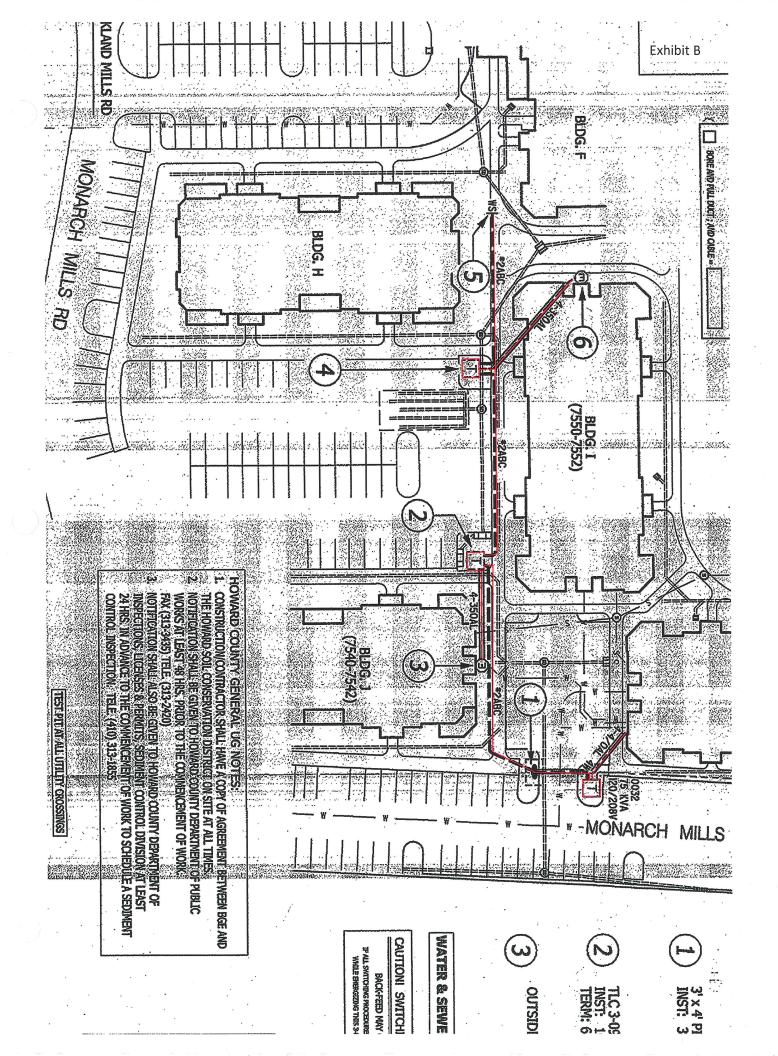
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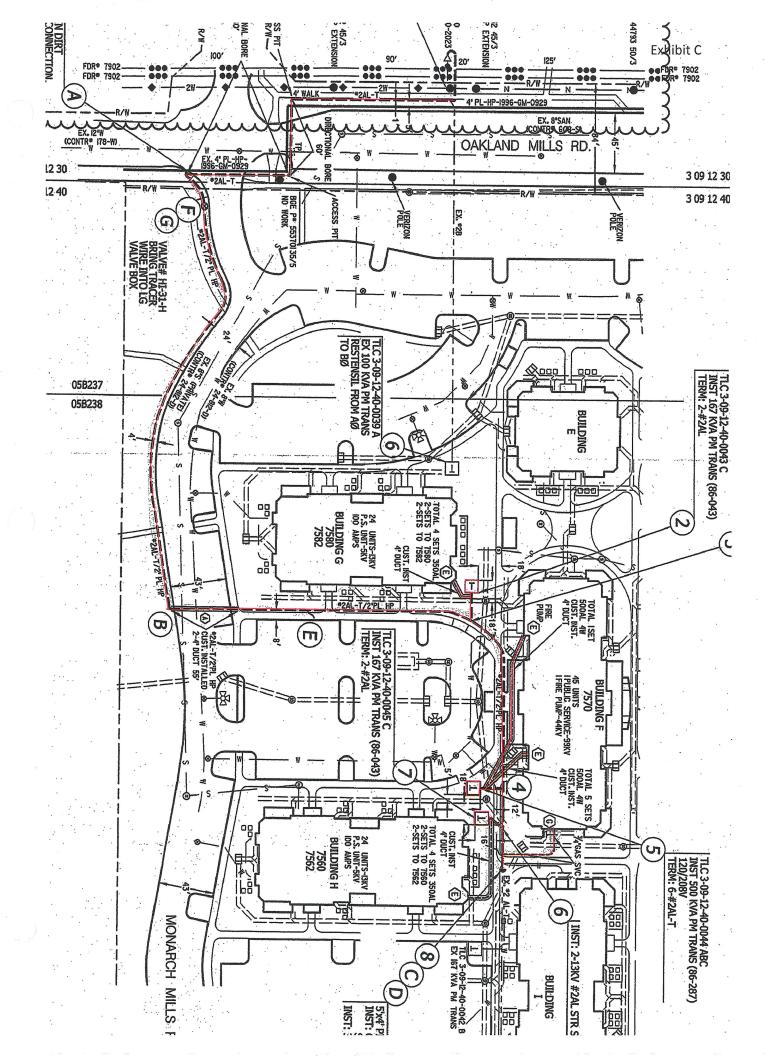
1	WHEREAS, Howard County is the owner of certain real property improved as a multi-
2	family apartment complex known as Monarch Mills (formerly Guilford Gardens) located at
3	7500 Monarch Mills Way, Columbia, Howard County, Maryland as acquired by Deed dated
4	April 27, 1978 from Pattison E. Whipps, Robert J. Whipps and Shirley Whipps recorded among
5	the Land Records of Howard County, Maryland in Liber 880, folio 746; subject to a 98 year
6	Ground Lease dated March 30, 2010 from Howard County, Maryland to Monarch Mills, LP
7	recorded among the aforesaid Land Records in Liber 12382, folio 017, (the "County Property");
8	and
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10	WHEREAS, Monarch Mills, LP is constructing the Monarch Mills rental apartment
11	complex on the County Property as part of approved Site Development Plan No. SDP-09-045 -
12	Guilford Gardens, Section 1, Area 1, Parcels "A1" & "A2"; and
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14	WHEREAS, in order to extend electrical service to the County Property, Baltimore Gas
15	and Electric Company ("BGE") is seeking that a permanent easement (the "Easement") be
16	granted to BGE where the electrical service has been installed, ten feet in width along the the red
17	line in the attached Exhibits A, B and C; and
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19	WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works has reviewed and approved the proposed
20	Easement; and
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22	WHEREAS, Section 4.201, "Disposition of Real Property", of the Howard County Code
23	authorizes the County Council to declare that property is no longer needed for public purposes
24	and also authorizes the County Council to waive advertising and bidding requirements for an
25	individual conveyance of real property upon the request of the County Executive; and
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27	WHEREAS, the County Council has received a request from the County Executive to
28	waive the advertising and bidding requirements in this instance for the grant of the Easement to
29	BGE.
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1	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Howard County,
2	Maryland, this, 2011, that a public purpose is served by
3	granting the Easement to BGE, ten feet in width along the red line in the attached Exhibits A, B
4	and C.
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6	AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, having received a request from the County
7	Executive and having held a public hearing, the County Council declares that the best interest of
8	the County will be served by authorizing the County Executive to waive the usual advertising
9	and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code for the conveyance of
10	the Easement to BGE.
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12	AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, if the County Executive finds that the land
13	to be subject to the Easement may have a further public use and that the Easement should not be
14	granted, he may submit his findings and recommendations to the County Council for its
15	consideration without being bound to grant the Easement in accordance with this Resolution.

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Subject:

Testimony & Fiscal Impact Statement

Council Resolution No. - 2011 for the conveyance of an easement to the

Baltimore Gas and Electric Company at the new Monarch Mills Subdivision

To:

Lonnie R. Robbins,

Chief Administrative Officer

From:

James M. Irvin, Director
Department of Public Works

Date:

September 19, 2011

The Department of Public Works has been designated coordinator for preparation of testimony relative to the above referenced Council Resolution that provides for the conveyance of an easement to the Baltimore Gas and Electric Company (BGE) for County property located at the new Monarch Mills subdivision (formerly Guilford Gardens).

Site Development Plan No. SDP-09-045 - Guilford Gardens, Section 1, Area 1, Parcels "A1" & "A2" was approved for the construction of 224 Apartment Units and 45 Age Restricted Adult Apartments Units to be located at the new Monarch Mills site. As part of the construction, it is necessary for BGE to extend electrical service to the County site. As part of delivering this service extension, BGE will install, extend and maintain gas and electric facilities on, through and upon the site. Therefore, BGE has requested an easement for its facilities to be located on the County property.

A right of entry was granted to BGE in order to allow the construction of the site to continue while a permanent easement is conveyed. Attached is a Council Resolution authorizing the County Executive to grant the subject easement to BGE. BGE will not be required to compensate the County for this easement, in as much as its provides electrical services to the County property, and must have the easement to assure that they can continue to maintain their facilities.

The Housing Commission paid \$55,294.00 for the BGE extension of electrical service to the site, but this fee is established under BGE's regulated rate structures, and incorporates the condition that there is no customer charge for necessary easements for the service facilities. The easement will be conveyed to BGE at no cost.

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.

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Jennifer Sager

Marcus Earvin, Housing

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