

Subject: Testimony & Fiscal Impact Statement

Council Resolution No. ___ - 2025, authorizing the County Executive to grant an easement to Baltimore Gas and Electric Company so that BGE may extend electric service to new EV charging facilities at the Elkridge Library; 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 property may have a further public

use.

To: Brandee Ganz,

Chief Administrative Officer

From: Tae Jung, Acting Director

Department of General Services

Date: August 20, 2025

The Department of General Services 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") located on County property shown as Parcel 97 on Tax Map 38 and known as the Elkridge Library.

BGE plans to install EV charging facilities at the Elkridge Library on Parcel 97. The new EV charging facilities require a primary line extension from Hunt Club Drive north of the parking area to the proposed location of the facilities. BGE requires an easement on County property to provide the electric service for the EV charging facilities. The easement allows BGE to enter upon and use a portion of the County property, containing approximately 3,600 square feet of Parcel 97 for the purpose of installing and maintaining electric equipment.

The Department of General Services has reviewed and approved the proposed easement.

Section 4.201, "Disposition of Real Property", of the Howard County Code authorizes the County Council to declare that the property is no longer needed for public purposes and authorizes the County Council to waive advertising and bidding requirements for an individual conveyance of real property upon the request of the County Executive.

The County Council has received a request from the County Executive to waive the advertising and bidding requirements in this instance for the grant of the easement to BGE.

There is no fiscal impact to the County.

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.

cc: Jennifer Sager

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