County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2025 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 13

Resolution No. 16 -2025

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

Short Title:

Conveyance of a portion of reclaimed water easement – approximately 59,574 square

feet and 5,063 square feet, respectively

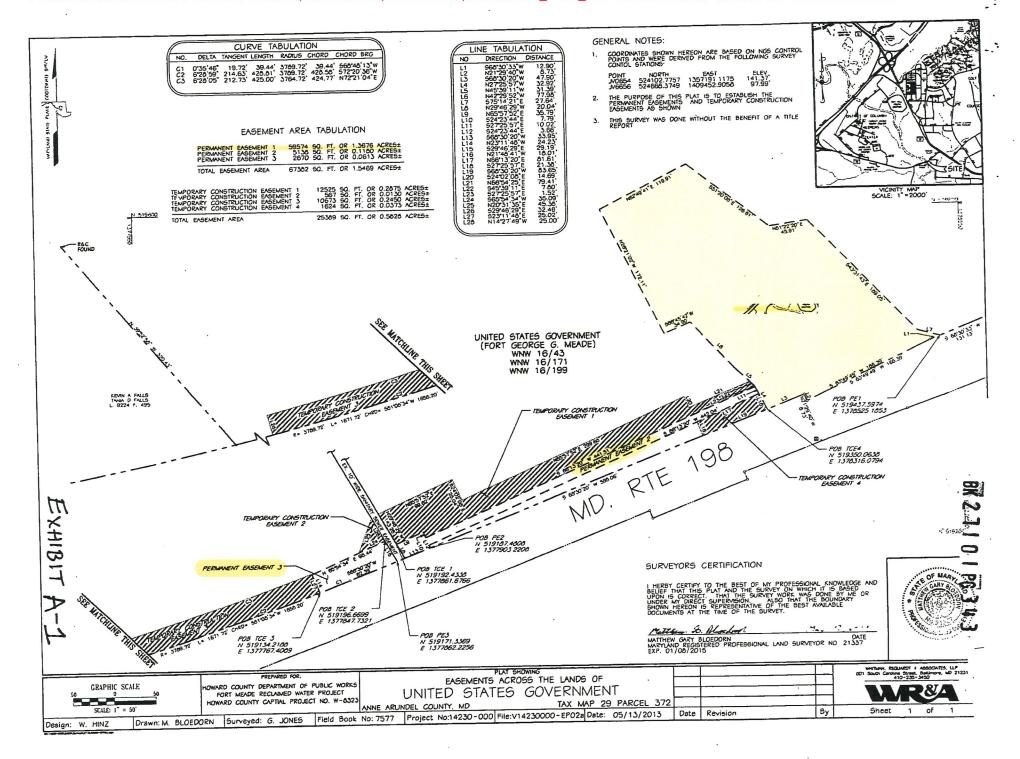
Title: A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code declaring that an easement and a portion of an easement for the reclaimed water system located on Fort George G. Meade containing approximately 59,574 square feet and 5,063 square feet, respectively, conveyed to Howard County, Maryland are no longer needed by the County for public purposes; authorizing the County Executive to terminate the easement and a portion of the easement interest and convey the property to the fee simple owner, the Secretary of the Army; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code in order to convey the easement interests to the Secretary of the Army; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to terminate the easement interests if he finds that the easements may have a public use.

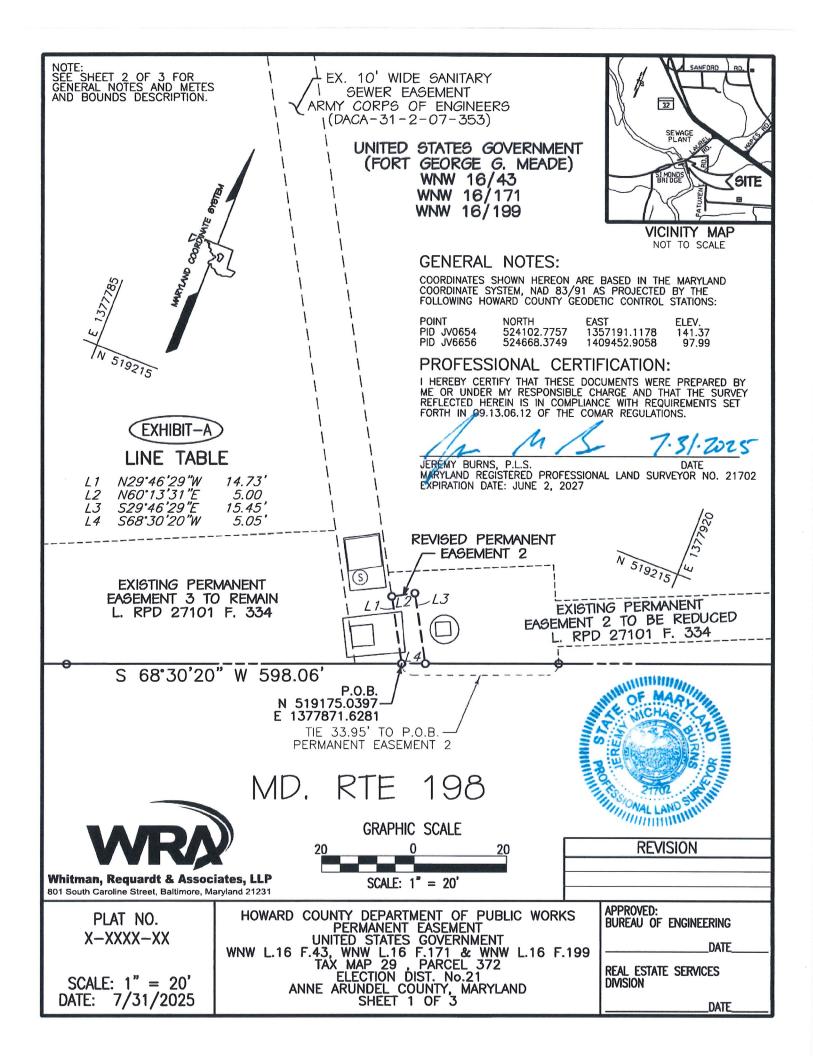
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	Michelle Harrod, Administrator
Read for a second time at a public hearing on	_, 2025.
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	Michelle Harrod, Administrator
This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted, Adopted with a	mendments, Failed, Withdrawn, by the County Council
on	
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	Michelle Harrod, 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 Secretary of the Army (the "Owner") is the fee simple owner of that
2	certain real property shown as Parcel 372 on Tax Map 29, Anne Arundel County commonly
3	known as Fort George G. Meade, Maryland (the "Property"); and
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5	WHEREAS, as part of the Howard County Reclaimed Water Project with the Secretary
6	of the Army, the County acquired easements for a reclaimed water system by Easement No.
7	DACA-31-2-13-178 dated June 28, 2013 and recorded among the Land Records of Anne
8	Arundel County, Maryland in Book 27101, page 334, on March 10, 2014 (the "Easement"), on
9	the Property; and
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11	WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works has received a written petition from the
12	Owner to terminate and release the following (collectively the "Easements to be Abandoned"):
13	1. The easement containing approximately 59,574 square feet, described and shown as
14	"Permanent Easement 1" on "Exhibit A-1" of the Easement, ("Permanent Easement
15	1"); and
16	2. A portion, approximately 5,063 square feet, of the easement containing
17	approximately a total of 5,138 square feet, as described and shown as "Permanent
18	Easement 2" on "Exhibit A-1" of the Easement, and "Existing Permanent Easement
19	2 to be Reduced L RPD 27101 F 334" on the attached plat titled "Howard County
20	Department of Public Works Permanent Easement United States Government" (the
21	"Plat) ("Permanent Easement 2"); and
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23	WHEREAS, the County will retain approximately 75 square feet of Permanent Easement
24	2, as described and shown as "Revised Permanent 2" on the Plat and will also retain Permanent
25	Easement 3, containing 2,670 square feet, as shown on "Exhibit A-1" of the Easement for access
26	to the Property for its operational needs related to the County's Little Patuxent Water
27	Reclamation Plant; and
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29	WHEREAS, the County has reviewed the petition submitted by the Owner and has
30	determined that the Easements to be Abandoned are no longer required for public purposes; and
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1	WHEREAS, Section 4.201 "Disposition of real property" of the Howard County Code
2	authorizes the County Council to declare that property is no longer needed for public purposes and
3	also authorizes the County Council to waive advertising and bidding requirements for an individual
4	conveyance of real property upon the request of the County Executive; and
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6	WHEREAS, the County Council has received a request from the County Executive to
7	waive the advertising and bidding requirements in this instance for the conveyance of the
8	Easements to be Abandoned to the Owner.
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10	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Howard County,
11	Maryland, this day of of of the day, 2025, that the Easements to be Abandoned,
12	Permanent Easement 1 containing approximately 59,574 square feet and a portion of Permanent
13	Easement 2 approximately 5,063 square feet, conveyed to Howard County, Maryland are no longer
14	needed by the County for public purposes and may be conveyed to the Secretary of the Army.
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16	AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, having received a request from the County
17	Executive and having held a public hearing, the County Council declares that the best interest of
18	the County will be served by authorizing the County Executive to waive the usual advertising and
19	bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code for the conveyance of the
20	Easements to be Abandoned to the Secretary of the Army.
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22	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the County Executive finds that the County's
23	easement interest in the Easements to be Abandoned should not be terminated, he is not bound to
24	terminate the County's easement interests in accordance with this Resolution.





LEGAL DESCRIPTION FOR REVISED PERMANENT EASEMENT 2 MAP 0029 GRID 0008 PARCEL 0372

BEGINNING FOR THE SAME AT A POINT AT THE END OF THE FIRST OR SOUTH 68 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 20 SECONDS WEST, 33.95 FOOT LINE OF 'PERMANENT EASEMENT 2,' PREVIOUSLY RECORDED AMONG THE LAND RECORDS OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND, IN LIBER RPD 27101, AT FOLIO 334, SAID POINT OF BEGINNING SO FIXED, HAVING A COORDINATE OF NORTH 519175.0397 AND EAST 1377871.6281 AS REFERRED TO THE MARYLAND COORDINATE SYSTEM (NAD 83/91), THENCE RUNNING WITH PART OF THE SECOND OR NORTH 29 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 29 SECONDS WEST, 20.04 FOOT LINE AT SAID EASEMENT, AND BINDING OF THE NORTHEASTERLY SIDE OF AN EXISTING 10 FOOT WIDE SANITARY SEWER EASEMENT;

1) NORTH 29 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 29 SECONDS WEST, 14.73 FEET, THENCE LEAVING SAID SECOND LINE AND RUNNING ACROSS SAID PERMANENT EASEMENT 2, THE FOLLOWING 2 COURSES AND DISTANCES.
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3) SOUTH 29 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 29 SECONDS EAST, 15.45 FEET, TO INTERSECT THE AFOREMENTIONED FIRST LINE OF SAID PERMANENT EASEMENT 2, THENCE RUNNING WITH PART OF SAID LINE
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CONTAINING 75 SQ. FEET OR 0.0017 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.





Whitman, Requardt & Associates, LLP 801 South Caroline Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21231

> PLAT NO. X-XXXX-XX

SCALE: 1" = 20'7/31/2025 DATE:

HOWARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
PERMANENT EASEMENT
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
WNW L.16 F.43, WNW L.16 F.171 & WNW L.16 F.199
TAX MAP 29, PARCEL 372
ELECTION DIST. No.21
ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND
SHEET 2 OF 3

APPROVED:

BUREAU OF ENGINEERING

DATE

REAL ESTATE SERVICES DIVISION

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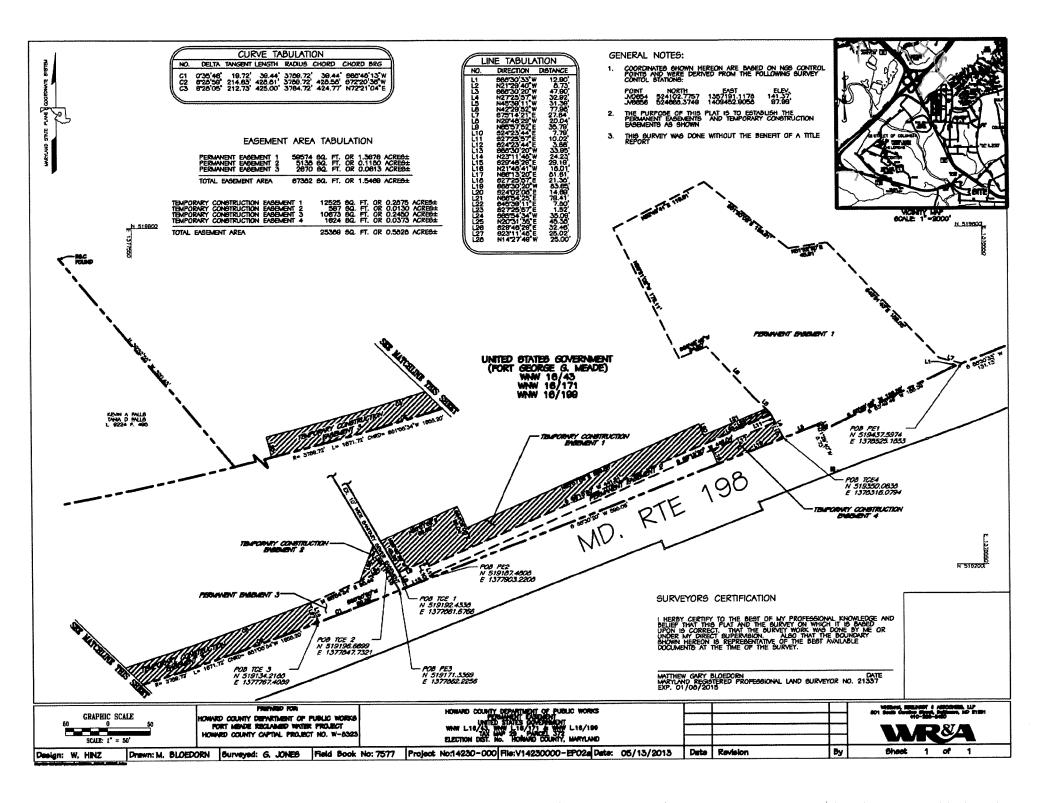
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TAX MAP 29, PARCEL 372
ELECTION DIST. No.21 ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

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Subject:

Testimony & Fiscal Impact Statement

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To:

Brandee Ganz,

Chief Administrative Officer

From:

Mark DeLuca, Acting Director

Department of Public Works

Date:

August 20, 2025

The Department of Public Works has been designated coordinator for preparation of testimony declaring that an easement and a portion of an easement for a reclaimed water system located on Fort George G. Meade, Maryland containing approximately 59,574 square feet and 5,063 square feet, conveyed to Howard County, Maryland, are no longer needed by the County for public purposes, authorizing the County Executive to terminate the easement interests, vesting title to the fee simple owner, The Secretary of the Army (the "Owner"); and providing that the County Executive is not bound to terminate the easement interests if he finds that the easements may have a further public use.

As part of the Howard County Reclaimed Water Project with the Secretary of the Army, the County acquired easements for a reclaimed water system by Easement No. DACA-31-2-13-178 dated June 28, 2013 and recorded among the Land Records of Anne Arundel County, Maryland in Book 27101, page 334, on March 10, 2014 (the "Easement"), on that certain real property commonly known as Fort George G. Meade, Maryland.

The Owner is the fee simple owner of that certain real property shown as Parcel 372 on Tax Map 29, Anne Arundel County (collectively, the "Property").

The Director of Public Works has received a written petition from the Owner to terminate and release the easement containing approximately 59,574 square feet ("Permanent Easement 1") and a portion of the easement containing approximately 5,063 square feet as described and shown as "Permanent Easement 1" on "Exhibit A-1" of the Easement, and "Existing Permanent Easement 2 to be Reduced L RPD 27101 F 334" on the attached plat titled "Howard County Department of Public Works Permanent Easement United States Government" (the "Plat") ("Permanent Easement 2"). The County will retain approximately 75 square feet of Permanent Easement 2, as described and shown as "Revised Permanent

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2" on the Plat and will also retain Permanent Easement 3, containing 2,670 square feet, as shown on "Exhibit A-1" of the Easement for its operational needs related to the County's Little Patuxent Water Reclamation Plat.

The Department of Public Works has reviewed the petition submitted by the Owner and has determined that the Easements to be Abandoned are no longer required for public purposes.

Section 4.201, "Disposition of real property" of the Howard County Code authorizes the County Council to declare that the Easements to be Abandoned are no longer needed for the public purposes.

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

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.

YK/ei

cc: Jennifer Sager

File

SPLegislation/2025/Fort Meade Utility Easement Reduction