County Council Of Howard County, Maryland

2015 Legislative Session

Resolution No. <u>/44</u> -2015

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

A RESOLUTION pursuant to Sections 16.301 and 16.200(a) of the Howard County Code, granting a variance for government uses from the structure and use setback for the construction of the Mayfield Fire & Rescue Logistics Facility to be located on Meadowridge Road.

Introduced and read first time September 8, 2015.

By order Jessica Feldmark, Administrator

Read for a second time at a public hearing on September 21, 2015.

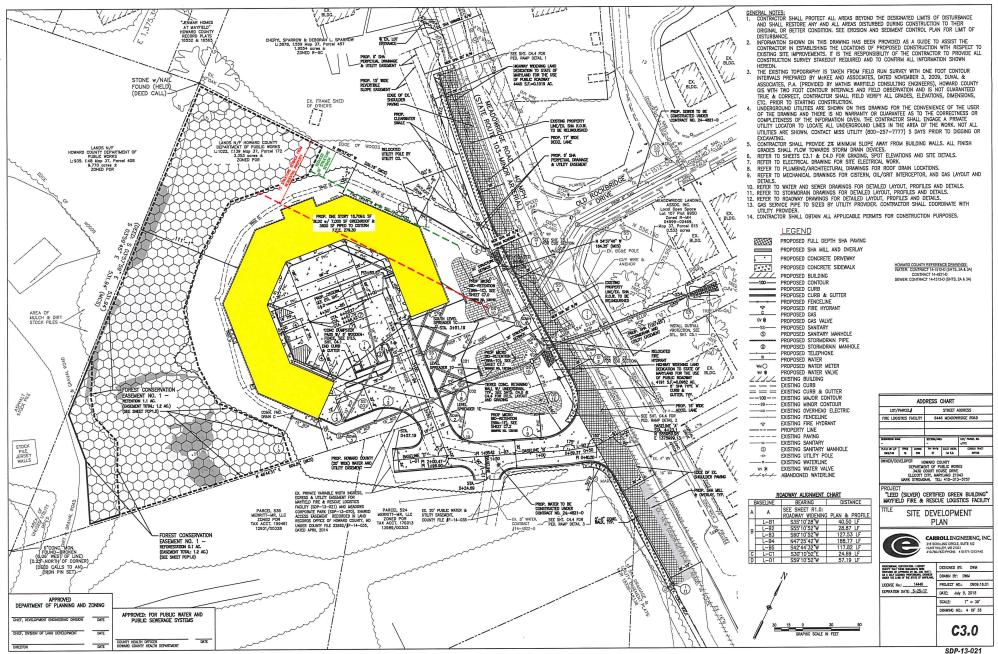
By order Jessica Feldmark, Administrator

This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted, Adopted with amendments, Failed, Withdrawn, by the County Council on October 3, 2015.

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, Section 16.200(a) and Section 16.301 of the Howard County Code
2	provides that variances for governmental uses from the strict application of the Zoning
3	Regulations are granted by the County Council by Resolution following a public hearing;
. 4	and;
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6	WHEREAS, the County has proposed to construct the Mayfield Fire & Rescue
7	Logistics Facility (the "Project") on County Property located at 6446 Meadowridge Road
8	(the "County Property"), as shown in the attached Exhibit; and
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10	WHEREAS, the County Property borders property owned by Cheryl Sparrow
11	and Deborah L. Sparrow (the "Sparrow Property"); and
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13	WHEREAS, design for the Project began in 2009 while the County Property was
14	zoned Residential Single Cluster (R-SC) which required a 30 foot structure and use
15	setback along the property line adjoining the Sparrow Property; and
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17	WHEREAS, the underlying zoning on the County Property has changed and the
18	County Property is currently zoned Planned Office Research (POR) which requires a 75
19	foot structure and use setback; and
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21	WHEREAS, the design for the Project was initiated using a 30 foot structure and
22	use setback and the County Property does not provide adequate area to accommodate the
23	75 foot structure and use setback required by the POR Zoning District; and
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25	WHEREAS, accordingly, the County proposes to encroach approximately 45 fee
26	into the 75-foot structure and use setback for the development of the Project; and
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28	WHEREAS, the County requests a variance from the strict application of the 75-
29	structure and use setback in order to construct the Project at a 30 foot structure and use
30	setback; and
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1	WHEREAS, as shown in the attached Exhibit, the Project will extend into the 75-
2	foot setback from the property line that adjoins the Sparrow Property; and
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4	WHEREAS, the County Council finds that the proposed variance from the
5	structure and use setback requirements of the POR district for this governmental purpose
6	is within the spirit and intent of the Zoning Regulations and is in the public interest.
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8	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Howard
9	County, Maryland this 5th day of Color, 2015 that, for the construction of the
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	County, Maryland this 5th day of Color, 2015 that, for the construction of the
10	County, Maryland this 5 day of 6 day, 2015 that, for the construction of the Mayfield Fire & Logistics Facility, as shown in the attached Exhibit, it grants a variance
10 11	County, Maryland this 5 day of Color, 2015 that, for the construction of the Mayfield Fire & Logistics Facility, as shown in the attached Exhibit, it grants a variance from the required 75-foot structure and use setback to be 30 feet in the POR Zoning





Subject:

Testimony & Fiscal Impact Statement

Council Resolution No. _____-2015 granting a variance for government uses from the structure and use setback for the construct of the Mayfield Fire

& Rescue Logistics Facility to be located on Meadowridge Road.

To:

Lonnie R. Robbins,

Chief Administrative Officer

From:

James M. Irvin, Director

Department of Public Works

Date:

August 27, 2015

The Department of Public Works has been designated coordinator for preparation of testimony relative to the granting a variance for government uses from the structure and use setback for the construct of the Mayfield Fire & Rescue Logistics Facility to be located on Meadowridge Road.

Capital Project F-5973 – Logistics Facility was approved for the construction of a 17,000 square foot facility to house the Fire Department's quartermaster, breathing apparatus repair shop, equipment repair shop, reserve emergency apparatus and equipment storage. The facility will be located on an existing County property located on Mayfield Avenue.

The design for the project began in 2009 when the property was zoned Residential Single Cluster (R-SC) and the property line adjacent to the Sparrow Property required a 30 ft. Structure Setback. Under the most recent zoning updates, the zoning for the property has changed from RSC to Planned Office Research (POR) which requires a 75 ft. setback along the property line adjacent to the Sparrow Property.

The department has presented Site Development Plan No. 13-021 to the Department of Planning & Zoning for review and approval. Based on preliminary comments, the department feels that the original design utilizing the 30 ft. setback and the fact that the property does not provide adequate area to accommodate the 75 ft. setback, it is in the County interest to move this project forward by requesting a reduction in the setback from 75 ft. to 30 ft. Plans showing the existing and proposed setbacks are attached.

The total costs for the design and construction of the project is currently approved in the Howard County Capital Budget at \$5,715,000.

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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