

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND
LEGISLATIVE SESSION DAY 2016-20**

RESOLUTION NO. 55-2016

Title of Resolution: Expedited Legislation - Acceptance - School Surplus Properties

Synopsis: An Emergency Resolution to accept a transfer of surplus properties at 201 and 203 Booth Street from the Cecil County Board of Education, which can be used for economic development purposes and will significantly benefit the County.

Introduced by: Councilwoman Bowsbey

Introduced, read first time, and ordered posted on: October 18, 2016

Scheduled for consideration: October 18, 2016

By: _____
Council Manager

PUBLIC HEARING

Notice of time and place of public hearing and title of Bill having been posted by ___ at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton and having been published according to the Charter on ___, a public hearing was held on ___, and concluded on _____.

By: _____
Council Manager

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~~Strike through~~ indicates language deleted from existing document
Underlining indicates language added to document by amendment.
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1 **WHEREAS**, Section 4.115 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland provides that a
2 county board of education, upon the approval of the State Superintendent, may inform the county council
3 when they determine that any land, school site, or building is no longer needed for school purposes, and

4 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 4.115 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland,
5 when the county council receives notice from the county board of education, the county council must notify
6 the county board of education within thirty (30) days after receiving notice from the county board of
7 education; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the county council may determine that the land, school site or buildings are acceptable
9 because the property is an integral component of an existing economic development plan that will
10 significantly benefit the county; and

11 **WHEREAS**, the county council may also determine that they have no existing plans for use of the
12 property ; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the Cecil County Board of Education determined that the Cecil County Central office, 201
14 Booth Street, Elkton, MD 21921, 2.38 acres and building, was no longer needed for school purposes; and

15 **WHEREAS**, the Cecil County Board of Education determined that the Operations and Maintenance
16 Building, 203 Booth Street, Elkton, MD 21921, of 0.7191 acres and building, was no longer needed for school
17 purposes; and

18 **WHEREAS**, the Cecil County Board of Education approved the transfer of 2.38 acres of undeveloped
19 portion of the Central Office property, located at 201 Booth Street, Elkton, MD 21921; and the transfer of
20 .7191 acres and building of the operations and Maintenance Building, located at 203 Booth Street, Elkton,
21 MD 21921, to the County Government; and

22 **WHEREAS**, the Interagency Committee on School Construction reviewed this request to transfer
23 these school properties to the local government and recommended approval to the Board of Public Works;
24 and

25 **WHEREAS**, the Maryland Board of Public Works approved of the transfer of these properties on
26 October 5, 2016; and

27 **WHEREAS**, the Cecil County Council received notice on October 6, 2016 of the offering of these
28 surplus properties and must respond within thirty (30) days to this offer.

29 **WHEREAS**, the Town of Elkton has expressed an interest to use this property for a youth recreational
30 facility; and

31 **WHEREAS**, the County Council will meet on October 18, 2016 for the last legislative session until
32 December 6, 2016; and

33 **WHEREAS**, this offer was unanticipated and requires immediate action; and

34 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY,**

35 **MARYLAND**, that the properties offered by Cecil County Board of Education can be used for economic
36 development plan that will significantly benefit Cecil County and the Town of Elkton; and

37 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY THAT** we notify the
38 Cecil County Board of Education of our judgment that these surplus properties can be utilized for economic
39 develop for the County and Town; and

40 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the response to this offering within thirty (30) days requires
41 the Council to consider this as Expedited Legislation in order to meet the deadline for this unanticipated
42 offering; and

43 **AND BE IF FUTHER RESOLVED THAT** we accept the offer by the Cecil County Board of Education to
44 receive 2.38 acres at 201 Booth Street, Elkton, MD, and 0.7191 acres at 203 Booth Street, Elkton, MD; and

45 **AND BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** this Resolution shall take effect on the date of its passage by
46 the County Council of Cecil County, Maryland.

INTRODUCED: October 18, 2016

ADOPTED: _____

President of the Council

ATTEST:

Council Manager