

COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND
LEGISLATIVE SESSION DAY 2018-16

RESOLUTION NO. 38-2018

Title of Resolution: Expedited Legislation - Enterprise Zone – North East and Perryville

Synopsis: An Expedited Resolution to expand the existing Cecil County Enterprise Zone to include the North East Commons in North East and Chesapeake Overlook in Perryville.

Introduced by: Council President at the request of the County Executive

Introduced and ordered posted on: September 4, 2018

Public hearing scheduled on: October 2, 2018 at: 7:00 p.m.

Scheduled for consideration on: October 2, 2018

By: _____
Council Manager

PUBLIC HEARING

Notice of time, place of public hearing and title of this Resolution having been posted on (date) at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton, Maryland and having been published on (dates). A public hearing was held on (date) and concluded on (date).

By: _____
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1 **WHEREAS**, Maryland’s Enterprise Zone Tax Credit Program is a joint effort between the
2 State and local governments to provide tax incentives to businesses and property-owners located
3 in economically distressed communities;

4 **WHEREAS**, the Cecil County Enterprise Zone was approved by the State of Maryland on June 15,
5 2013, thus providing an important economic development tool for the County and the towns of Perryville,
6 North East and Elkton;

7 **WHEREAS**, the Cecil County Department of Economic Development desires to have the current
8 Zone expanded to allow existing businesses in Cecil County and prospective new businesses to utilize these
9 incentives;

10 **WHEREAS**, this application will include:

- 11 1) Property known as North East Commons in the Town of North East, consisting of
- 12 approximately 59.861 acres, designated as Parcels 453 and 272 on Cecil County Tax Map 25,
- 13 2) Property known as Chesapeake Overlook in the Town of Perryville, consisting of
- 14 approximately 155.1835 acres, designated as Parcels 732 (Lots 1 and 2) and 733 (in process
- 15 of being annexed) and part of Parcel 70 (west of MD Route 275 only) on Cecil County Tax
- 16 Map 29; and

17 **WHEREAS**, the primary benefits to businesses that are located within an Enterprise Zone are eligible
18 for local property tax credits and State income tax credits;

19 **WHEREAS**, eligible businesses in an enterprise zone may claim a ten-year credit against local real
20 property taxes on a portion of real property improvements. The credit is eighty percent (80%) of the
21 assessment increase during the first five years. The credit then decreases ten percent (10%) annually
22 thereafter to thirty percent (30%) in the tenth year;

23 **WHEREAS**, eligible businesses in an enterprise zone may claim one-year or three-year credits for
24 wages paid to new employees in new positions. The general credit is a one-time \$1,000 credit
25 per new worker. For economically disadvantaged employees, the credit increases to a total of
26 \$6,000 per worker distributed over three years. Businesses claim the enterprise zone income tax
27 credits on the 500CR form when they submit their business or individual income tax returns to
28 the Comptroller; and

29 **WHEREAS**, the Enterprise Zone is an important incentive for the County to access and encourage
30 existing businesses to expand; and attract new businesses to locate within Cecil County; and

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31 **WHEREAS**, application for the subject Enterprise Zone must be filed with the State of Maryland
32 Department of Commerce on or before October 15, 2018.

33 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY,**
34 **MARYLAND**, that the Council is in support of this application to expand the Cecil County Enterprise Zone to
35 include properties known as North East Commons and Chesapeake Overlook; and that the proposed
36 expansion includes the entirety of Parcels 272 and 453 on Tax Map 25, and the entirety of Parcels 732 (Lots
37 1 and 2) and 733, and part of Parcel 70 on Tax Map 29; and that the expansion area is 215.0445+/- acres.

38 **AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND**, that this
39 Resolution is hereby being considered as expedited legislation because the applications must be filed with
40 the State of Maryland Department of Commerce on or before October 15, 2018.

41 **AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution shall take effect on the date of its passage by
42 the County Council of Cecil County, Maryland.

INTRODUCED: September 4, 2018

ADOPTED: _____

President of the Council



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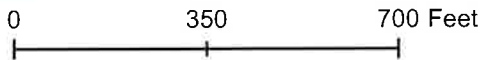
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Cecil County Enterprise Zone - Proposed Expansion North East Commons

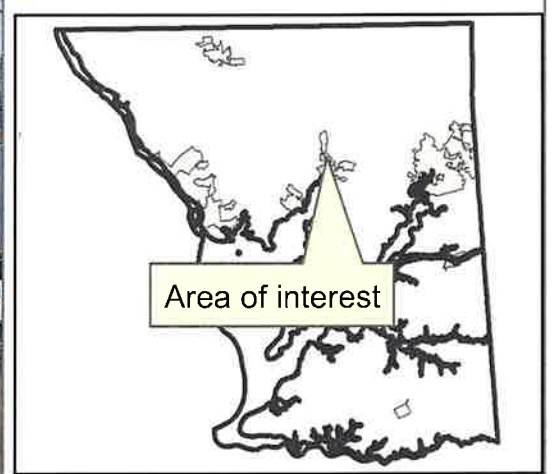


-  Proposed Enterprise Zone Additions
-  Existing Enterprise Zone



Note: The proposed expansion includes the entirety of Tax Map 25, Parcels 272 and 453. Per SDAT records, the expansion area is 59.861 acres.



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Cecil County Enterprise Zone - Proposed Expansion Chesapeake Overlook

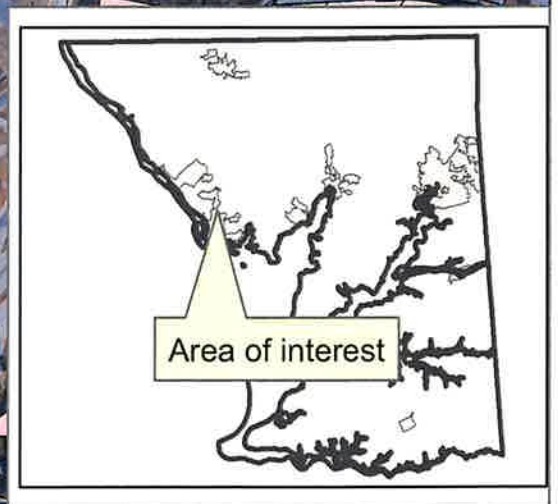


-  Proposed Enterprise Zone Additions
-  Existing Enterprise Zone

0 600 1,200 Feet

Note: The proposed expansion includes the entirety of Tax Map 29, Parcels 732 (Lots 1 & 2) and 733 and parts of Map 29, P. 70. The expansion area is roughly 155 acres.

August 30, 2018



Cecil County Enterprise Zone - Proposed Expansion

