

**RESOLUTION NO. 64-2019**  
**Surplus Property – Booth Street Maintenance Building – Town of Elkton**

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND**  
**LEGISLATIVE SESSION DAY 2019-21**

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**Title of Resolution:** Surplus Property – Booth Street Maintenance Building – Town of Elkton

**Synopsis:** A Resolution declaring the Booth Street maintenance building, designated as Parcel Number 1841 on Tax Map 0311 and underlying real property to be surplus, and authorizing the conveyance of the Booth Street maintenance building and underlying real property to the Town of Elkton.

**Introduced by:** Council President on behalf of County Executive

**Introduced and ordered posted on:** November 5, 2019

**Public hearing scheduled on:** December 3, 2019 **at:** 7:00 p.m.

**Scheduled for consideration on:** December 17, 2019

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice of time and 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:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Council Manager

Explanation: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING ORDINANCE.  
~~Strike through~~ indicate matter deleted from existing ordinance.  
Underlining indicates language added by amendment.  
~~Double Strike through~~ indicates language deleted by amendment.

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1           **WHEREAS**, Section 12-405(b)(1) of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code  
2 of Maryland provides that the governing body of Cecil County may sell by public or private sale  
3 or lease surplus county real property, and execute and acknowledge any instrument necessary  
4 to transfer the property; and

5           **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 12-405(b)(2) of the Local Government Article of the  
6 Annotated Code of Maryland provides that the governing body may contract to transfer an  
7 interest in county real property after a public hearing has been held and advertised for two  
8 weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the county prior to the public hearing; and

9           **WHEREAS**, the County Executive proposes that Cecil County, Maryland, enter into an  
10 Agreement of Sale with the Town of Elkton to enable the County to transfer real property  
11 designated as Parcel Number 1841 on Tax Map 0311 and more fully set forth on that Minor  
12 Subdivision Plat Elkton Neighborhood Community Building dated June 21, 2017 and recorded  
13 among the Plat Records of Cecil County in PC 1119/41 (commonly known as the “Booth Street  
14 Maintenance Building”); and

15           **WHEREAS**, the total consideration of purchase for Booth Street Maintenance Building  
16 will be the payment of One Dollar (\$1.00) from the Town of Elkton to Cecil County; and

17           **WHEREAS**, the County Executive has determined that this property is not needed for  
18 government purposes and that conveyance of the Booth Street Maintenance Building is part of  
19 the improvement of downtown Elkton and an important part of the Town of Elkton’s history;  
20 and

21           **WHEREAS**, the structure located on the subject parcel has been identified as the former  
22 ‘*Elkton Colored School*’ dating back to the 1800s; and,

23           **WHEREAS**, the Town of Elkton is in discussion with Wright’s AME Church and Morgan  
24 State University to collaborate on a project that would restore the former ‘*Elkton Colored*  
25 *School*’ as a museum, along with renovation of the remainder of the building for community and  
26 church-related activities; and,

27           **WHEREAS**, the conveyance and proposed multi-party restoration project presents an  
28 exciting opportunity for the community to utilize this historic site, including local residents  
29 within Cecil County who attended the school prior to the end of school segregation in the  
30 County in the mid-1950s.

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31           **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL**  
32 **COUNTY, MARYLAND**, that the County Executive, or his designee, is hereby authorized to  
33 execute on behalf of the County the Agreement of Sale with the Town of Elkton for the  
34 conveyance of the aforesaid Booth Street Maintenance Building for the sum of One Dollar  
35 (\$1.00);

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

INTRODUCED: November 5, 2019

ADOPTED: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:  
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Council Manager

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President of the Council