## September 26, 2025 Montgomery County Council Infrastructure Funding Workgroup

12:00 PM Call to Order

12:00 PM **Stakeholder and Workgroup Introductions** 

12:05 PM **Discussion with Stakeholders** 

Attached is the letter sent to the stakeholders seeking input.

The Workgroup will provide a brief overview of its work and goals before opening the floor to the stakeholders to share their perspectives and input related to infrastructure funding and prioritization in the County.

1:30 PM Adjourn

The Montgomery Council established the <u>Infrastructure Funding Workgroup</u> (the "Workgroup") by <u>Council Resolution 20-745</u> on March 18, 2025. The Workgroup must conduct a data-driven assessment of the County's current and future infrastructure needs and propose funding mechanisms that are equitable, predictable, and sustainable. A core requirement for the Workgroup is to seek stakeholder input both before and after developing recommendations.

The Workgroup is requesting your feedback on the County's method for identifying and funding infrastructure needs. Please provide the name, contact details, and availability of one representative from your group.

This representative should be able to:

- Represent your group's and similar stakeholders' views.
- Analyze and discuss policy-related data shown through maps, graphs, and charts.
- Consider the qualitative and quantitative impacts of public policy.
- Listen to and take into account the perspectives of other stakeholders.

This stakeholder group will meet twice between September 2025 and March 2026.

- The first meeting will be held on either **Friday, September 12 or 19, 2025**, depending on stakeholder availability. Both options will be from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM on the 4<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Council Office Building at 100 Maryland Avenue in Rockville. During the first meeting, the stakeholder group will discuss the county's current approach to infrastructure funding, as well as the strengths and weaknesses of potential future approaches.
- During the second meeting, stakeholders will provide feedback on the Workgroup's analysis and draft recommendations.

## **About the Infrastructure Funding Workgroup**

The Workgroup's goal is to recommend strategies to fund infrastructure and growth-related needs for the County's schools, transportation, and parks. The Workgroup must submit a final report to the County Council by June 30, 2026, that includes the items listed in 6.a.–6.f. of the attached Council Resolution.

## **Discussion Topics**

Please prepare for the September stakeholder meeting by considering the following questions.

- What is your overall understanding of how the County funds infrastructure needs?
- How would you change or improve the County's approach to development impact taxes?
- What effective funding mechanisms have you observed in other jurisdictions that the County should consider?
- Consider the strengths and weaknesses of the following common funding mechanisms: 1)
  maintain status quo; 2) increase borrowing; 3) increase cash by reducing other expenditures; 4)
  levy a broad ad valorem tax (i.e. property tax) to support needs throughout the County; 5) levy a
  localized ad valorem tax (e.g., Special Taxing District) to support localized needs; 6) charge a
  broad-based fee to support needs throughout the County; and 7) charge a localized fee to
  support localized needs.