ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND OFFICE OF THE BUDGET

BILL NO. 54-19

DATE: May 31, 2019

FISCAL NOTE

BILL: AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING: ZONING – WORKFORCE HOUSING

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION

The purpose of this Ordinance is to exempt workforce housing from 50% of the capital facility connection charges; repeal workforce housing as a special exception in certain residential districts; allow workforce housing as a conditional use in certain residential, commercial, industrial and mixed use districts; establish the conditional use requirements for workforce housing; and generally relates to zoning.

FISCAL IMPACT

The fiscal impact of the bill relates to both ownership & rental units for households with an income under a threshold that has been adjusted for household size (as defined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development). For home ownership, at least 40% of the units must be occupied by a household whose income does not exceed 100 % of the median income, and for rental units, at least 60% of the units must be occupied by households whose income does not exceed 60% of the median household income.

Arundel Community Development Services estimates that approximately 60 new homes might be eligible in the next 3 years for a reduction in the capital facility connection charge. Presently capital facility connection rate is \$14,054 per unit, however with the 50% exemption provision it would be reduced to \$7,027 per unit. As a result, the Utility Debt Service Fund would have a reduction in revenues of approximately \$420,000 in a 3 year period. There is no fiscal impact to the County General Fund.

Acting Budget Officer

Date

5/31/19

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