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## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Council Members, Anne Arundel County Council

From: Christine B. Neiderer, Senior Assistant County Attorney /s/

Via: Gregory J. Swain, County Attorney /s/

**Date:** November 15, 2021

**Subject:** Bill No. 101-21, Private Disposition of County-owned Property to the Board of

Education of Anne Arundel County

## **Legislative Summary**

This summary was prepared by the Anne Arundel County Office of Law for use by members of the Anne Arundel County Council during consideration of Bill No. 101-21, an ordinance that approves the terms and conditions under which the County may convey certain County-owned property to the Board of Education of Anne Arundel County ("BOE").

Background. The County acquired certain property from the BOE known as the Southgate Old Mill Park ("Park") located at 8224 Oakwood Road in Millersville, Maryland, pursuant to a deed dated August 4, 1982 and recorded among the Land Records of Anne Arundel County in Book 3510, page 873 ("Deed"). The BOE desires to acquire part of the Park property consisting of approximately 25.3016 acres ("Property") to construct a middle school.

Section 8-3-204(g) of the County Code provides that the County may negotiate and make a private disposition of property if the County Executive determines the public interest will be furthered by a private disposition of property, and if the terms and conditions of such private disposition are first approved by ordinance of the County Council. The County Executive has determined that the public interest will be furthered by a private disposition of the Property to the BOE for the purpose of constructing the school.

**Purpose.** The purpose of the Bill is to approve the private disposition of the Property to the BOE subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. the sale price shall be Zero Dollars (\$0);

Note: This Legislative Summary provides a synopsis of the bill as introduced. It does not address subsequent amendments to the bill.

- 2. the grantee of the Property shall be the BOE;
- 3. the conveyance shall be in the form of a deed without warranties;
- 4. any expenses associated with the sale and conveyance of the Property to the BOE shall be borne by grantee; and
- 5. the sale and conveyance shall be in accordance with any other reasonable conditions determined by the County Executive to be necessary for the protection of the County's interest.

The Office of Law is available to answer any additional questions regarding this Bill. Thank you.

cc: Honorable Steuart Pittman, County Executive
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