



## ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY OFFICE OF LAW

### Legislative Summary

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

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

**Date:** November 6, 2023

**Subject:** Resolution No. 48-23 – Approving the determination of certain improved County-owned property, known as a portion of Magothy Bridge Road (adjacent to the Earleigh Heights Volunteer Fire Company) in Severna Park, Maryland, as surplus property

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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 Resolution No. 48-23.

### Background

Section 8-3-202 of the County Code authorizes the County Executive to dispose of real property owned by the County when the County Executive, with the approval of the County Council by resolution, has determined that the real property is surplus property. The County Executive inquired whether any office, department, or agency of the County has a present need, or reasonably anticipates a future need, for property comprised of 0.828 acres and being part of Magothy Bridge Road in Severna Park, Maryland (“Property”). The Property is adjacent to the Earleigh Heights Volunteer Fire Company located at 161 Ritchie Highway, Severna Park, Maryland.

While no current or future need has been identified, the Department of Public Works, requested that the County reserve two (2) 5’ Public Drainage and Utility Easements and a 15’ Public Utility Easement. Prior to the introduction of this Resolution, notice was mailed to each adjacent property owner and to the community association representing the area in which the Property is located.

The County Executive has determined that part of the County-owned right-of-way known as Magothy Bridge Road, comprised of 0.828 +/- acres and located in Severna Park, Maryland, is surplus property and wishes to dispose of the property, subject to the reservation of the public easements.

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

Provided Council approves this Resolution declaring the Property surplus, the County intends to seek Council's approval of the terms of a private disposition of the Property to the Earleigh Heights Volunteer Fire Company.

**Purpose**

The purpose of the resolution is to approve the County Executive's determination that the Property, subject to the reserved easements, is surplus.

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

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