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COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

Lead Sponsor: County Council at the Request of the County Executive

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SUBJECT: Adoption of the Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan

Background

1. Pursuant to Sections 9-503 and 9-515 of the Environment Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, the governing body of each County is required to adopt and submit to the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) a ten-year plan dealing with solid waste disposal systems, solid waste acceptance facilities, and the systematic collection and disposal of solid waste. The Environment Article further requires each County to review its solid waste management plan at least every three years.

2. On October 12, 2021, the County Council, by Resolution 19-1008, adopted the current 2020-2029 Ten Year Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) for Montgomery County.

3. On October 22, 2021, the MDE received the SWMP for its review and approval to meet the requirements of Section 9- 507 of the Environment Article.

4. On February 3, 2022, the MDE approved the adopted SWMP and set September 1, 2024, as the deadline for the County to submit a draft 2025-2034 SWMP.

5. On August 30, 2024, the draft of the 2025-2034 SWMP was sent to MDE for its technical review and tentative approval.

6. On September 24, 2024 , MDE completed the review and determined that the Draft 2025-2034 SWMP will meet the requirements outlined in Sections 9-503, 9-505, 9-1703 of the Environment Article, and COMAR 26.03.03 provided that DEP modified the Plan according to MDE's instructions.

7. On December 31, 2024, the County Executive transmitted to the County Council a revised Ten Year Plan entitled "Montgomery County, Maryland Comprehensive Solid Waste

Management Plan for the Years 2025 through 2034" (dated December 2024) responsive to the foregoing MDE preview comments, and new legislation.

8. On February 11, 2025 a public hearing was held pursuant to Section 9-505 of the Environment Article.

9. On March 24, 2025, the Transportation & Environment Committee discussed and recommended approval of the "Montgomery County, Maryland Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan for the Years 2025 through 2034" with changes.

10. On April 8, 2025, the County Council discussed the "Montgomery County, Maryland Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan for the Years 2025 through 2034" and the Transportation & Environment Committee's recommendations.

Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, adopts the following resolution:

The Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan for the Years 2020 through 2029 is wholly superseded and replaced with the "Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan for the Years 2025 through 2034," dated April, 2025.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

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Clerk of the Council