

R-31-2024 - A Resolution to Establish an Inter-Municipal and County Communication Enhancement Task Force (IMCCETF)

**City Council of the City of Glenarden, Maryland
2024 Legislation**

Resolution No: R-31-2024
Sponsor: Erika L. Fareed, Councilwoman
Co-Sponsor: Angela D. Ferguson, Council Vice President
Public Hearing: January 9, 2024
Regular Session: January 16, 2024
Date of Introduction: January 2, 2024

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WHEREAS, effective communication and collaboration between local municipalities and the county government are imperative to address the growing challenges in housing and business development; and

WHEREAS, there is a recognized need to streamline decision-making processes, harmonize regulatory policies, and incorporate community input in development initiatives; and

WHEREAS, establishing a dedicated task force will facilitate a more structured and strategic approach to inter-governmental cooperation;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Glenarden, Maryland sitting in Regular Session this 16th day of January, 2024 that:

Establishment of the Task Force:

The Inter-Municipal and County Communication Enhancement Task Force (IMCCETF) is hereby established and will consist of key stakeholders impacted by housing and commercial developments in and around (within a 2-mile radius) the City of Glenarden, like but not limited to, representatives from neighboring municipalities, Prince George's County Council Officials, urban planners, business leaders, community representatives, and other relevant stakeholders. The determination of who will be represented on the task force will lie with the City of Glenarden City Council.

Objectives of the Task Force- The task force shall aim to:

- a. Establish a regular communication channel for continuous dialogue between municipalities and the county government.
- b. Create a shared digital platform for information exchange, document sharing, and progress tracking on development projects.
- c. Harmonize local and county regulatory policies affecting housing and business development.

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d. Develop a joint strategic plan outlining shared goals, responsibilities, and milestones for housing and business initiatives.

e. Ensure public input is considered in all stages of decision-making through community engagement programs.

f. Influence and advocate for legislation at the federal, state, and local level that ensures the voice of impacted communities are considered in housing and commercial development.

g. Draft requirements for a Community Benefits Agreement when such agreement is required of a developed by the District Council.

Expected Outcomes- The task force is expected to achieve:

a. Enhanced mutual understanding and trust between local municipalities and the county government.

b. Decreased bureaucratic delays due to improved coordination and clearer communication channels.

c. A comprehensive strategic plan for housing and business development that respects local nuances while fulfilling county-wide objectives.

d. Increased efficiency in the use and allocation of resources for development projects.

e. More robust and inclusive community involvement in the decision-making process.

f. Establishment of best practices for inter-governmental cooperation.

Reporting and Accountability:

The task force shall provide regular updates and reports to the City of Glenarden City Council, other applicable municipalities, and the public, ensuring transparency and accountability in its operations.

Duration of the Task Force:

The task force shall operate for a period of two years, after which its continuation will be evaluated based on the achievements of its objectives.

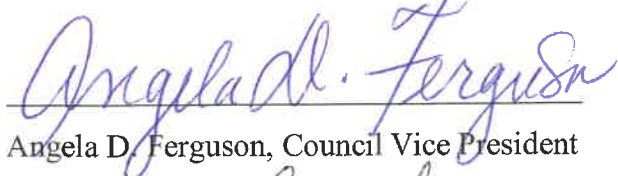
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and the City Clerk is hereby directed to certify the passage and adoption of this resolution.

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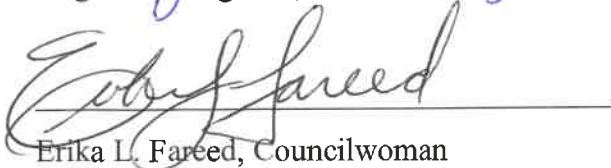
The City Council of Glenarden, by and through the City Council



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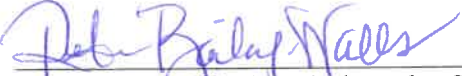
CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that on the 16th day of January, 2024

with

<u>7</u>	Yes
<u>0</u>	No, and
<u>0</u>	Abstention(s)

that the Ordinance was Approved.


Robin Bailey Walls, Clerk to the Council

Inter-Municipal and County Communication Enhancement Task Force (IMCCETF)

Purpose: The Inter-Municipal and County Communication Enhancement Task Force is a collaborative initiative designed to bridge communication gaps and streamline decision-making processes between local municipalities and the county government. This task force aims to foster a cohesive environment for dialogue, aligning local and county development agendas with respect to housing and business expansion, while ensuring community needs and regulatory frameworks are effectively synchronized.

Scope: The task force will review existing communication protocols, identify barriers to effective collaboration, and develop improved strategies for information exchange and joint planning efforts. It will encompass representatives from local municipalities, county officials, urban planners, business leaders, community groups, and other relevant stakeholders.

Objectives:

1. To establish a regular communication channel for continuous dialogue between municipalities and the county government.
2. To create a shared digital platform for information exchange, document sharing, and progress tracking on development projects.
3. To harmonize local and county regulatory policies affecting housing and business development.
4. To develop a joint strategic plan that outlines shared goals, responsibilities, and milestones for housing and business initiatives.
5. To ensure public input is considered in all stages of decision-making through community engagement programs.

Expected Outcomes:

1. Enhanced mutual understanding and trust between local municipalities and the county government.
2. A decrease in bureaucratic delays due to improved coordination and clearer communication channels.
3. A comprehensive strategic plan for housing and business development that respects local nuances while fulfilling county-wide objectives.
4. Increased efficiency in the use and allocation of resources for development projects.
5. More robust and inclusive community involvement in the decision-making process, leading to outcomes that more accurately reflect public needs and desires.
6. The establishment of best practices for inter-governmental cooperation that can be modeled in other policy areas and regions.