COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND 2021 Legislative Session

Resolution No.	CR-26-2021	
Proposed by	Council Member Hawkins	
Introduced by		
Co-Sponsors		
Date of Introduction	May 18, 2021	

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION concerning

Baltimore-Washington Superconductive Maglev Project - Opposition

For the purpose of opposing the Baltimore-Washington Superconductive Maglev Project (SC Maglev Project) given the significant negative impact that it would have on the health, safety and welfare of County residents and on persons that operate businesses in the County.

WHEREAS, the SCMaglev Project will have a negative environmental impact surrounding the construction of the Project and long-term challenges associated with interrupting natural preservation areas and existing wildlife ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, the SCMaglev Project will have an adverse impact on the livelihoods of Prince Georgians who reside within current residential housing stock/neighborhoods and attend schools that would be displaced as a result of land taking for Project; and

WHEREAS, the SCMaglev Project will cause a lack of usage access to Prince Georgians bearing the burden of the incoming infrastructure without being able to utilize it for transportation allowing zero access points from within County boundaries as a rider; and

WHEREAS, the SCMaglev Project will result in a lack of economic benefits to Prince George's workforce lacking any formal assurance that jobs would be dedicated to residents throughout the duration of constructing the Project; and

WHEREAS, the SCMaglev Project will result in potential accidents due to the nature of the levitation technology and lack of analyses surrounding safety concerns to life surrounding the stationed infrastructure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that it opposes the SCMaglev Project given the significant negative impact

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1 that it would have on the health, safety and welfare of County residents and on persons that 2 operate businesses in the County. 3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Council is directed to send a copy of this Resolution to Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr., Secretary Gregory Slater, Maryland 4 5 Department of Transportation, Ms. Holly Arnold, SCMaglev Comments, Maryland Transit 6 Administration, Ms. Lauren Molesworth, Maryland Transit Administration, Environmental 7 Planning, Mr. Brandon Bratcher, Federal Railroad Administration Office of Communications, 8 U.S. Department of Transportation, Chair, Prince George's County Senate Delegation, Chair, 9 Prince George's County House Delegation, Members, Prince George's County Council, County Executive Angela D. Alsobrooks, Tara H. Jackson, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, Office 10 11 of the County Executive, Terry L. Bellamy, Director, Department of Public Works and 12 Transportation, Elizabeth Hewlett, Chair, Prince George's County Planning Board, M-NCPPC, Andree Green Checkley, Prince George's County Planning Department, M-NCPPC, Debra S. 13 Borden, Deputy General Counsel, M-NCPPC, and Metropolitan Washington Council of 14 15 Governments. Adopted this day of , 2021. COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND BY: Calvin S. Hawkins, II Chair ATTEST: Donna J. Brown Clerk of the Council