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MEMORANDUM

To: Council Members, Anne Arundel County Council

From: Kelly Phillips Kenney, Supervising County Attorney /s/

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

Date: September 21, 2020

Subject: Bill No. 77-20: Planning and Development – Master Plan for Water Supply and Sewerage Systems

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. 77-20. The summary is intended to explain the purposes and legal effects of the bill.

Purpose. The primary purpose of Bill No. 77-20 is to approve a change to the County Master Plan for Water Supply and Sewerage Systems, 2017 (the “Plan”).

Bill provisions.

Section 1 sets forth one amendment to the Plan. Specifically, item number one sets forth an amendment to Sewer Map S-4, to move the Broadneck Sewer Service Area boundary to include Parcels 6, 102, 479, and 526 within the Cox Creek Sewer Service Area. Exhibit 1 shows the boundary change.

Sections 2 and 3 require that a certified copy of the Plan and map amendments be kept on file with the Administrative Officer to the County Council and the Office of Planning and Zoning (“OPZ”).

Section 4 provides that the Ordinance shall take effect 45 days from the date it becomes law or upon approval by the Maryland Department of the Environment (“MDE”), whichever is later. Section 9-507 of the Environment Article of the Annotated Code requires that MDE approve

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

or disapprove a proposed revision or amendment to the Plan. A County is required to have a Plan that is approved by MDE. Md. Code Ann., Envir., § 9-503.

Consistent with the provisions in § 9-507, **Section 4** of the Ordinance also provides that if the changes to the Plan are approved by MDE in whole or in part 45 days after the date it becomes law, the Ordinance shall take effect upon OPZ's receipt of MDE's approval. If the amendments are disapproved in whole or in part by MDE, the disapproved portions of the Ordinance become null and void without further action by the County Council. Lastly, **Section 5** requires OPZ to send a copy of the notice from MDE to the Administrative Officer to the County Council.

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

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