



## 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:** February 21, 2023

**Subject:** Bill No. 12-23 – Disposition of Surplus Property – Part of the Dorsey Run Road right-of-way in Annapolis Junction, Maryland

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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 Bill No. 12-23.

### Background

By Resolution No. 45-22, the Council approved a determination by the County Executive that improved County-owned property comprised of 2.9245 acres of land, more or less, being part of the Dorsey Run Road right-of-way, in Annapolis Junction, Maryland (“Property”) be declared surplus. A value of \$2,224,412.50 was established by averaging two independent real estate appraisals. Pursuant to § 8-3-204(a)(2) of the County Code, surplus property may be sold, in the discretion of the County Executive, to the highest responsible bidder who submits a bid in response to an invitation to purchase the property. Upon advertising and soliciting bids for the Property, the County received one bid in the amount of \$2,224,412.50 from Microsoft Corporation, which owns several parcels surrounding the Property.

Anne Arundel County Code, § 8-3-208(f) provides that approval by ordinance of the County Council is required for the sale of property for which the purchase price is less than 90% of its appraised value or which is appraised at \$50,000 or more. Accordingly, Council's approval by ordinance is requested for the disposition of the Property for the sum of \$2,224,412.50, to Microsoft Corporation. The conveyance shall be in the form of a deed without warranties with all expenses associated with the sale and conveyance borne by the grantee.

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

**Purpose**

The purpose of this Bill is to approve the County's disposition of surplus property comprised of 2.9245 acres of land, more or less, being part of the Dorsey Run Road right-of-way, in Annapolis Junction, Maryland to Microsoft Corporation in the amount of \$2,224,412.50.

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

cc: Honorable Steuart Pittman, County Executive  
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