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MEMORANDUM

To: Council Members, Anne Arundel County Council

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

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

Date: February 7, 2022

Subject: Bill No. 17-22, 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. 17-22.

Background. The County Master Plan for Water Supply and Sewerage Systems, 2017, as amended (the “Plan”) was originally adopted by this Council in 2017. Any amendments to the plan must also be approved by the Council.

Purpose. The primary purpose of the Bill is to approve several amendments to the Plan that will apply to the future Two Rivers school site.

In **Section 1** of the Ordinance, two amendments to the Plan are set forth. The first is to change the sewer service of the property shown from No Public Service to Planned Service and to move the sewer service area boundary accordingly.

The second change is to change the water service category for the same property from No Public Service to Planned Service and to move the water service area boundary accordingly.

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

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

law or upon approval by the Maryland Department of the Environment (“MDE”), whichever is later. Section 9-507 of the Environment Article of the State Code requires that MDE approve or disapprove a proposed revision or amendment to the Plan. The 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 4** 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.

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