

COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK
Resolution 2013-R-26

**Resolution to support the Prince George's County Municipal Collaboration FY 2014
MEA EmPOWER LMI Communities Grant Application and DHCD Sustainable
Communities-Community Legacy Grant Application**

Introduced by: CM Alan Thompson

Date Introduced: December 16, 2013

Date Adopted: January 6, 2014

A Resolution of the Town of Riverdale Park to approve the designation of a Municipal Collaboration application and receipt of financing for the MEA and DHCD Sustainable Communities-Community Legacy Projects further described in the MEA EmPOWER and Community Legacy Application, to be financed either directly by the Maryland Energy Administration, Department of Housing and Community Development (the "Department") of the State of Maryland or through other departments or agencies of the State of Maryland.

WHEREAS, The Municipal Collaboration consists of the Towns of Bladensburg, Brentwood, Capital Heights, Colmar Manor, Cottage City, Edmonston, Forest Heights, Glenarden, Landover Hills, Morningside, Mount Rainer, North Brentwood, Seat Pleasant, Hyattsville City, City of Bowie, Riverdale Park, Town of Cheverly, City of New Carrollton, University Park and Prince George's County;

WHEREAS, The Municipal Collaboration has formed to successfully pursue and obtain grants funding that is used to reinvest in communities such as the Maryland Energy Administration, MEA Empower Clean Energy Communities Grant program (\$614,000.00), DHCD Community Legacy program (\$115,000.00) and obtained over \$1 million dollars, in U.S. Department of Energy funding, (EECBG) through Prince George's County, Maryland, installing solar retrofits on nine municipal complexes with result of all monies used and no findings on any audit;

WHEREAS, The Municipal Collaboration recognizes that there is a significant need for reinvestment and revitalization of the communities in the Municipal Collaboration; and,

WHEREAS, The Municipal Collaboration proposes to operate within Special Conditions set forth by MEA EmPOWER LMI Communities, grant conditions, and,

WHEREAS, the Municipal Collaboration proposes to operate only in authorized designate areas within the boundaries of the Municipal Collaboration, and/or as defined and approved by DHCD as a Sustainable Community-Community Legacy Area and to develop Community Legacy Projects in the Area(s), the purpose of which will be to contribute to the reinvestment and revitalization in the Area(s); and,

WHEREAS, the Department, either through Community Legacy or through other programs of the Department, or in cooperation with other State departments or agencies, may provide some or all of the financing for the Projects (the "Project Financing") in order to assist in making it financially feasible; and

WHEREAS, in respect to DHCD, the Area is located within a priority funding area under Section 5-7B-02 of the Smart Growth Act and the Project will conform to the local zoning code; and

WHEREAS, the applicable law and regulations require approval of the Community Legacy Area designation, the Project, and the Project financing by the Town of Bladensburg as lead agency for the Municipal Collaboration and, where appropriate, by the chief elected executive official of the local subdivision;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Town of Riverdale Park hereby endorses the designation of the Community Legacy Area and the Projects in the Area; and, HEREBY approves the request in the form of a grant, loan, or other financial vehicle; and

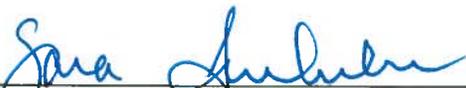
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Mayor Vernon Archer, is hereby requested to endorse this Resolution, thereby indicating his approval thereof; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT copies of this Resolution are sent to the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Community Development of the State of Maryland and Maryland Energy Administration.

READ AND PASSED THIS 6th day of January 2014.

ATTEST:

COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF
RIVERDALE PARK



Sara Imhulse, Town Administrator



Vernon Archer, Mayor