

County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2025 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 13

Resolution No. 169 -2025

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Easement – 3,600 square feet - Baltimore Gas and Electric Company – County Property – Elkridge Library

Title: A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to grant an easement containing approximately 3,600 square feet to Baltimore Gas and Electric Company so that BGE may extend electric service to new EV charging facilities at the Elkridge Library; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to grant the easement if he finds that the County may have a use for the property.

Introduced and read first time _____, 2025.

By order _____
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

Read for a second time at a public hearing on _____, 2025.

By order _____
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted____, Adopted with amendments____, Failed____, Withdrawn____, by the County Council on _____, 2025.

Certified By _____
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing law; ~~Strike-out~~ indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment

1 **WHEREAS**, Howard County, Maryland (hereinafter the “County”) is the fee simple
2 owner of property shown as Parcel 97 on Tax Map 38 and known as the Elkridge Library (the
3 “County Property”); and
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5 **WHEREAS**, Baltimore Gas and Electric Company (“BGE”) plans to install EV charging
6 facilities at the County Property and the new EV charging facilities require primary line extension
7 from Hunt Club Drive north of the parking area to the proposed location; and
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9 **WHEREAS**, BGE requires an easement on County property to provide the electric service
10 for the EV charging facilities; and
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12 **WHEREAS**, the easement allows BGE to enter upon and use a portion of the County
13 property, containing approximately 3,600 square feet of the County Property for the purpose of
14 installing and maintaining electric equipment, the “Easement Area” as shown on the attached
15 Exhibit; and
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17 **WHEREAS**, BGE will be required to restore, at BGE’s expense, the County Property to
18 a condition equal to or better than its condition immediately preceding any opening, excavation,
19 or other work in the easement area; and
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21 **WHEREAS**, the Department of Public Works has reviewed and approved the proposed
22 easement; and
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24 **WHEREAS**, Section 4.201, “Disposition of Real Property”, of the Howard County Code
25 authorizes the County Council of Howard County, Maryland (the “County Council”) to declare
26 that property is no longer needed for public purposes and also authorizes the County Council to
27 waive advertising and bidding requirements for an individual conveyance of real property upon
28 the request of the County Executive; and
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1 **WHEREAS**, the County Council has received a request from the County Executive to
2 waive the advertising and bidding requirements in this instance for the grant of an easement to
3 BGE, as shown in the attached Exhibit A.

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5 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the County Council of Howard County,
6 Maryland, this ____ day of _____, 2025, that the Easement Area containing
7 approximately 3,600 square feet, as shown in the attached Exhibit, is not needed by the County
8 for public purposes and a permanent easement may be conveyed to Baltimore Gas and Electric
9 Company for the installation and maintenance of electric equipment for EV charging facilities.

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11 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that, having received a request from the County
12 Executive and having held a public hearing, the County Council declares that the best interest of
13 the County will be served by authorizing the County Executive to waive the usual advertising and
14 bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code for the easement conveyance.

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16 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that if the County Executive finds that all or a
17 portion of the Easement Area may have a further County public use and the Easement Area should
18 not be conveyed then he is not bound to convey the easement in accordance with this Resolution.