

Council Resolution 22-2026 Fiscal Analysis

Introduced: January 5, 2026

Fiscal Manager: Melinda Massey

Legislative Intent: This resolution declares that the private road easements access to 3961 College Avenue in Ellicott City are no longer needed for public purposes.

ANALYSIS

Fiscal Impact:

According to the Administration, the proposed quitclaim of the County's easement will result in fiscal savings because the County will no longer be party to ongoing litigation, potentially avoiding future costs. To date, the County has incurred no additional expenses related to this matter, and the quitclaim transaction itself is exempt from transfer taxes and recordation fees.

Budget Implications:

-The County is hoping to avoid internal staff costs and legal fees associated with responding to written discovery requests, attending settlement conferences, and participating in various motions hearings and the eventual trial. To date, the Administration has not incurred any additional litigation expenses related to this property.

Other Notes:

- N/a