COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND ORDINANCE NO. 2024-03

FY 2025 General Fund Budget Adoption

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners of Charles County, Maryland, have completed the budgetary process for fiscal year 2025, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally adopt the fiscal year 2025 budget in the amount of \$561,338,600 for Charles County and to establish the tax rate.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND, upon motion made, duly seconded, and carried, it is this 14th day of May 2024, ORDAINED by the County Commissioners of Charles County, Maryland, as follows:

- 1. That the fiscal year 2025 budget for Charles County, Maryland, a copy of which is attached hereto, be and the same is hereby adopted; and
- 2. That the rate of tax for fiscal year 2025 on all real property subject to real property taxation is hereby fixed at \$1.141 per \$100 assessed valuation and taxes are hereby levied at said rate of \$1.141 per \$100 assessed valuation upon all real property liable thereto; and
- 3. That the rate of tax for fiscal year 2025 on all public utility property, railroad personal, corporate personal and business personal property subject to taxation is hereby fixed at \$2.8525 per \$100 of assessed valuation and taxes are hereby levied at said rate of \$2.8525 per \$100 of assessed valuation; and
- 4. For those citizens who opt to make two semi-annual real property tax payments instead of one single payment a service charge of 1.482% of the second installment will be charged at the time of payment; and

- 5. That the rate of fire and rescue tax for fiscal year 2025 is hereby fixed at \$0.064 per \$100 assessed valuation upon all real property subject to real property taxation and said fire and rescue tax is hereby levied at \$0.064 per \$100 of assessed valuation upon all real property liable thereto.
- 6. That the rate of fire and rescue tax for fiscal year 2025 on all public utility property, railroad personal, corporate personal and business personal property subject to taxation is hereby fixed at \$0.16 per \$100 assessed valuation and taxes are hereby levied at said rate of \$0.16 per \$100 of assessed valuation.
- 7. That the tax differential rate for fiscal year 2025 for the Town of La Plata will be set at \$0.142 per \$100 assessed valuation upon all real property subject to real property taxation and for the Town of Indian Head will be set at \$0.039 per \$100 assessed valuation upon all real property subject to real property taxation.
- 8. The County Commissioners adopt the General Fund Operating Budget set forth on Exhibit 1 attached hereto.
- 9. The County Commissioners appropriate for FY 2025, for each department or agency listed on page 1 of Exhibit 1, the funds listed under Expenditures and the column FY 2025 Adopted.
- 10. For the Health Department, the Board of Education, the Library, Department of Social Services, and the College of Southern Maryland, the specific expenditures made by these agencies within the scope of the general appropriation of funds shall be in the discretion of each agency.

- 11. For other departments and agencies, the specific expenditures within the scope of the general appropriation shall be pursuant to a departmental or agency budget submitted to the Director of the Department of Fiscal and Administrative Services and approved by the County Commissioners.
- 12. That this Ordinance shall be effective July 1, 2024.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND

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ATTEST:

Carol DeSoto, Clerk to the Commissioners