

Ordinance 24-18

Fee Refunds and Waivers

Staff Report

This ordinance proposes to establish a procedure whereby certain permit or license fees may be waived by resolution of the City Council for a project constructed by or on behalf of Anne Arundel County Public Schools.

The Superintendent of Schools, George Arlotto, Ed.D., petitioned the Mayor and Alderpersons by letter dated April 11, 2018 for a resolution to be introduced and approved for the waiver of the permit and plan review fees associated with the Tyler Heights Elementary School renovation and expansion project.

Anne Arundel County Public Schools is working collaboratively with staff at the State, County and City levels to prepare for groundbreaking in FY2019 in the Tyler Heights Elementary School renovation and expansion project.

Public entities of the Federal Government or agents of the State, such as the Anne Arundel County Public School System, do not pay permitting fees when a project is slated for a public use and occurs on publicly owned land.

The waiver of fees for the Tyler Heights Elementary School renovation and expansion project, and other Anne Arundel County Public School projects, will ensure that taxpayer funding is directly and fully invested into the revitalized facility for the public good.

Section 6.04.190 currently provides for fee refunds under certain circumstances. This ordinance would amend that section of the Code of the City of Annapolis to provide that fees for permits or licenses may be waived by resolution of the City Council for a project constructed by or on behalf of Anne Arundel County Public Schools.

Upon the passage of this Ordinance, a Resolution will be introduced to request the waiver of fees for the Tyler Heights Elementary School renovation and expansion project.

Prepared by the Office of Law.