AN ACT concerning Transportation and Circulation

For the purpose of amending the County Subdivision Regulations for Transportation and Circulation to permit the Prince George’s Planning Board to approve certain private roads and alleys in Zones of Prince George’s County where townhouses are permitted, subject to specified circumstances.

BY repealing and reenacting with amendments:

SUBTITLE 24. SUBDIVISIONS.

Section 24-128,

The Prince George’s County Code

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George’s County, Maryland, that Section 24-128 of the Prince George’s County Code be and the same is hereby repealed and reenacted with the following amendments:

SUBTITLE 24. SUBDIVISIONS.

DIVISION 4. REQUIREMENTS: TRANSPORTATION AND CIRCULATION.

Sec. 24-128. Private roads and easements.

(b) The Planning Board may approve preliminary plans of development containing private roads, rights-of-way, alleys, and/or easements under the following conditions:

(1) In the O-S, R-A, R-E, and R-R Zones, a private right-of-way easement may be
deemed adequate by the Planning Board if no more than four (4) lots are to be served by the easement, or in Sustainable Growth Tier IV no more than seven (7) lots and a remainder agricultural parcel(s), subject to the following criteria:

(A) Such easement shall have a minimum right-of-way width of twenty-two (22) feet connecting the lots to a public road;

(B) All lots served by such easement shall have a minimum net lot area of two (2) acres, as provided in Section 24-129(a) of this Subtitle; and

(C) The use of such lots shall be restricted to one-family dwellings or agricultural uses.

(D) The right-of-way easement is adequate to serve the proposed uses pursuant to Section 24-124.

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(19) In [the R-R, R-55, R-T, C-S-C, C-M, C-O, and I-3 Zones] any Zone where the use is permitted, when developing townhouse or two-family dwelling residential uses, in accordance with Sections 27-441, 27-461, and 27-473 of this Code, the Planning Board may approve the use of private streets and alleys. The pavement width of private streets shall not be less than twenty-two (22) feet in width, and the pavement width of private alleys shall not be less than eighteen (18) feet in width, provided that the accessibility of the private roads to emergency equipment is ensured by the County Fire Chief or the Chief’s designee.

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SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect thirty (30) calendar days after it becomes law.
Adopted this 21st day of July, 2020.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: ________________________________
Todd M. Turner
Chair

ATTEST:

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Donna J. Brown
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: _________________________ BY: ________________________________
Angela D. Alsobrooks
County Executive

KEY:
Underscoring indicates language added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.
Asterisks *** indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.