

Resolution No: 02-26

Resolution: Supporting the Maryland Municipal League’s HB 1142 Establishing The Task Force to Modernize County and Municipal Revenue Sources

WHEREAS, the City of Rockville provides essential frontline services to its residents, including public safety, infrastructure maintenance, community planning and development services, housing and community development, recreation and parks, and many others, all of which rely on stable and diversified revenue streams; and

WHEREAS, municipal governments are facing unprecedented inflationary pressures on construction materials, fuel, and labor, alongside increasing state-mandated costs, making the need for modern and flexible revenue sources more urgent than ever; and

WHEREAS, Maryland’s municipalities are primary drivers of economic activity and tourism in the State, yet the current tax structure fails to reinvest a fair share of the wealth generated within municipal borders back into the local infrastructure that supports that very growth; and

WHEREAS, Maryland is one of only six states that fails to share tax revenue from the sale of goods or services with local governments or allow those governments to collect it themselves, creating an over-reliance on property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the current local revenue structure in Maryland has not been comprehensively updated in decades and does not reflect the modern shift toward a service and digital-based economy; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Task Force would provide a data-driven, non-partisan forum to study these inequities and recommend solutions that ensure municipal governments can remain fiscally resilient without overburdening local property owners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of Rockville:

1. **Support HB 1142:** The City of Rockville formally supports the passage of HB 1142 and urges the House Ways and Means Committee and the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee to issue a **Favorable Report**.
2. **Communication of Resolution:** A copy of this resolution shall be transmitted to:
 1. **The Senator representing District 17 – Senator Cheryl Kagan**
 2. **Each Delegate representing District 17- Delegate Julie Palakovich Carr, Delegate Ryan Spiegel, and Delegate Joe Vogel**
 3. **Maryland Municipal League Staff**



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I certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution
Adopted by the Mayor and Council of the City of Rockville,
Maryland at its meeting of March 9, 2026



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sara Taylor-Ferrell". The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

Sara Taylor-Ferrell, City Clerk/Director of Council Operations