

O-01-2024  
Introduced: February 13, 2024  
Public Hearing: March 20, 2024  
Adopted: April 10, 2024

**ORDINANCE**  
**OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON AUTHORIZING**  
**THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 10528 ST. PAUL**  
**STREET, KENSINGTON, MARYLAND, FOR A PUBLIC PURPOSE**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to §5-202 of the Local Government Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, the Town of Kensington (hereinafter, the “Town”) has the power to pass such ordinances as it deems necessary to assure the good government of the municipality; protect and preserve the municipality's rights, property, and privileges; preserve peace and good order; secure persons and property from danger and destruction; and protect the health, comfort, and convenience of the residents of the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to §5-203 of the Local Government Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, the Town pursuant to State law is authorized to acquire real property by purchase; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 602 of the Charter of the Town of Kensington implements and authorizes the Mayor and Town Council to exercise the authority granted under State law, including the acquisition of real property for any public purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Town Council have determined that the acquisition of the real property located at 10528 St. Paul Street, Kensington, MD 20895, currently owned by 9323B and 9327 Fraser Avenue, LLC, as further referenced in a deed recorded at Liber 23212, folio 525, in the Land Records of Montgomery County, Maryland, is required in order for the Town to make provision for a new Public Works Facility; and

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[Brackets]	: Indicate matter deleted from law.
Asterisks * * *	: Indicate matter remaining unchanged in existing law but not set forth in Ordinance
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**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Town Council desire to use the authority granted to the Town under State Law and the Town Charter to acquire the property for a future Public Works facility.

**Section 1.** **NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED** by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Kensington that the acquisition of the property located at 10528 St. Paul Street, Kensington, MD 20895, for the purchase price of [~~\$925,000.00~~] \$1,010,000.00 for the public purpose of use as the Town's Public Works Facility.

**Section 2.** **BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED** by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Kensington that upon formal introduction of this proposed Ordinance, the Town Clerk shall distribute a copy to each Council member and shall maintain a reasonable number of copies in the office of the Town Clerk. The proposed ordinance or a fair summary thereof together with a notice setting out the time and place for a public hearing thereon and for its consideration by the Council, shall be:

- a. Posted at the town hall by the next business day;
- b. Posted on the official town website;
- c. Sent to those persons listed on the official town email list/mail subscription service; and
- d. Published once prior to the public hearing in the town newsletter or sent by substitute regular mail to newsletter circulation addresses.

The public hearing shall be held at least fifteen (15) days after introduction and may be held separately or in connection with a regular or special council meeting and may be adjourned from time to time. All persons interested shall have an opportunity to be heard. This Ordinance shall become effective on the 30th day of April 2024, provided that the ordinance or a fair summary thereof is:

- a. Posted at the town hall by the next business day for at least two (2) weeks;

