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Commissioners Consider Clean Energy Loan Program

Westminster, MD, Thursday, October 5, 2017 – The Board of Carroll County Commissioners (BCC) conducted a public hearing today welcoming comments regarding a new program entitled Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE).

This is a proposed new section to Chapter 33, Finances and Taxation of the County Code, providing for clean energy loans. If adopted, a Clean Energy Loan Program would be established to make it easier for commercial property owners to borrow money for energy efficiency and renewable energy projects. The loans would be provided by lenders participating in the PACE program and the county's role would be limited to facilitating collection of the loans by including a surcharge on the county's real property tax bill for the borrower's property. Carroll County would incur no liability for the loans.

The BCC voted unanimously to conclude the public hearing and keep the record open for a period of ten calendar days from today's date. After ten days, the board will vote whether or not to adopt the new ordinance.

Today's open session can be viewed on the Carroll County Government Meeting Portal.

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