



## Takoma Park City Council Meeting – March 14, 2018 Agenda Item 6

### **Work Session**

Discussion of Rental Housing Inspections and the Contract with Montgomery County

### **Recommended Council Action**

None – presentation and discussion only

### **Context with Key Issues**

The Montgomery County Department of Housing and Community Affairs, Community Development Division, Code Enforcement Section will present an overview of the rental housing inspection services provided under a contract for services with the City. Information on the inspection process, property maintenance standards, enforcement activities, and the complaint process will be provided. Representing the County's Code Enforcement Section will be Mr. Daniel McHugh, Section Manager and Mr. Ivan Eloisa, Program Manager.

The City of Takoma Park has contracted with the County for rental housing inspection services since October 1, 2003.

### **Council Priority**

A Livable Community for All: Ensure we have a range of safe, quality, and stable housing options that are affordable for residents of varying incomes and all races and ethnicities.

### **Environmental Impact of Action**

N/A

### **Fiscal Impact of Action**

Contract for Services (October 1, 2018-September 30, 2019): \$250,028.00

### **Racial Equity Impact of Action**

The racial equity impact of this action is unknown though we believe the rental housing inspection program and the enforcement of the property maintenance code has an overall positive impact on Takoma Park tenants, a majority of whom are people of color.

### **Attachments and Links**

- [Housing Code Enforcement Handbook \(March 2017\)](#)
- [A Guide to Code Enforcement](#)
- [eProperty Data Mining](#) (online access to code enforcement complaints)
- [Takoma Park – Rental Housing Licensing](#)