Introduced by: Councilmember Searcy

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

RESOLUTION 2022-32

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH MONTGOMERY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR THE INSPECTION OF RENTAL RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES

- WHEREAS, by Resolution 2003-8, adopted on February 19, 2003, the Council authorized the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA") with the Montgomery County Department of Housing and Community Affairs ("DHCA") for the inspection of all residential rental facilities located within the City's corporate boundaries and said MOA has since expired; and
- **WHEREAS,** by Resolution 2009-57, adopted on September 28, 2009, the City Council authorized the City Manager to execute a renewed MOA under terms substantially similar to those authorized by Resolution 2003-8; and
- **WHEREAS**, as stated in the City's Fiscal Years 2019–2030 Housing and Economic Development Strategic Plan, the City's goals include "having a range of safe, high quality, affordable, and stable housing available throughout the community[;]" and
- **WHEREAS**, the City proposes to continue to provide safe, quality, and stable rental housing by entering into an agreement with DHCA for the provision of residential rental facilities inspections by DHCA; and
- **WHEREAS**, in 2009, City entered into a renewed MOA with DHCA, under which DHCA was responsible for inspecting residential rental facilities within the City's corporate boundaries, which has since expired; and
- **WHEREAS**, Section 5-205(e)(3) of the Local Government Article empowers the City to enter into agreements with other municipalities for the provision of municipal services; and
- **WHEREAS**, pursuant to the City of Takoma Park Charter § 401(b)(24), the City is authorized to make agreements with governmental entities, including counties, for the joint performance or for cooperation in the performance of governmental functions; and
- **WHEREAS**, the City believes that said agreement, a form of which is attached hereto, will allow for the continuation of its successful partnership with DHCA, which has, since initiated in 2003, proven to be an effective and efficient means of providing quality and affordable rental housing inspections.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND:

SECTION 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with DHCA for the inspection of all residential rental facilities located within the City of Takoma Park, Maryland.

SECTION 2. The City Manager is further authorized to renew, as appropriate, said agreement for up to one additional one-year term.

Adopted this 27th day of July, 2022

Attest:

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Jessie Carpenter, CMC City Clerk