

**RESUME**

**October 22, 2019**

**PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE TO  
ASSESS COSTS IN CRIMINAL AND TRAFFIC CASES TO  
FUND AN ELECTRONIC SUMMONS SYSTEM**

At the Board's September 10, 2019 work session, Chief Early presented information regarding Electronic Summons Systems. The Board indicated a consensus to move forward with consideration of approving a \$5.00 fee that would be collected in each criminal or traffic case, in District or Circuit Court, from any defendant who is convicted of violating any statute or ordinance in Prince George County. The proceeds from the collection of this fee can only be used to fund software, hardware and associated equipment costs related to an electronic summons system.

**ORDINANCE TO AMEND “THE CODE OF THE COUNTY OF  
PRINCE GEORGE, VIRGINIA”, 2005, AS AMENDED, BY  
ADDING § 46-5 TO ASSESS COSTS IN CRIMINAL AND TRAFFIC CASES TO  
FUND AN ELECTRONIC SUMMONS SYSTEM**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of Prince George County:

- (1) *That The Code of the County of Prince George, Virginia, 2005, as amended, is amended by adding § 46-5, as follows:*

**SEC. 46-5: Electronic Summons Fee.**

In addition to any other fee or cost prescribed by law, as part of the costs assessed in each criminal or traffic case in the Prince George County District or Circuit Court, there shall be imposed an Electronic Citation/Summons System Fee of \$5.00 on any defendant who is convicted of violating any statute or ordinance within the County of Prince George.

The fee shall be collected by the clerk of the court in which the action is filed, and remitted to the Treasurer for Prince George County. The Treasurer shall hold the funds subject to disbursements to local law enforcement agencies solely to fund software, hardware, and associated equipment costs for the implementation and maintenance of an electronic summons system in accordance with Va. Code § 17.1-279.1.

- (2) *That this Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon adoption.*

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
COUNTY OF PRINCE GEORGE**

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the Prince George Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on October 22, 2019 beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors Meeting Room, Third Floor of the County Administration Building, 6602 Courts Drive, Prince George, Virginia, (located at the intersection of Laurel Springs Road and Courts Drive in the County Government Complex) pursuant to § 15.2-1427, Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, to consider:

Adoption of an Ordinance to amend "The Code of the County of Prince George, Virginia," 2005, as amended by adding § 46-5 to assess costs in criminal and traffic cases to fund an electronic summons system.

A copy of the proposed Ordinance is available for review in the County Administrator's Office (Tel. 722-8600), 6602 Courts Drive, Prince George, Virginia. All interested persons shall be given an opportunity to be heard.

Percy C. Ashcraft  
County Administrator