



# CITY OF LAUREL, MARYLAND

## RESOLUTION NO. 9- 21

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL, MARYLAND, TO APPROVE THE CITY OF LAUREL EXECUTIVE POLICY NO. 2021-02, ALLEYWAY POLICY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

*Sponsored by President at the request of the Administration.*

**WHEREAS**, Alleyways in the City of Laurel have not been fully researched over the years, and in many cases ownership of alleys has never been determined, and maintenance of alleys over the years has not been done due to ownership issues; and

**WHEREAS**, City Administrator William F. Goddard, III took on the major task of researching the history in City minutes, old files of alleyways, consulting with a local survey company, as well as on site visits; and

**WHEREAS**, due to City Administrator Goddard's work, the City now has a file of history of each alley and each has been surveyed, to allow for the Mayor and City Council to work with the community and make decisions on City alleyways; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council of Laurel recognizes the importance of establishing a uniform policy regarding the use and maintenance of alleyways in the City, and

**WHEREAS**, over the years many different ordinances have referenced City alleys, but no formal City policy was established, and;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Laurel Executive Policy No. 2021-02, attached hereto as "Attachment A" allows for a better understanding of the different types of alleyways and the ownership of alleys in question, and;

**WHEREAS**, contained within the policy is an inventory of and current use of alleys by the City for daily operations of services provided to the community, and;

**WHEREAS**, the policy regarding alleys provides guidelines, criteria and a process for determining ownership and the maintenance of such, and;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and City Council of Laurel, Maryland that with the adoption of this Resolution, the City Council agrees the City will only be responsible for repair and maintenance for the eight (8) alleys used daily by the City.

**AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the other alleys within the City may be repaired but will have to meet all requirements as stated in this policy.



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**AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any alley currently in use by the City to perform trash, recycling, or composting collections, will have those collections moved to the front of the residence when possible, after the repairs of the alley are completed to prevent new damage to the alley.

**AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that alleyways shall be repaired using as many pavers, and other “green” and permeable materials, as possible.

**AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall take effect on the date of its adoption.

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

**ATTEST:**

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**KIMBERLEY A. RAU, MMC**  
Clerk to the City Council

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**VALERIE M.A. NICHOLAS**  
President of the City Council

**APPROVED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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**CRAIG A. MOE**  
Mayor