

Adopted June 15, 2021

RESOLUTION 05-2021

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A GATEWAY ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT

WHEREAS, Prince George’s County has applied to the Secretary of Business and Economic Development of the State of Maryland for renewal of the Gateway Arts and Entertainment District (the “District”) designation within certain boundaries shown on the map attached to this Resolution, and

WHEREAS, under Md. Code Ann., Tax-Gen’l Art., § 10-207(v), a “qualifying residing artist”, as that term is defined in Md. Code Ann., Econ. Development Article, § 4-701, in a designated arts and entertainment district may, for purposes of calculating his or her State adjusted gross income, subtract from his or her federal adjusted gross income the amount of income derived within the district from the publication, production, or sale of an artistic work that the artist created, wrote, composed, or executed in the arts and entertainment district.; and

WHEREAS, under Md. Code Ann., Tax-Prop. Art., § 9-240, the City of Mount Rainier may grant, by law, a property tax credit against the City property tax imposed on a manufacturing, commercial, or industrial building that is located in the arts and entertainment district is capable for use by a “qualifying resident artist” or an “arts and entertainment enterprise”, as those terms are defined in Md. Code Ann., Econ. Development Article, § 4-701; and

WHEREAS, under Md. Code Ann., Tax-Gen’l Art, § 4-104(e), the City of Mount Rainier may exempt gross receipts from any admissions or amusement charge levied by an arts and entertainment enterprise or qualifying residing artist in an arts and entertainment district from the City’s admissions and amusement tax.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER THAT:**

1. The City of Mount Rainier agrees that the geographic boundaries of the Gateway Arts and Entertainment District shall be as depicted on *the attached map* titled "Gateway Arts District" and including *the parcels listed on the attached sheet*; and

2. The City of Mount Rainier fully approves and supports the designation of the District; and

3. The City of Mount Rainier understands that the income tax subtraction under 10-207(v) of the Tax-General Article for qualifying residing artists in the District might affect its income tax receipts; and

4. The City of Mount Rainier has adopted legislation to provide the following incentives to eligible persons in the District:

(a) During the entire designation period approved by the Secretary, the City exempts from the Admission and Amusement Tax gross receipts from any admissions or amusement charge levied by an arts and entertainment enterprise or qualifying residing artist in the District, as authorized by Md. Code Ann., Tax-General Art., § 4-104; and

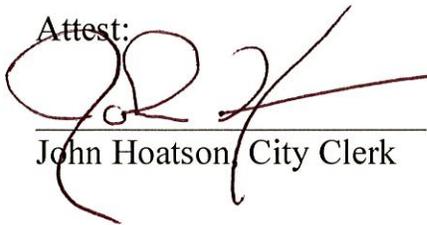
(b) During the entire designation period approved by the Secretary, the City grants a real property tax credit as described in §9-240 of the Tax-Property Article against the City of Mount Rainier property tax imposed on the assessment of eligible buildings. The real property tax credit amount shall be the following percentage of the amount of property tax imposed on the eligible assessment of the property entitled to the credit::

- (i) 100% in each of the first taxable years after the calendar year when the property initially is entitled to the credit;
- (ii) 80% in the second taxable year;
- (iii) 60% in the third taxable year;
- (iv) 40% in the fourth taxable year;
- (v) 20% in the fifth taxable year; and
- (vi) 0% in the sixth through tenth taxable years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption, provided that a fair summary has been read at the meeting at which it is introduced and at the meeting at which it was acted upon, it is posted at City Hall for at least two weeks after it becomes effective, a fair summary is published at least once in a newspaper having general circulation in the City, inclusive of the City's newsletter mailed or otherwise delivered to every City household, and filed in City Hall by the City Manager.

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED by the Council of the City of Mount Rainier, Maryland at a meeting of the City Council on June 15, 2021.

Attest:



John Hoatson, City Clerk



Celina Benitez, Mayor



Luke Chesek, Councilmember Ward 1



Scott Cecil, Councilmember Ward 2



Jarrett Stoltzfus, Councilmember Ward 2



James Tarlau, Councilmember Ward 1