

Town of Bladensburg, Maryland

RESOLUTION NO. 31-2025

Date Introduced: June 9, 2025

Date Adopted: June 9, 2025

Date Effective: June 9, 2025

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DECLARATION OF ITEMS SURPLUS AND THE DISPOSITION OF THESE ITEMS BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Town of Bladensburg is the legal owner of various items through forfeiture or seizure; and

WHEREAS, the Town seeks to dispose of said surplus items in a manner that ensures the most efficient and transparent process, with the best possible return of value to the Town; and

WHEREAS, the use of an online or other municipal auction vendor has been identified as a suitable method to facilitate the sale, in compliance with applicable local, state, and federal laws; and

WHEREAS, the Town Administrator and Police Chief are tasked with overseeing the disposition of Town property in accordance with Town policies and ensuring that all surplus assets are disposed of appropriately;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Bladensburg, Maryland:

- 1. Authorization of Surplus Item Disposition The Town hereby declares the items listed in the attached exhibit as surplus property and authorizes their disposal in accordance with this resolution.
- 2. **Designation of Disposal Method** The Town Administrator is authorized to dispose of surplus items, including vehicles, through an online municipal auction vendor, such as GovDeals, or through another legally compliant method that ensures a fair and competitive process.
- 3. **Compliance with Legal Requirements** The Town Administrator shall ensure that all disposals are carried out in compliance with all applicable local, state, and federal laws governing the disposition of municipal property, including those related to forfeiture and police seizure.

4. Authorization to Seek Appraisals

Town staff is authorized to obtain appraisals for high-value items and may group items into lots when appropriate to maximize sale value.

5. Financial Management

All proceeds from the sale of surplus items shall be deposited into the appropriate Town accounts, in accordance with the Town's financial management policies. Proceeds from these sales during FY 2026 will be credited to the **Miscellaneous Revenues** line item.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the declaration and disposal of these surplus items will support the responsible stewardship of Town assets and contribute additional resources to Town operations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be and is hereby adopted this 9th Day of June 2025 and shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Attest:

Regine R. Watson, Town Clerk

Takisha D. James, Mayor