



Prince George's County Council

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Meeting Minutes - Final County Council

Jolene Ivey, Chair, District 5
Sydney J. Harrison, Vice Chair, District 9
Wala Blegay, District 6
Edward P. Burroughs, III, District 8
Thomas E. Dernoga, District 1
Wanika Fisher, District 2
Mel Franklin, At-Large
Calvin S. Hawkins, II, At-Large
Eric C. Olson, District 3
Krystal Oriadha, District 7
Ingrid S. Watson, District 4

Jennifer A. Jenkins, Council Administrator

Tuesday, March 26, 2024

11:00 AM

Council Hearing Room

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9:00 A.M. - GENERAL ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE – (CANCELLED)

10:30 A.M. - AGENDA BRIEFING - (COMMITTEE ROOM 2027)

10:45 A.M. - PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATIONS/COMMENDATIONS - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

PROCLAMATION presented to Keith Perry, Executive Director of American Red Cross Southern Maryland, in recognition of “March 2024 Red as Cross Month” in Prince George’s County. (Council Chair Jolene Ivey and Council Member Krystal Oriadha)

11:00 A.M. - CALL TO ORDER - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Jolene Ivey at 11:09 a.m. with 11 members present at roll call.

Present: 10 - Chair Jolene Ivey
Vice Chair Sydney Harrison
Council Member Thomas Dernoga
Council Member Wala Blegay
Council Member Edward Burroughs
Council Member Wanika Fisher
Council Member Calvin S. Hawkins
Council Member Eric Olson
Council Member Krystal Oriadha
Council Member Ingrid Watson

Remote: 1 - Council Member Mel Franklin

Also present:

Jennifer Jenkins, Council Administrator

Colette Gresham, Deputy Council Administrator

Karen Zavakos, Acting Associate Council Administrator

Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council

Leonard Moses, Deputy Clerk of the Council

James Walker-Bey, Associate Clerk of the Council

Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive

Dinora Hernandez, Associate County Attorney

INVOCATION:

The Invocation was provided by Minister Chantell S. Smith, First Baptist Church of Glenarden, Upper Marlboro, Maryland. Council Chair Ivey requested prayer for the family of Mirinda Jackson, MBE Coordinator, in her passing and for the victims of the Francis Scott Key Bridge collapse in Baltimore. Council Member Watson requested prayer for the families affected by the fire in Bowie. Council Member Oriadha requested prayer for a family in District 7 who recently lost a loved one to violence. Ms. Oriadha also requested prayer for her family in the passing of her aunt.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Oriadha.

REQUESTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

Amy Pergosky, Raymond Quick and Nelly Ortiz addressed the Council.

BUSINESS MEETING**1. CONSENT AGENDA****(a) Approval of County Council Minutes**

[MIN 03192024a](#)

County Council Minutes dated March 19, 2024

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Attachment(s): [03192024a](#)

These Minutes were approved.

[MIN 03192024b](#)

County Council Minutes dated March 19, 2024 6PM JPH

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Attachment(s): [03192024b](#)

These Minutes were approved.

(b) Introduction of Resolutions

[CR-018-2024](#)

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A RESOLUTION CONCERNING FISCAL YEAR (“FY”) 2022 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN, INCLUSIVE OF THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS (“HOME”) PROGRAM AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (“ARP”), ALLOCATION PLAN, FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT for the purpose of amending the Prince George’s County Fiscal Year (“FY”) 2022 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development by adding The Cassidy project, an eligible activity not originally funded or described in the FY 2022 Annual Action Plan, inclusive of the HOME Investment Partnerships (“HOME”) Program American Rescue Plan (“ARP”),

Allocation Plan, and the allocation and commitment of one million, fifty thousand dollars (\$1,050,000) in HOME Investment Partnerships (“HOME”) Program American Rescue Plan (“ARP”) (“HOME-ARP”) Program funds from the FY 2022 Annual Action Plan, inclusive of the HOME Investment Partnerships (“HOME”) Program American Rescue Plan (“ARP”), Allocation Plan, to support the project.

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Harrison, Watson, Hawkins, Dernoga, Fisher and Franklin

Attachment(s): [R2024018](#)
[CR-018-2024 Attachment B](#)
[CR-018-2024 Attachment C](#)
[CR-018-2024 Summary](#)
[CR-018-2024 Transmittal](#)

This Resolution will amend the Prince George’s County Fiscal Year (“FY”) 2022 Annual Action Plan, inclusive of the HOME Investment Partnerships (“HOME”) Program American Rescue Plan (“ARP”), Allocation Plan, for Housing and Community Development by approving the addition of The Cassidy project, an eligible activity not originally funded or described in the FY 2022 Annual Action Plan, inclusive of the HOME Investment Partnerships (“HOME”) Program American Rescue Plan (“ARP”), Allocation Plan. Enacted on March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan (“ARP”) attempts to address the continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the economy, public health, State and local governments, individuals, and businesses. As part of the effort, the U.S. Congress designated funding to the HOME Investment Partnerships (“HOME”) Program, allocated through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”), for homelessness assistance and supportive services. Specifically, Prince George’s County, as an Urban County, is designated to receive funding totaling seven million, five hundred ninety two thousand, eighty five dollars (\$7,592,085) in HOME Investment Partnerships (“HOME”) Program American Rescue Plan (“HOME-ARP”) Program funds.

This Resolution will amend the FY 2022 Annual Action Plan, inclusive of the HOME Investment Partnerships (“HOME”) Program American Rescue Plan (“ARP”), Allocation Plan, by allocating and committing one million, fifty thousand dollars (\$1,050,000) in HOME Investment Partnerships (“HOME”) Program American Rescue Plan (“ARP”) (“HOME-ARP”) Program funds from the FY 2022 Annual Action Plan, inclusive of the HOME Investment Partnerships (“HOME”) Program American Rescue Plan (“ARP”), Allocation Plan, to support the project.

This Resolution requires at least one (1) public hearing because the proposed

amendment to the FY 2022 Annual Action Plan, inclusive of the HOME Investment Partnerships (“HOME”) Program American Rescue Plan (“ARP”), Allocation Plan, would constitute a “substantial change” under the FY 2021-2025 County Citizen Participation Plan, as described in the County’s FY 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Ivey, Harrison, Watson, Hawkins, Dernoga, Fisher and Franklin and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

[CR-019-2024](#)

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A RESOLUTION CONCERNING HOUSING INVESTMENT TRUST FUND (“HITF”) FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

for the purpose of committing and allocating the amount of three million, five hundred thousand dollars (\$3,500,000) in Prince George’s County Housing Investment Trust Fund (“HITF”) Program funds to The Cassidy project, an eligible activity, for gap financing of new affordable rental housing construction.

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Harrison, Hawkins, Dernoga, Watson and Fisher

Attachment(s): [R2024019](#)
[CR-019-2024 Attachment B](#)
[CR-019-2024 Summary](#)
[CR-019-2024 Transmittal](#)

This legislation will approve and adopt the commitment and allocation of gap financing from the Prince George’s County Housing Investment Trust Fund (“HITF”) for Housing and Community Development to The Cassidy project, an eligible activity, in the amount of three million, five hundred thousand dollars (\$3,500,000).

This Council enacted CB-21-2012, as amended in CB-57-2017, to establish the Housing Investment Trust Fund in Prince George’s County, which services as a vehicle to address foreclosures and allows Prince George’s County to provide financing for projects, including but not limited to housing counseling, rental, down payment and closing cost assistance for eligible persons to retain or purchase vacant, abandoned and foreclosed properties first time homebuyers, as well as Workforce Housing Gap Financing with an emphasis on supporting the development of new construction, rehabilitation and preservation of workforce and affordable housing while targeting households earning up to 120% of the area median income (AMI).

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Ivey, Harrison,

Hawkins, Dernoga, Watson and Fisher and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

CR-020-2024

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A RESOLUTION CONCERNING PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES (“PILOT”) AGREEMENT FOR THE CASSIDY APARTMENTS for the purpose of approving the terms and conditions of a Payments in Lieu of Taxes (“PILOT”) Agreement between Prince George’s County, Maryland (the “County”) and KCG SSP Capitol Heights, LP (the “Owner”).

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Harrison, Fisher, Hawkins, Watson and Dernoga

Attachment(s): [R2024020](#)
[CR-020-2024 Attachment B](#)
[CR-020-2024 Summary](#)
[CR-020-2024 Transmittal](#)

This legislation is approving the terms and conditions of a Payments in Lieu of Taxes (“PILOT”) Agreement between Prince George’s County, Maryland (the “County”) and KCG SSP Capitol Heights, LP (the “Owner”) concerning The Cassidy project.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Ivey, Harrison, Fisher, Hawkins, Watson and Dernoga and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

CR-021-2024

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A RESOLUTION CONCERNING ADJUSTMENTS TO APPROVED POSITION GRADES for the purpose of adjusting the number of positions in certain grades in the Office of Human Rights, Office of Law, Office of Finance, Health Department, Department of Family Services, Office of Community Relations, Circuit Court, Department of Permitting, Licensing and Enforcement, Department of Environment, Office of the Sheriff, Department of Corrections and the Legislative Branch.

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Watson, Olson, Harrison, Hawkins, Fisher and Dernoga

Attachment(s): [R2024021](#)
[CR-021-2024 Attachment A](#)
[CR-021-2024 Summary](#)
[CR-021-2024 Transmittal](#)

This Resolution amends the Position by Grade Attachment (Attachments A) to Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of Prince George’s County for FY 2024 (CB-63-2023). The resolution amends the authorized staffing count

and/or grade classification of positions in 12 agencies. The agencies include the Office of Human Rights, Office of Law, Office of Finance, Health Department, Department of Family Services, Office of Community Relations, Circuit Court, Department of Permitting, Licensing and Enforcement, Department of Environment, Office of the Sheriff, Department of Corrections and the Legislative Branch.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Ivey, Watson, Olson, Harrison, Hawkins, Fisher and Dernoga and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

[CR-022-2024](#)

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A RESOLUTION CONCERNING ZONING ORDINANCE

TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS - EXTENSION OF TIME FOR ACCESS

TO PRIOR ORDINANCE for the purpose of approving, as a legislative enactment of the District Council having the force and effect of law, an extension of the time for applications to be approved and considered under the prior Ordinance from April 1, 2024, to April 1, 2026.

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Harrison, Watson, Hawkins and Fisher

Attachment(s): [R2024022](#)

[CR-022-2024 Summary](#)

CR-022-2024 Public Comments COW 3-26-2024

On April 1, 2022, the replacement Zoning Ordinance, being also Subtitle 27 of the Prince George's County Code, became effective. The effectuation of the new Zoning Ordinance included a two-year, renewable transition period for review of development applications using the prior Ordinance. This Resolution will extend the time for access to review and approval of zoning applications using the prior Ordinance from April 1, 2024, for an additional two years, to April 1, 2026.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Ivey, Harrison, Watson, Hawkins and Fisher and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

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ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Fisher, seconded by Vice Chair Harrison, that this additions package be accepted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye	10 -	Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Burroughs, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson
Abstain	1 -	Blegay

CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)**CR-025-2024**

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A RESOLUTION CONCERNING TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS-EXTENSION OF TIME FOR ACCESS TO PRIOR SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS for the purpose of approving, as a temporary measure of the governing body for Prince George's County, an extension of the time for applications to be approved and considered under the prior Subdivision Regulations for an additional two (2) years, from April 1, 2024, to April 1, 2026.

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Watson, Harrison and Hawkins

Attachment(s): [R2024025](#)
[CR-025-2024 Summary](#)

This Resolution will extend the time for access to the Prior County Subdivision Regulations for an additional two (2) years, or from April 1, 2024, to April 1, 2026, as a temporary, administrative measure by the governing body of Prince George's County. Companion County Subdivision legislation is under consideration to amend Section 24-1901 of the Subdivision Regulations.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Ivey, Watson, Harrison and Hawkins and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

(c) First Reading of Bills (Presentation)**CB-027-2024**

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AN ACT CONCERNING TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS-EXTENSION OF TIME FOR ACCESS TO PRIOR SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS for the purpose of amending the time for applications to be approved and considered under the prior Subdivision Regulations from two (2) years to four (4) years, or from April 1, 2024, to April 1, 2026.

Sponsor(s): Ivey

Attachment(s): [B2024027](#)
[CB-027-2024 Summary](#)

This Council Bill was presented by Chair Ivey and referred to the Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee.

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MOTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

Aye	10 -	Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Burroughs, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson
Abstain	1 -	Blegay

NO ITEMS CONSIDERED

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Term Expiration: 5/1/2027

Attachment(s): [Fair Election Fund Comm. Appt. Transmittal](#)
Fair Election Fund Comm. Appt. Package
[Fair Election Fund Comm. Appt. Committee Report](#)
Fair Election Fund Comm. Appt. Public Comments CC
3-26-2024

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 11:34 a.m. Council Member Watson, Chair, GOFP Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the GOFP Committee for the Fair Election Commission appointment. Miriam Brewer, Appointments Liaison, Office of the County Executive, introduced the appointee and spoke to her credentials and qualifications. There were no speakers signed up for this item. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.

A motion was made by Council Member Watson, seconded by Council

Member Fisher, that this Appointment be confirmed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 11 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Burroughs, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

5. BRIEFING – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

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COUNCIL MEMBER WORKGROUP UPDATES

COG Transportation Planning Board (Council Member Olson)

Council Member Olson provided an updated on the COG Transportation Planning Board.

This Briefing was held.

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THE MEETING WAS RECESSED AT 11:39 A.M.

A motion was made by Council Member Watson, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this meeting be recessed. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Aye 11 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Burroughs, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

(SEE SEPARATE AGENDA)

RECONVENE

THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS RECONVENED AT 1:29 P.M.

6. RESOLUTIONS ELIGIBLE FOR FINAL READING – (ADOPTION)

[CR-022-2024](#)

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A RESOLUTION CONCERNING ZONING ORDINANCE

TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS - EXTENSION OF TIME FOR ACCESS TO PRIOR ORDINANCE for the purpose of approving, as a legislative enactment of the District Council having the force and effect of law, an extension

of the time for applications to be approved and considered under the prior Ordinance from April 1, 2024, to April 1, 2026.

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Harrison, Watson, Hawkins and Fisher

Attachment(s): [R2024022](#)

[CR-022-2024 Summary](#)

CR-022-2024 Public Comments COW 3-26-2024

Karen Zavakos, Acting Associate Council Administrator, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee of the Whole for CR-022-2024.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye	6 -	Ivey, Harrison, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins and Watson
Nay	4 -	Dernoga, Burroughs, Olson and Oriadha
Absent		Blegay

RESOLUTIONS ELIGIBLE FOR FINAL READING – (ADOPTION) (Continued)

[CR-025-2024](#)

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A RESOLUTION CONCERNING TRANSITIONAL

PROVISIONS-EXTENSION OF TIME FOR ACCESS TO PRIOR

SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS for the purpose of approving, as a temporary measure of the governing body for Prince George's County, an extension of the time for applications to be approved and considered under the prior Subdivision Regulations for an additional two (2) years, from April 1, 2024, to April 1, 2026.

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Watson, Harrison and Hawkins

Attachment(s): [R2024025](#)

[CR-025-2024 Summary](#)

Karen Zavakos, Acting Associate Council Administrator, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee of the Whole for CR-025-2024.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye	6 -	Ivey, Harrison, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins and Watson
Nay	5 -	Dernoga, Blegay, Burroughs, Olson and Oriadha

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ADJOURN

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 1:34 PM.

A motion was made by Council Member Watson, seconded by Chair Ivey, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Aye 11 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Burroughs, Fisher,
Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

Prepared by:

Edgar Reese, III, Legislative Reference Aide

Submitted by:

Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council