

Prince George's County Council

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Meeting Minutes - Draft County Council

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

Colette R. Gresham, Acting Council Administrator

Tuesday, June 17, 2025

12:15 PM

Council Hearing Room

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9:30 A.M. - SWEARING IN CEREMONY

The Swearing-In Ceremony for Shayla D. Adams-Stafford, as Council Member, District 5, was convened by Council Chair Edward P. Burroughs III, at 9:48 a.m.

RECESS

12:15 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

The meeting was convened by Chair Edward P. Burroughs III, at 12:34 p.m. with 7 members present at roll call. Council Members Blegay and Fisher arrived at 12:35 p.m. Council Member Watson arrived at 12:36 p.m. Council Member Ivey arrived at 12:38 p.m.

Present:

11 - Council Member Wala Blegay

Council Member Thomas Dernoga

Council Member Wanika Fisher

Council Member Sydney Harrison Council Member Calvin S. Hawkins

Council Member Eric Olson

Council Member Ingrid Watson

Member Jolene Ivey

Chair Edward Burroughs

Vice Chair Krystal Oriadha

Council Member Shayla Adams-Stafford

Also present:

Colette Gresham, Acting Council Administrator
Karen Zavakos, Associate Council Administrator
Donna Brown, Clerk of the Council
Leonard Moses, Deputy Clerk of the Council
Edgar L. Reese, III, Legislative Reference Aide
Dinora Hernandez, Associate County Attorney, Office of Law
Leroy Maddox, Jr., Legislative Attorney
Nathaniel K. Tutt III, Director, GOFP Committee
Rana Hightower, Director, PHED Committee

INVOCATION:

The Invocation was provided by Rev. Nancy Neal, Pastor, Southminster Presbyterian Church, Oxon Hill, MD. Council Member Harrison requested prayer for his mentor, Dr. Billings, and his family in light of his passing. Council Member Olson requested continued prayer for Kilmar Abrego Garcia and his family. Council Member Hawkins requested prayer for Skeeter Payne and his loved ones in light of his passing. Council Member Blegay requested prayer for new Council Member Shayla Adams-Stafford in her new journey. Council Member Blegay also requested prayer for the county residents who will be affected by the cuts to Medicaid.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Chair Burroughs acknowledged Council Member Hawkins who asked Rev. Dr. Emil Thomas, Resurrection Baptist Church, Silver Spring, to pray for Council Member Adams-Stafford.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Chair Burroughs acknowledged Council Member Olson who recognized the presence of the mayor of New Carrolton, Phelicia Nembhard.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Adams-Stafford.

REQUESTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

There were no requests to address the Council.

LEGISLATIVE DAY NO. 17

1. CONSENT AGENDA

(a) Approval of County Council Minutes

MIN 06102025

County Council Minutes dated June 10, 2025

Draft 1

Attachment(s): 06102025

These Minutes were approved.

(b) First Reading of Bills (Presentation)

CB-061-2025

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING POLICE - VEHICLE PURSUITS CONDUCT AND

REPORTING - ZOEY'S LAW for the purpose of clarifying the circumstances under which Prince George's County Police Officers may engage in vehicle pursuits; encouraging officers to minimize pursuits when enforcement can be safely delayed; providing for administrative review of vehicle pursuits; and requiring annual reporting on vehicle pursuit data.

Sponsor(s): Oriadha

Attachment(s): B2025061

CB-061-2025 Summary

This Council Bill was presented by Council Member Oriadha and referred to the Health, Human Services and Public Safety Committee.

CB-062-2025

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS for the purpose of clarifying the requirement to exhaust administrative remedies before seeking judicial review and aligning the appellate rights for administrative citations with those that are available for civil citations.

Attachment(s): B2025062

<u>CB-062-2025 Summary</u> CB-062-2025 Transmittal

This Council Bill was presented by the Chair by the request of the County Executive and referred to the Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee.

CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

(c) Introduction of Resolutions

CR-076-2025

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE READINESS OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN A POTENTIAL OVERDOSE

EMERGENCY for the purpose of calling on the Prince George's County Board of Education to initiate an audit in conjunction with the Prince George's County Public Schools to ensure compliance with State and Local mandated overdose-reversing medication requirements in schools.

Sponsor(s): Hawkins, Watson, Burroughs, Blegay, Olson, Harrison, Dernoga, Ivey and Adams-Stafford

Attachment(s): R2025076

CR-076-2025 Summary

CR-076-2025 PAFI

CR-76-2025 OOL Comment

A resolution calling on the Prince George's County Board of Education and Prince George's Public Schools to initiate an audit of all public schools to ensure schools are ready for a potential overdosing emergency. State and Local laws require all public schools to have overdosing medication readily available and have personnel ready to administer that medication in an emergency. This resolution suggests that Board of Education to begin their audit at the start of the next school year and conclude in January 2026. This resolution will recommend that the Board of Education notify Prince George's Public Schools of any deficiencies found and immediately begin rectifying those deficiencies.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Hawkins, Watson, Burroughs, Blegay, Olson, Harrison, Dernoga, Ivey, and Adams-Stafford and referred to the Education and Workforce Development Committee.

CR-077-2025

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING IMPROVING POLICE AND DRIVER **INTERACTIONS DURING TRAFFIC STOPS** for the purpose of creating a driver handbook with a description of law enforcement procedures during traffic stops and actions drivers and passengers should take during traffic stops, including appropriate interactions with law enforcement officials.

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

<u>Attachment(s)</u>: R2025077

CR-077-2025 Summary

Prince George's County local police departments in 2023 had an estimated 33,443 traffic stops. These traffic stops can often be an intense and stressful situation for both the driver and law enforcement officials. This resolution aims to create a driver handbook which explains law enforcement procedures to drivers in order to create positive and appropriate interactions with law enforcement officials. This handbook would be created by the Office of Integrity, Compliance, and Police Accountability in collaboration with the Police Accountability Board.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Member Hawkins, Burroughs, Blegay, Watson, Harrison, Dernoga, and Ivey and referred to the Health, Human Services and Public Safety Committee.

CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

<u>CR-078-2025</u>

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING JUDICIAL TRAINING ON CHILD CUSTODY CASES INVOLVING CHILD ABUSE OR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

for the purpose of urging judges and magistrates who preside over child custody cases in Prince George's County courts to regularly review and ensure compliance with the latest training programs regarding child custody cases involving child abuse or domestic violence offered by the Judicial College of Maryland and relevant state initiatives, pursuant to the Annotated Code of Maryland, Family Law Article Section 9-101.3 and emphasizing the critical importance of continuing education in these matters.

Sponsor(s): Hawkins, Burroughs, Blegay, Watson, Dernoga, Ivey, Adams-Stafford, Olson and Harrison

Attachment(s): R2025078

CR-078-2025 Summary

This resolution urges ongoing compliance with judicial training requirements under Maryland Law which mandates specialized education for judges and magistrates who preside over child custody cases involving child abuse or domestic violence. This resolution emphasizes the importance of continuing education to ensure that judicial officers remain current on the complexities and best practices in these sensitive matters. It also calls for the distribution of the resolution to key court administrators to reinforce institutional accountability and awareness of these critical matters.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Hawkins, Burroughs, Blegay, Watson, Dernoga, Ivey, Adams-Stafford, Olson, and Harrison and referred to the Health, Human Services and Public Safety Committee.

CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

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MOTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

Draft 1

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

Aye 9 - Blegay, Dernoga, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Ivey,

Burroughs and Adams-Stafford

Absent Fisher **Abstain** 1 - Oriadha

2. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

3. PROPOSED CORRESPONDENCE/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS/BILLS ELIGIBLE FOR THIRD READING – (ENACTMENT)

CB-012-2025

Draft 2

AN ACT CONCERNING DPW&T SNOW REMOVAL OPERATIONS

REPORTING for the purpose of requiring the Director of the Department of Public Works and Transportation to provide the Prince George's County Council with a copy of the Director's Situational Awareness Report (SAR) regarding its snow removal operation plan; to detail the information that shall be submitted within the snow removal operation plan; defining certain terms related to the snow removal operation plan; and to provide the timeframe which the report should be submitted to the Prince George's County Council.

Sponsor(s): Burroughs, Oriadha, Watson, Olson, Hawkins, Ivey and Dernoga

Attachment(s): B2025012

<u>CB-012-2025 Summary</u> <u>CB-012-2025 Report</u> <u>CB-012-2025 PAFI</u>

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 12:51 p.m. There was no one signed up to speak for this item. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.

The public hearing for this Council Bill was held.

A motion was made by Council Member Blegay, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this Council Bill be enacted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye

11 - Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Ivey, Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

PUBLIC HEARINGS/BILLS ELIGIBLE FOR THIRD READING – (ENACTMENT) (Continued)

CB-015-2025

Draft 2

AN ACT CONCERNING CLEAN CURB ACT OF 2025 for the purpose of providing that it is unlawful for the use of any County road, street, highway, or public right of way by leaving cones and objects thereon; authorizing certain County agencies to remove cones and other objects on any County road, street, highway, or public right of way; providing for a certain exclusion; and generally relating to the prohibition on leaving cones and other objects on any County road, street, highway, or public right of way.

Sponsor(s): Olson, Watson, Blegay, Burroughs, Oriadha, Fisher, Dernoga, Ivey and Hawkins

Attachment(s): B2025015

<u>CB-015-2025 Summary</u> <u>CB-015-2025 Report</u> <u>CB-015-2025 PAFI</u>

CB-015-2025 OOL Comments

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 12:51 p.m. There was no one signed up to speak for this item. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.

The public hearing for this Council Bill was held.

A motion was made by Council Member Olson, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this Council Bill be enacted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye

11 - Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson,Watson, Ivey, Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

PUBLIC HEARINGS/BILLS ELIGIBLE FOR THIRD READING - (ENACTMENT) (Continued)

CB-038-2025

Draft 2

AN ACT CONCERNING IMPOUNDMENT AND NOTICES TO OWNERS for

the purpose of amending the impoundment section and notice to vehicular owners to align the notice period with state law.

Sponsor(s): Hawkins, Ivey, Fisher, Dernoga, Oriadha, Burroughs, Blegay, Olson and Watson

Attachment(s): B2025038

<u>CB-038-2025 Summary</u> <u>CB-038-2025 Report</u> <u>CB-038-2025 PAFI</u>

CB-038-2025 Transmittal

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 12:53 p.m. There was no one signed up to speak for this item. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.

The public hearing for this Council Bill was held.

A motion was made by Council Member Harrison, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this Council Bill be enacted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye

Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Ivey, Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

CB-039-2025

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING ALARM USER PERMITS for the purpose of amending the alarm user permits section to allow for the replacement of physical alarm permits with electronic permits and removing the associated \$25.00 fee for replacement of physical decals.

Sponsor(s): County Executive, Watson, Burroughs, Oriadha, Dernoga, Ivey, Hawkins and Blegay

Attachment(s): B2025039

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<u>CB-039-2025 Summary</u> <u>CB-039-2025 Report</u> <u>CB-039-2025 PAFI</u>

CB-039-2025 Transmittal

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 12:54 p.m. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.

The public hearing for this Council Bill was held.

A motion was made by Council Member Watson, seconded by Council Member Harrison, that this Council Bill be enacted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye

11 - Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Ivey, Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

PUBLIC HEARINGS/BILLS ELIGIBLE FOR THIRD READING – (ENACTMENT) (Continued)

CB-045-2025

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES PROGRAM RULES AND REGULATIONS PROMULGATION AUTHORITY

for the purpose of amending the rules and regulations promulgation authority under the Common Ownership Communities Program to include the County Council.

Sponsor(s): Oriadha, Olson, Blegay, Watson, Burroughs, Hawkins, Dernoga and Ivey

<u>Attachment(s)</u>: <u>B20205045</u>

<u>CB-045-2025 Summary</u> <u>CB-045-2025 Report</u> <u>CB-045-2025 PAFI</u> <u>CB-045-2025 OOL</u>

CB-045-2025 Public Comments

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 12:55 p.m. There was no one signed up to speak for this item. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.

The public hearing for this Council Bill was held.

A motion was made by Council Member Watson, seconded by Council Member Hawkins, that this Council Bill be enacted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ave

11 - Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson,Watson, Ivey, Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

5. PUBLIC HEARING – RESOLUTION ELIGIBLE FOR FINAL READING (ADOPTION)

CR-059-2025

Draft 2

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE LOCAL IMPACT GRANT FUNDS

<u>MULTIYEAR PLAN</u> for the purpose of transmitting the Local Impact Grant Funds Multiyear Plan to the County Council for review and approval.

Sponsor(s): Burroughs, Oriadha, Blegay, Watson, Fisher, Hawkins and Ivey

Attachment(s): R2025059

<u>CR-059-2025 Attachment A (DR-2)</u>

<u>CR-059-2025 Summary</u> CR-059-2025 Transmittal

CR-059-2025 Committee Report

Nathaniel Tutt, Director, Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee of the Whole for CR-059-2025.

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 12:56 p.m. There was no one signed up to speak for this item. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.

The public hearing for this Resolution was held.

A motion was made by Council Member Hawkins, seconded by Council Member Watson, that a new draft of this Resolution be substituted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye

9 - Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

Abstain

2 - Harrison and Ivey

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

Aye

9 - Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

Abstain

2 - Harrison and Ivey

6. RESOLUTIONS ELIGIBLE FOR FINAL READING – (ADOPTION)

CR-073-2025

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING SCHOOL FACILITIES SURCHARGE for

the purpose of adjusting the School Facilities Surcharge for Fiscal Year 2026, beginning July 1, 2025, as required by State law.

Sponsor(s): Burroughs, Hawkins and Watson

Attachment(s): R2025073

<u>CR-073-2025 Summary</u>

CR-073-2025 PAFI

CR-073-2025 Transmittal

CR-073-2025 COW Committee Report.edited

CR-073-2025 revised

Rana Hightower, Director, PHED, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee of the Whole for CR-073-2025.

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

Aye

11 - Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson,Watson, Ivey, Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

CR-074-2025

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING PUBLIC SAFETY AND BEHAVIORAL

<u>HEALTH SURCHARGE</u> for the purpose of adjusting the Public Safety and Behavioral Health Surcharge for Fiscal Year 2026, beginning July 1, 2025, as required by State law.

Sponsor(s): Oriadha, Hawkins, Fisher and Watson

Attachment(s): R2025074

<u>CR-074-2025 Summary</u>

CR-074-2025 PAFI

CR-074-2025 Transmittal

CR-074-2025 COW Committee Report.edited

CR-074-2025 revised

Rana Hightower, Director, PHED, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee of the Whole for CR-074-2025.

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

Aye

11 - Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Ivey, Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

7. INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

CR-079-2025

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE TAX RATES FOR FISCAL YEAR

Draft 1

<u>2026</u> for the purpose of imposing and levying the tax rates and causing to be raised the amount of taxes required by the adopted budget so as to balance the budget as to proposed income and expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025; and to set forth the State tax levy and the Stormwater Management District tax levy.

Sponsor(s): Burroughs, Watson, Blegay, Harrison and Fisher

<u>Attachment(s)</u>: R2025079

CR-079-2025 Summary

Revised FY 2026 Property Tax Rates

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Burroughs, Watson, Blegay, Harrison, and Fisher.

A motion was made by Council Member Watson, seconded by Council Member Dernoga, that the rules be suspended for this Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye

11 - Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Ivey, Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

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

Aye

11 - Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Ivey, Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

<u>ADJ59-25</u>

ADJOURN

Draft 1

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 1:07 PM.

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

Ave

11 - Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson,Watson, Ivey, Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

1:00 P.M. - BOARD OF HEALTH (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

(SEE SEPARATE AGENDA)

Prepared by:	
Edgar L. Reese, III, Legislative Reference	ee Aide
Submitted by:	
Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council	