

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2015 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CB-73-2015

Draft No.: 2

Committee: PLANNING, ZONING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Date: October 7, 2015

Action: FAV (A)

REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable as amended, 4-0-1 (In favor: Council Members Harrison, Davis, Taveras, and Toles. Abstain: Council Member Glaros)

Council staff gave an overview of the legislation and informed the Committee of written referral comments that were received. CB-73-2015 amends the Zoning Ordinance Residential Zone Use Table to permit additional uses in the O-S (Open Space) Zone under certain circumstances. Council Chairman Franklin, the bill's sponsor, informed the Committee that the legislation allows a long established business in his district to continue operating and brings the property into conformance with the Zoning Ordinance. Chairman Franklin also commented that the provisions for monopoles will facilitate internet access in the rural areas of the County.

The Committee reviewed a Proposed Draft 2 (DR-2) to also amend the Residential Use Table to clarify in the R-R (Rural Residential) Zone that certain dwelling types are permitted in this zone and may obtain a grading permit upon approval of a Detailed Site Plan without a certification of said Detailed Site Plan.

The Planning Board voted to oppose CB-73-2015 and provided an October 7, 2015 letter explaining this position with detailed staff analysis.

The Committee voted favorable including the amendments in Proposed DR-2.