PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2024 Legislative Session

Reference No.:	CB-109-2024
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Committee:	Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy and Environment Committee
Date:	11/14/2024
Action:	FAV

REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable, 4-0 (In Favor: Council Members Olson, Harrison, Burroughs, and Dernoga)

The Committee convened on November 14, 2024, to discuss CB-109-2024, which amends the composition of the Solid Waste Resource Management and Recycling Advisory Commission by adding language to allow "no less than nine (9) and no more than fifteen (15) members" to serve on the Commission which currently consists of nine (9) members. The new language will provide an opportunity for more individuals to serve if those individuals can be identified.

The Solid Waste Advisory Commission (SWAC) was established to provide community input, guidance, and advice to the County Executive and County Council on matters relating to solid waste management within the county. Members of the Commission review and offer recommendations on the ten-year solid waste management plan; investigate and prepare fiscal impact statements and make recommendations on systematic programs and alternative methods, both public and private, for storage, collection, transportation, processing, disposal and resource recovery of solid waste, including sludge.

Current Commission members David Brosch and Barbara Sollner-Webb testified in support of CB-109, and shared that the Commission's monthly meetings are well-attended. The Administration took no position on the legislation, and the County Executive's Appointments Liaison, Miriam Brewer, discussed some of the challenges with identifying individuals who want to serve. The committee indicated there may be a need to consider further revisions to the provisions regarding the appointment process and meeting attendance.

After the discussion, the Committee voted favorably on CB-109-2024 by a vote of 4-0.