



# Prince George's County Council

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## Meeting Minutes - Draft County Council

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

*Jennifer A. Jenkins, Council Administrator*

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Tuesday, February 21, 2023

2:30 PM

Council Hearing Room

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**1:30 P.M. - GENERAL ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)**

*(SEE SEPARATE AGENDA)*

**2:30 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)**

*The meeting was called to order by Chair Thomas E. Dernoga, at 3:15 p.m. with ten members present at roll call. Chair Dernoga announced that Council Member Franklin had an excused absence.*

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

**Absent:** Council Member Mel Franklin

*Also present:*

*Jennifer Jenkins, Council Administrator*  
*Colette Gresham, Associate Council Administrator*  
*Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council*  
*Leonard Moses, Legislative/Zoning Assistant*  
*James Walker-Bey, Zoning Assistant*  
*Terry L. Bell, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive*  
*Rhonda Weaver, County Attorney, Office of Law*  
*Amanda Denison, Chief Legislative Officer*  
*Donna Whitman, Legislative Officer*  
*Marverly Nettles-Simpson, General Assembly Committee Director*  
*Sandra Eubanks, Committee Director, EWD*  
*Leroy Maddox, Legislative Officer*  
*Inez Claggett, Director of Council Finance*  
*Jackie Brown, Committee Director, PHED*  
*Karen Zavakos, Legislative & Zoning Counsel*

**INVOCATION / MOMENT OF SILENCE:**

*Chair Dernoga invited everyone to take a moment of silence and requested prayers for former President, Jimmy Carter. Chair Dernoga also requested prayers for longtime County Council employee, Dr. Carol Johnson, Special Events Coordinator, who recently passed. Council Vice Chair Blegay also requested prayer in light of the recent passing of County Council employee, Dr. Carol Johnson, who was also the first Black female Mayor of the City of District Heights.*

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Ivey.*

**REQUESTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL**

*There were no requests to address the Council.*

**LEGISLATIVE DAY NO. 8**

**1. CONSENT AGENDA**

**(a) Approval of County Council Minutes**

[MIN 02142023](#)

County Council Minutes dated February 14, 2023

Draft 1

**Attachment(s):** [02142023](#)

**These Minutes were approved.**

**CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)****(b) First Reading of Bills (Presentation)****[CB-022-2023](#)**

Draft 1

**AN ACT CONCERNING CABLE TELEVISION** for the purpose of granting a renewal of a franchise for the operation of a cable television system in the Northern and Southern Territories of Prince George's County (the "County") and prescribing certain terms and conditions to be included in a franchise agreement.

**Attachment(s):** [B2023022](#)  
[CB-022-2023 Exhibits A-J](#)  
[CB-022-2023 Summary](#)  
[CB-022-2023 Transmittal](#)

**This Council Bill was presented by The Chair by request of the County Executive and referred to the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee.**

**[CB-023-2023](#)**

Draft 1

**AN ACT CONCERNING PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM** for the purpose of establishing the Prince George's County Rental Assistance Program and Rental Assistance Fund; providing financial rental assistance to Prince George's County residents based on AMI level and rent increases; awards shall be eligible for monthly disbursements up to (6) months over the course of a (24) month period; and assistance may be applied for every (2) years.

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

**Attachment(s):** [B2023023](#)  
[CB-023-2023 Summary](#)

**This Council Bill was presented by Council Members Oriadha, Blegay, Burroughs, Dernoga, Ivey and Olson and referred to the Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee.**

**(c) Introduction of Resolutions****[CR-009-2023](#)**

Draft 1

**A RESOLUTION CONCERNING WATERSHED PROTECTION AND RESTORATION** for the purpose of Prince George's County's Watershed Protection and Restoration Financial Assurance Plan (FAP) for approving the Prince George's County Financial Assurance as required by State law.

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**Attachment(s):** [R2023009](#)  
[CR-009-2023 Exhibit A](#)  
[CR-009-2023 Exhibit A-1](#)  
[CR-009-2023 Exhibit B](#)  
[CR-009-2023 Summary](#)  
[CR-009-2023 Transmittal](#)

*The Environment Article of Annotated Code of Maryland, Section 4-202.1, mandates that jurisdictions that are subject to a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Phase I MS4 permit must submit a Financial Assurance Plan to the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) every two years on the anniversary of the date of permit issuance. The purpose of the plan is to demonstrate that the jurisdiction has the funding capacity necessary to fulfill the watershed protection and restoration requirements in accordance with the NPDES permit.*

*State law requires that the financial assurance plan be approved by the local governing body after public hearing.*

**This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Dernoga, Ivey, Oriadha, Fisher, Watson, Hawkins, Harrison, Burroughs and Blegay and referred to the Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy and Environment Committee.**

## **CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)**

### **Consent10-23**

Draft 1

#### **MOTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA**

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

<b>Aye</b>	10 - Ivey, Oriadha, Hawkins, Harrison, Blegay, Dernoga, Watson, Olson, Fisher and Burroughs
<b>Absent</b>	Franklin

## **2. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

*NO ITEMS CONSIDERED*

**3. PROPOSED CORRESPONDENCE/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**[LTR02212023a](#)

Draft 1

Proposed letter to the Honorable Michael A. Jackson, Chair, Prince George's County Senate Delegation and the Honorable Nick Charles, Chair, Prince George's County House Delegation, transmitting the position of the Prince George's County Council on proposed State legislation (recommended at the 02/21/2023 General Assembly Committee meeting).

*Marverly K. Nettles-Simpson, Director, General Assembly Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the General Assembly Committee for the agenda letter.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Harrison, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this Agenda Letter be authorized for Chair's signature. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[LTR 02132023](#)

Draft 1

Proposed correspondence to The Honorable Richard P. Henry, Inspector General for Education, requesting an investigation regarding certain claims in the School Construction Program for the Prince George's County Public Schools.

**Attachment(s):** [OIGE Correspondence Regarding BOE CIP](#)  
[OIGE Correspondence Regarding BOE CIP\\_Report](#)  
[OIGE Correspondence Regarding BOE CIP\\_Agenda](#)  
[Item Summary](#)

*Council Member Burroughs, Chair of the Education and Workforce Development Committee (EWD), provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the EWD Committee for the proposed correspondence.*

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Blegay, seconded by Council Member Burroughs, that this Agenda Letter be authorized for Chair's signature.**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye**                    8 - Ivey, Oriadha, Hawkins, Blegay, Dernoga, Watson, Olson and Burroughs  
**Absent**                    Franklin  
**Abstain**                    2 - Harrison and Fisher

[Add6-23](#)

Draft 1

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

**A motion was made by Council Member Burroughs, seconded by Vice Chair Blegay, that these Additions to the Agenda be accepted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**PROPOSED CORRESPONDENCE/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT (Continued)**

[LTR 02212023b](#)

Draft 1

Proposed Letter to Secretary Pete Buttigieg, U.S. Department of Transportation regarding support for M-NCPPC's application for RAISE (Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity) Grant funding.

**Attachment(s):** [M-NCPPC Letter of Support RAISE](#)

*Council Member Oriadha provided an overview of the proposed correspondence.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Oriadha, seconded by Council Member Olson, that this Agenda Letter be authorized for Chair's signature. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[LTR 02212023c](#)

Draft 1

Proposed letter to the Honorable Wes Moore, Governor of Maryland, The Honorable Bill Ferguson, Senate President, the Honorable Adrienne A. Jones, Speaker of the House of Delegates, The Honorable Brooke E. Lierman, Comptroller of Maryland, and the Honorable Dereck E. Davis, State Treasurer denouncing the recent actions of the Honorable Ron DeSantis, Governor of the State of Florida.

**Attachment(s):** [Council - DeSantis Letter Final](#)

*Council Member Hawkins provided an overview of the proposed correspondence.*

*Council moved to amend the letter.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Fisher, seconded by Council Member Hawkins, that this Agenda Letter be amended. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**A motion was made by Council Member Fisher, seconded by Council Member Oriadha, that this Agenda Letter be authorized for Chair's signature. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

#### **4. SECOND READING OF BILLS – (INTRODUCTION)**

##### **[CB-008-2023](#)**

Draft 1

**AN ACT CONCERNING PRIVATE SECURITY CAMERA INCENTIVE PROGRAM** for the purpose of establishing a Private Security Camera Incentive Program that would encourage businesses and homeowners to set up cameras to increase security surveillance. Nationally, crime and illegal dumping is on the rise and establishing more surveillance would assist public safety in keeping our communities safe and clean.

**Sponsor(s):** Oriadha, Ivey and Burroughs

**Attachment(s):** [B2023008](#)  
[CB-008-2023 Summary](#)  
[CB-008-2023 Report](#)  
CB-008-2023 Proposed Amendment #1  
[CB-008-2023 OOL Comment \(DR-2\)](#)  
[CB-008-2023 PAFI Statement](#)

**A motion was made by Council Member Oriadha, seconded by Council Member Ivey, that this Council Bill be amended. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

*Council Member Oriadha, Chair of the Health, Human Services and Public Safety Committee (HHSPS), provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the HHSPS Committee for CB-008-2023. Donna Whitman, Legislative Officer, provided an overview of Proposed Amendment #1. This bill is for the purpose of establishing a Private Security Camera Incentive Program that would encourage businesses and homeowners to set up cameras to increase security surveillance. Nationally crime is on the rise and establishing more surveillance would assist public safety in keeping our communities safe.*

**This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Oriadha, Ivey, Burroughs, Olson, and Dernoga.**



**SECOND READING OF BILLS – (INTRODUCTION) (Continued)****CB-011-2023**

Draft 2

**AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING CONSOLIDATED STORAGE** for the purpose of prohibiting Consolidated Storage in certain Non-Residential and Transit-Oriented / Activity Center Base Zones of Prince George’s County; providing a limited transition period subject to additional development requirements; defining community non-profit space; and specifying that existing uses shall not be deemed nonconforming.

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

**Attachment(s):** [B2023011](#)  
[CB-011-2023 Summary](#)  
[CB-011-2023 Report](#)  
[CB-011-2023 Proposed Amendment #1](#)  
[CB-011-2023 OOL Comment updated 02-01-2023](#)  
[CB-011-2023 Planning Board Votes Letter](#)  
[CB-011-2023 Planning Board Analysis](#)  
[CB-011-2023 MNCPPC Consolidated Storage List and Map](#)  
[IE-CD5-PGC](#)

*Council Member Ivey, Chair of the Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee (PHED), provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the PHED Committee for CB-011-2023. This bill will prohibit Consolidated Storage in the CS, CGO, NAC, TAC Edge, and LTO Edge Zones of the Prince George's County Zoning Ordinance. Consolidated Storage serves a purpose, but does not generate economic activity. As such, Consolidated Storage should not be permitted to be built in areas where the land could be used to better benefit the County and its residents.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Burroughs, seconded by Vice Chair Blegay, that this Council Bill be amended. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye**            10 - Ivey, Oriadha, Hawkins, Harrison, Blegay, Dernoga, Watson, Olson, Fisher and Burroughs

**Absent**            Franklin

**This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Ivey, Dernoga, Blegay, Burroughs, Olson, Oriadha, and Hawkins.**

[ADJ17-23](#)

Draft 1

**ADJOURN**

*THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 4:09 PM.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Harrison, seconded by Council Member Ivey, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by voice vote:**

<b>Aye</b>	10 - Ivey, Oriadha, Hawkins, Harrison, Blegay, Dernoga, Watson, Olson, Fisher and Burroughs
<b>Absent</b>	Franklin

**3:00 PM - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)**

*(SEE SEPARATE AGENDA)*

**\*\*POSTPONED\*\* 6:00 PM - TOWN HALL MEETING - DPIE**

Prepared by:

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Edgar Reese, III, Legislative Reference Aide

Submitted by:

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Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council