

Prince George's County Council Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 11/17/2015
Reference No.: CB-086-2015
Draft No.: 2
Proposer(s): Lehman
Sponsor(s): Lehman, Turner, Franklin, Davis, Glaros, Taveras, Patterson
Item Title: An Act concerning Roads and Sidewalks – Design and Construction Standards for the purpose of incorporating urban street design standards set forth within Plan Prince George’s 2035 for urban centers in Prince George’s County.

Drafter: Karen T. Zvakos, Zoning and Legislative Counsel
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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented:	9/22/2015	Executive Action:	11/25/2015 S
Committee Referral:	9/22/2015 - THE	Effective Date:	1/11/2016

Committee Action: 10/15/2015 - FAV(A)

Date Introduced: 10/20/2015
Public Hearing: 11/17/2015 - 10:00 AM

Council Action (1) 11/17/2015 - ENACTED
Council Votes: DLD:A, MRF:A, DG:A, AH:A, ML:A, OP:A, DT:A, KT:A, TT:A
Pass/Fail: P
Remarks:

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

23-102, 23-146

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Transportation, Housing and Environment Committee

Date 10/15/2015

October 15th , 2015

Committee Vote: Favorable with Amendment, 5-0 (In favor: Council Members Lehman, Turner, Franklin, Glaros and Taveras)

The Legislative Officer provided a summary of the bill and referral comments that were received. CB-86-2015 concerns Roads and Sidewalks – Design and Construction Standards for the purpose of incorporating urban street design standards set forth within Plan Prince George’s 2035 for urban centers in Prince George’s County.

Vic Weissberg, Department of Public Works and Transportation (DPWT), Cheryl Cort, Coalition for Smarter Growth, and Chad Williams, MNCPPC, provided additional information and spoke in support of this legislation.

Amendments were as follows:

1. On page 4, in line 1, insert a new Section 3, as follows:

“SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that, on or before October 1, 2016, the County Executive shall transmit, for approval by Resolution of the County Council, regulations concerning comprehensive road design and construction standards for Regional Transit Districts and Local Centers.”

On Page 4, insert a new Section 4, as follows:

2. “SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the County Council shall establish a Work Group composed of staff from the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and all State and County road-related agencies to assess County regulations, policies, and best practices for purposes of making recommendations concerning implementation of urban design standards for Regional Transit Districts and Local Centers in the County

The Office of Law determined that CB-86-2015 was in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its enactment.

The Office of Audits and Investigation indicated there should not be any negative fiscal impact on the County as a result of enactment CB-86-2015.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

This bill will amend the County Road Code to incorporate the Urban Street Design Standards for urban centers in Prince George’s County for consistency with the policy and principles recommended in the 2014 general plan for approved for the County, Plan Prince George’s 2035.

CODE INDEX TOPICS:

INCLUSION FILES:
