



Prince George's County Council

Wayne K. Curry Administration
Building
1301 McCormick Dr
Largo, MD 20774

Meeting Minutes - Final Sitting as the Committee of the Whole

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

2:00 PM

Council Hearing Room

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ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS:

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Thomas E. Dernoga at 2:45 p.m. with 10 members present at roll call.

Present 10 - Eric Olson
 Ingrid Watson
 Sydney Harrison
 Calvin S. Hawkins
 Mel Franklin
 Krystal Oriadha
 Edward Burroughs
 Wanika Fisher
 Thomas Dernoga
 Wala Blegay

Absent Jolene Ivey

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
Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive
Terry L. Bell, Associate County Attorney, Office of Law
Amanda Denison, Chief Legislative Officer
Nathaniel K. Tutt, III, Director, HHSPS Committee

*Karen Zavakos, Legislative and Zoning Counsel
Leroy Maddox, Jr., Legislative Officer*

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TRANSCRIPT ANALYSIS

**PROPOSED BOWIE-MITCHELLVILLE AND VICINITY SECTIONAL
MAP AMENDMENT (CR-089-2022) (DIGEST OF TESTIMONY)**

Thomas Lester
Project Manager
Community Planning Division, Master Plans and Studies Planning Section,
M-NCPPC

Attachment(s): [BMVSMA -PGCPB Transmittal Sheet \(2nd Work Session\) 08.22.2023](#)
[BMVSMA - Presentation - District Council 2nd Work Session 09-12-2023](#)
[BMVSMA - PGCPB Transmittal Sheet 06.29.2023](#)
[BMVSMA - Transmittal Letter - Planning Board 06.29.2023](#)
[BMVSMA - Staff Analysis of Testimony](#)
[BMVSMA - Staff to PB Memo - Nonconforming Use Zoning Analysis](#)
[BMVSMA - Presentation - District Council Work Session 07-11-2023](#)

Convened at 3:28 p.m. Thomas Lester, Project Manager, Community Planning Division, Long-Range Planning Section, M-NCPPC, provided an overview and comments on the staff report and transcript analysis. Mr. Lester, Mr. Kierre McCune, Planning Supervisor, Master Plans and Studies, Section, Community Planning Division, M-NCPPC, along with Karen Zavakos, Zoning and Legislative Counsel, responded to questions from Council.

A motion was made by Council Member Watson, seconded by Vice Chair Blegay, that this Transcript Analysis be referred for document. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

BRIEFING

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SUBTITLE 25 UPDATE: TREES AND VEGETATION

Megan Reiser, Planner IV, Environmental Planning Section, Countywide Planning Division, M-NCPPC

Attachment(s): [PGCPB Transmittal Sheet 08-31-2023](#)
[HB 723 Forest Preservation and Retention Enrolled](#)
[Subtitle 25 Update Presentation COW Briefing](#)
[09122023](#)

Convened at 4:02 p.m. Chair Dernoga introduced Megan Reiser, Planner IV, Environmental Planning Section, Countywide Planning Division, M-NCPPC, Kim Finch, and Tom Burke, who facilitated a PowerPoint presentation titled, " Overview of Subtitle 25 Update: Trees and Vegetation ". The presentation highlighted the following: Why is an update to this subtitle required; Additional reasons to update Subtitle 25; Overview; Divisions of Subtitle 25; History of the Woodland and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Ordinance; Tree Canopy Cover Ordinance; Forest Replacement Requirements; Stream Buffers; Notification and Public Comment; Written Findings; New Areas of Priority Forest; Judicial Review; Exemptions; Grandfathering; Woodland Banking; Impact of the bills on the County; Important Dates; and Proposed Timeline. The panelists responded to questions from Council.

This Briefing was held.

LEGISLATION

[CR-065-2023](#)

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A RESOLUTION CONCERNING PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN for the purpose of adopting an updated County-wide Hazard Mitigation Plan as required by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to remain eligible for Federal mitigation assistance for natural disasters.

Sponsor(s): Dernoga, Watson, Harrison, Ivey, Olson and Franklin

Attachment(s): [R2023065](#)
[CR-065-2023 Attachment A](#)
[CR-065-2023 Attachment B](#)
[CR-065-2023 Summary](#)
[CR-065-2023 Transmittal](#)

Nathaniel K. Tutt, III, Director, HHSPS Committee, provided an overview of CR-065-2023. Chair Dernoga introduced, Ronnie Gill, Director, Office of Homeland Security, who provided comments on CR-065-2023.

A motion was made by Council Member Hawkins, seconded by Council Member Olson, that this Resolution be Favorably recommended to the County Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[CR-078-2023](#)

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A RESOLUTION CONCERNING COUNTY COUNCIL RULES OF

PROCEDURE for the purpose of amending Rules of Procedure for the County Council.

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

Attachment(s): [R2023078](#)
[CR-078-2023 Summary](#)

Amanda Denison, Chief Legislative Officer, provided an overview of CR-078-2023 and responded to questions.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Blegay, seconded by Council Member Burroughs, that this Resolution be Favorably recommended. The motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Olson, Oriadha, Burroughs, Dernoga and Blegay
Nay: 5 - Watson, Harrison, Hawkins, Franklin and Fisher

Absent: Ivey

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THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 4:23 PM.

A motion was made by Council Member Watson, seconded by Council Member Franklin, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Olson, Watson, Harrison, Hawkins, Franklin, Oriadha, Burroughs, Fisher, Dernoga and Blegay

Absent: Ivey