

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: 10/29/96

Reference No.: CB-102-1996

Proposer: County Executive

Draft No.: 2

Sponsors: Council Members Bailey and Wilson

Item Title: An Act to repeal the Opportunity Housing Program and provide general for the disposition of property previously transferred by the County to the Housing Authority for the Opportunity Housing Program

Drafter: John Shanley
Housing

Resource Personnel: Michael A. Doaks
Housing

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented: 10/8/96

Executive Action: 12/18/96 S

Committee Referral:(1) 10/8/96 THE

Effective Date: 2/3/97

Committee Action:(1) 10/24/96 FAV(A)

Date Introduced: 10/29/96

Pub. Hearing Date: (1) 11/26/96 11:30 AM

Council Action: (1) 12/26/96 Enacted

Council Votes: SD:A, DB:A, JE:A, IG:A, AMc:A, WM:A, RVR:A, AS:A, MW:A

Pass/Fail: P

Remarks: _____

10/8/96 - This bill was on the agenda for introduction; motion was made and seconded to accept CB-102-1996 as Bill Eligible for First Reading/Presentation.

TRANSPORTATION HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE DATE: 10/24/96

Committee Vote: Favorable as amended, 4-0 (In favor: Council members Bailey, Estepp, Russell, Scott).

CB-102-1996 amends Subtitle 13 of the County Code to repeal the Opportunity Housing Program. Section 13-248 is amended to delete the definition of "Nonprofit Housing Organization". Sections 13-258 (Certification) 13-259 (Site Selection) and 13-260 (Regulations) are deleted in their entirety.

Under the existing program, non-profit organizations develop affordable housing on surplus property owned by the Housing Authority. Michael Doaks, Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development, indicated that the Opportunity Housing program is no longer needed due to the existing supply of affordable housing and the current administration's policy shift towards providing financial assistance for homeownership opportunities.

All properties owned by the Housing Authority for this program will be eligible for sale or development resulting in a use that will improve the quality of the community. All proceeds from the sale of such properties will be deposited in the CHOICE fund. Technical amendments proposed by staff were accepted.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT

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

This legislation will provide us the ability to create mixed-income communities and improve the quality of housing that can be constructed.

CODE INDEX TOPICS:

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