
Reference No: CB-41-1990

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Draft No: 1

Prince George's

Meeting Date: 6/26/90

County Council

Requestor: CO. EXEC.

Item Title: To provide for the biennial renewal of

burglar and holdup alarm users licenses

Sponsors B CA P C WI M

Date Presented 4/24/90 Executive Action 7/12/90 Committee Referral(1) 4/24/90 F&P Effective Date 8/27/90

Committee Action (1) 5/23/90 FAV

Date Introduced 6/5/90

Pub. Hearing Date (1) 6/26/90 11:00 AM

Council Action (1) 6/26/90 Enacted

Council Votes B: A, CA: A, C: A, CI: -, MC: A, M: A,

P_: -_, W_: A_, WI: A_, __: __, __: __, __: __

Pass/Fail P

Remarks _____

John L. Brunner, Chief **Resource** James H. Osborne,

Drafter: License Office, DER Personnel: Deputy Chief, Property

Stds. Division, DER

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

FISCAL AND PLANNING COMMITTEE DATE: 5/23/90

Committee Vote: Favorable, 4-0 (In favor: Council Members Castaldi,

Mills, Wilson and Wineland)

This legislation will amend the County Code provisions relating to the burgular and holdup alarm user's license program. It will allow the licenses to be renewed on a biennial basis, and would substantially reduce the time required to administer the licensing program. In addition, the enactment of this legislation will eliminate the need to hire additional staff or increase fees to administer the program. The Alarm User Permit Fees will be increased from \$15 to \$30 for a nonrefundable permit fee for the first two years.

The Office of Law has reviewed the legislation and find it to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption.

The fiscal impact on the County as a result of adopting CB-41-1990 should be positive to the extent that County personnel resources will be more efficiently utilized.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT (Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

The annual processing of applications and renewals, the issuing of alarm stickers and licenses, and the mailing of renewal notices are labor intensive and costly to both the County government and the licensees. This bill provides for a biennial license renewal rather than an annual renewal. The biennial license renewal will facilitate a more efficient program which has had an almost 50% work load increase in the last three fiscal years and negate a request for additional personnel and a fee increase to support the function.