

Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 4/13/2021 **Effective Date:**

Reference No.: CB-026-2021 Chapter Number:

Draft No.: 1 Public Hearing Date:

Proposer(s): Anderson-Walker **Sponsor(s):** Anderson-Walker

Item Title: AN ACT CONCERNING UNIVERSAL DESIGN AND VISITABILITY

DESIGN FOR HOUSING for the purpose of ensuring safe, sustainable and

inclusive-living dwelling unit options for all county residents regardless of ability, functionality, stature, age, or stability, to ensure a safe, sustainable, universally designed environment and eliminate or reduce the need for grants and costly loans to

renovate and/or retrofit dwelling units for future housing development.

Drafter: Monica Best-James, Esq. Legislative Officer

Resource Personnel: Hugo Canto Policy Analyst

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:	
03/23/2021	County Council	presented and referred	COW	
	Action Text:			

This Council Bill was presented Council Member Anderson-Walker and referred to the Sitting as the Committee of the Whole.

04/13/2021 COW Held in Committee

Action Text:

A motion was made by Member Glaros, seconded by Member Davis, that this Council Bill be Held in Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 Hawkins, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Streeter,

Taveras and Turner

Nay: 2 Anderson-Walker and Ivey

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

The legislation promotes future housing construction in Prince George's County that will comply with design and visitability concepts that will ensure that residents are safe, protected and that future housing is affordable. The concepts will be appropriate for people of all type of abilities. The bill explains that the County has a legitimate interest in requiring that new homes include design concepts that will accommodate the growing number of disabled and mobility challenged populations of all age groups.

Document(s): B2021026, CB-026-2021 AIS, CB-026-2021 Planning Board Votes Letter and Analyses, CB-026-2021 Fiscal & Policy Note, CB-26-2021 OOL Comments