



Prince George's County Council

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Meeting Minutes - Draft County Council

Krystal Oriadha, Chair, District 7
Eric C. Olson, Vice Chair, District 3
Shayla D. Adams-Stafford, District 5
Wala Blegay, At-Large
Edward P. Burroughs III, District 8
Thomas E. Dernoga, District 1
Wanika Fisher, District 2
Sydney J. Harrison, District 9
Danielle I. Hunter, District 6
Jolene Ivey, At-Large
Vacant - District 4 (effective 01/16/2026)

David Murray, Council Administrator

Friday, January 23, 2026

4:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

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SPECIAL MEETING

4:00 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER - (VIRTUAL MEETING)

The virtual meeting was convened by Chair Krystal Oriadha at 4:03 p.m. with 8 members present at roll call. Council Member Adams-Stafford arrived at 4:05 p.m. Council Member Harrison arrived at 4:15 p.m. (Vacant - District 4 (effective: 01/16/2026)).

Remote: 10 - Chair Krystal Oriadha
Vice Chair Eric Olson
Council Member Shayla Adams-Stafford
Council Member Wala Blegay
Council Member Edward Burroughs
Council Member Thomas Dernoga
Council Member Wanika Fisher
Council Member Sydney Harrison
Council Member Jolene Ivey
Council Member Danielle Hunter

Also present:

David Murray, Council Administrator
Colette Gresham, Deputy Council Administrator
Karen Zavakos, Associate Council Administrator
Donna Brown, Clerk of the Council
Leonard Moses, Deputy Clerk of the Council
James Walker-Bey, Associate Clerk of the Council
Edgar L. Reese, Legislative Reference Aide
Kenneth Battle, Director, TIEE Committee
Kathy Canning, Legislative Attorney
Jabari Cooper, Legislative Officer

MOMENT OF SILENCE

The Chair announced a moment of silence.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Hunter.

REQUESTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

Kristen Weaver, Mayor Pro Tem, Greenbelt City Council addressed the Council.

BUSINESS MEETING**1. BRIEFINGS**[BR 01232026](#)

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DISTRICT 4 COUNTY COUNCIL VACANCY - INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

The District 4 County Council office is vacant, effective January 16, 2026, due to the resignation of the incumbent. Pursuant to County Code Section 2-104(j), “When there is a vacancy in the office of a Council Member that occurs during the last year of a term, a majority of the remaining members of the Council shall appoint a qualified person to fill the vacancy within thirty (30) calendar days.”

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: Individuals must be a resident of Prince George's County and have been a qualified voter of their respective Council district for at least one year.

The County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, will hold the following informational briefing for the public to hear from those under consideration by the Council.

The briefing convened at 4:08 p.m. Chair Oriadha introduced David Murray, Council Administrator, who provided an overview of the District 4 Council Vacancy status and informational briefing. Timothy J. Adams, Juliet Agocha, Ashlee E. Burks, Cameron Davis, Dominic Henry, Emmett V. Jordan and Preston W. Thomas III expressed their interest in the District 4 Council vacancy and presented their qualifications. The briefing concluded at 4:24 p.m.

This Briefing was held.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

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A motion was made by Council Member Fisher, seconded by Council Member Blegay, that this additions package be accepted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 10 - Oriadha, Olson, Adams-Stafford, Blegay, Burroughs, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Ivey and Hunter

2. PROPOSED CORRESPONDENCE/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

LTR 01232026

Draft 1

Proposed letter to the Honorable Ron Watson, Acting Chair, Prince George's County Senate Delegation, and the Honorable Nicole Williams, Chair, Prince George's County House Delegation, transmitting the position of the Prince George's County Council on Delegation Bills.

Attachment(s): Delegation Bills

Jabari Cooper, Legislative Officer, provided an overview of the Delegation Bills letter.

A motion was made by Council Member Dernoga, seconded by Council Member Ivey, that this Agenda Letter be authorized for Chair's signature. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 10 - Oriadha, Olson, Adams-Stafford, Blegay, Burroughs, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Ivey and Hunter

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RECESS

THE MEETING WAS RECESSED AT 4:29 PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (VIRTUAL)

EX 01232026

Draft 1

Motion to convene in Executive Session pursuant to Section 3-305(b)(1)(i), General Provisions Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, in order to discuss the appointment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of an appointee, employee, or official over whom it has jurisdiction, specifically to discuss the appointment to fill a Council vacancy pursuant to Section 309 of the County Charter.

The Chair read the following closing statement/motion to convene in executive session: "Motion to convene in Executive Session pursuant to Section 3-305(b)(1)(i), General Provisions Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, in order to discuss the appointment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of an appointee, employee, or official over whom it has

jurisdiction, specifically to discuss the appointment to fill a Council vacancy pursuant to Section 309 of the County Charter.” The Executive Session was held.

On 1/23/2026, a motion was made by Council Member Dernoga, seconded by Council Member Blegay, to convene into Executive Session. The motion carried by the following vote: Aye: 10, Oriadha, Olson, Adams-Stafford, Blegay, Burroughs, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Ivey and Hunter

Date of Executive Session: January 23, 2026

Beginning time: 4:32 pm

Ending time: 4:36 pm

Location: Virtual

Members present:

Chair Oriadha, Vice Chair Olson, CM Dernoga, CM Fisher, CM Adams-Stafford, CM Burroughs, CM Harrison, CM Blegay and CM Ivey

Others Present:

David Murray, Colette Gresham, Karen Zvakos, Donna Brown, Kathy Canning, and Josh Hamlin

Items discussed:

-In order to discuss the appointment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of an appointee, employee, or official over whom it has jurisdiction, specifically to discuss the appointment to fill a Council vacancy pursuant to Section 309 of the County Charter.

Motion to adjourn by Council Member Dernoga; seconded by Council Member Fisher.

A motion was made by Council Member Dernoga, seconded by Council Member Blegay, that this meeting be convened into Executive Session.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 10 - Oriadha, Olson, Adams-Stafford, Blegay, Burroughs, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Ivey and Hunter

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THE MEETING WAS RECONVENED AT 4:38 PM.

3. APPOINTMENT

APPT-5-26

Draft 1

Appointment of Council Member to Represent Fourth Councilmanic District:

The Council appointed Timothy J. Adams as Council Member for Council District 4.

A motion was made by Council Member Burroughs, seconded by Council Member Blegay, to confirm the Appointment of Timothy J. Adams as Council Member, District 4. The motion carried by the following vote:

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| Aye | 9 - Oriadha, Olson, Adams-Stafford, Blegay, Burroughs, Dernoga, Fisher, Ivey and Hunter |
| Abstain | 1 - Harrison |

BRIEFINGS (Continued)

BR 01232026b

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DPW&T SNOW & ICE CONTROL PLAN

Michael D. Johnson, Director, DPW&T
Oluseyi A. Olugbenle, Deputy Director, DPW&T
Stacey L. Smalls, Deputy Director, DPW&T

Attachment(s): Project ELEVATE DPWT 2026 Snow Presentation
CC 01-23-2026

The briefing convened at 4:42 p.m. Council Chair Oriadha introduced Michael Johnson, Director, DPW&T, who introduced Stacey Smalls, Deputy Director, DPW&T, and Oluseyi Olugbenle, Deputy Director, DPW&T. The participants facilitated a Powerpoint presentation titled, "Department of Public Works and Transportation Elevating The Snow & Ice Program". The presentation highlighted the following: Winter Storm Fern Agency Response; Winter Storm Fern Forecast; Agency Formation; Elevating Last Year's Concerns; Snow Operations Timeline; Snow Operations: Organizational Chart; Snow Operations: Snow Maps; What Council areas do Snow Districts cover; Pre-Storm Monitoring; Snow Operation Levels, Roadway Priority, & Shifts; DPW&T and Homeland Security's Role; Decisions Will Be Driven By Environmental Conditions; Technology: Performance Tracking; Elevated Snow Strategy: New 311 Snow Team; Elevated Snow Strategy: Improved 311 Response; Elevated Snow Strategy: Communications; Council Engagement & Managing Expectations; and One County United: Communicating Expectations. The participants responded to questions and the briefing

concluded at 5:30 p.m.

This Briefing was held.

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ADJOURN

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 5:33 PM.

A motion was made by Council Member Dernoga, seconded by Council Member Ivey, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Aye 10 - Oriadha, Olson, Adams-Stafford, Blegay, Burroughs,
Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Ivey and Hunter

Prepared by:

Edgar L. Reese, III, Legislative Reference Aide

Submitted by:

Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council