



Prince George's County Council

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Meeting Minutes - Draft County Council

Calvin S. Hawkins, II, Chair, At-Large
Monique Anderson-Walker, District 8
Derrick Leon Davis, District 6
Thomas E. Dernoga, District 1
Mel Franklin, At-Large
Dannielle M. Glaros, District 3
Sydney J. Harrison, District 9
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Rodney C. Streeter, District 7
Deni L. Taveras, Vice Chair, District 2
Todd M. Turner, District 4

Robert J. Williams, Jr., Council Administrator

Thursday, May 27, 2021

11:00 AM

(VIRTUAL MEETING)

11:00 A.M. - CALL TO ORDER - (VIRTUAL MEETING)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Calvin S. Hawkins, II at 11:01 a.m. with eleven members present at roll call.

Present: 11 - Chair Calvin S. Hawkins
Council Member Monique Anderson-Walker
Council Member Derrick Davis
Council Member Thomas Dernoga
Council Member Mel Franklin
Council Member Dannielle Glaros
Council Member Sydney Harrison
Council Member Jolene Ivey
Council Member Rodney Streeter
Council Member Deni Taveras
Council Member Todd Turner

Also present:

Robert J. Williams, Jr., Council Administrator

William M. Hunt, Deputy Council Administrator
Colette Gresham, Associate Council Administrator
Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council
David Van Dyke, County Auditor
Turkessa Green, Deputy County Auditor
Theresa D. Myers, Legislative Assistant
Leonard D. Moses, Zoning Assistant
Terry L. Bell, Council Liaison
Amanda Denison, Associate County Attorney
Joe Ruddy, Office of Law
Monica B. James, Legislative Officer
J. Kenneth Battle, TIEE Committee Director
Karen Zavakos, Legislative & Zoning Counsel
Jackie Brown, PHED Committee Director
Dinora Hernandez, Legislative Officer
Howard Stone, GOFP Committee Director
Karen Zavakos, Legislative & Zoning Counsel
Jackie Brown, PHED Committee Director
Kathy Canning, Legislative Officer
Sandra Eubanks, EWD Committee Director
Leroy Maddox, Jr., Legislative Officer
Nathaniel Tutt, III, HHSPS Committee Director
Donna Whitman, Legislative Officer
James Walker Bey, Zoning Reference Aide

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Chair Hawkins took a Point of Personal Privilege to extend deepest sympathies to the family of Milton V. Peterson, founder and Chairman of Peterson Companies in his passing.

INVOCATION:

The Invocation was provided by Reverend Charles McNeill, Jr., Senior Pastor, Unity Baptist Church, Washington, D.C.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Chair Deni L. Taveras.

DESIGNATION OF MAY 27, 2021 AS LEGISLATIVE DAY NO. 17**1. ADOPTION OF WSSC, WSTC, REVENUE AUTHORITY AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BUDGETS**[CR-056-2021](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS OF THE WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION AND THE RECOMMENDATION OF WATER AND SEWER RATES AND AD VALOREM TAX LEVIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 for the purpose of adopting the Fiscal Year 2022 Operating and Capital Budgets of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission and the recommended Water and Sewer Rates and Ad Valorem Tax Levies for Fiscal Year 2022.

Sponsor(s): Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

Attachment(s): [R2021056](#)
[CR-056-2021 Appendix C](#)
[CR-056-2021 Appendix D](#)
[CR-056-2020 Appendix E](#)
[CR-056-2021 AIS](#)

Section 17-202 of the Public Utilities Article, of the Annotated Code of Maryland, requires the joint approval of the Prince George's County and Montgomery County Councils for changes to the submitted WSSC operating and capital budgets. This resolution recommends that WSSC adopt a 5.9% rate increase in water and sewer rates. The joint approval of both Councils is required to increase operating expenditures above the amount approved for Fiscal Year 2022. Any changes to the Operating or Capital Budget categories, which exceed the approved categories by 5% or greater, require prior Council approval. For changes below the 5% limit, the Commission may authorize the transfer of funds between categories.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Hawkins, Taveras, Harrison, Glaros, Ivey, Turner, Franklin, Dernoga, Davis, Streeter and Anderson-Walker.

A motion was made by Council Member Taveras, seconded by Council Member Davis, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 11 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

[CR-057-2021](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION FISCAL YEARS 2022-2027 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM AND FISCAL YEAR 2022 CAPITAL BUDGET FOR PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY FOR WATER AND SEWERAGE for the purpose of adopting with amendments the WSSC Fiscal Years 2022-2027 Capital Improvements Program and Fiscal Year 2022 Capital Budget for Water and Sewerage.

Sponsor(s): Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

Attachment(s): [R2021057](#)
[CR-057-2021 Appendix A & B](#)
[CR-057-2021 AIS](#)

The WSSC Fiscal Years 2022-2027 Capital Improvements Program contains projects totaling \$3.9 billion. The Fiscal Year 2022 Capital Budget totals \$703.7 million.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Hawkins, Taveras, Harrison, Anderson-Walker, Glaros, Ivey, Turner, Streeter, Davis, Dernoga and Franklin.

A motion was made by Council Member Turner, seconded by Council Member Taveras, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 11 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

[CR-058-2021](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 WASHINGTON SUBURBAN TRANSIT COMMISSION BUDGET AND TAX RATES for the purpose of approving the Washington Suburban Transit Commission's administration of the County's Fiscal Year 2022 Mass Transit Plan; approving the levy of property tax rates necessary to support the expenses and obligations of the Commission including County mass transit operations; and approving the Commission's administrative budget.

Sponsor(s): Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

Attachment(s): [R2021058](#)
[CR-058-2021 AIS](#)

This resolution provides for certifying the dedicated property tax rates for

transit activities by the Washington Suburban Transit Commission (“WSTC”), approving the levy of property tax rates necessary to support the expenses and obligations of the Commission, approving the budget for the County's Mass Transit Plan, and formally approving the WSTC's administrative budget, as approved in the Prince George's - Montgomery Bi-County Council meeting of May 13, 2021. The tax levy of two and six tenths cents (\$0.026) per \$100 of assessed valuation of real property and six and one-half cents (\$0.065) per \$100 of assessed valuation of personal property and operating real property is the County's share of the total WSTC budget of \$307,318,330. The County's share of the Approved FY 22 WSTC Administrative Budget is \$119,041.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Hawkins, Taveras, Anderson-Walker, Ivey, Glaros, Harrison, Turner, Streeter, Franklin, Dernoga and Davis.

A motion was made by Council Member Harrison, seconded by Council Member Streeter, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 11 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

[CR-059-2021](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE REVENUE AUTHORITY OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2022 OPERATING BUDGET AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM for the purpose of approving the Capital Improvement Program of the Revenue Authority of Prince George's County for Fiscal Years 2022-2027, prepared pursuant to the authority contained in Subtitle 21A of the Prince George's County Code and providing comments on the proposed Operating Budget of the Authority for Fiscal Year 2022.

Sponsor(s): Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

Attachment(s): [R2021059](#)
[CR-059-2021 Attachment 1](#)
[CR-059-2021 Attachment 2](#)
[CR-059-2021 AIS](#)

In Fiscal Year 2022, the Revenue Authority's capital expenditures authorized is \$67,075,000. This resolution approves the proposed Operating and Capital Improvement Program Budget for the Revenue Authority. The Revenue Authority is required to submit its proposed Operating Budget to the Council for comments. This resolution states the Council's concurrence with the FY 2022 Operating Budget of \$35,565,200 and the Capital Improvement Program Budget for FY 2022-2027.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Hawkins, Taveras, Harrison, Glaros, Ivey, Turner, Streeter, Franklin, Davis, Dernoga and Anderson-Walker.

A motion was made by Council Member Franklin, seconded by Council Member Davis, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 11 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

[CR-060-2021](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2022 OPERATING BUDGET AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

for the purpose of approving the Capital Improvement Program of the Redevelopment Authority of Prince George's County for Fiscal Years 2022-2027; prepared pursuant to the authority contained in Subtitle 15B of the Prince George's County Code; and providing comments on the proposed Operating Budget of the Redevelopment Authority for Fiscal Year 2022.

Sponsor(s): Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

Attachment(s): [R2021060](#)
[CR-060-2021 Attachment 1](#)
[CR-060-2021 Attachment 2](#)
[CR-060-2021 AIS](#)

The Redevelopment Authority is proposing a six-year Capital Improvement Program. This Resolution approves the proposed Fiscal Year 2022 Capital Budget in the amount of \$18,414,000 for five projects. The Redevelopment Authority is required to submit its proposed Operating Budget to the County Council for comments. This resolution states the Council's concurrence on the Authority's proposed FY 2022 Capital Budget of \$18,414,000, and an Operating Budget of approximately \$673,500.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Hawkins, Taveras, Anderson-Walker, Ivey, Glaros, Harrison, Turner, Streeter, Franklin, Dernoga and Davis.

A motion was made by Chair Hawkins that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 11 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

2. ADOPTION OF THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY PORTION OF THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION BUDGET AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS AND LEVYING TAXES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 FOR THE M-NCPPC

[CB-034-2021](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION for the purpose of approving the Prince George's County portion of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission budget and making appropriations and levying certain taxes for Fiscal Year 2022 for the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, pursuant to the provisions of the Land Use Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended ("Land Use Article").

Sponsor(s): Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

Attachment(s): [B2021034](#)
[CB-034-2021 Appendix A](#)
[CB-034-2021 Appendix B](#)
[CB-034-2021 AIS](#)
[CB-034-2021 Background Information](#)

This bill adopts the M-NCPPC's operating and capital budgets for Prince George's County for Fiscal Year 2022, and establishes the tax rates. The total tax rate is proposed at 29.40 cents per \$100 of assessed value of real property and 73.50 cents per \$100 of assessed value of personal property.

This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Hawkins, Taveras, Anderson-Walker, Glaros, Ivey, Harrison, Turner, Streeter, Franklin, Dernoga and Davis.

A motion was made by Council Member Taveras, seconded by Council Member Anderson-Walker, that the County Council Rules of Procedure be suspended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 11 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

A motion was made by Council Member Harrison, seconded by Council Member Turner, that this Council Bill be enacted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 11 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

3. ADOPTION OF THE COUNTY CURRENT EXPENSE BUDGET, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, CAPITAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022

CB-035-2021

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING FISCAL YEAR 2022 APPROPRIATIONS for the purpose of making appropriations for the support of the County government and for the Prince George's Community College and for the schools, institutions, departments, offices, boards, commissions, and agencies of Prince George's County, and for other purposes, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022; adopting the current expense budget, the capital improvement program, and the capital budget prepared according to the Charter of Prince George's County and submitted by the County Executive to the County Council; appropriating the items of expense in said current expense budget; establishing rates of reimbursement for subsistence expenses for employees of the County; providing for the inclusion of all State, Federal and private grants received subsequent to adoption of the current expense budget; imposing the applicable income and special area tax rates under the public general laws and public local laws of Maryland; all to be known as the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of Prince George's County for Fiscal Year 2022.

Sponsor(s): Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

Attachment(s): [B2021035](#)
[CB-035-2021 Exhibit 1](#)
[CB-035-2021 Exhibit 2](#)
[CB-035-2021 Exhibit 3](#)
[CB-035-2021 Exhibit 4](#)
[CB-035-2021 Exhibit 4A](#)
[CB-035-2021 Exhibit 4B](#)
[CB-035-2021 Exhibit 5](#)
[CB-035-2021 Exhibit 6](#)
[CB-035-2021 Exhibit 7](#)
[CB-035-2021 AIS](#)

This bill adopts the County's current expense budget and capital budget for the fiscal year 2022. It adopts an appropriation amount for the County's General Fund portion of the budget of \$3.794 billion, which is \$80.2 million, or 2.2% over the approved FY 2021 budget of \$3.714 billion. Overall, 65.9% of all General Funds are appropriated for Education (Board of Education, Community College and Memorial Library), while Public Safety receives 19.7% of available funds. Of the remaining 14.4% of County General Funds, 9.3% goes to pay for fixed charges and debt service, leaving

5.1% for Human Services, Public Works, Environment and General Government. The budget also establishes appropriation authority for all operating funds, including grants, Internal Service funds, Enterprise funds and Special Revenue funds that, when combined with the General Fund, totals \$4.56 billion.

This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Hawkins, Taveras, Anderson-Walker, Ivey, Glaros, Harrison, Turner, Streeter, Franklin, Dernoga and Davis.

A motion was made by Council Member Anderson-Walker, seconded by Council Member Taveras, that the County Council Rules of Procedure be suspended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 11 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

A motion was made by Council Member Taveras, seconded by Council Member Turner, that this Council Bill be enacted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 11 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

4. PROPOSED CORRESPONDENCE/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

[LTR 05272021](#)

Draft 1

Proposed letter to the Honorable Dr. Juanita Miller, Chair, Prince George's County Board of Education, transmitting the Fiscal Year 2022 Operating Budget.

Sponsor(s): Hawkins

Attachment(s): [FY 2022 BOE Budget Letter](#)
[BOE Budget Letter Attachment 1](#)
[FY 2022 BOE Budget AIS](#)

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

Aye 11 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

5. INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

[CR-061-2021](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION for the purpose of modifying the System Development Charge (SDC) to help finance the capital costs of expanding and augmenting water and sewage systems to accommodate service to subscribers in the Washington Suburban Sanitary District (WSSD) and to provide a financing mechanism to aid the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (Commission) in paying for the capital projects thereof by providing methods and procedures by which the SDC is to be implemented and/or collected.

Sponsor(s): Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

Attachment(s): [R2021061](#)
[CR-061-2021 Appendix F](#)
[CR-061-2021 AIS](#)

Section 25-402 of the Public Utilities Article of the Maryland Annotated Code authorizes the imposition of a System Development Charge (SDC) fee, and Section 25-403 provides that Montgomery and Prince George's County Councils shall meet annually to discuss and approve the SDC fee. The Councils met on May 13, 2021 and agreed to increase the SDC maximum allowable ceiling by a percentage equal to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the prior calendar year. The CPI for November 2019 to November 2020 increased by 1.6%. The Commission is not increasing the SDC fee. The fee has not changed since FY 2000 (July 1999). This action provides the Commission with the flexibility in future fiscal years to increase the base System Development Charge for water supply fixtures with an assigned fixture value of 1 from \$88.00 to a maximum of \$134.00, and the base System Development Charge for a sewage drainage fixture with an assigned drainage fixture unit value of 1 from \$115.00 to a maximum of \$175.00.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Hawkins, Taveras, Harrison, Streeter, Turner, Franklin, Dernoga, Davis, Anderson-Walker, Glaros and Ivey.

A motion was made by Council Member Davis, seconded by Council Member Streeter, that the County Council Rules of Procedure be suspended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 11 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

A motion was made by Council Member Turner, seconded by Council

Member Taveras, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 11 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Chair Hawkins spoke to the budget as adopted by the Council. He expressed a gratitude to each of his colleagues on the Council. He thanked the County Executive and applauded the Council's Administrative staff and various staff from the Office of the County Executive, Office of Management and Budget and the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission. Vice Chair Taveras also expressed her appreciation for all the hard work by staff through the entire budget process.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Council Member Harrison, seconded by Council Member Franklin, the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

Prepared by:

Theresa D. Myers, Legislative Assistant

Submitted by:

Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council