



Prince George's County Council

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Meeting Minutes - Final County Council

Jolene Ivey, Chair, District 5
Sydney J. Harrison, Vice Chair, District 9
Wala Blegay, District 6
Edward P. Burroughs, III, District 8
Thomas E. Dernoga, District 1
Wanika Fisher, District 2
Mel Franklin, At-Large
Calvin S. Hawkins, II, At-Large
Eric C. Olson, District 3
Krystal Oriadha, District 7
Ingrid S. Watson, District 4

Jennifer A. Jenkins, Council Administrator

Tuesday, May 28, 2024

10:00 AM

Council Hearing Room

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9:30 A.M. - AGENDA BRIEFING - (ROOM 2027)

10:00 A.M. - CALL TO ORDER - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Jolene Ivey at 10:13 a.m. with 11 members present at roll call. Council Member Franklin participated remotely and on camera.

Present: 10 - Chair Jolene Ivey
Vice Chair Sydney Harrison
Council Member Thomas Dernoga
Council Member Wala Blegay
Council Member Edward Burroughs
Council Member Wanika Fisher
Council Member Calvin S. Hawkins
Council Member Eric Olson
Council Member Krystal Oriadha
Council Member Ingrid Watson

Remote: 1 - Council Member Mel Franklin

Also present:

Jennifer Jenkins, Council Administrator
Colette Gresham, Deputy Council Administrator
Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council
Leonard Moses, Deputy Clerk of the Council
James Walker-Bey, Associate Clerk of the Council
Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive
Terry Bell, Associate County Attorney, Office of Law
Leroy Maddox, Jr., Legislative Attorney

INVOCATION:

The Invocation was provided by Rev. Dr. Anita Naves, Pastor ,Global Faith Ministries, and Founder of Combat Boots for Black Justice. Council Member Fisher requested prayer for the Asian American and Pacific Islander communities in the county in light of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month. Council Member Fisher also requested prayer for the birthday of her dear friend, Delegate Jheanelle K. Wilkins, Chair of the Legislative Black Caucus of Maryland. Council Member Oriadha requested prayer for John Phipps, a county resident who was recently killed in a shooting in District 7. Council Chair Ivey requested prayer for all those who have lost a loved one in the line of duty in light of Memorial Day.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Watson.

REQUESTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

There were no requests to address the Council.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Council Chair Ivey recognized Council Member Olson for a Point of Personal Privilege. Council Member Olson provided comments regarding the food distribution in Riverdale Park he and Council Member Fisher, along with their staffs, participated in to provide food to those suffering from food insecurity as part of "World Hunger Day". Council Members Olson and Fisher then presented a proclamation recognizing "World Hunger Day".

BUSINESS MEETING**1. CONSENT AGENDA****(a) Approval of County Council Minutes**

[MIN 05072024a](#)

County Council Minutes dated May 7, 2024

Draft 1

Attachment(s): [05072024a](#)

These Minutes were approved.

[MIN 05072024b](#)

County Council Minutes dated May 7, 2024 6PM PH

Draft 1

Attachment(s): [05072024b](#)

These Minutes were approved.

CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

[MIN 05092024](#)

County Council Minutes dated May 9, 2024

Draft 1

Attachment(s): [05092024](#)

These Minutes were approved.

[MIN 05232024](#)

County Council Minutes dated May 23, 2024

Draft 1

Attachment(s): [05232024](#)

These Minutes were approved.

(b) First Reading of Bills (Presentation)

[CB-046-2024](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING REFUSE COLLECTION - CONTAINER LOCKS for the purpose of providing that every approved commercially available type of container, including dumpsters, shall have a lock to secure the trash and control any overflow before it is properly dumped, pursuant to the terms of this Subdivision; and generally regarding refuse.

Sponsor(s): Oriadha

Attachment(s): [B2024046](#)

[CB-046-2024 Summary](#)

[CB-046-2024 PAFI](#)

[CB-046-2024 OOL Comments](#)

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This Council Bill was presented by Council Member Oriadha and referred to the Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy and Environment Committee.

CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)[CB-047-2024](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRINCE GEORGE'S CARES AND HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT ACT for the purpose of establishing a county-wide health program that provides access to primary care services for all Prince George's County residents who are ineligible for existing healthcare programs.

Sponsor(s): Blegay and Oriadha

Attachment(s): [B2024047](#)

[CB-047-2024 Summary](#)

[CB-047-2024 PAFI Prince Georges Cares Healthcare - Final](#)

This Council Bill was presented by Council Members Blegay and Oriadha and referred to the Health, Human Services and Public Safety Committee.

[CB-048-2024](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING INTERPROJECT TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS IN THE APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2024 CAPITAL BUDGET AND SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATIONS IN THE APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2024 CAPITAL BUDGET for the purpose of transferring appropriations to the Surratts-Clinton Branch Renovation (4.71.0005), Baden Public Library (4.71.0007), and New Glenridge Area Middle School #2 (3.77.0016) projects and providing supplementary appropriations to the Clean Water Partnership NPDES/MS4 (5.54.0018), MS4/NPDES Compliance & Restoration (5.54.0019), Street Lights & Traffic Signals 2 (1.66.0001), Bus Mass Transit/Metro Access 2 (4.66.0006), Green Street Improvements (4.66.0008), Maryland Purple Line (7.66.0001), Addison Road/Capitol Heights Metro Corridor (8.90.0002), County Revitalization (8.90.0004), and Cheverly Development (9.90.0001) projects.

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Harrison, Watson, Olson, Hawkins, Dernoga, Oriadha, Fisher, Franklin and Blegay

Attachment(s): [B2024048](#)

[CB-048-2024 Attachments - Schedules A-Q](#)

[CB-048-2024 PAFI](#)

[CB-048-2024 Summary](#)

[CB-048-2024 Transmittal](#)

This Council Bill was presented by the Chair by the request of the County Executive and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)[CB-049-2024](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING SALES AND USE TAX ON

TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE for the purpose of repealing the requirement that the sales and use tax on telecommunication service be applied in addition to local funding requirements imposed by the State of Maryland for funding from Prince George's County to the Board of Education; and providing for retroactive application of this Act.

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Harrison, Franklin, Watson and Hawkins

Attachment(s): [B2024049](#)

[CB-049-2024 Summary](#)

[CB-049-2024 PAFI](#)

[CB-049-2024 Transmittal](#)

This Council Bill was presented by the Chair by the request of the County Executive and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

[CB-050-2024](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING AMENDMENT OF SECTION 815, CHARTER OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

for the purpose of proposing an amendment to Section 815 of the Charter of Prince George's County to provide that during any fiscal year, no agency of County government may exceed the number of positions for that agency as approved in the operating budget without the prior approval of the Council; and generally regarding staffing level increases.

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Watson, Hawkins, Harrison and Fisher

Attachment(s): [B2024050](#)

[CB-050-2024 Summary](#)

[CB-050-2024 Report](#)

[CB-050-2024 OOL Comment](#)

This Council Bill was presented by Council Chair Ivey and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

[CB-051-2024](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING AMENDMENT OF SECTION 313, CHARTER OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

for the purpose of proposing an amendment to Section 313 of the Charter of Prince George's County to provide for the repeal of the County Auditor's five-year term, with five-year term discretionary renewals, to provide that the County Auditor may be removed for cause by a two-thirds vote of the full Council, and generally regarding the County Auditor.

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Watson and Hawkins

Attachment(s): [B2024051](#)
[CB-051-2024 Summary](#)
[CB-051-2024 Report](#)

This Council Bill was presented by Council Chair Ivey and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

[CB-052-2024](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS, MINOR AND MAJOR SUBDIVISIONS OR RESUBDIVISION APPLICABILITY for the purpose of exempting qualified data centers from filing preliminary plans of subdivision and establishing requirements for public notice and adequate public facilities.

Attachment(s): [B2024052](#)
[CB-052-2024 Summary](#)
[CB-052-2024 Transmittal](#)
[CB-52-2024 - ZHE Memo](#)
[CB-52-2024 Staff Report 6-5-24](#)

This Council Bill was presented by the Chair by the request of the County Executive and referred to the Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee.

(c) Introduction of Resolutions

[CR-047-2024](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE CASSIDY APARTMENTS BOND INDUCEMENT for the purpose of approving the issuance and sale of revenue bonds by the Housing Authority of Prince George's County (the "Housing Authority"), the awarding of Low-Income Housing Tax Credits by the Community Development Administration ("CDA") of the State of Maryland to KCG SSP Capital Heights, LP (the "Owner"), for the acquisition and development of the Cassidy Apartments and paying certain other costs associated therewith (collectively, the "Project").

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Hawkins, Harrison, Fisher, Watson and Blegay

Attachment(s): [R2024047](#)
[CR-047-2024 Attachment A](#)
[CR-047-2024 Summary](#)
[CR-047-2024 Transmittal](#)

The Housing Authority of Prince George's County seeks Council approval of the issuance and sale of revenue bonds by the Housing Authority of Prince

George's County (the "Housing Authority"), the awarding of Low-Income Housing Tax Credits by the Community Development Administration ("CDA") of the State of Maryland to KCG SSP Capital Heights, LP (the "Owner"), for the acquisition and rehabilitation of The Cassidy Apartments and to pay certain other costs associated therewith (collectively, the "Project").

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Ivey, Hawkins, Harrison, Fisher, Watson and Blegay and referred to the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee.

CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

[CR-048-2024](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING FISCAL YEAR 2025 FEDERAL AND STATE TRANSPORTATION GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION for the purpose of authorizing the Director of the Prince George's County Department of Public Works and Transportation (DPW&T) to file applications for Fiscal Year 2025 to include, but not be limited to, those with the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) and its' offices and modal administrations, including the Maryland Transit Administration (MTA), Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) and the Maryland Highway Safety Office (MSHO); the United States Department of Homeland Security (USDHS); the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) and its' offices and modal administrations including the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA); the United States Department of Energy (DOE); the United States Protection Agency (EPA) and Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (MWCOG).

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Hawkins, Dernoga, Olson, Watson, Oriadha, Fisher and Harrison

Attachment(s): [R2024048](#)
[CR-048-2024 Summary](#)
[CR-048-2024 Transmittal](#)
[CR-48-2024 - DPWT - FY 2025 Grants - Final](#)
[CR-048-2024 PAFI Transportation Grant Applications - Final](#)

This Resolution is for the purpose of authorizing the Director of the Prince George's County Department of Public Works and Transportation ("DPW&T") to file applications for Fiscal Year 2025 with the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) and its offices and modal administrations including the Maryland Transit Administration (MTA) and the Maryland Highway Safety Office (MHSO); Maryland State Highway

Administration (SHA); the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (USDHS); the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) and its offices and modal administrations including the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA); the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE); the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (MWCOCG).

Applications for financial assistance under certain grant programs of the aforementioned agencies impose certain obligations upon the applicant. This includes providing a local share of cost for certain projects and requiring the governing body of Prince George's County by Resolution to authorize the filing of grants.

Additionally, the United States Department of Transportation, in accordance with the provisions of the Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, requires an applicant for assistance under the Federal Transit Act to give assurances that it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the United States Department of Transportation requirements thereunder.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Ivey, Hawkins, Dernoga, Olson, Watson, Oriadha, Fisher and Harrison and referred to the Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy and Environment Committee.

CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

[Consent21-24](#)

Draft 1

MOTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this Consent Agenda be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 11 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Burroughs, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

2. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

NO ITEMS CONSIDERED

3. PROPOSED CORRESPONDENCE/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

NO ITEMS CONSIDERED

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS: - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)[APPT-8-24](#)

Draft 1

Appointment of the following individuals to the Fire Commission for Prince George's County:

Ms. Gloria J. Bell

Reappointment: Volunteer Member

Term Expiration: July 1, 2026

Ms. Michelle A. Chandler

Reappointment: Career Member

Term Expiration: July 1, 2026

Ms. Lisa MC Hegwood

Reappointment: Volunteer Member

Term Expiration: July 1, 2026

Mr. Marlon E. Selmon

Reappointment: Resident Member

Term Expiration: July 1, 2026

Mr. Kyle J. Snyder

Reappointment: Volunteer Member

Term Expiration: July 1, 2026

Attachment(s): [Fire Commission Appointment 03-29-2024 Transmittal](#)

[Fire Commission Appointment 03-29-2024 Package](#)

[Fire Commission Appointment 03-29-2024 Report](#)

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 10:29 a.m. Council Member Fisher, Chair, Health, Human Services and Public Safety Committee (HHSPS), provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the HHSPS Committee for the Fire Commission appointments. Miriam Brewer, Appointments Liaison, Office of the County Executive, introduced the appointees and spoke to their credentials and qualifications. There were no speakers signed up for this item. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.

The public hearing for this Appointment was held.

A motion was made by Council Member Olson, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this Appointment be confirmed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 11 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Burroughs, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

5. BRIEFINGS – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

[BR 05282024a](#)

Draft 1

INDIVIDUALS W/DISABILITIES COMMISSION

Veronica Dávila Steele, Chair

The briefing convened at 10:39 a.m. Chair Ivey introduced Veronica Dávila Steele, Chair, Individuals with Disabilities Commission, who introduced her colleagues, Commissioner Joi Bannister and Commissioner Marja Lindsey Reed. The panelists highlighted certain opportunities and concerns related to individuals with disabilities and responded to questions from Council Members.

This Briefing was held.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS/BILLS

[CR-033-2024](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING FISCAL YEAR (“FY”) 2024 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

for the purpose of amending the Prince George’s County Fiscal Year (“FY”) 2024 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development by adding the Bowie Commons project, an eligible activity not originally funded or described in the FY 2024 Annual Action Plan, and the reprogramming and reallocation of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) in HOME Investment Partnerships (“HOME”) Program funds from the FY 2021 Annual Action Plan to support the Bowie Commons project.

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Watson, Harrison, Fisher, Hawkins and Franklin

Attachment(s): [R2024033](#)

[CR-033-2024 Attachment B](#)

[CR-033-2024 Attachment C](#)

[CR-033-2024 Summary](#)

[CR-033-2024 PAFI](#)

[CR-033-2024 Transmittal](#)

[CR-033-2024 Presentation_Bowie Commons - COW](#)

[5-28-24](#)

[CR-33-2024 COW Committee Report](#)

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 10:58 a.m. There

were no speakers signed up for this item. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.

The public hearing for this Resolution was held.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM) (Continued)

[CR-035-2024](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING FISCAL YEAR (“FY”) 2020 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT for the purpose of amending the Prince George’s County Fiscal Year (“FY”) 2020 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development by adding eligible Community Development Block Grant COVID-19 Round 1 (“CDBG-CV1”) and Community Development Block Grant COVID-19 Round 3 (“CDBG-CV3”) Program activities not originally funded or described in the FY 2020 Annual Action Plan, and the reprogramming and reallocation of one million, three hundred seventy nine thousand, seven hundred thirty-four dollars (\$1,379,734) in combined CDBG-CV1 and CDBG-CV3 Program funds from the County FY 2020 Annual Action Plan funds to support the activities.

Sponsor(s): Harrison, Ivey, Watson, Dernoga, Franklin and Hawkins

Attachment(s): [R2024035](#)

[CR-035-2024 \(Attachment A\)](#)

[CR-035-2024 \(Attachment B\)](#)

[CR-035-2024 \(Attachment C\)](#)

[CR-035-2024 Summary](#)

[CR-035-2024 PAFI](#)

[CR-035-2024 Transmittal](#)

[CR-35-2024 COW Committee Report](#)

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 10:59 a.m. There were no speakers signed up for this item. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.

The public hearing for this Resolution was held.

[CB-010-2024](#)

Draft 2

AN ACT CONCERNING MENTAL HEALTH AND FIREARM SAFETY LITERATURE for the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Human Services to prepare and distribute certain literature to establishments that sell firearms or ammunition; adding certain display and distribution requirements for sellers of firearms or ammunition; authorizing enforcement by the Department of Health and Human Services; making a civil violation for noncompliance; and generally relating to public safety.

Sponsor(s): Oriadha, Ivey, Watson, Olson, Fisher, Hawkins, Dernoga and Burroughs

Attachment(s): [B2024010](#)
[CB-010-2024 Summary](#)
[CB-010-2024 Report](#)
[CB-010-2024 PAFI](#)

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 11:00 a.m. Dr. Jeffrey Grant signed up to speak. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.

The public hearing for this Council Bill was held.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM) (Continued)

[CB-007-2024](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING THE REVISED ELDERLY PROPERTY TAX CREDIT for the purpose of revising the current elderly property tax credit to make its applicability exclusive of and separate and distinct from the Homestead and Maryland Homeowner's Property Tax Credit.

Sponsor(s): Burroughs, Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Fisher, Olson, Watson, Blegay, Oriadha, Franklin and Hawkins

Attachment(s): [B2024007](#)
[CB-007-2024 Summary](#)
[CB-007-2024 Report](#)
[CB-007-2024 PAFI](#)
[CR-013-2024 Transmittal](#)

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 11:05 a.m. Robert Samuels, Jeff Schomisch, Sheila Fagan, Rose Hobson, Daisy Cherri Maggette, Melita Yearwood, Margaret White, Catherin Williamson, Kay Miller, Patricia Monroe, Sharon Lawrence, Shirley Rainer, Terry Rumsey, Marietta Brown, John Moore, Jr., Wanda Harrison, Tolorous Holmes, Ronald Davis, Chauna Poufe, Angela Taylor, Lesa Moore, Vanessa Anderson, Mildred Williams, Bernard E. Robinson, and Brenda Mendoza signed up to speak. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.

The public hearing for this Council Bill was held.

BRIEFINGS – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM) (Continued)[BR 05282024b](#)

Draft 1

COUNCIL MEMBER WORKGROUP UPDATES

Council Member Burroughs provided an update on the Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee. Council Member Olson provided an update on the COG Transportation Planning Board. Council Member Fisher provided an updated on the Human Services and Public Safety Policy Committee. Vice Chair Harrison provided an update on the Economic Development Corporation. Council Member Ivey provided an update on Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee.

This Briefing was held.[ADJ51-24](#)

Draft 1

ADJOURN

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 12:15 PM.

A motion was made by Council Member Fisher, seconded by Council Member Olson, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Aye 11 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Burroughs, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

11:30 AM - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

(SEE SEPARATE AGENDA)

1:30 PM - BOARD OF HEALTH

(SEE SEPARATE AGENDA)

Prepared by:

Edgar L. Reese, III, Legislative Reference Aide

Submitted by:

Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council