

AGENDA MINUTES

Tuesday, September 18, 2007

Legislative Day No. 25

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

AGENDA BRIEFING – (ROOM 2027) - *BRIEFING HELD*

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATIONS/COMMENDATIONS – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM) - *Council Chair Camille A. Exum commenced with presentation of Proclamations/Commendations at 9:52 a.m. and concluded at 10:06 a.m.*

Joint Proclamation **recognizing September 18, 2007 as “Car Free Day” in Prince George’s County.** (Council Chair Camille A. Exum, County Executive Representative Marcus Jackson and Council Members David C. Harrington, Tony Knotts, Ingrid M. Turner, Will Campos and Marilyn M. Bland) - **PRESENTED**

Council Chair Camille A. Exum, County Executive Representative Marcus Jackson and Council Members David C. Harrington, Tony Knotts, Ingrid M. Turner, Will Campos and Marilyn M. Bland presented a Joint Proclamation recognizing September 18, 2007 as “Car Free Day” in Prince George’s County.

Joint Proclamation **recognizing October 13, 2007 as “Gorgeous Prince George’s Day” in Prince George’s County.** (Council Chair Camille A. Exum, County Executive Representative Marcus Jackson and Council Members Will Campos, Marilyn M. Bland, Tony Knotts, Ingrid M. Turner and Eric C. Olson) - **PRESENTED**

Council Chair Camille A. Exum, County Executive Representative Marcus Jackson and Council Members Will Campos, Marilyn M. Bland, Tony Knotts, Ingrid M. Turner and Eric C. Olson presented a Joint Proclamation recognizing October 13, 2007 as “Gorgeous Prince George’s Day In Prince George’s County.

Proclamation **presented to Myron “Mighty” Davis recognizing his achievements with the “Prince George’s County Tennis and Education Foundation, Inc.” in Prince George’s County.** (Council Chair Camille A. Exum, Council Vice Chair David C. Harrington and Council Members Tony Knotts, Ingrid M. Turner, Samuel H. Dean, Thomas E. Dernoga, Marilyn M. Bland, Eric C. Olson and Will Campos) - **PRESENTED**

Council Chair Camille A. Exum, Council Vice Chairman David C. Harrington, Council Members Tony Knotts, Ingrid M. Turner, Samuel H. Dean, Thomas E. Dernoga, Marilyn M. Bland, Eric C. Olson and Will Campos presented a Proclamation to Myron “Mighty” Davis recognizing his achievements with the “Prince George’s County Tennis and Education Foundation, Inc.” in Prince George’s County.

Proclamation **presented to the Family of Ms. Regina Williams, recognizing Ms. Williams for her contributions to Rosaryville Elementary School and the community.** (Council Chair Camille A. Exum and Council Members Marilyn M. Bland, David C. Harrington, Will Campos, Ingrid M. Turner, Tony Knotts, Samuel H. Dean, Eric C. Olson, and Thomas E. Dernoga)

- **PRESENTED**

Council Chair Camille A. Exum and Council Members Marilyn M. Bland, David C. Harrington, Will Campos, Ingrid M. Turner, Tony Knotts, Samuel H. Dean, Eric C. Olson and Thomas E. Dernoga presented a Proclamation to the Family of Ms. Regina Williams, recognizing Ms. Williams for her contribution to Rosaryville Elementary School and the community.

Proclamation **recognizing September 15 – October 15, 2007 as “Hispanic Heritage Month” in Prince George’s County.** (Council Chair Camille A. Exum and Council Members Will Campos, David C. Harrington, Ingrid M. Turner, Marilyn M. Bland, Tony Knotts, Samuel H. Dean, Eric C. Olson and Thomas E. Dernoga) - **PRESENTED**

Council Chair Camille A. Exum and Council Members Will Campos, David C. Harrington, Ingrid M. Turner, Marilyn M. Bland, Tony Knotts, Samuel H. Dean, Eric C. Olson and Thomas E. Dernoga presented a Proclamation recognizing September 15 – October 15, 2007 as “Hispanic Heritage Month” in Prince George’s County.

CALL TO ORDER: - Chair Exum called to order at 10:19 a.m. with the following Council Members present:

*Marilynn M. Bland
Will Campos
Samuel H. Dean
Thomas E. Dernoga
Camille A. Exum
David C. Harrington
Tony Knotts
Eric C. Olson
Ingrid M. Turner*

Others Present:

*Craig Price, Council Administrator
Robert J. Williams, Jr., Deputy Council Administrator
Ralph Grutzmacher, Legislative Officer
Collette Gresham, Legislative Officer
Kathy Canning, Associate County Attorney
Russell King, Associate County Attorney
Marcus Jackson, County Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive*

INVOCATION: - *The Invocation was led by Rev. William Tucker, Jr., Senior Pastor, Remnant of Christ Ministries, Temple Hills, Maryland. Council Member Campos requested special prayers for Brother Sebastian, diagnosed with Cancer; Council Member Knotts for Pastor Porter, Ebenezer AME Church, diagnosed with Cancer; Council Member Olson for the family of Damon Whitehead on his passing; Council Member Bland for all persons with Cancer and*

Council Member Exum for the family of Vicki Gilbert on the lost of her husband and mother in law in a fire.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: - *The pledge of allegiance was led by Council Member Bland.*

1. **CONSENT AGENDA -- CB-37-2007 ADDED (SEE PAGE 3); ADOPTED AND ALL ACTIONS APPROVED**

All items listed under the consent agenda have been distributed to each member of the Council for review, are considered to be routine and will be acted upon by motion in the form listed. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

(a) **First Reading of Bills (Presentation)**

CB-36-2007 – AN ACT CONCERNING THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN FOR PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY for the purpose of adding and removing certain job classifications under Salary Schedule A of the collective bargaining agreement by and between the County and Council 67, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (“ASFCME”), AFL-CIO, and its affiliated locals 2462, 2735, 3389 and 1170. - **PRESENTED**

Council Bill 36 was presented by the Chairman at the request of the County Executive and referred to the Public Safety and Fiscal Management (PSFM) Committee.

(b) **Introduction of Resolutions**

CR-64-2007 – A RESOLUTION CONCERNING REVITALIZATION TAX CREDIT – POST PARK for the purpose of establishing that a mid-rise multifamily housing development known as Post Park, located in census tract number 805901 which qualifies for a revitalization or redevelopment tax credit pursuant to Section 10-235.02 of the Prince George’s County Code. - **INTRODUCED**

Council Resolution 64 establishes that the Post Park multifamily housing development, located in census tract number 805901, qualifies for a revitalization/redevelopment tax credit, pursuant to Section 10-235.02 of the Prince George's County Code. Council Resolution 64 was introduced by Council Member Campos and referred to the Public Safety and Fiscal Management (PSFM) Committee.

Council Member Dean moved to accept additional items to the Agenda; seconded by Council Member Turner. The motion carried by voice vote.

2. **CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

No items were considered

3. **PROPOSED CORRESPONDENCE/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER’S REPORT**

No items were considered

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**1. CONSENT AGENDA – (page 2)**

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(a) First Reading of Bills (Presentation)

CB-37-2007 - AN ACT CONCERNING CONTRACT APPROVALS for the purpose of approving the lease of certain improvements by Prince George's County and a memorandum of understanding concerning the renovation of public housing sites. - **PRESENTED**

Council Bill 37 was presented by the Chairman at the request of the County Executive and referred to the Committee of the Whole (COW).

Council Member Dean moved adoption of the Consent Agenda; seconded by Council Member Dernoga. The motion carried by voice vote.

4. RESOLUTIONS ELIGIBLE FOR FINAL READING – (ADOPTION)

CR-58-2007 - A RESOLUTION CONCERNING COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS GENERAL SCHEDULE EMPLOYEES - SALARY SCHEDULE G for the purpose of amending the Salary Plan of the County to reflect pay rates and other modified benefits for General Schedule employees. - **ADOPTED**

Council Member Knotts, Chair, of the Public Safety and Fiscal Management (PSFM) Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee to the Council. Council Resolution 58 amends Salary Schedule G to provide an increase in the minimum wage rate by six percent (6%) and maximum wage rate by seventeen percent (17%), effective July 1, 2007; a cost of living increase of two and one-half percent (2.5%), effective the first full pay period in July 2007; and other modified benefits for General Schedule employees. Council Resolution 58 was introduced by Council Member Exum and was favorably reported out of the Public Safety and Fiscal Management (PSFM) Committee on 09/17/2007. Council Member Dernoga proffered a substitute motion to reject this Council Resolution 58. The motion failed due to lack of a second. Under discussion Council Member Dernoga urged the Council Members to vote no; pointing out the differences between the minimum and maximum in each pay grades. Council Member Campos expressed his concern about the effect of a 'no' vote on the cost-of-living increases for the other county employees. Ralph Grutzmacher, Legislative Officer, and Craig Price, Council Administrator, sought to answer and clarify additional questions and concerns posed by the Council Members. Council Member Dernoga moved adoption of Council Resolution 58; seconded by Council Member Harrington. The motion carried 8-1. (Opposed: Council Member Dernoga).

REQUESTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

No persons wished to address the Council

ADJOURN: - *Council Chair Exum adjourned the meeting at 10:41 a.m.*

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: - **MEETING HELD** (Room 2027)

CB-37-2007 - AN ACT CONCERNING CONTRACT APPROVALS for the purpose of approving the lease of certain improvements by Prince George's County and a memorandum of understanding concerning the renovation of public housing sites.

- **FAVORABLE RECOMMENDATION**

BRIEFING – (ROOM 2027) -- CANCELLED

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION OF DISTRICT COUNCIL ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2007.

HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING – (ROOM 2027) - **COMMITTEE MEETING HELD**

Prepared By:

Submitted By:

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