

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**  
**SITTING AS THE DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**2019 Legislative Session**

Bill No. CB-1-2019

Chapter No. 1

Proposed and Presented by Council Member Turner

Introduced by Council Members Turner, Davis and Glaros

Co-Sponsors \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Introduction February 19, 2019

**ZONING BILL**

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2           Municipal Corporations--Municipal Legislative Authority--Zoning--Fences

3 For the purpose of amending the Zoning Ordinance, in accordance with current provisions of the  
4 Land Use Article applicable to Prince George's County, allowing a municipal legislative body to  
5 enact local ordinances authorizing the erection of fences that exceed height limitations otherwise  
6 prescribed by law, provided that such municipal ordinances are approved by the District Council  
7 in accordance with State and County law.

8 BY repealing and reenacting with amendments:

9                           Section 27-924,

10                           The Zoning Ordinance of Prince George's County, Maryland,

11                           being also

12                           SUBTITLE 27. ZONING.

13                           The Prince George's County Code

14                           (2015 Edition, 2018 Supplement).

15           SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,  
16 Maryland, sitting as the District Council for that part of the Maryland-Washington Regional  
17 District in Prince George's County, Maryland, that Section 27-924 of the Zoning Ordinance of  
18 Prince George's County, Maryland, being also Subtitle 27 of the Prince George's County Code,  
19 be and the same is hereby repealed and reenacted with the following amendments:

20                           **SUBTITLE 27. ZONING.**

**PART 17. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY.**  
**DIVISION 2. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.**

**Sec. 27-924. Powers of Municipalities.**

**(a) General.**

(1) An incorporated municipality may enact an ordinance which sets forth procedural regulations governing any or all of the following: departures from design and landscaping standards, parking and loading standards, sign design standards, and variances for lot size, setback, and similar requirements for land within the corporate boundaries of the municipality, alternative compliance from landscaping requirements, certification, revocation, and revision of nonconforming uses, and minor changes to approved special exceptions.

(2) In exercising authority in a revitalization overlay zone with respect to departures from design and landscaping standards, parking and loading standards, sign design standards, and variances for lot size, setback, and similar requirements, the municipality may not impose any standard or requirement stricter than those standards or requirements set forth in this Subtitle. In all other cases, the municipality may not impose any standard or requirement different from those standards or requirements set forth in this Subtitle.

(3) Notwithstanding any other law, the legislative body of a municipal corporation, by local law, may authorize the erection of a fence that exceeds the height restrictions or limitations otherwise required by State, Regional, or County zoning laws or agencies exercising zoning and planning jurisdiction over the municipal corporation.

(4) The procedural regulations adopted by the municipality shall be set forth in a municipal ordinance.

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1 SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Ordinance shall take effect forty-five  
2 (45) calendar days after its adoption.

Adopted this 26th day of March, 2019.

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COUNTY, MARYLAND, SITTING AS THE  
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THE MARYLAND-WASHINGTON REGIONAL  
DISTRICT IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY,  
MARYLAND

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Todd M. Turner  
Chair

ATTEST:

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Redis C. Floyd  
Clerk of the Council

KEY:

Underscoring indicates language added to existing law.

[Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.

Asterisks \*\*\* indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.