



Prince George's County Council

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Meeting Minutes - Draft County Council

Jolene Ivey, Chair, At-Large
Edward P. Burroughs, III, Vice Chair, District 8
Wala Blegay, District 6
Sydney J. Harrison, District 9
Thomas E. Dernoga, District 1
Wanika Fisher, District 2
Calvin S. Hawkins, II, At-Large
Eric C. Olson, District 3
Krystal Oriadha, District 7
Ingrid S. Watson, District 4
Vacant - District 5 (effective: 12/05/2024)

Jennifer A. Jenkins, Council Administrator

Tuesday, December 10, 2024

10:00 AM

Council Hearing Room

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

SPECIAL MEETING

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

The meeting was convened by Vice-Chair Edward Burroughs, III, at 10:08 a.m. with 7 members present at roll call. (Vacant - District 5 (effective: 12/05/2024)). The Council Administrator announced that Council Chair Ivey and Council Member Hawkins have recused themselves from the proceedings.

Present: 7 - Vice Chair Edward Burroughs
Council Member Wala Blegay
Council Member Thomas Dernoga
Council Member Wanika Fisher
Council Member Eric Olson
Council Member Krystal Oriadha
Council Member Ingrid Watson

Absent: Chair Jolene Ivey
Council Member Sydney Harrison
Council Member Calvin S. Hawkins

Also present:

Jennifer Jenkins, Council Administrator

Karen Zavakos, Associate Council Administrator

Donna Brown, Clerk of the Council

Leonard Moses, Deputy Clerk of the Council

Edgar Reese, III, Legislative Reference Aide

Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive

Rhonda Weaver, County Attorney

INVOCATION / MOMENT OF SILENCE:

Vice Chair Burroughs announced a moment of silence.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Olson.

BUSINESS MEETING

1. CONSENT AGENDA**(a) Introduction of Resolutions****CR-001-2025**

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL A COUNTY EXECUTIVE VACANCY

for the purpose of directing that a special election be held to fill a vacancy in the office of County Executive and to establish the dates for conducting the special primary election, the special election, and the deadline for the certification of candidacy.

Sponsor(s): Ivey

Attachment(s): [R2025001](#)

[CR-001-2025 Summary](#)

[CR-002-2025 State Administrator of Elections -
Special General Date Move Notice 12.20.2024](#)

On December 2, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., County Executive Angela D. Alsobrooks resigned as Prince George's County Executive in light of her election as a United States Senator for Maryland. Section 407 of the County Charter provides that when a vacancy in the office of County Executive occurs within the first two (2) years of a terms, a special election process be conducted in order to select an individual to serve the remainder of that term. Section 2-111.00.01 of the County Code sets forth the procedure for setting the required special primary and special election to fill the vacant office of County Executive. This Resolution sets for the timing of the special primary, special election, and deadline for filing of certificates of candidacy for a County Executive special election, as required by law.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Fisher, Burroughs and Watson and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

CR-002-2025

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL A COUNTY COUNCIL VACANCY

for the purpose of directing that a special election be held to fill a vacancy on the County Council and to establish the dates for conducting the special primary election, the special election, and the deadline for the certification of candidacy.

Sponsor(s): Ivey

Attachment(s): [R2025002](#)

[CR-002-2025 Summary](#)

[CR-002-2025 State Administrator of Elections -
Special General Date Move Notice 12.20.2024](#)

The proposed resolution is required to be adopted within 7 days of the vacancy in office created by the Council Member for the Fifth Council District, Jolene Ivey, being elected to the Office of Council Member At-Large, effective December 5, 2024. The resolution establishes dates for conducting the required special primary election, the special election, and for the certification of candidates.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Fisher, Burroughs, and Watson and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

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MOTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

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

Aye	7 -	Burroughs, Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Olson, Oriadha and Watson
Absent		Ivey, Harrison and Hawkins

2. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

NO ITEMS WERE CONSIDERED

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Draft 1

RECESS

THE MEETING WAS RECESSED AT 10:12 A.M.

A motion was made by Council Member Fisher, seconded by Council Member Dernoga, that this meeting be recessed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye	7 -	Burroughs, Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Olson, Oriadha and Watson
Absent		Ivey, Harrison and Hawkins

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

(SEE SEPARATE AGENDA)

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THE MEETING WAS RECONVENED AT 11:03 A.M.

3. RESOLUTIONS ELIGIBLE FOR FINAL READING – (ADOPTION)**[CR-001-2025](#)**

Draft 1

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Sponsor(s): Ivey

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Karen Zavakos, Associate Council Administrator, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee of the Whole for CR-001-2025.

A motion was made by Council Member Fisher, seconded by Council Member Watson, that a new draft of this Resolution be substituted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Burroughs, Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

Absent Ivey, Harrison and Hawkins

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

Aye 7 - Burroughs, Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

Absent Ivey, Harrison and Hawkins

[CR-002-2025](#)

Draft 1

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Sponsor(s): Ivey

Prepared by:

Edgar L. Reese, III, Legislative Reference Aide

Submitted by:

Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council

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