



# Prince George's County Council

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## Meeting Minutes - Final County Council

*Mel Franklin, District 9, Chairman*  
*Derrick Leon Davis, District 6, Vice Chair*  
*Dannielle M. Glaros, District 3*  
*Andrea C. Harrison, District 5*  
*Mary A. Lehman, District 1*  
*Obie Patterson, District 8*  
*Deni L. Taveras, District 2*  
*Karen R. Toles, District 7*  
*Todd M. Turner, District 4*

*Robert J. Williams, Jr., Council Administrator*

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Tuesday, March 10, 2015

1:30 PM

Council Hearing Room

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**1:00 P.M. - AGENDA BRIEFING - (ROOM 2027)**

**1:30 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)**

*The meeting was called to order at 1:47 p.m. with nine members present at roll call.*

**Present:** 9 - Chairman Mel Franklin  
Vice Chairman Derrick Davis  
Council Member Dannielle Glaros  
Council Member Andrea Harrison  
Council Member Mary Lehman  
Council Member Obie Patterson  
Council Member Deni Taveras  
Council Member Karen Toles  
Council Member Todd Turner

*Also present:*

*Robert J. Williams, Jr. Council Administrator*

*William M. Hunt, Jr., Deputy Council Administrator*

*Redis C. Floyd, Clerk of the Council*

*Donna J. Brown, Deputy Clerk of the Council*

*Nathaniel Tutt, III, County Executive's Office*

*John M. Gwynn, Office of Law*

*Kathleen Canning, Legislative Officer*

*Colette Gresham, Legislative Officer*

*Leroy Maddox, Legislative Officer*

*Karen Zavakos, Legislative Officer*

*Jacqueline Brown, Director, PZED Committee*

*Howard Stone, Interim Director, PSFM Committee*

*Jennifer Jenkins, Council Administration*

#### **INVOCATION:**

*The Invocation was provided by Pastor Wayne Bumbry, Le Detroit Baptist Church, Oxon Hill, Maryland. Council Member Harrison requested prayer for the family of Edward Brook, the first elected African American United States Senator from Massachusetts, in his passing.*

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Glaros.*

#### **DESIGNATION OF MARCH 10, 2015 AS LEGISLATIVE DAY NO. 8**

*Chairman Franklin designated Legislative Day number eight.*

#### **1. CONSENT AGENDA**

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Davis, seconded by Council Member Harrison, that the Consent Agenda be adopted and all actions approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Franklin, Davis, Glaros, Harrison, Lehman, Patterson, Taveras, Toles and Turner

#### **(a) Approval of County Council Minutes dated February 24, 2015.**

**These minutes were approved**

**CONSENT AGENDA (CONTINUED)****(b) First Reading of Bills (Presentation)**[CB-007-2015](#)

**AN ACT CONCERNING PROPERTY TAX CREDIT FOR ACCESSIBILITY FEATURES** for the purpose of establishing a tax credit for real property equipped with accessibility features.

**Attachment(s):** [B2015007](#)

**This Council Bill was presented by Council Member Turner and referred to the Public Safety and Fiscal Management Committee**

**(c) Introduction of Resolutions**[CR-004-2015](#)

**A RESOLUTION CONCERNING STATEWIDE SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM** for the purpose of approving the submission of an application with the Maryland Transit Administration of the Maryland Department of Transportation for grant funding through the Statewide Special Transportation Assistance Program ("SSTAP") under Sections 5303, 5304, 5307, 5309, 5310, 5311, 5316 and/or 531 of the Federal Transit Act.

**Sponsor(s):** Turner, Lehman, Franklin, Davis, Glaros, Taveras and Patterson

**Attachment(s):** [R2015004.doc](#)

**This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Turner, Lehman, Franklin, Davis, Glaros, Taveras and Patterson and referred to the Transportation, Housing and the Environment Committee**

**ADDITION TO THE AGENDA**

**A motion was made by Council Member Harrison, seconded by Vice Chairman Davis, to accept the additions package. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Aye:** 9 - Franklin, Davis, Glaros, Harrison, Lehman, Patterson, Taveras, Toles and Turner

**1. CONSENT AGENDA****(b) First Reading of Bills (Presentation)**[CB-008-2015](#)

**AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING RURAL RESIDENTIAL (R-R) ZONE** for the purpose of permitting commercial uses in the Rural Residential (R-R) Zone, under certain circumstances.

**Sponsor(s):** Davis

**Attachment(s):** [B2015008.doc](#)

**This Council Bill was presented by Council Member Davis and referred to the Planning, Zoning and Economic Development Committee**

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

*There were no items considered.*

**3. SECOND READING OF BILLS – (INTRODUCTION)**[CB-003-2015](#)

**AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING FENCES AND WALLS - PROHIBITED MATERIALS - EXCEPTIONS** for the purpose of providing, for public safety purposes, a limited exception to the prohibited use of barbed wire or razor wire on fences for regulated public utilities.

**Sponsor(s):** Turner, Harrison, Franklin, Davis and Toles

**Attachment(s):** [B2015003.doc](#)  
[CB-003-2015 Report](#)

**A motion was made by Council Member Turner, seconded by Vice Chairman Davis, that this Council Bill be amended (1). The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Franklin, Davis, Glaros, Harrison, Lehman, Patterson, Taveras, Toles and Turner

*Council Member Harrison, as Chair of the Planning, Zoning and Economic Development Committee, provided a verbal report of the recommendations of the Committee.*

**The Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Turner, Harrison, Franklin, Davis and Toles**

**SECOND READING OF BILLS – (INTRODUCTION) - (CONTINUED)****[CB-004-2015](#)**

**AN ACT CONCERNING HOTEL AND MOTEL TAX** for the purpose of clarifying the full amount of the consideration paid to a room remarketer through an internet transaction is subject to the County's hotel tax.

**Attachment(s):** [B2015004 DR 2](#)  
[CB-04-2015 Report](#)

*Council Member Patterson, as Chair of the Public Safety and Fiscal Management Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee.*

**This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Lehman, Glaros, Toles, Turner, Taveras, Harrison and Franklin**

**4. PUBLIC HEARING – RESOLUTION ELIGIBLE FOR FINAL READING (ADOPTION)****[CR-002-2015](#)**

**A RESOLUTION CONCERNING MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION** for the purpose of transferring certain appropriations and expenditures between certain programs in the FY 2014-15 Operating Budget for the Recreation Fund.

**Sponsor(s):** Lehman

**Attachment(s):** [R2015002 DR-2](#)  
[CR-002-2015 Report](#)

*Council Member Harrison, as Chair of the Planning, Zoning and Economic Development Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee. Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing was convened at 2:0 p.m. There were no speakers. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.*

**The public hearing was held for this Resolution.**

*Under discussion, Council Member Lehman spoke to the need to re-program the fund.*

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

**Aye:** 9 - Franklin, Davis, Glaros, Harrison, Lehman, Patterson, Taveras, Toles and Turner

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

**Aye:** 9 - Franklin, Davis, Glaros, Harrison, Lehman, Patterson,  
Taveras, Toles and Turner

### **RECESS AND RECONVENE**

*The meeting went into recess at 2:05 p.m. and reconvened at 2:16 p.m.*

### **2:00 P.M. - BRIEFING – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)**

[BR-03032015a](#)

#### **WASHINGTON SUBURBAN TRANSIT COMMISSION**

Sean C. Egan, Director of MDOT Washington Area Transit Office  
Cristin E.S. Tolen, Manager of the Washington Suburban Transit Commission

*The briefing was convened at 2:16 p.m. Cristin Tolen, facilitated a PowerPoint presentation on the Washington Suburban Transit Commission (WSTC) and Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) and responded to questions posed by the Council regarding the WSTC tax and fund allocation, Metro access complaints, ridership, Board membership, position vacancies, subsidies, financial audit findings, the "Momentum- Metro 2025 Expansion Plans and The BUS service. The briefing concluded at 3:01 p.m.*

### **RECESS**

*The meeting went into recess at 3:01 p.m.*

### **RULES/GENERAL ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)**

*The General Assembly Committee meeting was held. See Separate Standing Committee Report for details.*

### **RECONVENE**

*The meeting reconvened at 4:06 p.m.*

### **5. PROPOSED CORRESPONDENCE/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

LTR 03102015

Proposed letter to the Honorable Douglas J.J. Peters, Chair, Prince George's County Senat Delegation and the Honorable Jay Walker, Chair, Prince George's County House Delegation transmitting the County's position on proposed State legislation.

*Jennifer Jenkins, Council Administration, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Rules and General Assembly Committee.*

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

**Aye:** 9 - Franklin, Davis, Glaros, Harrison, Lehman, Patterson, Taveras, Toles and Turner

**REQUESTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL**

*There were no requests.*

**ADDITION TO THE AGENDA**

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Davis, seconded by Council Member Harrison, to accept the District Council additions package. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Franklin, Davis, Glaros, Harrison, Lehman, Patterson, Taveras, Toles and Turner

**RECESS**

*The meeting went into recess at 4:09 p.m.*

**7:00 P.M. - TOWN HALL MEETING - (RENNIE FORUM AT PRINCE GEORGE'S COMMUNITY COLLEGE)**

*The Town Hall Meeting was held (See Administrative File for details).*

Prepared by:

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Donna J. Brown, Deputy Clerk of the Council

Submitted by:

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Redis C. Floyd, Clerk of the Council