



Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 5/2/2017

Effective Date: 6/19/2017

Reference No.: CB-010-2017

Chapter Number: 7

Draft No.: 2

Public Hearing Date: 5/2/2017 @ 1:30 p.m.

Proposer(s): Franklin

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

Item Title: AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING AGRITOURISM SIGNS for the purpose of permitting the use of signs promoting Agritourism and generally relating to Agritourism signs.

Drafter: Office of Council Member Franklin

Resource Personnel: Brendon Laster, Chief of Staff/Legislative Aide, District 9

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

| Date: | Acting Body: | Action: | Sent To: |
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| 02/14/2017 | County Council | presented and referred | PZED |
| | Action Text: This Council Bill was presented by Council Member Franklin and referred to the Planning, Zoning and Economic Development Committee | | |
| 03/01/2017 | PZED | Held in Committee | |
| | Action Text: This Council Bill was Held in Committee | | |
| 03/15/2017 | PZED | Favorably recommended with amendments | County Council |
| | Action Text: A motion was made by Council Member Glaros, seconded by Vice Chair Patterson, that this Council Bill be Favorably recommended with amendments to the County Council. The motion carried by the following vote: Aye: 5 Harrison, Patterson, Franklin, Glaros and Toles | | |
| 03/28/2017 | County Council | introduced | |
| | Action Text: This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Franklin, Lehman, Harrison, Turner, Davis, Glaros, Taveras and Patterson | | |
| 05/02/2017 | County Council | public hearing held | |
| | Action Text: The public hearing was held for this Council Bill. | | |

05/02/2017 County Council enacted

Action Text:

A motion was made by Council Member Franklin, seconded by Council Member Patterson, that this Council Bill be enacted. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

27-629.01

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

The Zoning Ordinance defines Agritourism as follows:

A commercial enterprise that is intended to attract tourists and provide supplemental income for the owner of a working farm that qualifies for agricultural use assessment pursuant to § 8-209 of the Tax-Property Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland (as amended). The commercial enterprise shall be offered to the public or invited groups and shall be related to agriculture or natural resources and incidental to the primary operation on the site. Agritourism uses include, but are not limited to: "Equine Activities", fishing, hunting, wildlife study, corn mazes, harvest festivals, barn dances, hayrides, roadside stands, farmer's markets, u-pick or pick-your-own operations, rent-a-tree operations, farm tours, wine tasting, educational classes related to agricultural products or skills. Agritourism may include picnics, equine facilities, and party facilities, corporate retreats and weddings; however, no lodging or overnight stay shall be provided for these uses. Agritourism includes farm or ranch stays subject to the same rules as a Bed-and-Breakfast Inn as defined in this Subtitle. Accessory recreational activities may be provided for guests.

This legislation amends Part 12 of the Zoning Ordinance concerning "Signs" to allow signs promoting an Agritourism business and to provide general standards and regulations for Agritourism Signs.

Document(s): B2017010, CB-10-2017 AIS.pdf, CB-010-2017 Report