

# PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

## COMMITTEE REPORT

2024 Legislative Session

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### REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable 4-0- (In favor: Council Members Olson, Burroughs, Fisher, and Harrison)

The Committee convened on June 27, 2024, to consider the reappointment of the following seven (4) individuals to serve on the Agricultural Resources Advisory Committee for Prince George's County:

William "Bill" O. Ritchie, Jr. (Re-appointment)

Citizen member

Term Expiration: 6/30/2027

Mr. Steven E. Darcey (Re-appointment)

Soil Conservation District member

Term Expiration: 6/30/2027

Mr. Daniel A. Donohue (Re-appointment)

Forestry Industry member

Term Expiration: 6/30/2027

Ms. Pharyn E. Smith (Re-appointment)

Citizen member

Term Expiration: 6/30/2027

Miriam Brewer, the County Executive's Appointments Liaison, introduced the appointees. Each appointee provided brief remarks on their qualifications and desire to continue serving on the Committee. The Committee's discussion included: potential partnerships to address food deserts in the County, opportunities to increase youth education and engagement, and efforts to increase geographic diversity of membership (e.g., urban farming representation). The public hearing on these appointments is scheduled for July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

After the discussion, the Committee voted favorably on these four (4) appointments by a vote of 4-0.