



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

Tuesday, March 31, 2015

10:00 AM

Council Hearing Room

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

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

The meeting was called to order at with eight members present at roll call. Council Member Harrison was out on County business.

Present: 8 - Chairman Mel Franklin
Vice Chairman Derrick Davis
Council Member Dannielle Glaros
Council Member Mary Lehman
Council Member Obie Patterson
Council Member Deni Taveras
Council Member Karen Toles
Council Member Todd Turner

Absent: 1 - Council Member Andrea Harrison

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
Lakeecia Allen, Office of Law
Kathleen Canning, Legislative Officer
Colette Gresham, Legislative Officer
Jennifer Jenkins, Council Administration*

INVOCATION:

The Invocation was provided by Pastor Sullivan McGraw, New Life Worship Center, Capitol Heights, Maryland. Council Member Toles requested prayer for the family of Ingrid Parrish Beverly in her passing.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Taveras.

DESIGNATION OF MARCH 31, 2015 AS LEGISLATIVE DAY NO. 10

Chairman Franklin designated Legislative Day number ten.

1. CONSENT AGENDA

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

Aye: 8 - Franklin, Davis, Glaros, Lehman, Patterson, Taveras,
Toles and Turner

Absent: 1 - Harrison

(a) Approval of County Council Minutes dated March 24, 2015.

This was approved

2. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

There were no items considered.

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS/BILLS ELIGIBLE FOR THIRD READING – (ENACTMENT)**[CB-004-2015](#)**

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

Sponsor(s): Lehman, Glaros, Toles, Taveras and Turner

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

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened on this Council Bill. David Reel and Michael Valenski spoke in support. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.

The public hearing was held for this Council Bill.

Under discussion, Council Members Toles and Turner thanked Council Member Lehman for proposing this legislation.

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

Aye: 7 - Franklin, Davis, Glaros, Lehman, Patterson, Toles and
Turner

Absent: 2 - Harrison and Taveras

10:30 A.M. - BRIEFING – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)**[BR-03312015 a](#)****SYSTEM APPLICATION PROCESS (SAP)**

Thomas Himler, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
for Budget, Finance & Administration

The briefing was convened at 10:43 a.m. Thomas Himler, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Budget, Finance and Administration, provided introductory remarks. Douglas Marshall, SAP Program Manager, facilitated a PowerPoint presentation on the program objectives, phases/waves, costs, operations and remediation actions. He and Vernard Wright, Director of the Office of Management and Budget responded to questions posed by the Council regarding: the legacy system, system overlap, vendor payment issues, corrective actions, verification of system corrections, cost overruns, budgeting, integration of and interface with various County legacy systems, project scope, impact on CDBG process, correlation to proposed reduction in force, potential compensation for unpaid vendors, program/payment management, implementation team, training, implementation timeline and impact on Capital Improvement Project

and County budget priorities. The briefing concluded at 12:17 p.m.

This Briefing was held

RECESS

The meeting went into recess at 12:16 p.m.

11:15 A.M. - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

[BR 03312015 b](#)

BRIEFING:

PEPCO/EXELON MERGER AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Jerry Pasternak, Vice President for Government Affairs & Public Policy, PEPCO
Wendy Stark, Deputy General Council, FirstEnergy, Corporation

Thomas Himler, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Budget, Finance and
Administration

BRIEFING HELD

The briefing was convened at 12:26 p.m. Jerry Pasternak, Vice President for Government Affairs & Public Policy, PEPCO, facilitated a PowerPoint presentation on the Exelon/Pepco combination, which focused on the operating statistics, combine service territory, reliability and the benefits to customers, communities, employees and local Maryland economy. Thomas Himler, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Budget, Finance and Administration, facilitated a PowerPoint presentation on the Exelon/PHI Merger Multi-Party Agreement, which focused on the benefits to the County, reliability, Customer Investment Fund, energy-efficiency programs, Green Sustainability Fund, renewable energy generation, workforce development. He and members of the panel responded to questions posed by the Council. The briefing concluded at 2:10 p.m. (See Administrative Day file for detailed Clerk's notes).

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - (Continued)**[CR-013-2015](#)**

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE EXELON CORPORATION AND PEPCO HOLDINGS, INC. MERGER AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT for the purpose of recommending that the Maryland Public Service Commission (“Commission”) approve the merger of Exelon Corporation (“Exelon”) and Pepco Holdings, Inc. (“PHI”), including the terms of the Settlement Agreement and Stipulation (“Settlement Agreement”) by and among Exelon, PHI, Prince George’s County and other settling parties (“Settling Parties”)

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

Attachment(s): [R2015013.doc](#)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: FAVORABLE

A motion was made by Council Member Davis and seconded by Council Member Glaros for a favorable committee recommendation. The motion carried 7-0-1 (Absent Council Member Harrison; Abstained: Council Member Lehman).

12:00 P.M. - BRIEFING – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)**[BR 04142015](#)**

WSSC - WATER AND SEWER EXTENSION COSTS

Yvette Downs, Chief Financial Officer, WSSC

This Briefing was Rescheduled to a later date

RECESS

The meeting went into recess at 2:20 p.m.

1:30 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 3:23 p.m.

4. PROPOSED CORRESPONDENCE/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT[LTR 04072015](#)

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

This Agenda Letter was Removed from agenda

5. SECOND READING OF BILLS – (INTRODUCTION)[CB-006-2015](#)

AN ACT CONCERNING COAL TAR PAVEMENT PRODUCTS BAN for the purpose of defining coal tar pavement products; prohibiting the use of coal tar pavement products; prohibiting the sale of coal tar pavement products; providing for alternatives and outreach of this Act; providing for the enforcement and penalties for violations of this Act and generally relating to coal tar pavement products.

Attachment(s): [B2015006.doc](#)
[CB-006-2015 Report.doc](#)

Council Member Lehman, as Chair of the Transportation, Housing and Environment Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the committee.

Council Bill 6 bans the use and sale of coal tar pavement products in the County and provides for alternatives, outreach, enforcement and penalties for violations.

This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Lehman, Taveras, Franklin, Davis and Glaros

6. RESOLUTIONS ELIGIBLE FOR FINAL READING – (ADOPTION)[CR-013-2015](#)

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE EXELON CORPORATION AND PEPCO HOLDINGS, INC. MERGER AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT for the purpose of recommending that the Maryland Public Service Commission (“Commission”) approve the merger of Exelon Corporation (“Exelon”) and Pepco Holdings, Inc. (“PHI”), including the terms of the Settlement Agreement and Stipulation (“Settlement Agreement”) by and among Exelon, PHI, Prince George’s County and other settling parties (“Settling Parties”)

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

Attachment(s): [R2015013.doc](#)

This Resolution was deferred

6. RESOLUTIONS ELIGIBLE FOR FINAL READING – (ADOPTION)**[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](#)
[CR-004-2015 Report](#)

Council Member Lehman, as Chair of the Transportation, Housing and Environment Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the committee.

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

Aye: 7 - Franklin, Davis, Glaros, Lehman, Patterson, Taveras and Toles
Absent: 2 - Harrison and Turner

REQUESTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

Sarah Clark and David Miller addressed the Council in support of education funding as proposed in the County Executive's budget.

RECESS

The meeting went into recess at 3:33 p.m.

DISTRICT COUNCIL ITEMS - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

District Council items were considered. See Separate meeting minutes for details.

Prepared by:

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Submitted by:

Redis C. Floyd, Clerk of the Council