

# PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

## COMMITTEE REPORT

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### REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable, 5-0 (In Favor: Council Members Olson, Dernoga, Hawkins, Ivey, and Watson)

The Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy, and Environment Committee convened on October 12, 2023, to consider the reappointment of Mr. Thomas H. Graham to continue serving as Commissioner on the Washington Suburban Transit Commission (WSTC) for Prince George's County. The Commission serves a vital function as the entity that coordinates Regional Transportation activities for Montgomery and Prince George's Counties in concert with the State of Maryland and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA). County Executive Alsobrooks has proposed the reappointment of Mr. Graham for the term from June 30, 2023, to June 30, 2027.

Miriam Brewer, County Executive Alsobrooks's Appointments Liaison, presented Mr. Graham to the Committee, summarizing some of the highlights of his career. Mr. Graham, a resident of Upper Marlboro, was initially appointed to the WSTC in 2019 and has extensive managerial and leadership experience. Currently, he is the Principal of T.H. Graham & Associates, a minority strategic consulting firm specializing in energy solutions, government relations, business development, project management, and leadership development. Mr. Graham was previously employed with the Potomac Electric Power Company (Pepco/PHI/Exelon) for thirty years (30) and served in numerous management roles, including Vice President, Human Resources & People Strategy and President, Pepco Region. He also has government regulatory experience, having served as the Chair of the Prince George's County Board of License Commissioners. Mr. Graham graduated from the University of Tampa and has completed the Georgetown University Senior Executive Leadership Program

After Mr. Graham provided remarks on his desire to continue serving on the WSTC, the Committee discussed some of the challenges facing WMATA and the need to re-evaluate the Authority's funding model.

After the discussion, the Committee voted favorably on the appointment by a vote of 5-0.