



Prince George's County Council

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Meeting Minutes - Draft County Council

Jolene Ivey, Chair, District 5
Sydney J. Harrison, Vice Chair, District 9
Wala Blegay, District 6
Edward P. Burroughs, III, District 8
Thomas E. Dernoga, District 1
Wanika Fisher, District 2
Mel Franklin, At-Large
Calvin S. Hawkins, II, At-Large
Eric C. Olson, District 3
Krystal Oriadha, District 7
Ingrid S. Watson, District 4

Jennifer A. Jenkins, Council Administrator

Tuesday, April 2, 2024

11:00 AM

Council Hearing Room

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10:30 A.M. - AGENDA BRIEFING - (COMMITTEE ROOM 2027) (Cancelled)

11:00 A.M. - CALL TO ORDER - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Sydney Harrison at 11:05 a.m. with 8 members present at roll call.

Present: 8 - Vice Chair Sydney Harrison
Council Member Thomas Dernoga
Council Member Edward Burroughs
Council Member Wanika Fisher
Council Member Calvin S. Hawkins
Council Member Eric Olson
Council Member Krystal Oriadha
Council Member Ingrid Watson

Absent: Chair Jolene Ivey
Council Member Wala Blegay
Council Member Mel Franklin

Also present:

Jennifer Jenkins, Council Administrator
Colette Gresham, Deputy Council Administrator
Karen Zavakos, Acting Associate Council Administrator
Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council
Leonard Moses, Deputy Clerk of the Council
James Walker-Bey, Associate Clerk of the Council
Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive
Terry Bell, Associate County Attorney, Office of Law
Kathy Canning, Legislative Attorney

INVOCATION:

The invocation was provided by Pastor Daniel T. Mangrum, Cornerstone Peaceful Bible Baptist Church of Upper Marlboro, Maryland. Council Member Hawkins requested prayer for his childhood friend, Paul Givens, in his passing. Council Member Dernoga requested prayer for the family of civic activist, Frank Kockrill, in his passing. Council Member Fisher requested prayer for Diana Forester in the loss of her father. Vice Chair Harrison requested prayer for the community as a whole, for compassion, empathy, kindness, and forgiveness. Vice Chair Harrison also requested prayer for his aunt who entered hospice care.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Watson.

REQUESTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

There were no requests to address the council.

LEGISLATIVE DAY NO. 7**1. CONSENT AGENDA****(a) Approval of County Council Minutes**[MIN 03262024](#)

County Council Minutes dated March 26, 2024

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Attachment(s): [03262024](#)**These Minutes were approved.****(b) First Reading of Bills (Presentation)**[CB-028-2024](#)

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AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING NONRESIDENTIAL BASE ZONES-PERMITTED PRINCIPAL USES-CIGAR LOUNGE/CLUB for the purpose of defining the use, “Cigar Club/Lounge,” in the Zoning Ordinance; permitting the use in the CN (Commercial, Neighborhood), CS (Commercial, Service), and CGO (Commercial, General, and Office) Zones of the County; and establishing regulations governing the use in furtherance of the public safety, health, and welfare of the residents of Prince George’s County.

Sponsor(s): Hawkins**Attachment(s):** [B2024028](#)[CB-028-2024 Summary](#)[LDR-49-2024 Planning Board Recommendation](#)[LDR-49-2024 Planning Board Proposed Alternative](#)[Draft](#)[LDR-49-2024 M-NCPPC Staff Report](#)[LDR-49-2024 PGCPB Transmittal Pink Sheet](#)

This Council Bill was presented by Council Member Hawkins and referred to the Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee.

CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)**(c) Introduction of Resolutions****[CR-023-2024](#)**

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A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE 2018 WATER AND SEWER PLAN (DECEMBER 2023 CYCLE OF AMENDMENTS) for the purpose of changing the water and sewer category designations of properties within the 2018 Water and Sewer Plan.

Sponsor(s): Harrison, Fisher, Hawkins, Dernoga and Watson

Attachment(s): [R2024023](#)
[CR-023-2024 Attachments A and B](#)
[CR-023-2024 Summary](#)
[CR-023-2024 Staff Report](#)
[CR-023-2024 Transmittal](#)

The 2018 Water and Sewer Plan provides for four cycles of category change requests annually to amend the Plan. This Resolution represents the December 2023 Cycle of Amendments.

The 2018 Water and Sewer Plan was adopted by CR-64-2019, and amended by CR-75-2019, CR-11-2020, CR-45-2020, CR-87-2020, CR-98-2020, CR-22-2021, CR-49-2021, CR-87-2021, CR-105-2021, CR-017-2022, CR-063-2022, CR-097-2022, CR-014-2023 and CR-076-2023.

There are two (2) category change requests located in the Blue Plains sewer basin, three (3) in the Western Branch sewer basin, six (6) in the Piscataway sewer basin, two requesting use of interim septic systems, and three (3) in the Mattawoman sewer basin. Additionally, the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement is requesting redesignation of 25 developed residential properties to reflect the existing water and sewer service category in District 9.

Environment Article, Title 9, Subtitle 5, of the Maryland Annotated Code, sets procedures for amendments and revisions to the Plan. At least 30 days prior to the public hearing on the amendments, the County Council must submit to the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission and The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission a copy of the resolution for their recommendations.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Harrison, Fisher, Hawkins, Dernoga and Watson and referred to the Transportation,

Infrastructure, Energy and Environment Committee.**CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)**[CR-024-2024](#)

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A RESOLUTION CONCERNING FISCAL YEAR (“FY”) 2025 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT for the purpose of approving and adopting the Prince George’s County Fiscal Year (“FY”) 2025 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development (“FY 2025 Annual Action Plan”).

Sponsor(s): Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins and Watson

Attachment(s): [R2024024](#)
[CR-024-2024 Attachment A](#)
[CR-024-2024 Attachment B](#)
[CR-024-2024 Summary](#)
[CR-024-2024 Transmittal](#)

This legislation will approve and adopt the Prince George’s County Fiscal Year (“FY”) 2025 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development.

The Annual Action Plan consists of federal programs, including related federal applications, which, along with other resources, serve to implement housing and community development strategies set forth in the County’s FY 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan, as adopted by CR-047-2020. The Consolidated Plan is required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) as a prerequisite for consideration of the funding applications. The funding applications, as detailed in the Annual Action Plan, are for the following federal entitlement program funds: Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) Program, HOME Investment Partnerships (“HOME”) Program, and the Emergency Solutions Grants (“ESG”) Program.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins and Watson and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

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MOTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Olson, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this Consent Agenda be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 8 - Harrison, Dernoga, Burroughs, Fisher, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

Absent

Ivey, Blegay and Franklin

2. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

NO ITEMS CONSIDERED

3. PROPOSED CORRESPONDENCE/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

NO ITEMS CONSIDERED

4. SECOND READING OF BILLS – (INTRODUCTION)

[CB-020-2024](#)

Draft 2

AN ACT CONCERNING WOODLAND AND WILDLIFE HABITAT

CONSERVATION ORDINANCE for the purpose of revising the existing subtitle in order to comply with state mandated revisions as per the Maryland Forest Conservation Act; revising and adding definitions; revising applicability and exemption requirements; revising plan review, validity and grandfathering requirements; revising the variance and appeal process; revising enforcement process; revising the conservation requirements including priority areas, thresholds and replacement ratios; revising conservation requirements design criteria, priorities, options and bonding; revising forest stand delineation area; and revising forest harvesting.

Attachment(s):

[B2024020](#)

[CB-020-2024 Summary](#)

[CB-020-2024 Report](#)

[CB-020-2024 PAFI](#)

[CB-020-2024 Transmittal](#)

[PGCPB Transmittal Packet Pink 03-04-2024](#)

[HB 723 Forest Preservation and Retention](#)

[CB-020-2024 OOL Comments](#)

[CB-020-2024 \(DR-2\)](#)

[CB-020-2024 M-NCPPC Presentation 3-26-2024 TIEE](#)

Council Member Olson, Chair, Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy and Environment Committee (TIEE), provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the TIEE Committee for CB-020-2024. Kathy Canning, Legislative Attorney, provided an overview of the proposed amendments to CB-020-2024.

A motion was made by Council Member Dernoga, seconded by Council Member Olson, that this Council Bill be amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 8 - Harrison, Dernoga, Burroughs, Fisher, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

Absent Ivey, Blegay and Franklin

The purpose of this bill is to update the overall ordinance, in order to comply with state mandated revisions as per the Maryland Forest Conservation Act; revising and adding definitions; revising applicability and exemption requirements; revising plan review, validity and grandfathering requirements; revising the variance and appeal process; revising enforcement process; revising the conservation requirements including priority areas, thresholds and replacement ratios; revising conservation requirements design criteria, priorities, options and bonding; revising forest stand delineation area; and revising forest harvesting. Modifications to this ordinance are needed to address requirements of HB 723-2023 (Forest Preservation and Retention) with an effective date of July 1, 2024.

The related bills include proposed revisions to Subtitle 25 Division 3, and Subtitle 24.

This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Harrison, Watson, Olson, Fisher, Hawkins, Dernoga and Oriadha.

[CB-021-2024](#)

Draft 2

AN ACT CONCERNING TREE CANOPY COVERAGE ORDINANCE for the purpose of revising the existing applicability language, requiring a certain grandfather provision, revising the tree canopy coverage requirements, revising the credit and security requirements, and adding the Planning Director to those that can issue waivers.

Sponsor(s): Harrison, Olson, Watson, Dernoga, Oriadha and Fisher

Attachment(s): [B2024021](#)
[CB-021-2024](#)
[CB-021-2024 Summary](#)
[CB-021-2024 Report](#)
[CB-021-2024 PAFI](#)
[PGCPB Transmittal Packet Pink 03-04-2024](#)
[HB 723 Forest Preservation and Retention](#)
[CB-021-2024 OOL Comments](#)
[CB-021-2024 MNCPPC Presentation 3-26-2024 TIEE](#)

Council Member Olson, Chair, Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy and Environment Committee (TIEE), provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the TIEE Committee for CB-021-2024. The purpose of this bill is for revising the existing applicability language, revising the tree canopy coverage requirements, revising the credit and security requirements and adding the Planning Director to those that can issue waivers.

The related bills include proposed revisions to Subtitle 25 Division 2, and Subtitle 24.

This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Harrison, Olson, Watson, Dernoga, Oriadha and Fisher.

SECOND READING OF BILLS – (INTRODUCTION) (Continued)

[CB-022-2024](#)

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AN ACT CONCERNING SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS?

ENVIRONMENTAL STRATEGY AREA for the purpose of removing environmental strategy area from definitions, and removing environmental strategy area from environmental standard and replacing with development location, and amending the required minimum stream buffer widths.

Sponsor(s): Harrison, Olson, Watson, Fisher, Dernoga, Oriadha and Burroughs

Attachment(s): [B2024022](#)
[CB-022-2024 Summary](#)
[CB-022-2024 Report](#)
[CB-022-2024 PAFI](#)
[CB-022-2024 Transmittal](#)
[PGCPB Transmittal Packet Pink 03-04-2024](#)
[HB 723 Forest Preservation and Retention](#)
[CB-22-2024 OOL Comments](#)
[CB-022-2024 MNCPPC - PowerPoint 3-26-24 TIEE](#)

Council Member Olson, Chair, Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy and Environment Committee (TIEE), provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the TIEE Committee for CB-022-2024. The purpose of this bill is removing environmental strategy area from definitions, and removing environmental strategy area from environmental standard and replacing with development location, and amending the required minimum stream buffer widths.

The related bills include proposed revisions to Subtitle 25 Division 2, and Subtitle 25 Division 3.

This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Harrison, Olson, Watson, Fisher, Dernoga, Oriadha and Burroughs.

5. BRIEFING – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

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COUNCIL MEMBER WORKGROUP UPDATES

Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee (Council Member Ivey)

Vice Chair Harrison provided an update on the Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee on behalf of Council Chair Ivey.

This Briefing was held.

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ADJOURN

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 11:30 AM.

A motion was made by Council Member Fisher, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Aye 8 - Harrison, Dernoga, Burroughs, Fisher, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

Absent Ivey, Blegay and Franklin

Prepared by:

Edgar Reese, III, Legislative Reference Aide

Submitted by:

Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council