

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2008 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-7-2008

Proposed by Council Member Dean

Introduced by Council Members Dean, Bland, Olson, Campos, Dernoga and Knotts

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction February 19, 2008

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 County Council Rules of Procedure

3 For the purpose of amending Rules of Procedure for the County Council.

4 WHEREAS, Section 316 of the Prince George's County Charter provides for the County
5 Council to adopt and publish rules; and

6 WHEREAS, the County Council Rules of Procedure, as adopted by CR-1-1995 and
7 amended by CR-3-1996 and CR-1-2008, are maintained by the Clerk of the Council; and

8 WHEREAS, amendments to the Rules of Procedure have been proposed to provide for a
9 restructured committee system.

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's
11 County, Maryland, that the Rules of Procedure, be and the same are hereby amended.

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the Council Rules of Procedure, as
13 adopted by CR-1-1995 and amended by CR-3-1996 and CR-1-2008 be and the same are
14 hereby repealed and readopted with the following amendments:

RULES OF PROCEDURE

FOR THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

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18 **2. COUNCIL ORGANIZATION.**

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20 **2.2. Committees.**

21 (a) All Council committees, committee Chairmen and Vice Chairmen shall be appointed

1 by the Chairman upon the advice and consent of a majority of the full Council.

2 (b) The following standing committees shall be appointed by the Chairman at the
3 beginning of the Chairman's term of office:

4 (1) [Economic Development and Housing] Transportation, Housing and the
5 Environment

6 (2) [Public Safety and Transportation] Public Safety and Fiscal Management

7 (3) [Planning, Zoning, and Environment] Planning, Zoning and Economic
8 Development

9 (4) [Education, Human Services and Human Resources] Health, Education and
10 Human Services

11 (5) Rules and General Assembly

12 Each committee shall have no more than five (5) members.

13 (c) The committee chairman shall cause to be distributed to all Council members an
14 agenda of items to be considered at each meeting at least three days prior to the meeting. The
15 agenda shall identify legislative items by bill or resolution number, followed by the last name of
16 the sponsors and a short title.

17 (d) A quorum of three (3) committee members shall be required to act. All Council
18 Members of the committee present shall be entitled to vote and all questions shall be decided by
19 majority vote of those committee members present.

20 (e) Committee of the Whole. At the direction of the Chairman, the Council shall sit as a
21 Committee of the Whole. A quorum of five (5) members shall be required to act. When the
22 Council convenes as the Committee of the Whole, the Administrator shall assign appropriate
23 staff to record the action of the Committee of the Whole, and prepare any reports or amendments
24 to be reported by the committee to the Council. So far as applicable, the Rules shall be observed
25 when the Council is sitting as a Committee of the Whole.

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27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the amendments to the Rules of Procedure adopted by
28 this Resolution shall be effective on and after the date of adoption of this Resolution.

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Adopted this 19th day of February, 2008.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Samuel H. Dean
Chairman

ATTEST:

Redis C. Floyd
Clerk of the Council