

AGENDA MINUTES

Tuesday, February 15, 2011

Legislative Day No. 4

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

AGENDA BRIEFING – (ROOM 2027) – BRIEFING HELD

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATIONS/COMMENDATIONS – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM) – *Chair Turner commenced Presentation of Proclamations/Commendations at 9:59 a.m.*

PROCLAMATION presented to the **Posse Foundation** recognizing their “***Exemplary Commitment to Education***” in Prince George’s County. (Council Chair Ingrid M. Turner and Council Members Johnson, Toles, Lehman, Franklin, Patterson, Harrison) – **PRESENTED**

A proclamation was presented to the Posse Foundation recognizing their exemplary commitment to education in Prince George’s County. A representative from the foundation was present to accept.

PROCLAMATION presented to the **Deamonte Driver Dental Project, accepted by Dorothy Hughes** recognizing their “***Give Kids A Smile Day***” in Prince George’s County. (Council Chair Ingrid M. Turner and Council Members Johnson, Lehman, Franklin, Patterson, Harrison and Toles) – **PRESENTED**

A proclamation was presented to the Deamonte Driver Dental Project, recognizing their “Give Kids A Smile Day” in Prince George’s County. Ms. Dorothy Hughes was present to accept. She announced the Cheverly Health Clinic Open House/Ribbon-cutting ceremony to be held on February 25, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.

PROCLAMATION presented to **Dr. Donald Shell, Prince George’s County Health Department**, recognizing the month of **February 2011** as “***American Heart Month***” in Prince George’s County. (Council Chair Ingrid M. Turner and Council Members Johnson, Toles, Lehman, Franklin, Patterson and Harrison) – **PRESENTED**

A proclamation was presented to Dr. Donald Shell, Prince George’s County Health Department, recognizing the month of February 2011 as “American Heart Month” in Prince George’s County. Mr. Howard Burnette was present to accept on his behalf.

** *Chair Turner concluded Presentation of Proclamations/Commendations at 10:27 a.m.*

CALL TO ORDER - Council Chair Turner called to order at 10:30 a.m. with the following Council Members present:

Ingrid M. Turner
Will Campos
Mel Franklin
Andrea C. Harrison
Leslie E. Johnson
Mary A. Lehman
Obie Patterson
Karen R. Toles

Late:

Eric C. Olson (arrived at 10:36 a.m.)

Others present:

Robert J. Williams, Jr., Council Administrator
William Hunt, Deputy Council Administrator
Brad Frome, County Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive
Todd Turner, Legislative Officer
Josh Hamlin, Office of Law
Redis C. Floyd, Clerk of the Council
Donna J. Brown, Deputy Clerk of the Council

INVOCATION – Invocation was provided by Reverend Wayne K. Bumbry, LeDetroit Baptist Church, Oxon Hill, MD. Council Member Campos requested special prayer for the family and parish of Father James Braybert, in his passing. Chair Turner requested prayer for Courtney Glass in the loss of her mother.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The pledge of allegiance was led by Council Member Toles.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE – Council Member Campos announced the nomination of Sergeant Suzie Johnson for a citizen “All Star” award from “America’s Most Wanted”. He urged the citizenry to vote for her, noting that the details were posted on his Facebook page.

1. **CONSENT AGENDA -- ADOPTED AND ALL ACTIONS APPROVED**

All items listed under the consent agenda have been distributed to each member of the Council for review, are considered to be routine and will be acted upon by motion in the form listed. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

(b) **Introduction of Resolutions**

CR-16-2011 - A RESOLUTION CONCERNING MARYLAND OFFSHORE WIND CLEAN ENERGY PRODUCTION for the purpose of expressing the support of the Prince George's County Council for the use of offshore wind turbines off the coast of Maryland as a means to produce clean energy for the State. - **INTRODUCED**

Council Resolution 16, which expresses the support of the Prince George's County Council for the use offshore wind turbines off the coast of Maryland as a means to produce clean energy for the State, was introduced by Council Members Lehman, Turner, Olson, Franklin and Johnson and referred to the Transportation, Housing and the Environment Committee (THE).

2. **CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

No items were considered.

3. **PROPOSED CORRESPONDENCE/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

- (a) Proposed correspondence to the Honorable Douglas J.J. Peters, Chair of the Prince George's Senate Delegation and the Honorable Melony G. Griffith, Chair of the Prince George's House Delegation, expressing the positions of the Prince George's County Council on proposed State legislation. - **CHAIR AUTHORIZED TO SIGN**

Correspondence was proposed to be sent to the above named individuals expressing the position of the Prince George's County Council on proposed State legislation. Todd Turner, Legislative Officer, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the General Assembly Committee. Council Member Harrison moved to authorize the Chair's signature on the letter as amended; seconded by Council Member Patterson. The motion carried by roll call vote of 9-0.

BRIEFING – BRIEFING HELD**● MOVING METRO FORWARD: REPORT OF THE JOINT WMATA GOVERNANCE REVIEW TASK FORCE****David J. Robertson**

Executive Director

Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG)

Council Chair Turner convened the briefing at 10:41 a.m. Mr. David Robertson, Executive Director of COG spoke to the report, "Moving Metro Forward: Report of the Joint WMATA Governance Review Task Force" (See File Copy) and responded to questions and concerns raised by Council (See Administrative Day File for detailed Clerk's notes).

****** *Chair Turner recessed the Council Session at 11:04 a.m. to conduct the MEDCO briefing as described below. This briefing was not televised.*

BRIEFING – BRIEFING HELD**● MARYLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (MEDCO)****Dana B. Stebbins, Esq.**

Board Member, MEDCO - Prince George's County

President/CEO, The Cornelius Group

Robert C. Brennan

Executive Director and Secretary, MEDCO - Prince George's County

David H. Michael

Board Member, MEDCO - Prince George's County

The Michael Companies, Inc.

Council Chair Turner convened the briefing at 11:26 a.m. Ms. Dana Stebbins, President/CEO of the Cornelius Group, Mr. Robert Brennan, Executive Director of MEDCO and Mr. David Michaels, Board Member of MEDCO spoke to the history of the organization, highlighted Prince George's County Projects (Handout Provided - See File Copy) and responded to questions and concerns raised by Council (See Administrative Day File for detailed Clerk's notes).

****** *Chair Turner reconvened the Council Session at 12:14 p.m.*

BRIEFING – BRIEFING HELD**● COUNTY GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT****Anne C. Magner**

Attorney, Board of Ethics, Prince George's County, MD

David H. Van Dyke

County Auditor, Prince George's County, MD

Chair Turner convened the briefing at 12:14 p.m. Ms. Anne Magner, Attorney for the Prince George's County Board of Ethics and Mr. David Van Dyke, Prince George's County Auditor, provided an overview of their respective offices, spoke to their roles in government oversight, and responded to questions and concerns raised by Council (See Administrative Day File for detailed Clerk's notes).

UPDATES FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS – *Council Member Harrison announced that the HEHS Committee would meet on Thursday, February 17, 2011 to hear an update from Dr. Donald Shell, Health Officer on the RAND Study and Health Department initiatives. Council Member Lehman announced her role as liaison to the Mental Health Advisory Board, noting that the first meeting would be held this date.*

ADJOURNED – *Chair Turner adjourned the meeting at 1:00 p.m.*

Prepared by:

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