

AGENDA MINUTES

Tuesday, February 17, 2009

Legislative Day No. 5

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

AGENDA BRIEFING – (ROOM 2027) – *BRIEFING HELD*

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATIONS/COMMENDATIONS – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM) - *Chairperson Bland commenced with the Presentation of Proclamations/Commendations at 9:55 A.M. and concluded at 10:07 A.M.*

Proclamation presented to **Dr. Eugene Williams, Sr. recognizing his dedication to the “Communities” through the services he provides to churches, schools and disadvantaged students.** (Council Chairperson Marilyn M. Bland, Council Vice Chair Thomas E. Dernoga, Council Member Ingrid M. Turner, Council Member Eric Olson, Council Member Samuel H. Dean, Council Member Will Campos and Council Member Tony Knotts) - **PRESENTED**

Council Chairperson Marilyn M. Bland, Council Vice Chair Thomas E. Dernoga, Council Members Ingrid M. Turner, Eric Olson, Samuel H. Dean, Will Campos and Tony Knotts presented a Proclamation Dr. Eugene Williams, Sr. recognizing his dedication to the “Communities” through the services he provides to Churches, Schools and Disadvantaged Students.

Proclamation presented to **Michael McLaughlin recognizing him as the 2008 “Volunteer of the Year” for the Arc of Prince George’s County.** (Council Vice Chair Thomas E. Dernoga, Council Chairperson Marilyn M. Bland, Council Member Ingrid M. Turner, Council Member Eric Olson, Council Member Samuel H. Dean, Council Member Will Campos and Council Member Tony Knotts) - **PRESENTED**

Council Vice-Chair Thomas E. Dernoga, Council Chairperson Marilyn M. Bland, Council Members Ingrid M. Turner, Eric Olson, Samuel H. Dean, Will Campos and Tony Knotts presented a Proclamation to Michael McLaughlin recognizing him as the 2008 “Volunteer of the Year” for the Arc of Prince George’s County.

CALL TO ORDER: - *Chairperson Bland called to order at 10:12 A.M. with the following Council Members present:*

*Marilynn M. Bland
Will Campos
Samuel H. Dean
Thomas E. Dernoga
Camille A. Exum
Andrea C. Harrison
Tony Knotts
Eric C. Olson
Ingrid M. Turner*

Others Present:

*Craig S. Price, Council Administrator
Robert J. Williams Jr., Deputy Council Administrator
Ralph Grutzmacher, Legislative Officer
Todd Turner, Legislative Officer
Carmen Jackson-Brown, Legislative Officer
Russell King, Associate County Attorney
Josh Hamlin, Associate County Attorney
Marcus Jackson, County Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive*

INVOCATION: - *The Invocation was led by Ralph A. Grutzmacher, County Employee. Council Member Turner requested special prayers for Brian Madison's father and family. Council Member Knotts for Pastor Grainger Browning, Ebenezer AME Church undergoing surgery and Council Member Bland for Marion Barry, Council Member Washington DC, undergoing Kidney transplant procedure.*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - *The pledge of allegiance was led by Anthony Belton, Youth Leadership Bowie, Sophomore, Eleanor Roosevelt High School.*

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Council Member Ingrid M. Turner introduced the student participants of the Youth Leadership Bowie program. Visiting the Council today.

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.

(a) **First Reading of Bills (Presentation)**

CB-5-2009 – AN ACT CONCERNING AMENDING THE ENERGY REAL PROPERTY TAX CREDIT for the purpose of amending the tax credit for real property for residential homeowners who utilize solar energy conservation devices. - **PRESENTED**

Council Bill 5 was presented by Council Members Olson, Dernoga and Campos and referred to the Public Safety and Fiscal Management (PSFM) Committee.

Council Member Dernoga moved adoption of the Consent Agenda; seconded by Council Member Olson. The motion carried by voice vote.

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

No Items were considered

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

- (a) Transmittal or proposed letters to the Honorable Melony G. Griffith, Chair of the Prince George's House Delegation and the Honorable C. Anthony Muse, Chair of the Prince George's Senate Delegation expressing the positions of the County Council on proposed State legislation.
- **CHAIRPERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN**

A letter was proposed for sending to the Honorable Melony G. Griffith, Chair of the Prince George's House Delegation and the Honorable C. Anthony Muse, Chair of the Prince George's Senate Delegation expressing the positions of the County Council on proposed State legislation. Council Member Dernoga moved to authorize the Chairperson's signature; seconded by Council Member Dean. The motion carried 9-0.

4. **RESOLUTIONS ELIGIBLE FOR FINAL READING – (ADOPTION)**

CR-5-2009 – A RESOLUTION CONCERNING STATE OF MARYLAND COMMUNITY INVESTMENT TAX CREDIT PROGRAM for the purpose of approving the project submitted by the Maryland Humanities Council, Inc. (“MHC”), to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for participation in the Department’s Community Investment Tax Credit Program. - **ADOPTED**

Council Member Dernoga, Chair of the Transportation, Housing and the Environment (THE) Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations from the Committee to the Council. Council Resolution 5 was introduced by Council Member Bland on 01/29/2009 and was favorably reported out of the Transportation, Housing and the Environment (THE) Committee on 02/12/2009. Council Member Dernoga moved adoption of Council Resolution 5; seconded by Council Member Dean. The motion carried 9-0.

REQUESTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

Daniel Valentine, Enquirer Gazette, spoke to concerns with regard to Executive Session and discussion of possible legislation occurring within that session.

ADJOURN: - *Chairperson Bland adjourned the meeting at 10:25 A.M.*

GENERAL ASSEMBLY/COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM) – COMMITTEE MEETING HELD

(SEE SEPARATE ACTION AGENDA)

A motion to convene in Executive Session was made by Council Member Exum; seconded by Council Member Harrison. The motion carried 9-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION – (FIRST FLOOR EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM) – EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD

- (a) To consult with counsel, staff, consultants, or other individuals to obtain legal advice, discussion regarding pending or potential litigation in accordance with Maryland Annotated Code, State Government, Section 10-508 (a) (8).

BRIEFING – (ROOM 2027) – CANCELLED

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION OF DISTRICT COUNCIL ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2009.

2:00 **PLANNING, ZONING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING –**
P.M. **(ROOM 2027) – *COMMITTEE MEETING HELD***

Prepared By:

Submitted By:

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Redis C. Floyd, Clerk of the Council