

AGENDA MINUTES

Tuesday, February 24, 2009

Business Meeting

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

AGENDA BRIEFING – (ROOM 2027) – BRIEFING HELD

CALL TO ORDER: - Chairperson Bland called to order at 10:11 A.M. with the following Council Members present:

Marilynn M. Bland
Will Campos
Samuel H. Dean
Thomas E. Dernoga (Arrived at 10:17 A.M.)
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
Larry Cain, Audit & Investigations
Josh Hamlin, Associate County Attorney
Marcus Jackson, County Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive

INVOCATION: - The Invocation was led Pastor Joshua K. White, Church of the Great Commission, Camp Springs, Maryland.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: - The pledge of allegiance was led by Council Member Turner.

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-6-2009 – AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROHIBITION OF THE SALE, OFFER OR DISTRIBUTION OF CERTAIN CIGAR PRODUCTS for the purpose of amending the provisions of the County Code prohibiting the sale, offer or distribution of cigar and cigar products intended for or designed for the use in ingesting, inhaling or otherwise introducing marijuana, cocaine, hashish, or hashish oil into the human body to minor and in quantities fewer than packages of five. - **PRESENTED**

Council Bill 6 was presented by Council Member Dean and referred to the Health, Education and Human Services (HEHS) Committee.

Council Member Dean moved adoption of the Consent Agenda; seconded by Council Member Harrison. 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) Proposed correspondence to Verjeana M. Jacobs, Esquire, Chair, Board of Education, approving the Board of Education's FY 2008 Final Operating Budget Transfer Request.
- **CHAIRPERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN**

Council Member Harrison, Chair of the Health, Education and Human Services (HEHS) Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations from the Committee to the Council. This report was favorably reported out of the Health, Education and Human Services (HEHS) Committee on 02/19/2009. A letter was proposed for sending to Verjeana M. Jacobs, Esq., Chair of the Board of Education, approving the Board of Education's FY 2008 Final Operating Budget Transfer Request. Council Member Olson moved to authorize the Chairperson's signature; seconded by Council Member Dean. The motion carried 8-0. Absent: Council Member Dernoga.

- (b) Transmittal letters to the Honorable Melony G. Griffith, Chair, Prince George's House Delegation, the Honorable C. Anthony Muse, Chair, Prince George's Senate Delegation, the Honorable Ulysses Currie, Chair, Senate Budget & Tax Committee, and the Honorable Thomas M. Middleton, Chair, Senate Finance Committee, expressing the positions of the County Council on proposed State legislation.

- **CHAIRPERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN**

Todd Turner, Legislative Officer, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations from the Committee of the Whole to the Council. A letter was transmitted to the Honorable Melony G. Griffith, Chair, Prince George's House Delegation, the Honorable C. Anthony Muse, Chair, Prince George's Senate Delegation, the Honorable Ulysses Currie, Chair, Senate Budget & Tax Committee, and the Honorable Thomas M. Middleton, Chair, Senate Finance Committee, expressing the positions of the County Council on proposed State legislation. Council Member Dean moved to authorize the Chairperson's signature; seconded by Council Member Harrison. The motion carried 9-0.

REQUESTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

Ruth Wright – Prince George's Real Estate Professionals for Change, addressed the Council and requested a briefing to discuss the potential for a home ownership fair. She also announced a town hall discussion to be held on March 5, 2009 at 6:30 pm at the Woodmore Country Club.

ADJOURN: - *Chairperson Bland adjourned the meeting at 10:24 A.M.*

10:32
A.M.

BRIEFING – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM) – BRIEFING HELD

● **HOSPITAL AUTHORITY**

Donna M.P. Wilson

Thomas Himler

11:38
A.M.

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

BRIEFING – (ROOM 2027)
- DEFERRED

- **LEGISLATIVE BRANCH BUDGET**

Prepared By:

Submitted By:

Shirley T. Blake, Administrative Aide

Redis C. Floyd, Clerk of the Council