

# PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

## COMMITTEE REPORT

2023 Legislative Session

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**Reference No.:** CB-025-2023

**Draft No.:** 1

**Committee:** PLANNING, HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**Date:** 10/16/2023

**Action:** FAV

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### REPORT:

Committee Vote, Favorable (In favor: Council Members Ivey, Blegay, Dernoga, and Olson)

The Planning, Housing and Economic Development (PHED) Committee convened on March 16, 2023, and October 16, 2023, to consider CB-025-2023. The bill proposes amendments to nonresidential and mixed-use design standards to prohibit the outdoor placement of freestanding donation containers for the collection of certain household and personal items to be collected by a third party entity.

The Acting Committee Director summarized the comments and suggestions received on referral prior to the PHED Committee's March 16, 2023, work session to review CB-025-2023. Next, the PHED Committee Chair turned to Council Member Hawkins, the bill's sponsor, who reiterated the genesis of the legislation during a meeting with residents in the Upper Marlboro area of the County, as well as the broad support he's received from other communities around the County.

After discussion, on a Motion for Favorable Recommendation made by Council Chair Dernoga, seconded by Council Vice Chair Blegay, the Committee voted 5–0 FAV on CB-025-2023 (DR-1) as drafted.

Held in Committee. (March 16, 2023)

The Planning, Housing, and Economic Development Committee convened on March 16, 2023, to consider CB-025-2023, a bill to add a new non-residential and mixed-use design standard to prohibit the outdoor placement of freestanding containers for collection of household and personal items for the benefit of a third party.

The PHED Committee Director summarized the purpose and substance of the legislation. The Committee then heard comments from agencies and examined written comments received on referral. The Planning Board took No Position on the legislation and submitted technical

comments for the Committee's consideration by letter dated March 9, 2023. The Chief Zoning Hearing Examiner submitted written comments by memorandum dated March 6, 2023, with additional technical suggestions to ensure public understanding of the new regulation. The Office of Law submitted a memorandum dated March 14, 2023, finding the bill in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption.

After comments from Council Member Hawkins, the bill's sponsor, and discussion among the Committee members, the Committee voted Favorable 5-0 on a Motion to Hold the bill in Committee.