

# Prince George's County Council

## Agenda Item Summary

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**Meeting Date:** 11/20/2012  
**Reference No.:** CB-085-2012  
**Draft No.:** 2  
**Proposer(s):** Franklin  
**Sponsor(s):** Franklin, Davis, Patterson, Toles  
**Item Title:** An Ordinance amending the regulations for dry cleaning and laundry stores or plants in Commercial Zones.

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**Drafter:** Jackie Brown, Director PZED Committee  
**Resource Personnel:** Brendon Laster, Chief of Staff District 9

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### LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

<b>Date Presented:</b>	9/25/2012	<b>Executive Action:</b>	
<b>Committee Referral:</b>	9/25/2012 - PZED	<b>Effective Date:</b>	1/7/2013
<b>Committee Action:</b>	10/10/2012 - FAV(A)		
<b>Date Introduced:</b>	10/23/2012		
<b>Public Hearing:</b>	11/20/2012 - 10:00 AM		
<b>Council Action (1)</b>	11/20/2012 - ENACTED		
<b>Council Votes:</b>	WC:A, DLD:A, MRF:A, AH:A, ML:A, EO:A, OP:A, IT:A, KT:A		
<b>Pass/Fail:</b>	P		
<b>Remarks:</b>			

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### AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

27-461

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### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

#### PZED Committee Report

**Date 10/10/2012**

Committee Vote: Favorable with amendments, 4-0 (In favor: Council Members Franklin, Patterson, Olson, and Toles)

Staff gave an overview of the legislation and informed the committee of written referral comments and correspondence that were received. This legislation amends provisions in the Zoning Ordinance for dry cleaning and laundry stores or plants in certain commercial zones which were enacted pursuant to CB-55-2002.

Council Member Franklin, the bill's sponsor, requested the committee's support of CB-85-2012 in an effort to facilitate the location of lower cost, same day dry cleaning services in the southern portion of the County. Mr. Franklin explained that current regulations restrict the model that provides for same day service, resulting in businesses having to send garments out for service which requires additional time for return and pick-up. CB-85-2012 proposes amendments to the Code that will make the County more business-friendly and will provide additional amenities for County residents.

The Office of Law reviewed CB-85-2012 and determined that it is in proper legislative form with no legal

impediments to its enactment.

The committee discussed and supported amendments to the legislation to increase the “retail” square footage in the Table of Uses on pages 2 and 3 from 3,000 square feet to 6,000 square feet and also to leave the “retail, unrestricted” reference and existing footnote 43 in place.

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:**

(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

The County Council enacted CB-55-2002 to limit the size of dry cleaning and laundry stores or plants in the C-A and C-S-C Zones. CB-55-2002 also permitted dry cleaning stores or plants in the C-M Zone without size restriction. This legislation removes the provisions of CB-55-2002.

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**CODE INDEX TOPICS:**

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**INCLUSION FILES:**

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