



Prince George's County Council

Wayne K. Curry Administration
Building
1301 McCormick Dr
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Meeting Minutes - Final Sitting as the Committee of the Whole

Monday, May 4, 2026

1:30 PM

Council Hearing Room

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ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS:

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was convened by Chair Krystal Oriadha at 1:51 p.m. with 6 members present at roll call. Council Member Ivey arrived at 1:52 p.m. Council Member Dernoga arrived at 2:02 p.m. Council Member Burroughs arrived at 2:08 p.m. Council Member Blegay arrived at 2:42 p.m.

Present 10 - Krystal Oriadha
Eric Olson
Shayla Adams-Stafford
Wala Blegay
Edward Burroughs
Thomas Dernoga
Wanika Fisher
Sydney Harrison
Jolene Ivey
Timothy Adams

Absent Danielle Hunter

Also present:

*David Murray, Council Administrator
Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council
Leonard Moses, Deputy Clerk of the Council
Edgar Reese III, Legislative Reference Aide
Dr. Arun Puracken, Director, EWD Committee
Sylvia King, Senior Legislative Budget Officer
David Noto, Budget and Policy Analyst*

BRIEFING

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PGCPS STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Dr. Shawn Joseph, Interim Superintendent, PGCPS

Dr. Deann Collins, Chief of Staff, PGCPS

Vanessa Weatherington, Director, Strategic Planning & Resource Management,
PGCPS

Attachment(s): [Strategic Plan Board Updates Presentation CC
05-04-2026](#)

The briefing was convened at 1:52 p.m. Dr. Arun Puracken, Director, Education and Workforce Development Committee (EWD), provided an overview of the Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) Strategic Plan Update and introduced Dr. Shawn Joseph, Interim Superintendent, PGCPS, who then introduced, Dr. Deann Collins, Chief of Staff, PGCPS, and Vanessa Weatherington, Director, Strategic Planning & Resource Management, PGCPS. The panelists facilitated a PowerPoint presentation titled, "Forward by Design: Acceleration 2029 Strategic Plan". The presentation highlighted the following: Fostering Alignment; Development Timeline; Stakeholder Insights; Survey and Focus Group Themes; What Informed Our Priorities; and Strategic Plan Evolution 2026 - 2029. The panelists then responded to questions from Council Members.

This Budget Item discussion was held; no votes were taken.

BUDGET WORKSESSION - CIP REVIEW

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OFFICE OF CENTRAL SERVICES

Attachment(s): [FY 2027 Proposed Budget Overview_OCS_FINAL](#)
[FY 2027 Proposed Budget Report_OCS_FINAL](#)
[OCS Presentation](#)
[OCS 1st Round Questions](#)

This briefing was convened at 2:40 p.m. Sylvia King, Senior Legislative Budget Officer, facilitated a PowerPoint presentation titled, "Combined Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Day 1: FY 2027 Proposed Budget". The presentation highlighted the following: Overview; Funding; OCS CIP FY 2027 - FY 2032; and Proposed FY 2027. David J. Byrd, Director, OCS, Bharath Kortagere, Deputy Director, OCS, and Nicola Martin, Budget

Manager, OCS, then provided comments and responded to questions from Council Members.

This Budget Item discussion was held; no votes were taken.

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HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Attachment(s): [Health Department Budget Presentation 2026 FINAL](#)
Health Department - First Round Responses
[Health Department FY 2027 Proposed Budget Overview](#)
Health Dept Proposed Budget Report FY 2027

The briefing was convened at 3:16 p.m. David Noto, Budget and Policy Analyst, continued to facilitate the PowerPoint presentation titled, "Combined Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Day 1: FY 2027 Proposed Budget". His presentation highlighted the Health Department. Dr. Toyin Opesanmi, Health Officer, Andrew Ballard, PhD, Chief of Public Health Policy and Innovation, Office of the Health Officer, Diane Young, PhD, Associate Director, Health Department, and Andrew Holter, Associate Director, Health Department, then responded to questions from Council Members.

This Budget Item discussion was held; no were votes taken.

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ADJOURN

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 3:21 PM.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Olson, seconded by Council Member Dernoga, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by unanimous vote.