



Prince George's County Council

Wayne K. Curry Administration
Building
1301 McCormick Dr
Largo, MD 20774

Meeting Minutes - Final Sitting as the Committee of the Whole

Tuesday, June 4, 2024

1:30 PM

Council Hearing Room

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ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS:

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was convened by Chair Jolene Ivey at 1:37 p.m. with eight members present. Council Member Franklin attended participated and on camera having arrived at 1:38 p.m. Council Member Blegay arrived at 1:40 p.m.

Present	9 -	Jolene Ivey Sydney Harrison Thomas Dernoga Wala Blegay Wanika Fisher Calvin S. Hawkins Eric Olson Krystal Oriadha Ingrid Watson
Absent		Edward Burroughs
Remote	1 -	Mel Franklin

Also present:

Jennifer Jenkins, Council Administrator

Colette Gresham, Deputy Council Administrator

Donna Brown, Clerk of the Council

Leonard Moses, Deputy Clerk of the Council

Edgar Reese, III, Legislative Reference Aide

Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive

Dinora Hernandez, Associate County Attorney, Office of Law
Kathy Canning, Legislative Attorney
Nathaniel K. Tutt, III, Director, GAFP Committee

LEGISLATION

[CB-039-2024](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING BORROWING TO FINANCE CAPITAL

PROJECTS FOR COUNTY BUILDINGS

for the purpose of authorizing Prince George's County, Maryland, to borrow money upon its full faith and credit at any time and from time to time, in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$96,720,000 to finance the design, construction, reconstruction, extension, acquisition, improvement, enlargement, alteration, renovation, relocation, rehabilitation, or repair of County Buildings including the acquisition and development of sites therefor, the architectural and engineering services incident thereto, and the acquisition and installation of necessary fixed permanent equipment therefor, prescribing terms and conditions upon which bonds issued pursuant to this Act shall be issued and sold and other incidental details with respect thereto; providing generally for the issuance of such bonds and providing for such borrowing to be submitted to a referendum of the legal voters of the County.

Attachment(s): [B2024039](#)
[CB-039-2024 Summary](#)
[CB-039-2024 Report](#)
[CB-039-2024 PAFI](#)
[CB-039-2024 Transmittal](#)

Kathy Canning, Legislative Attorney, provided an overview of CB-039-2024. Dinora Hernandez, Associate County Attorney, Office of Law, relayed that the bill is in proper legislative form and the Office of Law sees no legal impediments to its enactment. Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive, noted that the County Executive supports the bill.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this Council Bill be Favorably recommended with amendments. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson
Absent: Burroughs

LEGISLATION (Continued)

[CB-040-2024](#)

Draft 1

**AN ACT CONCERNING BORROWING TO FINANCE CAPITAL
PROJECTS FOR LIBRARY FACILITIES**

for the purpose of authorizing Prince George's County, Maryland, to borrow money upon its full faith and credit at any time and from time to time, in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$17,284,000 to finance the design, construction, reconstruction, extension, acquisition, improvement, enlargement, alteration, renovation, relocation, rehabilitation, or repair of Library Facilities including the acquisition and development of sites therefor, the architectural and engineering services incident thereto, and the acquisition and installation of necessary fixed permanent equipment therefor, prescribing terms and conditions upon which bonds issued pursuant to this Act shall be issued and sold and other incidental details with respect thereto; providing generally for the issuance of such bonds and providing for such borrowing to be submitted to a referendum of the legal voters of the County.

Attachment(s): [B2024040](#)
[CB-040-2024 Summary](#)
[CB-040-2024 Report](#)
[CB-040-2024 PAFI](#)
[CB-040-2024 Transmittal](#)
[CB-040-2024 Proposed Draft 2 \(old do not use\)](#)

Kathy Canning, Legislative Attorney, provided an overview of CB-040-2024. Dinora Hernandez, Associate County Attorney, Office of Law, relayed that the bill is in proper legislative form and the Office of Law sees no legal impediments to its enactment. Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive, noted that the County Executive supports the bill.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this Council Bill be Favorably recommended with amendments. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Fisher, Franklin,
Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

Absent: Burroughs

LEGISLATION (Continued)

[CB-041-2024](#)

Draft 1

**AN ACT CONCERNING BORROWING TO FINANCE CAPITAL
PROJECTS FOR PRINCE GEORGE'S COMMUNITY COLLEGE
FACILITIES**

for the purpose of authorizing Prince George's County, Maryland, to borrow money upon its full faith and credit at any time and from time to time, in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$194,380,000 to finance the design, construction, reconstruction, extension, acquisition, improvement, enlargement, alteration, renovation, relocation, rehabilitation, or repair of Community College Facilities, including the acquisition and development of sites therefor, the architectural and engineering services incident thereto, and the acquisition and installation of necessary fixed permanent equipment therefor, prescribing terms and conditions upon which bonds issued pursuant to this Act shall be issued and sold and other incidental details with respect thereto; providing generally for the issuance of such bonds and providing for such borrowing to be submitted to a referendum of the legal voters of the County.

Attachment(s): [B2024041](#)
[CB-041-2024 Summary](#)
[CB-41-2024 Report](#)
[CB-041-2024 PAFI](#)
[CB-041-2024 Transmittal](#)

Kathy Canning, Legislative Attorney, provided an overview of CB-041-2024. Dinora Hernandez, Associate County Attorney, Office of Law, relayed that the bill is in proper legislative form and the Office of Law sees no legal impediments to its enactment. Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive, noted that the County Executive supports the bill.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this Council Bill be Favorably recommended with amendments. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

Absent: Burroughs

LEGISLATION (Continued)

[CB-042-2024](#)

Draft 1

**AN ACT CONCERNING BORROWING TO FINANCE CAPITAL
PROJECTS FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION**

FACILITIES for the purpose of authorizing Prince George's County, Maryland, to borrow money upon its full faith and credit at any time and from time to time, in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$311,873,000 to finance the design, construction, reconstruction, extension, acquisition, improvement, enlargement, alteration, renovation, relocation, rehabilitation, or repair of Public Works and Transportation Facilities, including the acquisition and development of sites therefor, the architectural and engineering services incident thereto, and the acquisition and installation of necessary fixed permanent equipment therefor, prescribing terms and conditions upon which bonds issued pursuant to this Act shall be issued and sold and other incidental details with respect thereto; providing generally for the issuance of such bonds and providing for such borrowing to be submitted to a referendum of the legal voters of the County.

Attachment(s): [B2024042](#)
[CB-042-2024 Summary](#)
[CB-042-2024 Report](#)
[CB-042-2024 PAFI](#)
[CB-042-2024 Transmittal](#)

Kathy Canning, Legislative Attorney, provided an overview of CB-042-2024. Dinora Hernandez, Associate County Attorney, Office of Law, relayed that the bill is in proper legislative form and the Office of Law sees no legal impediments to its enactment. Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive, noted that the County Executive supports the bill.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this Council Bill be Favorably recommended with amendments. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

Absent: Burroughs

LEGISLATION (Continued)

[CB-043-2024](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING BORROWING TO FINANCE CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES for the purpose of authorizing Prince George's County, Maryland, to borrow money upon its full faith and credit at any time and from time to time, in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$40,205,000 to finance the design, construction, reconstruction, extension, acquisition, improvement, enlargement, alteration, renovation, relocation, rehabilitation, or repair of Public Safety Facilities (including Fire Department Facilities), including the acquisition and development of sites therefor, the architectural and engineering services incident thereto, and the acquisition and installation of necessary fixed permanent equipment therefor, prescribing terms and conditions upon which bonds issued pursuant to this Act shall be issued and sold and other incidental details with respect thereto; providing generally for the issuance of such bonds and providing for such borrowing to be submitted to a referendum of the legal voters of the County.

Attachment(s): [B2024043](#)
[CB-043-2024 Summary](#)
[CB-043-2024 Report](#)
[CB-043-2024 PAFI](#)
[CB-043-2024 Transmittal](#)

Kathy Canning, Legislative Attorney, provided an overview of CB-043-2024. Dinora Hernandez, Associate County Attorney, Office of Law, relayed that the bill is in proper legislative form and the Office of Law sees no legal impediments to its enactment. Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive, noted that the County Executive supports the bill.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this Council Bill be Favorably recommended with amendments. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

Absent: Burroughs

LEGISLATION (Continued)

[CB-048-2024](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING INTERPROJECT TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS IN THE APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2024 CAPITAL BUDGET AND SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATIONS IN THE APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2024 CAPITAL BUDGET for the purpose of transferring appropriations to the Surratts-Clinton Branch Renovation (4.71.0005), Baden Public Library (4.71.0007), and New Glenridge Area Middle School #2 (3.77.0016) projects and providing supplementary appropriations to the Clean Water Partnership NPDES/MS4 (5.54.0018), MS4/NPDES Compliance & Restoration (5.54.0019), Street Lights & Traffic Signals 2 (1.66.0001), Bus Mass Transit/Metro Access 2 (4.66.0006), Green Street Improvements (4.66.0008), Maryland Purple Line (7.66.0001), Addison Road/Capitol Heights Metro Corridor (8.90.0002), County Revitalization (8.90.0004), and Cheverly Development (9.90.0001) projects.

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Harrison, Watson, Olson, Hawkins, Dernoga, Oriadha, Fisher, Franklin and Blegay

Attachment(s): [B2024048](#)
[CB-048-2024 Attachments - Schedules A-Q](#)
[CB-048-2024 PAFI](#)
[CB-048-2024 Summary](#)
[CB-048-2024 Transmittal](#)

Nathaniel Tutt III, Director, Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee (GOFP), provided an overview of CB-048-2024. Dinora Hernandez, Associate County Attorney, Office of Law, relayed that the bill is in proper legislative form and the Office of Law sees no legal impediments to its enactment. Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive, noted that the County Executive supports the bill.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this Council Bill be Favorably recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

Absent: Burroughs

LEGISLATION (Continued)

[CB-049-2024](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING SALES AND USE TAX ON

TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE for the purpose of repealing the requirement that the sales and use tax on telecommunication service be applied in addition to local funding requirements imposed by the State of Maryland for funding from Prince George's County to the Board of Education; and providing for retroactive application of this Act.

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Harrison, Franklin, Watson and Hawkins

Attachment(s): [B2024049](#)

[CB-049-2024 Summary](#)

[CB-049-2024 PAFI](#)

[CB-049-2024 Transmittal](#)

Nathaniel Tutt III, Director, Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee (GOFP), provided an overview of CB-049-2024. Dinora Hernandez, Associate County Attorney, Office of Law, relayed that the bill is in proper legislative form and the Office of Law sees no legal impediments to its enactment. Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive, noted that the County Executive supports the bill.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this Council Bill be Favorably recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson and Watson

Absent: Burroughs

Abstain: 2 - Blegay and Oriadha

LEGISLATION (Continued)

[CB-050-2024](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING AMENDMENT OF SECTION 815, CHARTER OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY for the purpose of proposing an amendment to Section 815 of the Charter of Prince George's County to provide that during any fiscal year, no agency of County government may exceed the number of positions for that agency as approved in the operating budget without the prior approval of the Council; and generally regarding staffing level increases.

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Watson, Hawkins, Harrison and Fisher

Attachment(s): [B2024050](#)
[CB-050-2024 Summary](#)
[CB-050-2024 Report](#)
[CB-050-2024 OOL Comment](#)

Kathy Canning, Legislative Attorney, provided an overview of CB-050-2024. Rhonda Weaver, County Attorney, Office of Law, relayed that the bill is in proper legislative form and the Office of Law sees no legal impediments to its enactment. Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive, noted that the County Executive supports the bill.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this Council Bill be Favorably recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson
Absent: Burroughs

LEGISLATION (Continued)

[CB-051-2024](#)

Draft 1

**AN ACT CONCERNING AMENDMENT OF SECTION 313, CHARTER
OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY**

for the purpose of proposing an amendment to Section 313 of the Charter of Prince George's County to provide for the repeal of the County Auditor's five-year term, with five-year term discretionary renewals, to provide that the County Auditor may be removed for cause by a two-thirds vote of the full Council, and generally regarding the County Auditor.

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Watson and Hawkins

Attachment(s): [B2024051](#)
[CB-051-2024 Summary](#)
[CB-051-2024 Report](#)

Kathy Canning, Legislative Attorney, provided an overview of CB-051-2024. Rhonda Weaver, County Attorney, Office of Law, relayed that the bill is in proper legislative form and the Office of Law sees no legal impediments to its enactment. Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive, noted that the County Executive takes no position on the bill.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this Council Bill be Favorably recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Ivey, Harrison, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson and Watson
Nay: 1 - Blegay
Absent: Burroughs
Abstain: 2 - Dernoga and Oriadha

Add15-24

Draft 1

ADDITIONS AGENDA

A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this additions package be accepted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson
Absent: Burroughs

LEGISLATION (Continued)

[CR-053-2024](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING HOLISTIC AND SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS TASK FORCE for the purpose of establishing the Holistic and Sustainable Solutions for Senior Citizens Task Force to assess and identify the fundamental needs of the senior citizen population in Prince George's County; and recommend holistic and sustainable solutions to address the needs of the senior citizen population in Prince George's County.

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Harrison, Fisher, Watson, Oriadha, Dernoga, Olson and Hawkins

Attachment(s): [R2024053](#)
[CR-053-2024 Summary](#)
[CR-053-2024 Report](#)

Colette Gresham, Deputy Council Administrator, provided an overview of CR-053-2024 and noted an amendment to add the date of Feb 28, 2024 as the completion date for the task force to submit their findings and recommendations.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this Resolution be Favorably recommended with amendments to the County Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson
Absent: Burroughs

[ADJ59-24](#)

Draft 1

ADJOURN

THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 2:37 PM.

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

Aye: 10 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson
Absent: Burroughs