

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE REPORT
2016 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CB-023-2016
Draft No.: 2
Committee: PLANNING, ZONING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Date: 05/18/2016
Action: FAV (A)

REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable as amended, 5-0 (In favor: Council Members Harrison, Glaros, Franklin, Taveras and Toles)

Council staff summarized the purpose of CB-23-2016 and informed the committee of referral comments that were received. This legislation amends the Zoning Ordinance to permit food or beverage stores not exceeding 125,000 square feet of gross floor area in the C-M Zone without the requirement for special exception approval, under certain circumstances, in a new footnote 62 to the commercial zone use table.

Council Member Franklin, the bill's sponsor, informed the Committee that this legislation will stimulate economic development in his district by facilitating the development of a food or beverage store in his district.

Staff presented a Proposed Draft-2 (DR-2) prepared at the sponsor's request to modify the criteria in the footnote. A new (B) was in proposed in the footnote as follows: (B) The gross floor area of the building does not exceed 85,000 square feet.

The Office of Law reviewed CB-23-2016 and determined that it is in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its enactment.

Matthew Tedesco, representing Lidl US, testified in support of the legislation.

The Committee voted favorably on the legislation including the amendment to the footnote in Proposed DR-2 as well as the appropriate amendment to the bill title reflecting the change in the footnote.