PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2025 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CB-033-2025

Draft No.: 2

Committee: Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy & Environment

Date: 6/12/2025

Action: FAV(A)

REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable as Amended, 3-0 (In Favor: Council Members Olson, Harrison, and Dernoga)

The Committee convened on June 12, 2025, to discuss CB-33-2025, which amends Subtitle 4 (Building), Division 5 (Administrative Provisions) of the County Code to require building permit applications to be shared with a Municipality when the construction activity will occur in that Municipality.

The sponsor indicated that this legislation is necessary to provide notice of construction activity to municipalities that do not require building permits. The sponsor offered an amendment to clarify that the bill's provisions do not apply in municipalities that require a separate building permit. The committee accepted the sponsor's amendment.

The committee's discussion included two issues that resulted in amendments. The first issue was the applicant's responsibility to provide the documentation to the affected municipality. It was determined that the agency receiving the application (the Department of Permitting, Inspections & Enforcement) should bear this responsibility rather than the applicant. Secondly, the sponsor requested that the bill's requirements be applied to use and occupancy (U&O) permit applications as well. The committee accepted both amendments and directed staff to draft the language.

After the discussion, the Committee voted Favorably on CB-033-2025 as amended by a vote of 3-0.

NOTE:

Subsequent to the committee vote, legal staff determined that the Use & Occupancy amendment language is more appropriately placed in the Zoning Ordinance. An amendment sheet has been prepared to remove language in CB-33-2025 (DR 2) requiring copies of use and occupancy permit applications to be submitted to municipalities. The amendment will be offered prior to introduction. The language removed from CB-33-2025 (DR 2) will be used to draft a legislative amendment to the Zoning Ordinance.