

Prince George's County, Maryland Inter-Office Memorandum Office of Law

LEGISLATIVE COMMENT

DATE: September 29, 2021

TO: Robert J. Williams, Jr., Council Administrator

COW Committee

THRU: Rhonda L. Weaver, County Attorney

THRU: Joseph C. Ruddy, Deputy County Attorney

FROM: Amanda Denison, Associate County Attorney

RE: CB-66-2021

The Office of Law has reviewed the above referenced **bill** as it was **introduced** on **September 14, 2021** and finds it to be in proper legislative form. The Office of Law found term "mixed-use" within the footnotes 143 and 87 letter (B) respectively, to be ambiguous and vague which may lead to potential conflicts. For that reason, the Office of Law suggests clarifying the term "mixed-use" to cure any legal impediments. As it reads now, "mixed-use" may allow for unpermitted uses within this zone – such as non-residential uses, among others.

It should also be noted that if this bill pertains to a single property, specifically property located at 0 Briarwood Drive, Laurel, Maryland, 20708, then it could be considered spot zoning which would be an additional and distinct impediment separate from the ambiguous terms.