

# Prince George's County Council

## Agenda Item Summary

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**Meeting Date:** 9/18/2012  
**Reference No.:** CB-069-2012  
**Draft No.:** 1  
**Proposer(s):** County Executive  
**Sponsor(s):**  
**Item Title:** Executive Order No. 20-2012 (Reorganizational Proposal) relating to the Department of Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement

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**Drafter:** Joseph R. Hamlin, Office of Law  
**Resource Personnel:** Carla A. Reid, DCAO

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### LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

<b>Date Presented:</b>	9/18/2012	<b>Executive Action:</b>	
<b>Committee Referral:</b>	9/18/2012 - THE 10/2/2012 - C.O.W.	<b>Effective Date:</b>	10/9/2012

**Committee Action:** 10/2/2012 - FAV

**Date Introduced:**

**Public Hearing:**

**Council Action (1)** 10/9/2012 - APPROVED

**Council Votes:** WC:A, DLD:A, MRF:A, AH:A, ML:A, EO:A, OP:A, IT:A, KT:A

**Pass/Fail:** P

**Remarks:**

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### AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

CHARTER-1106

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### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

#### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

**Date 10/2/2012**

Committee Vote: Favorable, 9-0 (In favor: Council Members Harrison, Campos, Davis, Franklin, Lehman, Olson, Patterson, Toles, and Turner)

Staff provided a summary of the bill and referral comments that were received. CB-69-2012, on behalf of the County Executive, is a bill seeking to implement Executive Order No. 20-2012 (Reorganizational Proposal), dated July 23, 2012, amending the Schedule of Legislation to add a new Section 17 creating a Department of Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement (DPIE). The legislation also transfers the permitting functions assigned in Section 11 to the Department of Environmental Resources (DER) to the new DPIE department.

Brad Seamon, Chief Administrative Officer and Carla Reid, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Economic Development and Public Infrastructure, provided a Powerpoint presentation and comments in support of the Executive Order and bill and answered questions from the Committee. Several members of the Committee had concerns about the coordination of permitting functions between the DER, Public Works and Transportation (DPWT) and the Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission (M-NCPPC), the potential budgetary and fiscal impact of the reorganization in FY 2013 and 2014 and process for implementation of the reorganization by the

Agency Work Group established and under County Administrative Orders.

The Office of Law determined that CB-69-2012 was in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption.

The Office of Audits and Investigation indicated there will be adverse fiscal impact in the amount of approximately \$1.5 – 2.0 million in initial start up costs for build out of space and new technology in FY 2013 and undetermined amount for realignment of existing staff and operating costs as a result of enactment of CB-69-2012.

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:**

(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

This Bill is an Executive Order reorganizational proposal and will amend the Schedule of Legislation to add a new Section 17 creating a Department of Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement. The legislation also transfers the permitting functions assigned in Section 11 to the Department of Environmental Resources (with the exception of Animal Control) to the new department.

On August 14, 2012, the County Executive transmitted Executive Order No. 20-2012 relating to the Department of Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement. Pursuant to Charter 503, this proposal will become effective on October 13, 2012 unless disapproved by a majority vote of the full Council prior to that date.

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**CODE INDEX TOPICS:**

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**INCLUSION FILES:**

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