

AGENDA MINUTES

Tuesday, September 25, 2007

Business Meeting

(Legislative Day No. 26 to be declared

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

AGENDA BRIEFING – (ROOM 2027) - *BRIEFING HELD*

CALL TO ORDER: - *Chair Exum called to order at 10:06 a.m. with the following Council Members present:*

Marilynn M. Bland
Will Campos
Samuel H. Dean
Thomas E. Dernoga *(arrived at 10:07 a.m.)*
Camille A. Exum
David C. Harrington
Tony Knotts
Eric C. Olson
Ingrid M. Turner *(arrived at 10:07 a.m.)*

Others Present:

Craig Price, Council Administrator
Robert J. Williams, Jr., Deputy Council Administrator
Ralph Grutzmacher, Legislative Officer
Karen Zvakos, Legislative Officer
Sandra Eubanks, HEHS Committee Director
Jackie Brown, PZED Committee Director
Hawi Sanu, THE Committee Director
Russell King, Associate County Attorney
Marcus Jackson, County Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive

INVOCATION: - *The Invocation was led by Reverend Juanita Brower, Forestville New Redeemer Baptist Church, Forestville, Maryland.*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: - *The pledge of allegiance was led by Council Member Dean*

DESIGNATION OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2007 AS LEGISLATIVE DAY NO. 26*Chair Exum designated September 25, 2007 as Legislative Day number 26*1. **PUBLIC HEARING: -- PUBLIC HEARING HELD****Appointment of the following individual to the Board of Education for Prince George's County:**- **CONFIRMED**

Ms. Amber Waller

Appointment

Replacing: Nathaniel B. Thomas

*Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened on the Appointment of Ms. Amber Waller to the Board of Education for Prince George's County. Council Member Bland, Chair of the Health, Education and Human Services Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee to the Council. County Executive, Jack B. Johnson, introduced Ms. Waller to the Council. Ms. Waller spoke on her own behalf. Mr. Howard Stone and Mr. David L. Cohn spoke in support of Ms. Waller's appointment to the Board of Education for Prince George's County. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held. Council Member Dean moved confirmation of Ms. Amber Waller to the Board of Education for Prince George's County; seconded by Council Member Harrington. The motion carried 9-0.***The appointee will serve until a successor is elected at the next Congressional election on November 4, 2008.***(Favorably reported out of HEHS on 9/18/2007)***RECESS:** - *Chair Exum recessed the meeting at 10:23 a.m.***RECONVENE:** - *Chair Exum reconvened the meeting at 10:31 a.m.*2. **RESOLUTIONS ELIGIBLE FOR FINAL READING – (ADOPTION)****CR-55-2007 – A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE ENACTMENT OF A CERTAIN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COLLEGE PARK** for the purpose of approving the enactment of Ordinance 07-O-12, amending Chapters 110 and 141 of the City of College Park Code concerning residential parking and storage. - **ADOPTED***Council Member Dean, Chair of the Planning, Zoning and Economic Development Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee to the Council. Council Resolution 55 approves the enactment of Ordinance 07-O-12 amending Chapters 110 and 141 of the City of College Park Code concerning residential parking and storage. Council Resolution 55 was introduced by Council Member Olson on 7/24/2007 and was favorably reported out of Planning, Zoning and Economic Development (PZED) on 9/19/2007. Council Member Olson moved adoption of Council Resolution 55; seconded by Council Member Campos. The motion carried 9-0.*

CR-56-2007 – A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE ENACTMENT OF A CERTAIN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COLLEGE PARK for the purpose of approving the enactment of Ordinance 07-O-10, amending Chapter 125 of the City of College Park Code concerning residential parking and storage. - **ADOPTED**

Council Member Dean, Chair of the Planning, Zoning and Economic Development (PZED) Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee to the Council. Council Resolution 56 approves the enactment of Ordinance 07-O-10 amending Chapter 125 of the City of College Park Code concerning residential parking and storage. Council Resolution 56 was introduced by Council Member Olson on 07/24/2007 and was favorably reported out of Planning, Zoning and Economic Development (PZED) Committee on 09/19/2007. Council Member Olson moved adoption of Council Resolution 56; seconded by Council Member Knotts. The motion carried 9-0.

CR-57-2007 – A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE ENACTMENT OF A CERTAIN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COLLEGE PARK for the purpose of approving the enactment of Ordinance 07-O-14, amending Chapters 87 and 110 of the City of College Park Code concerning fences. - **ADOPTED**

Council Member Dean, Chair of the Planning, Zoning and Economic Development (PZED) Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee to the Council. Council Resolution 57 approves the enactment of Ordinance 07-O-14 amending Chapters 87 and 110 of the City of College Park Code concerning fences. Council Resolution 57 was introduced by Council Member Olson on 7/24/2007 and was favorably reported out of Planning, Zoning and Economic Development (PZED) on 9/19/2007. Council Member Olson moved adoption of Council Resolution 57; seconded by Council Member Knotts. The motion carried 9-0.

Council Member Dernoga moved to accept additional items to the Agenda; seconded by Council Member Harrington. The motion carried by voice vote.

3. **SECOND READING OF BILLS – (INTRODUCTION)**

CB-37-2007 - AN ACT CONCERNING CONTRACT APPROVALS for the purpose of approving the lease of certain improvements by Prince George's County and a memorandum of understanding concerning the renovation of public housing sites. - **INTRODUCED**

Craig Price, Council Administrator, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations from the Committee of the Whole to the Council. Council Bill 37 was introduced by Council Members Exum, Harrington, Dean and Bland.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**2. RESOLUTIONS ELIGIBLE FOR FINAL READING – (ADOPTION)****CR-59-2007 (DR-2) – A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE INTER COUNTY CONNECTOR**

for the purpose of expressing and restating the Prince George's County Council's long standing opposition to construction of the Inter County Connector (ICC) on the basis that the ICC will further sprawl development, and thus cause or exacerbate an increase in vehicle miles traveled, shift jobs away from Prince George's County, and cause substantial local and regional environmental impact and contribute negatively to climate change, and that there is a lack of need for the ICC, that the cost of it is too great and that there are reasonable and better transportation alternatives that will reduce sprawl development and its impacts.

- DR-2 SUBSTITUTED; ADOPTED

Council Member Dernoga, Chair of the Transportation, Housing and the Environment (THE) Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee to the Council. Council Resolution 59 expresses and restates the County Council's long standing opposition to construction of the ICC on the basis that it will further sprawl development, and thus cause or exacerbate an increase in vehicle miles traveled, shift jobs away from the County, and cause substantial local and regional environmental impact and contribute negatively to climate change, and that there is a lack of need for the ICC, that the cost of it is too great and that there are reasonable and better transportation alternatives that will reduce sprawl development and its impacts. Council Resolution 59 was introduced by Council Members Dernoga, Bland, Turner, Olson, Campos and Harrington on 7/24/2007 and was favorably reported out of the Transportation, Housing and the Environment (THE) on 9/20/2007 with amendments. Council Member Dernoga moved to substitute Draft 2 of Council Resolution 59 in lieu of Draft 1; seconded by Council Member Harrington. The motion carried 9-0. Council Member Dernoga moved adoption of Council Resolution 59(DR-2); seconded by Council Member Harrington. The motion carried 9-0.

CR-60-2007 – A RESOLUTION CONCERNING SWANSON ROAD/SWANSON ROAD

SPUR for the purpose of designating Swanson Road/Swanson Road Spur in Upper Marlboro, within the limits described herein, as a Scenic Road pursuant to Subtitle 23 (Roads and Sidewalks) of the County Code.

- CLERK DIRECTED TO SCHEDULE FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Council Member Dernoga, Chair of the Transportation, Housing and the Environment (THE) Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee to the Council. Council Resolution 60 designates Swanson Road/Swanson Road Spur in Upper Marlboro, within the limits described herein, as a Scenic Road pursuant to Subtitle 23 (Roads and Sidewalks) of the County Code. Council Resolution 60 was introduced by Council Members Dean and Dernoga on 9/11/2007 and was favorably reported out of the Transportation, Housing and the Environment (THE) on 9/20/2007. The Clerk was directed to schedule Council Resolution 60 for a Public Hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2007 AT 10:00 A.M.

4. **INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

CR-65-2007 – A RESOLUTION CONCERNING PUBLIC STRUCTURES AND USES - PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO TOWERS AND RADIO SYSTEM EQUIPMENT for the

purpose of providing the County the required approval to construct and use radio towers on property located in the County and to place radio system equipment on existing towers on property located in the County, as public structures and uses, for purposes of building a land mobile radio system; and generally relating to public safety radio towers, radio system equipment, and the land mobile radio system in Prince George's County, Maryland.

- **INTRODUCED; FINAL ACTION DEFERRED**

Council Resolution 65 was introduced by the Chairman at the request of the County Executive. Council Resolution 65 concerns Public Structures and Uses - Public Safety Radio Towers and Radio System Equipment for the purpose of providing the County the required approval to construct and use radio towers on property located in the County and to place radio system equipment on existing towers on property located in the County, as public structures and uses, for purposes of building a land mobile radio system. Final Action was deferred to 10/02/2007.

REQUESTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

Mr. Kwame Alexander

3rd Annual Capital BookFest at The Boulevard at Capital Center, Largo, Maryland on Saturday, October 6, 2007.

Mr. Kwame Alexander addressed the Council regarding the BookFest and other literacy initiatives in the County.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE:

Council Member Knotts commended the work performed by Mr. Alexander and his work at the schools. Council Member Dean echoed the sentiments and applauded the efforts.

ADJOURN: - Chair Exum adjourned the meeting at 10:48 a.m.

PLANNING, ZONING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING – (ROOM 2027) - COMMITTEE MEETING HELD

Prepared By:

Submitted By:

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