

Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 10/26/2010
Reference No.: CB-092-2010
Draft No.: 3
Proposer(s): Dean, Bland
Sponsor(s): Dean, Bland, Knotts, Dernoga, Exum
Item Title: An Ordinance amending the definitions of agriculture and agritourism; adding definitions for equine activities and equine facility, and permitting these uses in certain residential zones and generally relating to these uses.

Drafter: Jackie Brown, PZED Committee Director
Resource Personnel: Nellvenia W. Johnson, Legislative Aide

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented:	9/21/2010	Executive Action:	
Committee Referral:	9/21/2010 - PZED 9/21/2010 - C.O.W.	Effective Date:	12/13/2010

Committee Action: 9/22/2010 - FAV(A)

Date Introduced: 9/28/2010
Public Hearing: 10/26/2010 - 10:00 AM

Council Action (1) 10/26/2010 - ENACTED
Council Votes: MB:A, WC:A, SHD:A, TD:A, CE:A, AH:-, TK:A, EO:A, IT:A
Pass/Fail: P
Remarks:

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

27-107.01, 27-441

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PZED Committee Report

Date 9/22/2010

Committee of the Whole Report 9/22/2010

Favorable with amendments, 6-0 (In favor: Council Members Dernoga, Harrison, Bland, Dean, Exum and Turner)

CB-92-2010 is a Zoning Bill recommended by the Prince George's County Equine Industry Task Force to amend the definitions of agriculture and agritourism; to add definitions for equine activities and equine facility, and to permit these uses in certain residential zones. Mr. K. Teya Moore, Task Force Chair, was present to address the committee concerning the Task Force recommendations and to respond to questions.

The September 22nd Committee of the Whole agenda also included discussion of CB-87-2010, legislation amending the definition of agriculture in Subtitle 4, the Building Code. Council Chairman Dernoga expressed support for the additional language in the proposed definition contained in CB-87-2010, but he indicated that it was not necessary to amend the definition in that particular Subtitle and Division (Nontidal Wetland Protection Ordinance). Chairman

Dernoga suggested moving the proposed language in the definition of agriculture in CB-87-2010 into the proposed amended definition of agriculture in CB-92-2010.

In addition, Chairman Dernoga suggested that the newly defined terms, equine activities and equine facility, as also listed in the Table of Uses should be permitted by special exception in the R-R Zone rather than prohibited, and in permitted by special exception in the R-E Zone rather than permitted by right.

The committee voted favorably on the legislation with the amendments as suggested by Chairman Dernoga.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

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

In accordance with the recommendations of the Prince George's County Equine Industry Task Force, this legislation amends the Zoning Ordinance concerning the current definitions of agriculture and agritourism, adds the definitions of equine activities and equine facility and permits the newly defined uses in certain residential zones.

CB-92-2010 (DR-2) was amended on the floor prior to introduction; CB-92-2010 (DR-3) was introduced.

CODE INDEX TOPICS:

INCLUSION FILES:
