

Prince George's County Council Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 2/17/2004
Reference No.: CB-004-2004
Draft No.: 1
Proposer(s): Dean
Sponsor(s): Dean, Knotts, Harrington, Dernoga, Exum, Peters, Bland, Shapiro
Item Title: An Ordinance amending the definitions in the Zoning Ordinance to add prisons, detention centers and corrections facilities as separate uses and to prohibit the use in all zones.

Drafter: Steven M. Gilbert, Principal Counsel
Resource Personnel: Nellvenia W. Johnson, Legislative Aide

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented:	1/20/2004	Executive Action:	
Committee Referral:	1/20/2004 - PZED	Effective Date:	3/30/2004
Committee Action:	2/4/2004 - FAV		
Date Introduced:	2/17/2004		
Public Hearing:	3/30/2004 - 10:00 A.M.		
Council Action (1)	3/30/2004 - ENACTED		
Council Votes:	MB:A, SHD:A, TD:A, CE:A, DCH:A, TH:A, TK:A, DP:A, PS:-		
Pass/Fail:	P		
Remarks:			

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

27-107.01, 27-115

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PLANNING, ZONING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Date 2/4/2004

Committee Vote: Favorable, 4-0 (In favor: Council Members Dernoga, Dean, Exum, and Harrington)

Staff gave an overview of the purpose of the bill and summarized referral comments that were received. The bill amends the Zoning Ordinance by defining the term "prisons, detention centers, and corrections facilities" as a land use and prohibiting the use in all zones. The Ordinance presently does not permit this correctional facility use in any zone, but the bill is intended to clarify the rule.

The Planning Board supports the legislation indicating that it would provide the County with greater control over the location, construction, and operation of private sector proposals for this type of facility.

Aisha Braveboy, representing the Office of the County Executive, indicated that the Executive supports this bill.

The Legislative Officer found the bill to be in proper legislative form. The Office of Audits and Investigations determined that there should be no negative fiscal impact on the County as a result of enacting CB-4.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

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

The proposed legislation amends the Zoning Ordinance by defining “prisons, detention centers, and corrections facilities” as a separate use, and prohibiting the use in all zones

CODE INDEX TOPICS:

INCLUSION FILES:
