

### **Prince George's County Council**

Wayne K. Curry Administration Building 1301 McCormick Dr Largo, MD 20774

# **Meeting Minutes - Final County Council**

Edward P. Burroughs III, Chair, District 8
Krystal Oriadha, Vice Chair, District 7
Shayla D. Adams-Stafford, District 5
Wala Blegay, District 6
Thomas E. Dernoga, District 1
Wanika Fisher, District 2
Sydney J. Harrison, District 9
Calvin S. Hawkins, II, At-Large
Jolene Ivey, At-Large
Eric C. Olson, District 3
Ingrid S. Watson, District 4

Colette R. Gresham, Acting Council Administrator

Monday, November 10, 2025

11:00 AM

**Council Hearing Room** 

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#### 9:30 A.M. - BOARD OF HEALTH - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

(SEE SEPARATE AGENDA)

#### 10:30 A.M. - DISTRICT COUNCIL - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

(SEE SEPARATE AGENDA)

#### 11:00 A.M. - CALL TO ORDER - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

The meeting was convened by Chair Edward P. Burroughs III at 11:33 am with 11 members present at roll call.

**Present:** 

11 - Council Member Wala Blegay

Council Member Thomas Dernoga

Council Member Wanika Fisher

Council Member Sydney Harrison

Council Member Calvin S. Hawkins

Council Member Eric Olson

Council Member Ingrid Watson

Council Member Jolene Ivey

Chair Edward Burroughs

Vice Chair Krystal Oriadha

Council Member Shayla Adams-Stafford

Also present:

Colette Gresham, Acting Council Administrator

Karen Zavakos, Acting Deputy Council Administrator

Donna Brown, Clerk of the Council

Leonard Moses, Deputy Clerk of the Council

James Walker-Bey, Associate Clerk of the Council

Sonia Owens, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive

Devan Martin, Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of the County Executive

Dinora Hernandez, Associate County Attorney, Office of Law

Kathy Canning, Legislative Attorney

#### PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATIONS/COMMENDATIONS - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

Council Chair Edward Burroughs III, Vice Chair Kyrstal Oriadha, Council Member Calvin Hawkins, Council Member Ingrid Watson and Council Member Wala Blegay presented a proclamation to Turkessa Green, County Auditor, recognizing her "19 Years of Service for the Prince George's County Council".

#### **INVOCATION:**

The Invocation was provided by Pastor John Odukoya of Fountain Community Enrichment Inc., in Bowie, Maryland. Council Member Watson requested prayer for her mother, Ms. Ingrid Finley Scott, who is celebrating her 80th birthday. Council Member Watson also requested prayer for Delegate Marvin Holmes and his family as his mother recently passed away. Council Member Harrison requested prayer for Washington Commanders fans in light of their tumultuous season and for the hearts of minds of those leading our federal government. Council Member Fisher requested prayer for military veterans, both within the county and across the nation, in light of Veteran's Day. Council Member Blegay requested prayer for those being affected by the federal government shutdown and for Delegate Jamila Woods and her family in the passing of her brother. Council Member Hawkins requested prayer for Pastor Matthew Whatley of Kingdom Fellowship AME Church as he mourns the loss of his mother. Council Member Ivey requested prayer for her council staff member, Donnie Arrington and his family in the passing of his brother. Vice Chair Oriadha requested prayer for the family of former Seat Pleasant Council Member Hope Love who recently passed away. Vice Chair Oriadha also requested prayer for Senator Joanne Benson and her family in the loss of her sister. Council Member Adams-Stafford also requested prayer for Senator Benson.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Fisher.

#### REQUESTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

There were no requests to address the Council.

#### **DESIGNATION OF NOVEMBER 10, 2025 AS LEGISLATIVE DAY NO. 29**

#### 1. CONSENT AGENDA

#### (a) Approval of County Council Minutes

MIN 11042025

County Council Minutes dated November 4, 2025

Draft 1

*Attachment(s)*: 11042025

These Minutes were approved.

Consent33-25

MOTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

Draft 1

A motion was made by Council Member Fisher, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this Consent Agenda be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 10 - Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Ivey,

Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

**Absent** Blegay

#### 2. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

#### 3. PROPOSED CORRESPONDENCE/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

LTR 11042025a

Draft 1

Proposed joint letter to the Honorable Ron Watson, Acting Chair, Prince George's County Senate Delegation, and the Honorable Nicole Williams, Chair, Prince George's County House Delegation, transmitting the County's State Legislative Priorities for the 2026 General Assembly Session.

Attachment(s): 2026 Joint Priority Letter (DRAFT 3)

This Agenda Letter was deferred to a later date.

#### 4. PUBLIC HEARINGS/BILLS ELIGIBLE FOR THIRD READING – (ENACTMENT)

CB-027-2025

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING MODERNIZING ACCESS TO

Draft 2

TREATMENT SERVICES for the purpose of defining State-licensed medical clinics as a new principal use type; establishing the zones in which this new use type is permitted, as shown on the principal use tables; setting forth conditions under which this new principal use may be approved; establishing off-street parking requirements for this new use type; amending the description of the Health Care Uses principal use category; amending the definition of Medical facility; and removing Methadone treatment center as a principal use type.

**Sponsor(s):** Dernoga, Ivey, Adams-Stafford, Harrison, Fisher, Watson, Blegay, Hawkins and Oriadha

Attachment(s): B2025027

<u>CB-027-2025 Summary</u> CB-027-2025 Report

<u>CB-027-2025 ZHE Comments</u> <u>CB-027-2025 OOL Comments</u> CB-027-2025 OMB Comments

CB-027-2025 M-NCPPC Supplemental Comments

(DR-2A)

LDR-53-2025 Planning Board Recommendation

LDR-53-2025 M-NCPPC Technical Staff Report

LDR-53-2025 M-NCPPC email Transmittal

LDR-02-2025 PGCPB Transmittal Pink Sheet

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 11:50 a.m. Stacey Jones signed up to speak. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held. Council Members Blegay, Hawkins and Oriadha requested to be added as Co-Sponsors.

The public hearing for this Council Bill was held.

A motion was made by Council Member Dernoga, seconded by Council Member Adams-Stafford, that this Council Bill be enacted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye

11 - Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Ivey, Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS/BILLS ELIGIBLE FOR THIRD READING – (ENACTMENT) (Continued)

CB-065-2025

Draft 2

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING CANNABIS USES for the purpose of reconciling areas for Cannabis uses consistent with authority set forth in State law; revising use-specific standards for permitted Cannabis uses; establishing parking regulations for permitted Cannabis uses; providing for the prospective application of provisions and amendments adopted herein; providing a severability clause for the provisions related to Cannabis uses in Prince George's County; and generally regarding Cannabis areas and uses in Prince George's County.

**Sponsor(s):** Hawkins, Fisher, Watson, Adams-Stafford, Dernoga and Ivey

<u>Attachment(s)</u>: R2025065

<u>CB-065-2025 Summary</u> CB-065-2025 Report

CB-065-2025 ZHE Comments
CB-065-2025 OOL Comment
CB-065-2025 OMB Comments

LDR 78-2025 Planning Board Recommendation

LDR-78-2025 Technical Staff Report

LDR-78-2025 M-NCPPC email Transmittal LDR-78-2025 PGCPB Transmittal Pink Sheet

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 11:59 a.m. Taylor Frazier McCollum signed up to speak. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held. Council Member Ivey requested to be added as a Co-Sponsor.

The public hearing for this Council Bill was held.

A motion was made by Council Member Fisher, seconded by Council Member Blegay, that this Council Bill be enacted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 10 - Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson,

Watson, Ivey, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

**Absent** Burroughs

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS/BILLS ELIGIBLE FOR THIRD READING – (ENACTMENT) (Continued)

CB-074-2025

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX CREDIT for the purpose of establishing the homestead property tax credit for the County property tax for the taxable year beginning July 1, 2026, as required by State law.

Sponsor(s): Adams-Stafford, Hawkins, Fisher, Oriadha and Watson

Attachment(s): B2025074

<u>CB-074-2025 Summary</u> <u>CB-074-2025 Report</u> CB-074-2025 PAFI

CB-074-2025 OMB Comments

CB-074-2025 Transmittal

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 12:06 p.m. There was no one signed up to speak for this item. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.

The public hearing for this Council Bill was held.

A motion was made by Council Member Hawkins, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this Council Bill be enacted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Ivey and

Oriadha

Absent Blegay, Dernoga, Burroughs and Adams-Stafford

#### 5. PUBLIC HEARINGS: - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

CR-114-2025

Draft 1

## A RESOLUTION CONCERNING FISCAL YEAR ("FY") 2026 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT for

the purpose of amending the Prince George's County Fiscal Year ("FY") 2026 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development by adding the New Carrollton - Affordable - Phase 4 project, an eligible activity not originally funded or described in the FY 2026 Annual Action Plan, and the reprogramming and reallocation of two million, five hundred thousand dollars (\$2,500,000) in HOME Investment Partnerships ("HOME") Program funds from Annual Action Plans approved in prior fiscal years to support the New Carrollton - Affordable - Phase 4 project.

**Sponsor(s)**: Olson, Blegay, Watson, Oriadha, Fisher, Dernoga, Ivey, Hawkins, Adams-Stafford and Harrison

<u>Attachment(s)</u>: R2025114

CR-114-2025 Attachment B - Financial Summary

CR-114-2025 Attachment C

<u>CR-114-2025 Summary</u>

<u>CR-114-2025 Report</u>

CR-114-2025 PAFI

CR-114-2025 OMB Comments

CR-114-2025 Transmittal

CR-114-2025 Presentation COW 11102025

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 12:07 p.m. There was no one signed up to speak for this item. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.

The public hearing for this Resolution was held.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS: - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM) (Continued)**

#### CR-116-2025

Draft 1

### A RESOLUTION CONCERNING HOUSING INVESTMENT TRUST FUND ("HITF") FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT for the

purpose of committing and allocating the amount of three million, five hundred thousand dollars (\$3,500,000) in Prince George's County Housing Investment Trust Fund ("HITF") Program funds to the Flats at Glenridge Station project, an eligible activity, for gap financing of new affordable rental housing construction.

**Sponsor(s)**: Watson, Blegay, Olson, Fisher, Dernoga, Ivey, Hawkins and Harrison

*Attachment(s):* R2025116

CR-116-2025 Attachment B - Financial Summary

CR-116-2025 Summary

CR-116-2025 Report

CR-116-2025 PAFI

CR-116-2025 OMB Comments

CR-116-2025 Transmittal

CR-116-2025 Presentation COW 11102025

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 12:08 p.m. There was no one signed up to speak for this item. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.

The public hearing for this Resolution was held.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS: - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM) (Continued)**

CR-119-2025

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE 2018 WATER AND SEWER PLAN

(JUNE 2025 CYCLE OF AMENDMENTS) for the purpose of changing the water and sewer category designations of properties within the 2018 Water and Sewer Plan.

**Sponsor(s):** Harrison, Hawkins, Ivey and Blegay

<u>Attachment(s)</u>: R2025119

CR-119-2025 Attachment A and B

CR-119-2025 Attachment C Staff Report

CR-119-2025 Summary
CR-119-2025 Transmittal

CR-119-2025 OMB Comments

<u>CR-119-2025 Planning Board Comments 10232025</u> CR-119-2025 M-NCPPC Technical Staff Comments

10232025

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 12:09 p.m. There was no one signed up to speak for this item. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.

The public hearing for this Resolution was held.

#### 6. RESOLUTIONS ELIGIBLE FOR FINAL READING – (ADOPTION)

CR-104-2025

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** for the purpose of urging the Maryland General Assembly to provide Prince George's County with additional economic tools to support the development of key industries within the County.

**Sponsor(s)**: Oriadha, Burroughs, Blegay, Adams-Stafford, Hawkins,

Dernoga, Fisher, Watson, Olson and Ivey

<u>Attachment(s)</u>: R2025104

CR-104-2025 Summary

CR-104-2025 Committee Report

Council Member Watson, Chair, Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee (GOFP), provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the GOFP Committee for CR-104-2025.

A motion was made by Council Member Watson, seconded by Council Member Harrison, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried

by the following vote:

Aye 9 - Blegay, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Ivey,

Burroughs and Oriadha

**Absent** Dernoga and Adams-Stafford

#### RESOLUTIONS ELIGIBLE FOR FINAL READING – (ADOPTION) (Continued)

CR-107-2025

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS
GENERAL SCHEDULE EMPLOYEES - SALARY SCHEDULE G for the

purpose of amending the Salary Plan of the County to reflect modified pay rates for General Schedule Employees for Fiscal Year 2026.

**Sponsor(s):** Watson, Blegay, Harrison, Ivey, Dernoga and Fisher

Attachment(s): R2025107

<u>CR-107-2025 Summary</u> CR-107-2025 Transmittal

CR-107-2025 Committee Report

Council Member Watson, Chair, Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee (GOFP), provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the GOFP Committee for CR-107-2025.

A motion was made by Council Member Watson, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye

11 - Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Ivey, Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS/BILLS ELIGIBLE FOR THIRD READING – (ENACTMENT) (Continued)

CB-042-2025

Draft 3

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING APPLICATION PREPARATION,
SUBMISSION AND REVIEW PROCEDURES AND DECISION STANDARDS

for the purpose of amending certain definitions; amending pre-application requirements to require applicants to demonstrate the proposal's conformance with applicable Master Plans; amending pre-application procedures to allow applicants to hold an informational consultation with relevant Council members; amending pre-application procedures to make neighborhood meeting notices publicly searchable; amending pre-application procedures to allow neighborhood meeting participants to become persons of record; amending certain development application submittal requirements to demonstrate the proposal's conformance with applicable Master Plans; and amending the decision standards for approval of detailed site plan and special exception applications to include Master Plan consistency as a required standard for site plan approval.

Sponsor(s): Dernoga, Blegay and Oriadha

Attachment(s): B2025042

<u>CB-042-2025 Summary</u> CB-042-2025 Report

CB-042-2025 ZHE Comments
CB-042-2025 OOL Comment
CB-042-2025 OMB Comments

CB-042-2025 Proposed Amendment #1 to Draft 2

CB-042-2025 Proposed Draft 3 (Illustrative)

LDR-61-2025 Planning Board Recommendation

LDR-61-2025 Technical Staff Report

LDR-61-2025 email\_Transmittal of draft legislative amendments to the local zoning laws of the County

-LDR-61-2025

LDR-61-2025 PGCPB Transmittal Pink Sheet

CB-042-2025 Public Comments CC 11-10-2025

CB-42-2025(DR2C) Supplemental Memo

M-NCPPC Comments on CB-042-2025(DR2A)

CB-042-2025 Proposed Amendment 11102025

CB-042-2025 Proposed Draft 4 (Illustrative)

CB-042-2025 Proposed Amendment #2

CB-042-2025 Proposed Draft 4A (Illustrative)

Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 11:59 a.m. Taylor Frazier McCollum, Henry Wixon, Alexi Boado, James C. Brandt, Matthew Tedesco, Greg Smith, Arthur Horne, and Robert Antonetti signed up to speak. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.

The public hearing for this Council Bill was held.

#### **RECESS**

THIS MEETING RECESSED AT 12:31 P.M.

#### **RECONVENE**

THIS MEETING RECONVENED AT 12:52 P.M.

CB-042-2025

Draft 3

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING APPLICATION PREPARATION,
SUBMISSION AND REVIEW PROCEDURES AND DECISION STANDARDS

for the purpose of amending certain definitions; amending pre-application

requirements to require applicants to demonstrate the proposal's conformance with applicable Master Plans; amending pre-application procedures to allow applicants to hold an informational consultation with relevant Council members; amending pre-application procedures to make neighborhood meeting notices publicly searchable; amending pre-application procedures to allow neighborhood meeting participants to become persons of record; amending certain development application submittal requirements to demonstrate the proposal's conformance with applicable Master Plans; and amending the decision standards for approval of detailed site plan and special exception applications to include Master Plan consistency as a required standard for site plan approval.

**Sponsor(s)**: Dernoga, Blegay and Oriadha

<u>Attachment(s)</u>: B2025042

**CB-042-2025 Summary** 

CB-042-2025 Report

CB-042-2025 ZHE Comments

CB-042-2025 OOL Comment

CB-042-2025 OMB Comments

CB-042-2025 Proposed Amendment #1 to Draft 2

CB-042-2025 Proposed Draft 3 (Illustrative)

LDR-61-2025 Planning Board Recommendation

LDR-61-2025 Technical Staff Report

LDR-61-2025 email Transmittal of draft legislative

amendments to the local zoning laws of the County

-LDR-61-2025

LDR-61-2025 PGCPB Transmittal Pink Sheet

CB-042-2025 Public Comments CC 11-10-2025

CB-42-2025(DR2C) Supplemental Memo

M-NCPPC Comments on CB-042-2025(DR2A)

CB-042-2025 Proposed Amendment 11102025

CB-042-2025 Proposed Draft 4 (Illustrative)

CB-042-2025 Proposed Amendment #2

CB-042-2025 Proposed Draft 4A (Illustrative)

After a brief recess, Council Chair Burroughs announced that Council Members withdrew their previous motions on CB-042-2025. This item was deferred to a later date.

This Council Bill was deferred to a later date.

#### 7. INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

CR-137-2025

Draft 1

#### A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE WEST HYATTSVILLE-QUEENS

CHAPEL SECTOR PLAN for the purpose of approving, with amendments herein based on the joint public hearing record of testimony, as an Act of the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland sitting as the District Council for that part of the Maryland-Washington Regional District in Prince George's County, the West Hyattsville-Queens Chapel Sector Plan, thereby approving a new vision to guide growth and redevelopment for the West Hyattsville-Queens Chapel areas comprised of portions of Planning Areas 68 (Hyattsville-Riverdale-Mt. Rainier-Brentwood) and 65 (Langley Park & Vicinity), an area generally defined by the Prince George's Plaza Regional Transit District to the northeast, Eastern Avenue to the southwest, Arundel Road to the southeast, and the Northwest Branch of the Anacostia River to the northwest, including portions of City of Mount Rainier, City of Hyattsville, and the Town of Brentwood and the portions of the unincorporated communities of West Hyattsville-Queens Chapel

**Sponsor(s):** Fisher, Ivey, Hawkins, Harrison, Burroughs, Oriadha and Watson

<u>Attachment(s)</u>: R2025137

CR-137-2025 Summary

<u>CR-137-2025 Planning Board Comments</u> PGCPB Transmittal Sheet WHOC Comments

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Fisher, Ivey, Hawkins, Harrison, Burroughs, Oriadha and Watson.

A motion was made by Council Member Hawkins, seconded by Council Member Ivey, that the rules be suspended for this Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Absent** Blegay

A motion was made by Council Member Fisher, seconded by Council Member Ivey, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye** 11 - Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Ivey, Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

#### **INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS (Continued)**

CR-138-2025 Draft 1 A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE WEST HYATTSVILLE-QUEENS

CHAPEL SECTIONAL MAP AMENDMENT for the purpose of approving, with revisions herein based on the joint public hearing record of testimony, as an Act of the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland sitting as the District Council for that part of the Maryland-Washington Regional District in Prince George's County, the West Hyattsville-Queens Chapel Sectional Map Amendment (SMA), thereby setting forth and adopting detailed zoning proposals for the West Hyattsville-Queens Chapel areas, comprised of portions of Planning Areas 68 (Hyattsville-Riverdale-Mt. Rainier-Brentwood) and 65 (Langley Park & Vicinity), an area generally defined by the Prince George's Plaza Regional Transit District to the northeast, Eastern Avenue to the southwest, Arundel Road to the southeast, and the Northwest Branch of the Anacostia River to the northwest, including portions of City of Mount Rainier, City of Hyattsville, and the Town of Brentwood and the portions of the unincorporated communities of West Hyattsville-Queens Chapel

**Sponsor(s)**: Fisher, Watson, Hawkins, Ivey and Blegay

<u>Attachment(s)</u>: R2025138

CR-138-2025 Summary

CR-138-2025 Planning Board Comments
PGCPB Transmittal WHQC Comments

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Fisher, Watson, Hawkins, Ivey and Blegay.

A motion was made by Council Member Hawkins, seconded by Council Member Watson, that the rules be suspended for this Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye** 9 - Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Ivey,

Burroughs and Adams-Stafford

**Absent** Oriadha **Abstain** 1 - Harrison

A motion was made by Council Member Fisher, seconded by Council Member Ivey, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 10 - Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson,

Watson, Ivey, Burroughs and Adams-Stafford

**Absent** Oriadha

#### **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

(SEE SEPARATE AGENDA)

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION – (1ST FLOOR EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM)

EX 10212025 Draft 1 Motion to convene in Executive Session pursuant to Section 3-305 (b)(1)(i, ii), (7), and (8), General Provisions Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, in order to discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of an appointee, employee, or official over whom it has jurisdiction; or any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals; to consider pending or potential litigation and to consult with counsel to seek legal advice-more specifically, to discuss Council Administrator staffing, and to discuss the status of a case in the United States District Court for the District of Maryland, and to maintain confidentiality regarding the current status of ongoing litigation and as to the Council's position on pending litigation.

The Chair read the following closing statement/motion to convene in executive session: "Motion to convene in Executive Session pursuant to sections 3-305(b)(1), (7), (8), General Provisions Article, Annotated Code Of Maryland, only to discuss: (1) the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of an appointee, employee, or official over whom it has jurisdiction, specifically, to consider potential appointees to the Prince George's County Real Property Tax Assessments Board, and to discuss potential enhancements to staff positions to serve the County Council; (2) to consult with staff or consultants regarding pending or potential litigation, specifically, to be briefed by County Attorney Jared Mccarthy regarding active litigation cases involving the County Council as well as to be briefed by the Principal Counsel to the District Council concerning active litigation cases involving the District Council; and (3) to consult with counsel to seek legal advice, specifically, to discuss litigation strategy with the Council's legal counsel." The Executive Session was held.

On 11/10/2025, a motion was made by Council Chair Burroughs, seconded by Council Member Fisher, to convene into Executive Session. The motion carried by the following vote: Aye: 10, Adams-Stafford, Blegay, Burroughs, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, and Ivey.

Beginning time: 1:22 pm Ending time: 2:28 pm Council Members present:

CM Burroughs, Chair, CM Oriadha, Vice Chair, CM Adams-Stafford, CM Blegay, CM Olson CM Fisher, CM Watson, CM Ivey, CM Dernoga, CM Harrison, and CM Hawkins

#### Others Present:

Colette Gresham, Acting Council Administrator, Karen Zavakos, Acting Deputy Council Administrator, Donna Brown, Clerk of the Council, Rajesh Kumar, Principal Counsel to the District Council, Josh Hamlin, Legislative Attorney, Anthony D. Jones, Acting County Attorney, Stephen Williams, Principal Deputy County Attorney, Michael Adams, Esq., and C.T. Wilson, Esq.

#### Topics discussed:

- 1) In order to discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of an appointee, employee, or official over whom it has jurisdiction, specifically to discuss Council Administrator staffing.
- 1. A motion was made by Council Member Hawkins, seconded by Council Member Ivey, to extend an offer for the position of Council Administrator to David Murray. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Burroughs, Oriadha, Dernoga, Fisher, Watson, Adams-Stafford, Blegay, Ivey, Hawkins

Nay: Olson

Abstain: Harrison

2. A motion was made by Council Member Hawkins, seconded by Council Chair Burroughs, to authorize the Chair to negotiate the terms of employment, including compensation, benefits, and duties of the Council Administrator position with David Murray. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Burroughs, Dernoga, Fisher, Watson, Adams-Stafford, Blegay, Ivey, and Hawkins

Abstain: Olson, Oriadha, and Harrison

- 2) In order to discuss and consider pending or potential litigation and to consult with counsel to seek legal advice on the following cases:
  - 1. Coakley v. Honesty-Bey, et al, No. TDC 25-3363 (D.Md)

2. Maryland and Prince George's County v. Patel, et al, No. 8:25-cv-03644-TDC (D.Md)

Vote Closing the Meeting pursuant to Section 3-305(7,8): Motion by Chair Burroughs, seconded by Council Member Olson. Vote 9-0.

A motion was made by Chair Burroughs, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this meeting be convened into Executive Session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 10 - Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson,

Watson, Ivey, Burroughs and Adams-Stafford

**Absent** Oriadha

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**ADJOURN** 

Draft 1

THIS MEETING ADJOURNED AT 1:11 P.M.

Prepared by:	
Edgar L. Reese, III, Legislative Reference Aid	de
Submitted by:	

Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council