



# Prince George's County Council

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

## Meeting Minutes - Draft County Council

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

*Jennifer A. Jenkins, Council Administrator*

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Tuesday, March 19, 2024

1:00 PM

Council Hearing Room

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**11:00 A.M. -- GENERAL ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE - (COMMITTEE ROOM 2027)**

*(SEE SEPARATE AGENDA)*

**12:30 P.M. - AGENDA BRIEFING - (ROOM 2027)**

**1:00 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)**

*The meeting was called to order by Chair Jolene Ivey at 11:30 a.m. with 11 members present at roll call.*

- Present:** 10 - Chair Jolene Ivey  
Vice Chair Sydney Harrison  
Council Member Thomas Dernoga  
Council Member Wala Blegay  
Council Member Edward Burroughs  
Council Member Wanika Fisher  
Council Member Calvin S. Hawkins  
Council Member Eric Olson  
Council Member Krystal Oriadha  
Council Member Ingrid Watson
- Remote:** 1 - Council Member Mel Franklin

*Also present:*

*Jennifer Jenkins, Council Administrator  
Colette Gresham, Deputy Council Administrator  
Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council  
Leonard Moses, Deputy Clerk of the Council  
James Walker-Bey, Associate Clerk of the Council  
Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive  
Terry Bell, Associate County Attorney  
Leroy Maddox, Jr., Legislative Attorney  
Jabari Cooper, General Assembly Committee  
Rana Hightower, Director, PHED Committee*

**INVOCATION:**

*The Invocation was led by Pastor Scot C. Moore, Judah Temple A.M.E. Church, Bowie, Maryland. Chair Ivey requested prayer for Lavinia, Council Staff, in her recovery from surgery. Council Member Watson requested prayer for the Palangin family in light of their recent loss. Council Member Hawkins requested prayer for his staff member, Eddie Mathis, in his recovery. Chair Ivey also requested prayer for the recovery of Luna, a friend's pet dog who recently spent time in the hospital.*

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Olson.*

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

*Ms. Okoma Love addressed the Council.*

**LEGISLATIVE DAY NO. 6**

**1. CONSENT AGENDA**

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

[MIN 03122024a](#) County Council Minutes dated March 12, 2024  
Draft 1

**Attachment(s):** [03122024](#)

**These Minutes were approved.**

[MIN 03122024b](#) County Council Minutes dated March 12, 2024 BOH  
Draft 1

**Attachment(s):** [03122024b](#)

**These Minutes were approved.**

[MIN 03122024c](#) County Council Minutes dated March 12, 2024 6PM JPH  
Draft 1

**Attachment(s):** [03122024c](#)

**These Minutes were approved.**

**(b) First Reading of Bills (Presentation)**

[CB-023-2024](#) **AN ACT CONCERNING COUNTY CONTRACTORS AND SUBCONTRACTORS** for the purpose of prohibiting County contractors and subcontractors from engaging in labor trafficking and sex trafficking.  
Draft 1

**Attachment(s):** [B2024023](#)  
[CB-023-2024 Summary](#)  
[CB-023-2024 Transmittal](#)

**This Council Bill was presented by the Chair by the request of the County Executive and referred to the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee.**

**CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)**

[CB-025-2024](#)

Draft 1

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2-2024 - REORGANIZATIONAL PROPOSAL**

creating the Office of Procurement within the Office of Central Services.

**Attachment(s):** [B2024025](#)  
[CB-025-2024 Summary](#)  
[CB-025-2024 Transmittal](#)

**This Council Bill was presented by the Chair by the request of the County Executive and referred to the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee.**

[CB-024-2024](#)

Draft 1

**AN ACT CONCERNING PROCUREMENT REVISIONS** for the purpose of replacing references to the Office of Central Services Director with the Purchasing Agent and references to Office of Central Services with the Office of Procurement.

**Attachment(s):** [B2024024](#)  
[CB-024-2024 Summary](#)  
[CB-024-2024 Transmittal](#)

**This Council Bill was presented by the Chair by the request of the County Executive and referred to the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee.**

**(c) Introduction of Resolutions**

[CR-015-2024](#)

Draft 1

**A RESOLUTION CONCERNING SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION OF FEDERAL, STATE AND OTHER FUNDS** for the purpose of appropriating funding from grants in the amount of \$13,291,486 for the Police Department, Department of Family Services, Health Department, Department of Public Works and Transportation, Department of Housing and Community Development and Department of the Environment.

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

**Attachment(s):** [R2024015](#)  
[CR-015-2024 Summary](#)  
[CR-015-2024 Transmittal](#)

*This Resolution will provide for Supplemental Appropriations for grant programs in Fiscal Year 2024. The adjustment to appropriations totals \$13,291,486 and will support the programmatic operations of (6) six agencies.*

**This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Ivey, Watson, Olson, Harrison, Fisher, Oriadha, Dernoga, Hawkins, Blegay and Franklin and referred to the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee.**

[Consent13-24](#)

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**MOTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA**

**A motion was made by Council Member Olson, seconded by Vice Chair Harrison, that this Consent Agenda be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

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

*NO ITEMS CONSIDERED*

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

[LTR 03192024](#)

Draft 1

Proposed letter to the Honorable Michael A. Jackson, Chair, Prince George's County Senate Delegation, and the Honorable Nicole Williams, Chair, Prince George's County House Delegation, transmitting the position of the Prince George's County Council on proposed State legislation (recommended at the 03/19/2024 General Assembly Committee meeting).

*Jabari Cooper, General Assembly Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the General Assembly Committee for the agenda letter.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Dernoga, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this Agenda Letter be authorized for Chair's signature. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

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#### 4. SECOND READING OF BILLS – (INTRODUCTION)

[CB-008-2024](#)

Draft 1

**AN EMERGENCY ACT CONCERNING TEMPORARY RENT**

**STABILIZATION ACT OF 2023** for the purpose of extending the sunset date of the Temporary Rent Stabilization Act of 2023 for a period of six (6) months from April 17, 2024 to October 17, 2024 to continue combating the existing public emergency affecting the public health, safety, and welfare; said emergency being the threat of homelessness due to a lack of affordable housing.

**Sponsor(s)**: Oriadha, Ivey, Blegay, Harrison, Fisher, Dernoga, Hawkins, Burroughs, Olson and Franklin

**Attachment(s)**: [B2024008](#)

[CB-008-2024 Summary](#)

[CB-008-2024 Report](#)

[CB-008-2024 PAFI](#)

CB-008-2024 Public Comments COW 3-12-2024

*Rana Hightower, Director, Planning, Housing, and Economic Development Committee (PHED), provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee of the Whole for CB-008-2024.*

*The Temporary Rent Stabilization Act of 2023 was enacted via CB-7-2023 as response to the public emergency of homelessness caused by a lack of affordable housing. The Act limits landlords' ability to increase rent for certain tenants above a certain amount; provides for certain exemptions; provides that existing obligations or contract rights may not be impaired by this Act; and other generally relating matters to rent restrictions for residential leases and rental dwelling units. The Act had a sunset provision of one year after the date of enactment would will expire on April 17, 2024. This bill extends that sunset date for a period six (6) months thereby keeping the Act enforceable until October 17, 2024.*

**This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Oriadha, Ivey, Blegay, Harrison, Fisher, Dernoga, Hawkins, Burroughs, Olson and Franklin.**

[Add6-24](#)

Draft 1

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

**A motion was made by Council Member Watson, seconded by Council Member Dernoga, that this additions package be accepted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**SECOND READING OF BILLS – (INTRODUCTION) (CONTINUED)**[CB-013-2024](#)

Draft 2

**AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING CANNABIS USES** for the purpose of adding definitions and designating areas for Cannabis uses consistent with authority set forth in State law; prohibiting On-site cannabis consumption uses; setting forth regulations for permitted Cannabis uses; providing for the prospective application of provisions and amendments adopted herein; and providing a severability clause for the provisions related to Cannabis uses in Prince George's County.

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

**Attachment(s)**: [B2024013](#)  
[CB-013-2024 Summary](#)  
[CB-013-2024 Report](#)  
[CB-013-2024 Planning Board Recommendation on LDR-18-2024](#)  
[CB-013-2024 Technical Staff Report LDR-18-2024](#)  
[CB-013-2024 M-NCPPC Maps LDR-018-2024](#)  
01302024 Clerk Transmittal of draft legislative amendments to the local zoning laws of the County.

*Rana Hightower, Director, PHED, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the PHED Committee for CB-013-2024.*

*This bill amends the Zoning Ordinance to permit Cannabis uses in the Industrial and certain Commercial Zones of the County, subject to certain location, structural, and operational regulations; and to prohibit On-Site Consumption Cannabis uses in Prince George's County.*

**This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Fisher, Blegay, Watson, Olson, Ivey, Harrison, Oriadha, Dernoga, Hawkins, Burroughs and Franklin.**

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*Council suspended rules to expedite scheduling of this item.*

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that the rules be suspended for this Council Bill. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

## **5. INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

### **[CR-016-2024](#)**

Draft 1

**A RESOLUTION CONCERNING BIKE TO WORK DAY 2024** for the purpose of expressing the County Council's support for declaring May 17, 2024, as Bike to Work Day in Prince George's County as part of National Bike to Work Week, May 12 - 19, 2024 in the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Region.

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

**Attachment(s):** [R2024016](#)  
[CR-016-2024 Summary](#)  
[CR-016-2024 Transmittal](#)

*This resolution supports the designation of May 17, 2024, as Bike to Work Day in Prince George's County as part of National Bike to Work Week in the Washington, DC Metropolitan Region - May 12 - 19, 2024. Bike to Work Day encourages area residents to use bicycling as a form of transportation to and from work.*

**This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Ivey, Blegay, Waston, Olson, Fisher, Oriadha, Harrison, Dernoga, Hawkins, Franklin and Burroughs.**

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

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

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

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



**INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS (Continued)****[CR-017-2024](#)**

Draft 1

**A RESOLUTION CONCERNING UNREGISTERED FIREARMS-GHOST GUNS** for the purpose of expressing the policy of the County Council of Prince George's County in support of the outlaw of unregistered, unregulated firearms, or Ghost Gun weapons; and in furtherance of making Prince George's County a Ghost Gun-Free Zone.

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

**Attachment(s)**: [R2024017](#)  
[CR-017-2024 Summary](#)  
[CR-017-2024 Proposed Amendment #1](#)

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

**Aye**            10 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Burroughs, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson and Watson  
**Absent**           Oriadha

*This Resolution declares the policy of the Prince George's County Council in support of the proliferation, sale, and manufacturing of untraceable, unregistered firearms, also known as Ghost Guns, in furtherance of the public safety, health, and welfare of the citizens and residents of Prince George's County.*

**This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Hawkins, Oriadha, Blegay, Watson, Olson, Ivey, Fisher, Dernoga and Franklin.**

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Olson, that the rules be suspended for this Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye**            10 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Burroughs, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson and Watson  
**Absent**           Oriadha

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

**Aye**            10 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Burroughs, Fisher, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson and Watson

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Absent

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## 6. BRIEFINGS – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

[BR 03192024a](#)

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### UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND GLOBAL CAMPUS

Gregory W. Fowler, PhD, President, University of Maryland Global Campus  
Frank Principe, Sr Vice President and Chief Government Affairs & External Relations Officer

**Attachment(s):** [University of Maryland Presentation CC 3-19-2024](#)

*The briefing convened at 2:14 p.m. Chair Ivey introduced Gregory W. Fowler, PhD, President, University of Maryland Global Campus and Frank Principe, Sr. Vice President and Chief Government Affairs & External Relations Officer, who facilitated a PowerPoint Presentation titled, "University of Maryland Global Campus Presentation to Prince George's County Council". The presentation highlighted the following: Our Mission; UMGC by the Numbers; Our Students; Maryland Impact; UMGC Location Spotlight; Partner Spotlights; Transfer Scholarships; and 3D Scholars. Mr. Fowler and Mr. Principe responded to questions from Council Members. The briefing concluded at 2:44 p.m.*

**This Briefing was held.**

[BR 03192024b](#)

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### PRIORITY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS TO ADVANCE PLAN 2035

Scott Rowe, AICP, Master Planner

**Attachment(s):** [Plan 2035 Priority CIP Report 2024](#)  
[Plan 2035 CIP Evaluation 2024 Presentation - CC 3-19-2024](#)

*The briefing convened at 2:44 p.m. Chair Ivey introduced Scott Rowe, AICP, CNU-A, Master Planner, who facilitated a Powerpoint Presentation titled, "Making Plan 2035 Happen Identifying Priority Capital Projects". The presentation highlighted the following: Growth Policy Map; Critical Initiatives; Infrastructure Investment; Building on Momentum; Identifying and Prioritizing The Key Projects; All Downtowns and Innovation Corridor; Downtown Largo; New Carrollton; Suitland; Hyattsville Crossing; Innovation Corridor; and Branch Avenue. Mr. Rowe responded to questions*

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*from Council Members. The briefing concluded at 3:15 p.m.*

**This Briefing was held.**

**BRIEFINGS – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM) (Continued)**

[BR 03192024c](#)

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**COUNCIL MEMBER WORKGROUP UPDATES**

COG Board of Directors (Council Members Dernoga and Watson)  
Metropolitan Washington Air Quality (Council Member Dernoga)  
Human Services and Public Safety Policy Committee (Council Member Fisher)  
Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee (Council Member Burroughs)

*Council Members Dernoga and Watson provided an update on the COG Board of Directors. Council Member Dernoga provided an update on the Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Commission. Council Member Fisher provided an update on the Human Services and Public Safety Policy Committee. Council Member Burroughs provided an update on the Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee. Council Chair Ivey provided an update on the Universal Design Implementation Workgroup.*

**This Briefing was held.**

**RECESS**

*THE MEETING WAS RECESSED AT 3:21 PM.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Fisher, seconded by Council Member Dernoga, that this meeting be recessed. The motion carried by unanimous vote.**

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

**6:00 PM - JOINT PUBLIC HEARING - LANGLEY PARK-COLLEGE PARK-GREENBELT MPA, SMA**

*(SEE SEPARATE AGENDA)*

Prepared by:

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Edgar Reese, III, Legislative Reference Aide

Submitted by:

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Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council

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