

Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 10/26/2010
Reference No.: CB-074-2010
Draft No.: 2
Proposer(s): Dernoga
Sponsor(s): Dernoga, Exum, Bland, Dean
Item Title: An Ordinance concerning postponement of Council actions for the purpose of making a clarifying amendment to the time within which the District Council is required to take action.

Drafter: Jackie Brown, PZED Committee Director
Resource Personnel: Laura Moore, Director of Special Projects

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented:	7/13/2010	Executive Action:	
Committee Referral:	7/13/2010 - PZED	Effective Date:	10/26/2010

Committee Action: 9/20/2010 - 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:-, WC:A, SHD:A, TD:A, CE:A, AH:A, TK:A, EO:A, IT:A
Pass/Fail: P
Remarks:

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

27-291

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PZED Committee Report

Date 9/20/2010

Committee Vote: Favorable with amendments, 5-0 (In favor: Council Members Dean, Knotts, Bland, Dernoga and Olson)

Staff summarized the purpose of the legislation and informed the committee of referral comments that were received. CB-74-2010 amends the Zoning Ordinance concerning time limits for the District Council to take action on certain matters to allow an extension of the time limit due to a weather emergency.

The Office of Law reviewed CB-74-2010 and determined that it is in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption.

Edward Gibbs, of Gibbs and Haller, spoke in support of CB-74-2010 indicating that he represents a client whose rezoning case could not be heard by the District Council during this past winter due to the severe snow storm.

After discussion of other types of situations which might prevent the District Council's ability to convene in a scheduled session, the committee amended the legislation to add the words "or other declared state of emergency"

after “due to a weather emergency”.

The Legislative Officer also advised the committee to amend the title of the bill to include the words “and providing for its retroactive application to February 1, 2010.”

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

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

This legislation amends the Zoning Ordinance concerning time limits for the District Council to take action on certain matters to allow an extension of the time limit due to a weather emergency.

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