

AGENDA MINUTES

Tuesday, April 3, 2007

Legislative Day No. 10

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

AGENDA BRIEFING – (ROOM 2027) - BRIEFING HELD

CALL TO ORDER: - *Chair Exum called to order at 10:09 a.m. with the following Council Members present:*

*Marilynn M. Bland
Will Campos
Samuel H. Dean
Thomas E. Dernoga (arrived at 10:14 a.m.)
Camille A. Exum
David C. Harrington
Tony Knotts
Eric C. Olson
Ingrid M. Turner*

Others Present:

*Craig Price, Council Administrator
Robert J. Williams, Jr., Deputy Council Administrator
Ralph Grutzmacher, Legislative Officer
Todd Turner, Legislative Officer
Margaret Addis, Associate County Attorney
Russell King, Associate County Attorney
Marcus Jackson, County Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive*

INVOCATION: - *The invocation was led by Pastor Lloyd McGriff, Galilee Baptist Church, Suitland, Maryland. Council Member Turner requested special prayers for the family of Yvonne Walker on the passing of her husband. Council Member Knotts for the family of Wayne Franklin, the youth, killed due to violence. Council Member Bland for the family of Sarah Pettiford in the lost of her daughter, also will be attending the funeral this morning.*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: - *The pledge of allegiance was led by Council Member Campos.*

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE: *Council Member Exum recognized Clergy from Council District number 7; (Rev. Flowers and Rev. Sanders).*

1. **CONSENT AGENDA -- ADOPTED AND ALL ACTIONS APPROVED**

All items listed under the consent agenda have been distributed to each member of the Council for review, are considered to be routine and will be acted upon by motion in the form listed. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

- (a) Approval of County Council Minutes dated July 26, 2005, September 13, 19, 20, 27, 2005 and October 4, 2005. - **APPROVED**

(b) **Introduction of Resolutions**

CR-22-2007 – A RESOLUTION CONCERNING ADEQUATE PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES SURCHARGE for the purpose of approving a waiver of the adequate public safety facilities surcharge for the Newton Green Senior Housing project in Bladensburg.
- **INTRODUCED**

Council Resolution 22 approves a waiver of the adequate public safety facilities surcharge for the Newton Green Senior Housing Project in Bladensburg. Council Resolution 22 was introduced by Council Members Harrington, Dean, Knotts and Campos. Council Resolution 22 was referred to Planning, Zoning and Economic Development (PZED) Committee.

Council Member Harrington moved adoption of the Consent Agenda; seconded by Council Member Dean. The motion carried by voice vote.

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

No items were considered

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

No items were considered

4. **PUBLIC HEARINGS/RESOLUTIONS ELIGIBLE FOR FINAL READING – (ADOPTION)**

CR-17-2007 – A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE FORMATION OF AN AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT PURSUANT TO THE MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FOUNDATION PROGRAM for the purpose of recommending that the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation approves the petition of John and Carmen Buchheister to establish an agricultural district.
- **PUBLIC HEARING HELD; AMENDED; DR-2 ADOPTED**

Council Member Dernoga, Chair, of the Transportation, Housing and the Environment (THE) Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee to the Council. Pursuant to proper notice the public hearing convened on Council Resolution 17. No person wishing to speak, the public hearing was declared held. Council Member Dernoga moved amendment number 1; seconded by Council Member Harrington. The motion carried voice vote. Council Member Dernoga moved adoption of Council Resolution 17 (DR-2); seconded by Council Member Harrington. The motion carried 8-0. (Absent: Council Member Bland).

CR-18-2007 – A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE FORMATION OF AN AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT PURSUANT TO THE MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FOUNDATION PROGRAM for the purpose of recommending that the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation approves the petition of Peter Buchheister to establish an agricultural district.

- **PUBLIC HEARING HELD; AMENDED; DR-2 ADOPTED**

Council Member Dernoga, Chair, of the Transportation, Housing and the Environment (THE) Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee to the Council. Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened on Council Resolution 18. No person wishing to speak, the public hearing was declared held. Council Member Dernoga moved amendment number 1; seconded by Council Member Olson. The motion carried by voice vote. Council Member Dernoga moved adoption of Council Resolution 18 (DR-2); seconded by Council Member Harrington. The motion carried 8-0. (Absent: Council Member Bland).

CR-19-2007 – A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE FORMATION OF AN AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT PURSUANT TO THE MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FOUNDATION PROGRAM for the purpose of recommending that the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation approves the petition of Thomas Maslin and Cheryl Swing to establish an agricultural district.

- **PUBLIC HEARING HELD; AMENDED; DR-2 ADOPTED**

Council Member Dernoga, Chair, of the Transportation, Housing and the Environment (THE) Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee to the Council. Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened on Council Resolution 19. No person wishing to speak, the public hearing was declared held. Council Member Dernoga moved amendment number 1; seconded by Council Member Harrington. The motion carried by voice vote. Council Member Dernoga moved adoption of Council Resolution 19(DR-2); seconded by Council Member Harrington. The motion carried 8-0. (Absent: Council Member Bland).

5. **RESOLUTIONS ELIGIBLE FOR FINAL READING – (ADOPTION)**

CR-13-2007 – A RESOLUTION CONCERNING REPEAL OF MARYLAND’S DEATH PENALTY AND IMPOSITION OF SENTENCE OF LIFE IMPRISONMENT WITHOUT PAROLE for the purpose of establishing the Prince George’s County Council position and urging the Governor and the General Assembly to repeal all statutes and provisions of death sentencing in Maryland and replace the death penalty with a sentence of life imprisonment without the possibility of parole as the highest penalty in the State.

- **PSFM DISCHARGED; CONVENED AS C.O.W.; NO ACTION TAKEN**

Todd Turner, Legislative Officer, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the Committee to the Council. Council Member Harrington moved to discharge the Public Safety and Fiscal Management (PSFM) Committee; seconded by Council Member Olson. The motion carried 8-0. (Absent: Council Member Bland). Council Convened as the Committee of the Whole for discussion: Reconvened as County Council. No action taken.

REQUESTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

No person wished to address the Council

Council Member Dean moved to convene into Executive Session in accordance with Maryland Annotated Code, State Government, Section 10-508 (a) (8) and Section 10-508 (a) (4); seconded by Council Member Harrington; The motion carried 8-0. (Absent: Council Member Bland).

ADJOURN: - *Chair Exum adjourned the meeting at 10:32 a.m.*

EXECUTIVE SESSION – (FIRST FLOOR EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM) -- EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD

- (a) Discussion of pending litigation in accordance with Maryland Annotated Code, State Government, Section 10-508 (a) (8).
- (b) Discussion to consider proposal for business to remain in the State in accordance with Maryland Annotated Code, Section 10-508 (a)(4).

THE COUNTY COUNCIL RECONVENED AT 11:25 A.M. TO RECEIVE COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING THE CLOSURE OF SEVERAL CLUBS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE; ALL NINE COUNCIL MEMBERS WERE IN ATTENDANCE.
- **CONCLUDED AT 12:00 NOON**

TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING & THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING – (ROOM 2027) - COMMITTEE MEETING HELD

BRIEFING – (ROOM 2027) - CANCELLED

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION OF DISTRICT COUNCIL ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, APRIL 9, 2007.

Prepared By:

Submitted By:

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Redis C. Floyd, Clerk of the Council