



# Prince George's County Council

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

## Meeting Minutes - Draft Sitting as the Board of Health

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Tuesday, February 13, 2024

2:30 PM

Council Hearing Room

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### 2:30 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

*The meeting was convened by Chair Jolene Ivey at 2:50 p.m. with 10 members present. Council Member Franklin arrived at 3:00 p.m.*

**Present:** 10 - Chair Jolene Ivey  
Vice Chair Sydney Harrison  
Council Member Wala Blegay  
Council Member Edward Burroughs  
Council Member Thomas Dernoga  
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, Acting Deputy Council Administrator  
Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council  
Leonard Moses, Legislative/Zoning Assistant  
James Walker-Bey, Zoning Assistant  
Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive  
Anya Makarova, Senior Advisor to the Board of Health  
Leroy Maddox, Jr., Legislative Attorney  
Kathy Canning, Legislative Attorney*

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**BOARD OF HEALTH OPERATIONS AND PRIORITIES FOR CY 2024**

Anya Makarova, Senior Advisor to the Board of Health  
Leroy Maddox, Jr., Legislative Attorney  
Dr. Matthew Levy, MD, MPH, Health Officer

- Organizational changes and introductions
- Board of Health operations: legal framework
- Overview of the Board of Health priority areas

**Attachment(s):** [BOH Legal Framework Overview Presentation 2.13.2024](#)  
[Health Department BOH Presentation 2-13-24 Final](#)

*The briefing convened at 2:53 p.m. Chair Ivey introduced Anya Makarova, Senior Advisor to the Board of Health, Leroy Maddox, Jr., Legislative Attorney, Dr. Matthew Levy, MD, MPH, Health Officer and Dr. Areola, DCAO Health, Human Services and Education, Office of County Executive. Mr. Maddox facilitated a Powerpoint Presentation titled, "Board of Health: Legal Framework Overview" which highlighted the following: Statutory Authority Of The Board Of Health; Board of Health powers and duties; scope of authority of the Board of Health; and Board Of Health's Relationship with the County Health Officer. Dr. Areola provided comments and the panelists responded to questions from Council Members.*

*Dr. Levy and Ms. Makarova facilitated a Powerpoint Presentation titled, "Prince George's County Council Board of Health Health Department Overview" which highlighted the following: Vision; Mission; Our Values; Public Health 3.0; Public Health Essential Services; Six Pillars of Health; Strategic Planning; Public Health Accreditation; Public Health Accreditation - Accredited Health Departments in Maryland; Prince George's County Health Department Organizational Chart; Behavioral Health Division Programs; Environmental Health/Disease Control Division Programs; Family Health Services Division Programs; Health and Wellness Division Programs; Health Outcomes and Investments; Maternal and Infant Health; Behavioral Health: Crisis Response in the County; Continuity of Effort: Response to the Community Concerns Raised Via the Mental Health Townhall; Health Equity through Health in All Policies; Healthcare*

*Landscape (Community Asset Mapping); Addressing SDH: Investing in Housing is Investing in Health; Land Use Policies and Health; Understanding and Overcoming Barriers to Establishing Healthcare Practices in the County; Models of Providing Emergency Medical Services; Continuity of Effort: Emergency Room Wait Times; Expectations of Health Department; and Expectations of Board of Health. The panelists responded to questions from Council Members. The briefing concluded at 4:05 p.m.*

**This Briefing was held.**

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**ADJOURN**

*THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 4:07 PM.*

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

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