

Prince George's County Council Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 11/17/2015
Reference No.: CB-069-2015
Draft No.: 2
Proposer(s): Franklin
Sponsor(s): Franklin, Harrison, Davis
Item Title: An Ordinance concerning eating or drinking establishments – extensions and projections for the purpose of exempting tents affixed to the side wall of an eating or drinking establishment building, under certain circumstances.

Drafter: Karen T. Zavakos, Zoning and Legislative Counsel
Resource Personnel: Brendon L. Laster, Legislative Aide Council District 9

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented:	9/15/2015	Executive Action:	
Committee Referral:	9/15/2015 - PZED	Effective Date:	11/17/2015

Committee Action: 10/7/2015 - FAV(A)

Date Introduced: 10/20/2015
Public Hearing: 11/17/2015 - 10:00 AM

Council Action (1) 11/17/2015 - ENACTED
Council Votes: DLD:A, MRF:A, DG:A, AH:A, ML:A, OP:A, DT:A, KT:A, TT:A
Pass/Fail: P
Remarks:

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

27-449

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Planning, Zoning and Economic Development **Date 10/13/2015**

Committee Vote: Favorable as amended, 5-0 (In favor: Council Members Harrison, Glaros, Davis Taveras, and Toles)

Council staff summarized the purpose of CB-69-2015. Council Chairman Franklin, the bill's sponsor, requested the Committee's support of the bill to create flexibility in the Zoning Ordinance for a specific situation to allow a permanent tent in the regulations versus a temporary use previously approved for the site.

The Planning Board took no position on the legislation and provided comments in an October 7, 2015 letter to Council Chairman Franklin. Alan Hirsch and Rana Hightower, representing the Planning Board, were present to respond to questions.

Donnell Long testified in support of the legislation to allow continued use of an existing tent for seating purposes at his business. Mr. Hirsch confirmed that a temporary permit was issued for a patio to include seating.

The Committee voted favorable on CB-69-2015 including an amendment on page 2, line 8, after “located” to strike “in a Main Street corridor” since the term is not defined in the Zoning Ordinance.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

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

This bill provides a limited exception to the prohibition of extensions or projections to buildings in the Zoning Ordinance for accessory patron seating for existing Eating or drinking establishments within certain specific locations that are subject to County agency oversight and County comprehensive plan land use policies.

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