



Prince George's County Council

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Meeting Minutes - Final 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
Calvin S. Hawkins, II, At-Large
Eric C. Olson, District 3
Krystal Oriadha, District 7
Ingrid S. Watson, District 4
Vacant - At-Large (effective: 06/15/2024)

Jennifer A. Jenkins, Council Administrator

Tuesday, October 1, 2024

1:30 PM

Council Hearing Room

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1:00 P.M. - AGENDA BRIEFING - (ROOM 2027)

1:30 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

The meeting was convened by Chair Jolene Ivey at 1:43 p.m. with 8 members present at roll call. Council Members Blegay and Olson arrived at 1:44 p.m. (Vacant - At-Large (effective: 06/15/2024)).

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

Also present:

Jennifer Jenkins, Council Administrator
Colette Gresham, Deputy Council Administrator
Karen T. Zavakos, Associate Council Administrator
Donna Brown, Clerk of the Council
Leonard Moses, Deputy Clerk of the Council
James Walker-Bey, Associate Clerk of the Council
Edgar Reese, III, Legislative Reference Aide
Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive
Dinora Hernandez, Associate County Attorney, Office of Law
Rana Hightower, Director, Planning, Housing and Economic Development
Nathaniel Tutt, Director, Government Operations & Fiscal Policy
Eric Irvin, Fiscal & Legislative Specialist

INVOCATION:

The Invocation was provided by Pastor Benny Baez, Iglesia Pentecostal Casa de Ayuda, Lanham, MD. Council Member Hawkins requested prayer for several loved ones dealing with breast cancer and for survivors of domestic violence. Council Member Olson requested prayer for former President Jimmy Carter in recognition of his 100th birthday. Council Chair Ivey requested prayer for the family of Tequia Nails, who was tragically killed by the father of her newborn twins in Fairmount Heights.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Fisher.

REQUESTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

There were no requests to address the Council.

LEGISLATIVE DAY NO. 20

1. CONSENT AGENDA

(a) Approval of County Council Minutes

[MIN 09242024](#)

County Council Minutes dated September 24, 2024

Draft 1

Attachment(s): [09242024](#)

These Minutes were approved.

CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)**(b) Introduction of Resolutions**[CR-092-2024](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING CREATION OF A REGIONAL SERVICE DIRECTOR PILOT PROGRAM FOR LANGLEY PARK for the purpose of encouraging the establishment of a PILOT program that would explore the creation of the position of a Regional Service Director for Langley Park, Maryland

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

Attachment(s): [R2024092](#)
[CR-092-2024 Summary](#)
[CR-092-2024 OOL Comments](#)

This legislation allows the County Council, in a collective voice, to encourage the County Executive to require the Prince George's County Office of Community Relations to create the position of Regional Service Director for Langley Park. The Regional Service Director will serve as the coordinator between community, commercial, government and more to help advocate and set a vision and bring services to the Langley Park community.

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

[CR-093-2024](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING COMMUNITY HOUSING TRUST TASK FORCE for the purpose of creating a Community Housing Trust Task Force to focus on the actions needed to establish a Community Housing Trust in the County in order to create more affordable housing opportunities for County residents; providing for the membership of the Task Force; providing for certain research and policy recommendations and report; providing for the staffing of the Task Force; and generally regarding Community Housing Trusts.

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

Attachment(s): [R2024093](#)
[CR-093-2024 Summary](#)

The resolution establishes actions to create a Community Housing Trust which is a non-profit organization with a board that includes Community

Housing Trust residents, community residents, and public representatives. The purpose of a Community Housing Trust is to establish long-lasting affordability with shared equity and through affordable homeownership. Community Housing Trusts create and preserve homes that remain affordable and homeownership opportunities for people who cannot otherwise buy a home. In this, the Community Housing Trust owns the land, whereas the individual owns the home. If the home is sold, it will be at a restricted price to maintain affordability. The resolution provides for the membership of the Task Force, makes requirements for certain research and policy recommendations and report, and provides for the staffing of the Community Housing Trust Task Force.

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Olson, Ivey, Blegay, Watson, Hawkins, Harrison, Fisher, Oriadha, Dernoga and Burroughs and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

[Consent34-24](#)

Draft 1

MOTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

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

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

2. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

NO ITEMS CONSIDERED

3. PROPOSED CORRESPONDENCE/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

[LTR 10012024](#)

Draft 1

Proposed letter to the Honorable Angela D. Alsobrooks, County Executive, regarding the FY 2025-2027 Local Impact Grant (LIG) Multiyear Spending Plan.

Attachment(s): [Local Impact Grant \(LIG\) Letter 2024](#)
[Attachment B FY 2025 LIG Spending Plan Revised](#)
[FY25-FY27 CEX Transmittal to Council & Proposed](#)
[LIG Spending Plan \(Attachment A\)](#)

Nathaniel K. Tutt III, Director, Government Operations and Fiscal Policy (GOFP) Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the GOFP Committee.

A motion was made by Council Member Burroughs, seconded by Council Member Blegay, that this Agenda Letter be amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 9 - Ivey, Dernoga, Blegay, Burroughs, Fisher, Hawkins,
 Olson, Oriadha and Watson

Absent Harrison

A motion was made by Council Member Burroughs, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this Agenda Letter as amended be authorized for Chair's signature. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 9 - Ivey, Dernoga, Blegay, Burroughs, Fisher, Hawkins,
 Olson, Oriadha and Watson

Absent Harrison

4. SECOND READING OF BILLS – (INTRODUCTION)

[CB-052-2024](#)

Draft 2

AN ACT CONCERNING SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS, MINOR AND MAJOR SUBDIVISIONS OR RESUBDIVISION APPLICABILITY for the purpose of exempting qualified data centers from filing preliminary plans of subdivision and establishing requirements for public notice and adequate public facilities.

Attachment(s): [B2024052](#)
[CB-052-2024 Summary](#)
[CB-052-2024 Report](#)
[CB-052-2024 Transmittal](#)
[CB-52-2024 - ZHE Memo](#)
[CB-52-2024 Staff Report 6-5-24](#)

Rana Hightower, Director, Planning, Housing and Economic Development (PHED) Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the PHED Committee for CB-052-2024.

This Subdivision Bill exempts qualified data centers from filing preliminary plans of subdivision, and establishes requirements for public notice and adequate public facilities. This proposed Bill affirms qualified data centers are subject to conduct a Pre-Application Neighborhood Meeting and provide a certificate of adequacy in conformance with Section 24-4500.

This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Ivey, Harrison and Fisher.

SECOND READING OF BILLS – (INTRODUCTION) (Continued)

[CB-078-2024](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT - PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY POLICE CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES

ASSOCIATION for the purpose of approving the labor agreement by and between Prince George's County, Maryland and the Prince George's County Police Civilian Employees Association to provide for wages and certain other terms and conditions of employment for personnel classifications initially certified by the Prince George's County Public Employee Relations Board and amended by the Office of Human Resources Management from time to time.

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

Attachment(s): [B2024078](#)
[CB-078-2024 Summary](#)
[CB-078-2024 Report](#)
[CB-078-2024 Transmittal](#)
[CB-078-2024 PAFI](#)

Nathaniel K. Tutt III, Director, Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the GOFP Committee for CB-078-2024.

Prince George's County, Maryland (the County) and the Police Civilian Employees Association (PCEA) have completed labor negotiations on a two-year labor agreement covering Fiscal Years 2025 and 2026. This Bill is to adopt and approve the referenced collective bargaining agreement in accordance with Section 16-233(f) of the Personnel Law.

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

5. RESOLUTIONS ELIGIBLE FOR FINAL READING – (ADOPTION)

[CR-064-2024](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE 2018 WATER AND SEWER PLAN (JUNE 2024 CYCLE OF AMENDMENTS) for the purpose of changing the water and sewer category designations of properties within the 2018 Water and Sewer Plan.

Sponsor(s): Blegay, Ivey, Harrison and Hawkins

Attachment(s): [R2024064](#)
[CR-064-2024 Attachments A and B](#)
[CR-064-2024 Summary](#)
[CR-064-2024 Report](#)
[CR-064-2024 Staff Report](#)
[CR-064-2024 Transmittal](#)
[June 2024 Cycles updates Transmittal memo-signed](#)

Council Member Olson, Chair, Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy & Environment (TIEE) Committee, provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the TIEE Committee for CR-064-2024.

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

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

6. BRIEFING – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)[BR 10012024b](#)

Draft 1

STATE OF THE WORKFORCE

Walter Simmons, President & CEO, Employ Prince George's, Inc.

Attachment(s): [Employ Prince George's State of the Workforce Presentation 10012024 CC](#)

Chair Ivey introduced Walter Simmons, President & CEO, Employ Prince George's, who presented a Powerpoint presentation titled "2024 State of the Workforce Report". The presentation highlighted the following: About Lightcast; Briefing Agenda; Why Is The Labor Market So Tight?; Demographics & Labor; Strong Population Growth; Age Dependency Ratio Shifts; What is the Labor Force Participation Rate (LFPR) and Why Is It So Important; Labor Force Participation Rate (LFPR); Declining LFPR; Increased LFPR Among Older Workers; Employment Had Not Reached Pre-Pandemic Levels in 2023; The Black population accounts for 72% of total unemployed persons despite being 61% of the population; Discussions for a Later Date; Comorbidities of the LFPR; The Labor Market Toll of Addiction and Incarceration; There is a connection between men with low labor force participation and eventually being incarcerated; Income & Poverty; Prince George's County Grows Per Capita Income; Gini Index; Poverty in Prince George's County; Prince George's County Poverty Levels Increase; Prince George's County Continues to Increase Postsecondary Attainment Rates; A Tale of Two Counties; K-12; Career & Technical Education (CTE); ETPL/LTPL Analysis; Post-Secondary; Remote Work Trends; Automation; Artificial Intelligence; In-Demand Industry Clusters; and Selection Methodology. Mr. Simmons then responded to questions from Council Members.

This Briefing was held.

[BR 10012024a](#)

Draft 1

COUNCIL MEMBER WORKGROUP UPDATES

Chair Ivey Chair provided an update on the most recent actions and decisions of the Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee.

This Briefing was held.

[REC18-24](#)

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THIS MEETING WAS RECESSED AT 3:21 P.M.

A motion was made by Council Member Olson, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this meeting be recessed. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

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

6:00 PM - JOINT PUBLIC HEARING - STAFF DRAFT WEST HYATTSVILLE-QUEENS CHAPEL SECTOR PLAN AND PROPOSED SECTIONAL MAP AMENDMENT

(SEE SEPARATE AGENDA)

REMINDERS

Thurs., Oct. 3, 2024

10:00 a.m. - PHED Committee

1:30 p.m. - HHSPS Committee

Mon., Oct. 7, 2024

9:30 a.m. - Agenda Briefing

10:00 a.m. - District Council Meeting

1:30 p.m. - GOFP Committee

Tues., Oct. 8, 2024

9:30 a.m. - Agenda Briefing

10:00 a.m. - County Council Meeting

11:00 a.m. - Committee of the Whole

6:00 p.m. - Board of Health

Prepared by:

Edgar L. Reese, III, Legislative Reference Aide

Submitted by:

Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council