

# ***ACTION AGENDA***

**Tuesday, February 22, 2011**

**Business Meeting**

## **COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAM – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM) --  
RESCEDULED DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER**

**AGENDA BRIEFING – (ROOM 2027) – BREIFING HELD**

**CALL TO ORDER** - *Council Chair Turner called to order at 1:44 P.M. with the following Council Members present:*

*Ingrid M. Turner  
Will Campos  
Mel Franklin  
Andrea C. Harrison  
Leslie E. Johnson  
Mary A. Lehman  
Eric C. Olson  
Obie Patterson  
Karen R. Toles*

*Others present:*

*Robert J. Williams, Jr., Council Administrator  
William Hunt, Deputy Council Administrator  
Brad Frome, County Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive  
Carmen Jackson-Brown, Legislative Officer  
Todd Turner, Legislative Officer  
Russell King, Office of Law  
Redis C. Floyd, Clerk of the Council  
Donna J. Brown, Deputy Clerk of the Council*

**INVOCATION** – *The Invocation was provided by Sylvia Taylor, County Employee. Council Member Toles requested special prayer for Randy Calhoun and family in the passing of her brother-in-law and illness of her sister Sherneese Calhoun Carter. Council Member Franklin requested prayer for families displaced by a fire in Clinton, Maryland. Council Chair Turner requested prayer for the Caldwell family in the loss of their brother-in-law. Council Member Lehman requested prayer for the family of Aaron Patrick Brown in his passing. Council Member Johnson requested special prayer for Pastor Barber. Council Member Olson requested prayer for the family of Mr. Shore in his passing.*

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

1. **CONSENT AGENDA – ADOPTED AND ALL ITEMS 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) **First Reading of Bills (Presentation)**

**CB-2-2011 – AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING M-X-T ZONE** for the purpose of amending the regulations applicable to gas stations in the M-X-T Zone. - **PRESENTED**

*Council Bill 2 was presented by Council Member Patterson and referred to the Planning, Zoning and Economic Development Committee (PZED).*

(b) **Introduction of Resolutions**

**CR-17-2011 – A RESOLUTION CONCERNING STATE OF MARYLAND COMMUNITY INVESTMENT TAX CREDIT PROGRAM** for the purpose of approving the project submitted by Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc (“HIP”), to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for participation in the Department’s Community Investment Tax Credit Program. - **INTRODUCED**

*Council Resolution 17, as proposed by the Chair by request of the County Executive, expresses approval of the project submitted by Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc., to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development to support its efforts to rehabilitate eight or nine single family homes that have been in a state of disrepair in Palmer Park, Maryland. Council Resolution 17 was introduced by Council Member Franklin and referred to the Transportation, Housing and the Environment Committee (THE).*

\*\* *Council Member Patterson moved adoption of the Consent Agenda; seconded by Council Member Franklin. 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**

Proposed letter from the Prince George's County Council to Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley and Douglass R.M. Nazarian, Chairman, Maryland Public Service Commission reflecting the County Council's concerns about recent Pepco power outages and service disruptions and the need for corrective actions. - **CHAIR AUTHORIZED TO SIGN**

*A letter was proposed to be sent to the above named individuals reflecting the County Council's concerns about recent Pepco power outages and service disruptions. Council Member Olson moved to authorize the Chair's signature on the letter; seconded by Council Member Patterson. The motion carried by roll call vote of 9-0.*

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

**CR-3-2011 - A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF AN APPLICATION TO PRESERVE PROPERTY PURSUANT TO THE MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FOUNDATION PROGRAM** for the purpose of recommending that the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation approves the application of Daniel A. and Carol G. Donohue to permanently preserve their property, reference Tax Map 160/Grid E2/Parcel 6/Tax Account 05-0309427. - **DEFERRED TO 3/15/2011 @10:00 A.M. FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

(Introduced by Council Member Franklin on 2/1/2010; Favorably reported out of THE on 2/10/11)

*Legal counsel determined that this Resolution would require a public hearing prior to adoption. Therefore, this item was deferred to the March 15, 2011 agenda for a public hearing to be held at 10:00 a.m.*

**CR-4-2011 - A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF AN APPLICATION TO PRESERVE PROPERTY PURSUANT TO THE MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FOUNDATION PROGRAM** for the purpose recommending that the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation approves the application of the Estate of Francis Moore James Donohue to preserve their property, reference Tax Map 160/Grid E2/Parcel 46/Tax Account 05-0309443. - **DEFERRED TO 3/15/2011 @10:00 A.M. FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

(Introduced by Council Member Franklin on 2/1/2010; Favorably reported out of THE on 2/10/11)

*Legal counsel determined that this Resolution would require a public hearing prior to adoption. Therefore, this item was deferred to the March 15, 2011 agenda for a public hearing to be held at 10:00 a.m.*

5. **INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

**CR-18-2011 – A RESOLUTION CONCERNING MILITARY LEAVE** for the purpose of amending the Salary Plan of the County to reflect the continuation of certain military leave benefits and the eligibility requirements for certain military leave benefits. - **INTRODUCED; RULES SUSPENDED; ADOPTED**

*Council Resolution 18, as proposed by the Chair by request of the County Executive, amends the Salary Plan of the County to reflect the continuation of certain military leave benefits and the eligibility requirements for certain military leave benefits. Council Resolution 18 was introduced by Council Members Turner, Harrison, Patterson, Olson, Johnson, Lehman, Campos, Toles and Franklin. Council Member Olson moved to suspend the Council Rules of Procedure to allow for the immediate adoption of Council Resolution 18; seconded by Council Member Franklin. The motion carried by roll call vote of 9-0. Council Member Olson moved adoption of Council Resolution 18; seconded by Council Member Franklin. The motion carried by roll call vote of 9-0.*

6. **BRIEFING – BRIEFING HELD**

● **STRAINED SUBURBS: THE SOCIAL SERVICE CHALLENGES OF RISING SUBURBAN POVERTY**

**Martha Ross**

Deputy Director, Greater Washington Research at Brookings

**Elizabeth Kneebone**

Senior Research Associate, Metropolitan Policy Program, Brookings Institution

**Patricia Morris**

Director, Family Services

**Gloria Brown**

Director, Social Services

**Artis Hampshire**

Cowan Former President, Prince George's Community Foundation

**Donna Crocker Mason**

Associate Director, The Arc of Prince George's County

**Terry Adams**

Human Services Coalition of Prince George's County

*Chair Turner convened the briefing at 2:00 p.m. Ms. Elizabeth Kneebone and Ms. Martha Ross facilitated a power-point presentation on "The Shifting Geography of Poverty and Opportunity in Metropolitan America (See File Copy). Each of the other panelists spoke to their roles related to poverty in the County and responded to questions and concerns raised by Council (See Administrative Day File for detailed Clerk's notes). The briefing concluded at 3:28 p.m.*

- \*\* *Chair Turner recessed the meeting at 3:28 p.m. to convene as the General Assembly Committee.*

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY/COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM) – COMMITTEE MEETING HELD**

**(SEE SEPARATE ACTION AGENDA)**

- \*\* *Chair Turner reconvened the meeting at 3:35 p.m.*
- \*\* *Council Member Harrison moved to accept an additional item to the agenda; seconded by Council Member Campos. The motion carried by roll call vote of 8-0 (Absent: Turner).*

**REQUESTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL**

*There were no requests to address the Council.*

**UPDATES FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS** – *Council Member Toles announced a community meeting to be held on Saturday, February 25, 2011 from 8:30-11:00 at the Samuel Massey/Suitland Community Center which would focus on the issue of Public Safety.*

**ADJOURNED** – *Vice-Chair Olson adjourned the meeting at 4:14 p.m.*

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – (ROOM 2027) (ADDED) – COMMITTEE MEETING HELD**

**FY 2012 LEGISLATIVE BRANCH BUDGET**

*Vice-Chair Olson convened the Committee of the Whole at 4:26 p.m. Robert Williams, Jr., Council Administrator provided an overview of the FY 2012 Legislative Branch Budget and responded to questions raised by Council. Council Member Harrison moved approval of the budget for submission to the County Executive; seconded by Council Member Franklin. The motion carried by roll call vote of 7-0 (Absent: Campos and Turner). The meeting concluded at 4:42 p.m.*

**Prepared by:**

**Submitted by:**

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Donna J. Brown, Deputy Clerk

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Redis C. Floyd, Clerk of the Council