

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE
TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Thomas E. Dernoga, Chair
Eric C. Olson, Vice-Chair
Marilynn M. Bland
Camille A. Exum
Andrea C. Harrison

October 23, 2008
Room 2027

Pursuant to the Rules of Procedure, the meeting convened at 9:00 a.m.; the following Council Members were present:

Thomas E. Dernoga
Eric C. Olson, Vice-Chair
Marilynn M. Bland
Camille A. Exum
Andrea C. Harrison

Staff Present:

Hawi Sanu, Committee Director
Carman Jackson-Brown, Legislative Officer
Craig Price, Council Administrator
Robert Williams, Deputy Council Administrator
Ralph Grutzmacher, Legislative Officer
Cathy Canning, Legislative Officer
Ann Jenkins, Administrative Aide
Edwin Brown, Administrative Assistant
Bradley Frome, Legislative Aide, Council Member Campos'
Howard Stone, Audits & Investigations

Others Present:

Marcus Jackson, Office of the County Executive
Bonita Williams, Office of the County Executive
Russell King, Office of Law
Josh Hamlin, Office of Law
Senator Muse
John Porcari, Secretary, Department of Transportation
Neil Pederson, State Highway Administration
Rudy Chow, WSSC
Tom Traber, WSSC
Teresa Daniell, WSSC
Jenny Friedman, CASA
Bruce A. Bates, Solid Waste Advisory Commission
Kawana Cohen-Hopkins, Solid Waste Advisory Commission
Douglas E. Edwards, Solid Waste Advisory Commission
Vincent L. Ford, Solid Waste Advisory Commission
Henry W. Harris, Sr, Solid Waste Advisory Commission
Nicole A. Hinds, Solid Waste Advisory Commission
Howard E. Jackson, Solid Waste Advisory Commission
Samuel B. Moki, Solid Waste Advisory Commission
Charles L. Renninger, Solid Waste Advisory Commission
Jack Sims, Solid Waste Advisory Commission
Eva Thorne, Solid Waste Advisory Commission
Justin C. Thornton, Solid Waste Advisory Commission
Lisa Williams-Payton, Solid Waste Advisory Commission
Tonia Wright, Solid Waste Advisory Commission

AGENDA

LEGISLATION

CR-83-2008 (Council Member Harrison) –A Resolution expressing the Prince George’s County Council support for the reduced use of non-biodegradable plastic shopping bags by retailers and grocery stores and to encourage the availability and use of alternative re-usable bags by the businesses and citizens in Prince George’s County.

Favorable as amended, 5-0 (In favor: Councilmembers Dernoga, Bland, Exum, Harrison and Olson.)

CR-77-2008 (County Executive) – A Resolution approving amendments to the "General Specifications and Standards for Highway and Street Construction" and the "Specifications and Standards for Highway Traffic Signals" of the Department of Public Works and Transportation (“DPW&T”)

Held

THE Action Agenda

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CR-89-2008 (**County Executive**) – A Resolution concerning the State of Maryland Community Investment Tax Credit Neighborhood and Community Assistance Program for the purpose of approving the project submitted by CASA of Maryland, Inc. (“CASA”), to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for participation in the Department’s Community Investment Tax Credit Program

Favorable, 4-0 (In favor: Councilmembers Dernoga, Exum, Harrison and Olson.)

CB-83-2008 (**Council Member Campos**) – An Act concerning Vacant Residential Property Registration and Maintenance.

Discussion Held

INTERVIEWS:

- ❖ **Appointments for Solid Waste Commissioner**
Department of Environmental Resources

Interviews Held, No Vote

BRIEFINGS

- ❖ **WSSC Spending Affordability Group**
 - *Tom Traber*

Briefing Held

Favorable, 5-0 (In favor: Councilmembers Dernoga, Bland, Exum Harrison and Olson.)