



Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 11/21/2023

Effective Date:

Reference No.: CB-070-2023

Chapter Number:

Draft No.: 2

Public Hearing Date: 11/21/2023 @ 10:00 AM

Proposer(s): Oriadha, Burroughs, Blegay and Olson

Sponsor(s): Oriadha, Burroughs, Blegay, Olson and Dernoga

Item Title: AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING CANNABIS USES for the purpose of adding definitions and designating areas for Cannabis uses consistent with authority set forth in State law; prohibiting On-site cannabis consumption uses; setting forth regulations for permitted Cannabis uses; providing parking regulations for Cannabis uses; providing for the prospective application of provisions and amendments adopted herein; and providing a severability clause for the provisions related to Cannabis uses in Prince George's County.

Drafter: Jibril Brown

Resource Personnel: Kony Serrano

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
07/05/2023	County Council	presented and referred	PHED
	Action Text: This Council Bill was presented by Council Members Oriadha, Burroughs, Blegay and Olson and referred to the Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee.		
10/05/2023	PHED	amended (1)	
	Action Text: A motion was made by Council Member Oriadha, seconded by Vice Chair Olson, that this Council Bill be amended (1). The motion carried by the following vote: Aye: 5 Ivey, Olson, Blegay, Dernoga and Oriadha		
10/05/2023	PHED	Favorably recommended with amendments	County Council
	Action Text: A motion was made by Council Member Oriadha, seconded by Vice Chair Olson, that this Council Bill be Favorably recommended with amendments to the County Council. The motion carried by the following vote: Aye: 5 Ivey, Olson, Blegay, Dernoga and Oriadha		
10/10/2023	County Council	recommitted	COW

Action Text:

A motion was made by Council Member Hawkins, seconded by Council Member Harrison, that this Council Bill be recommitted to committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 Hawkins, Harrison, Watson, Fisher, Ivey and Franklin

Nay: 5 Blegay, Dernoga, Olson, Burroughs and Oriadha

10/10/2023 County Council referred COW

Action Text:

This Council Bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

10/17/2023 COW motion failed

Action Text:

A motion was made by Council Member Ivey, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this Council Bill be Favorably recommended with amendments. The motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 4 Watson, Franklin, Ivey and Fisher

Nay: 6 Olson, Hawkins, Oriadha, Burroughs, Dernoga and Blegay

Absent: 1 Harrison

10/17/2023 COW Favorably County Council
recommended

Action Text:

A motion was made by Council Member Burroughs, seconded by Vice Chair Blegay, that this Council Bill be Favorably recommended to the County Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 Olson, Hawkins, Franklin, Oriadha, Burroughs, Dernoga and Blegay

Nay: 3 Watson, Ivey and Fisher

Absent: 1 Harrison

10/17/2023 County Council motion failed

Action Text:

A motion was made by Vice Chair Blegay, seconded by Council Member Burroughs, that the rules be suspended for this Council Bill. The motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 7 Hawkins, Blegay, Dernoga, Olson, Burroughs, Oriadha and Franklin

Nay: 3 Watson, Fisher and Ivey

Absent: 1 Harrison

10/17/2023 County Council introduced

Action Text:

This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Oriadha, Burroughs, Blegay, Olson and Dernoga.

11/21/2023 County Council public hearing held

Action Text:

The public hearing for this Council Bill was held.

11/21/2023 County Council motion to enact failed

Action Text:

A motion was made by Vice Chair Blegay, seconded by Council Member Oriadha, that this Council Bill be enacted. The motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 5 Blegay, Dernoga, Olson, Burroughs and Oriadha

Nay: 1 Fisher

Absent: 3 Hawkins, Harrison and Watson

Abstain: 2 Ivey and Franklin

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

27-464.08

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

In 2023, the Maryland General Assembly enacted the Cannabis Reform Act of 2023. The CRA permits the sale of recreational cannabis thereby no longer limiting the sale of cannabis to medicinal purposes only, while also preventing cannabis consumption by our youth. The County Council seeks to assist the overall goals of the CRA while also stimulating economic growth in the County. This bill will amend the Prince George's County Code to comply with the CRA, thereby removing the medical requirement for the sale of cannabis. This bill will also: limit the sale of cannabis to the IH zone only; increase the mandatory set back of the R-A, R-E, R-L, R-R, R-S, R-80, or R-55 Zones from 300 feet to 2,500 feet; and increase the mandatory set back from all MNCPP properties, various child care centers, and schools from 500 to 2,500 feet.

Document(s): B2023070, CB-070-2023 OOL Comment, CB-070-2023 BOA Comment, CB-070-2023 Planning Board Votes Letter, CB-070-2023 Planning Board Analysis, CB-070-2023 Staff Report on Proposed DR-2, CB-070-2023 Proposed DR-2 Maps