



Prince George's County Council

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1301 McCormick Dr
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Meeting Minutes - Final Sitting as the Committee of the Whole

Tuesday, October 10, 2023

10:30 AM

Council Hearing Room

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ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS:

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Thomas E. Dernoga at 11:41 a.m. with 10 members present at roll call. Council Member Franklin arrived at 11:42 a.m. Council Member Oriadha participated remotely and on camera.

Present 10 - Eric Olson
 Ingrid Watson
 Sydney Harrison
 Calvin S. Hawkins
 Mel Franklin
 Jolene Ivey
 Edward Burroughs
 Wanika Fisher
 Thomas Dernoga
 Wala Blegay

Remote 1 - Krystal Oriadha

Also present:

*Colette Gresham, Acting Deputy Council Administrator
Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council
Leonard Moses, Legislative/Zoning Assistant
James Walker-Bey, Zoning Assistant
Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive
J. Kenneth Battle, Director, TIEE Committee
Jibril Brown, Legislative Officer
Kathy Canning, Legislative Officer*

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WSSC FY 25 SPENDING AFFORDABILITY GUIDELINES

Draft 1

Attachment(s): [WSSC Water Spending Affordability Staff Report FY25 10.11.2023 \(part 1\) - signed](#)

Convened at 11:41 a.m. Chair Dernoga introduced Kishia L. Powell, General Manager/CEO, WSSC, who introduced Joseph F. Beach, Deputy General Manager, WSSC, who facilitated a PowerPoint presentation titled, "FY 2025 Spending Affordability Guidelines". The presentation highlighted the following: WSSC WATER AT A GLANCE; Team H2O; Outcome Based Budgeting Approach; Total Budget - FY24 Approved and FY25 Preliminary Request; Budget Priorities and Highlighted Requests - Operating; Budget Priorities and Highlighted Requests - Capital and Financial Stewardship; FY2025 Revenue Requirement and Investment Objectives; Capital - Investment Needs; Capital - Priority 1A & 1B; Financial Summary by Category; FY2020 - 22 Voluntary Spending Reductions; FY 2023 Operating Budget Cuts; FY 2023 Capital Budget Cuts; FY2024 Revenue - Where The Money Goes; Drivers of the FY 2025 Revenue Increase; Decline in Consumption and Use; WSSC Water Consumption & Rates vs. County Assessed Value and Rates; Consumption Billing by Tier; WSSC Water Recent Prior Rate Requests; 20-Year Rate History; Regional Rate Increase Comparison; Cost of Service - Methodology Results, and Recommended Rates; Cost of Service and Rate-Setting Process Overview; Step 3 Rate Design; Industry Bill Comparison Fixed vs. Volumetric; Rate Comparison; Residential Total Bill Impact Comparison; Customer Bill Impacts Comparison - CAP Program; Affordability 3-Legged Stool; Financial Strategy: Minimize Impact to Ratepayers; Financial Strategy: Leveraging External Funding; Bipartisan Infrastructure Law = \$1.2 Trillion; Delivering Equity and Environmental Justice: Affordability Programs; Delivering Equity and Environmental Justice: Revenue Recovery Strategy; Affordability Initiatives; Targeted for FY2024 Implementation; Affordability of WSSC Water Compared to Peers; Long-Range Financial Plan; and Maintain Our AAA Bond Rating. Mr. Beach introduced Robert Riel, Consultant, Arcadis Engineering Consulting, who assisted with the presentation. The panelists responded to questions from the Council.

This Briefing was held.

LEGISLATION

[CB-073-2023](#)

Draft 1

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY-OMNIBUS BILL for the purpose of reconciling certain terms, procedures, and other language of the new Zoning Ordinance, being Chapter 27, 2019 Laws of Prince George's County; revising certain procedures and regulations; and adding clarification language to further effectuate successful implementation of the County's new, modern, streamlined Zoning Ordinance.

Attachment(s): [B2023073](#)
[CB-073-2023 Summary](#)
[CB-073-2023 Transmittal](#)
[CB-73-2023 Board of Appeal Referral Comments](#)
[CB-073-2023 ZHE Memio](#)
[CB-073-2023 Planning Board Votes Letter and Analyses](#)
[CB-73-2023 Proposed DR-2 \(M-NCPPC\) Updated 10-3-23](#)
[CB-073-2023 Updated Potential Revisions to Proposed Draft 2 Items UPDATED 10-3-23](#)
[MNCPPC 2023 Omnibus ZO Bill Presentation PHED 09-26-2023](#)
[MNCPPC Transitional Provisions Presentation COW 10-10-2023](#)
[Everything Old Is New Again Communities Explore Nuanced Approaches to Nonconformities](#)
CB-073-2023 Public Comments 10-10-2023 COW
CB-073-2023 Public Comments 10-17-2023 COW
[Final Proposed Amendment Sheet for CB-73-2023 DR-2](#)
[MNCPPC Planning Department - Transitional Provisions 10-17-23](#)

Chair Dernoga introduced Chad Williams, M-NCPPC, who provided brief comments on Proposed Draft 2. The Committee substituted M-NCPPC's Proposed Draft 2 on CB-073-2023 for discussion. The discussion was deferred to the next Committee meeting due to time constraints.

A motion was made by Council Member Franklin, seconded by Council Member Watson, that the committee substitute a new draft for this Council Bill. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: Burroughs

[CB-074-2023](#)

Draft 1

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE LANDSCAPE MANUAL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY - OMNIBUS BILL for the purpose of reconciling certain terms, procedures, and other language of the new Landscape Manual, being also and the same Section 27-6500 of the Zoning Ordinance of Prince George's County, Chapter 27, 2019 Laws of Prince George's County; revising certain procedures and regulations; and adding clarification language to effectuate successful implementation and meet the County's goals for a new, modern, streamlined Zoning Ordinance.

Attachment(s): [B2023074](#)
[CB-074-2023 Summary](#)
[CB-074-2023 Transmittal](#)

The Committee took no action on this item and it was deferred to the next Committee meeting due to time constraints.

This Council Bill was deferred to next week's meeting.

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Draft 1

ADJOURN

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 1:30 PM.

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

Aye: 11 - Olson, Watson, Harrison, Hawkins, Franklin, Oriadha, Ivey, Burroughs, Fisher, Dernoga and Blegay