

March 24, 2026

The Honorable Krystal Oriadha  
Chair  
Prince George's County Council  
Wayne K. Curry Administration Building  
1301 McCormick Drive  
Largo, MD 20772

Re: LDR-24-2026

Dear Chair Oriadha:

As required by the County's legislative amendment process for amendments to the Zoning Ordinance (Section 27-3501), the Planning Board held a public hearing on March 19, 2026 to receive comments on proposed Legislative Drafting Request LDR-24-2026.

During the discussion of LDR-24-2026, the Planning Board approved a motion 5-0 to adopt the findings contained in the Planning Department's Technical Staff Report. This motion constituted a Planning Board recommendation to SUPPORT the proposed legislation.

The link to the public hearing video may be found under the hearing date at:  
<https://www.mncppc.org/883/Watch-Meetings>.

### **Hearing Summary:**

At the public hearing, one person registered to speak testified in support of the proposed legislation.

### **Legislative Amendment Decision Standards:**

**The advisability of amending the text of this Ordinance is a matter committed to the legislative discretion of the County Council sitting as the District Council and is not controlled by any one factor. Within each zone listed in the Classes of Zones (Section 27-4102), the district council may regulate the construction, alteration, and uses of buildings and structures and the uses of land, including surface, subsurface, and air rights. The provisions for each zone shall be uniform for each class or kind of development throughout the zone, and no legislative amendment may create different standards for a subset of properties within a zone, unless such standards are necessary to implement development policies within the applicable Area Master Plan, Sector Plan, development policies of the General Plan, or other approved development district; however, any differentiation of a subset of properties within a zone shall be reasonable and based upon the public policy to be served.**

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The Department finds that LDR-24-2026 meets the criteria that the provisions for each zone shall be uniform for each class or kind of development throughout the zone because the amendment does not create different standards for a subset of properties Countywide, regardless of zoning. The proposed amendments in LDR-24-2026 would be consistently applied to each affected zone across the County.

As always, Planning Department staff members are available to work with the Council and your legislative staff on any pertinent legislative matters. Please let us know if we may be of further assistance.

Should you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Planning Director at 301-952-3594. Thank you again for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Darryl Barnes", written over a horizontal line.

Darryl Barnes  
Chairman

Attachments