



Prince George's County Council

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Upper Marlboro, Maryland
20772-3050

Meeting Minutes - Draft Sitting as the Committee of the Whole

Thursday, June 24, 2021

10:00 AM

VIRTUAL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was convened by Chair Calvin S. Hawkins, II at 10:04 a.m. with ten members present. Council Member Glaros arrived at 10:11 a.m.

Present 11 - Calvin S. Hawkins
Monique Anderson-Walker
Derrick Davis
Thomas Dernoga
Mel Franklin
Dannielle Glaros
Sydney Harrison
Jolene Ivey
Rodney Streeter
Deni Taveras
Todd Turner

Also present:

*Robert J. Williams, Jr., Council Administrator
William M. Hunt, Deputy Council Administrator
Colette Gresham, Associate Council Administrator
Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council
Theresa D. Myers, Legislative Assistant
Leonard D. Moses, Zoning Assistant
Terry L. Bell, Council Liaison
Miriam Brewer, Appointments Liaison
Amanda Denison, Associate County Attorney
Sakinda Skinner, Associate County Attorney
Dinora Hernandez, Legislative Officer
Jackie Brown, PHED Committee Director
Karen Zavakos, Legislative & Zoning Counsel
Howard Stone, GOFP Committee Director*

*Nathaniel Tutt, III, HHSPS Committee Director
Donna Whitman, Legislative Officer
Monica Best James, Legislative Officer
James Walker-Bey, Zoning Reference Aide*

INVOCATION:

Chair Calvin S. Hawkins introduced Pastor James J. Robinson, who provided an opening prayer.

APPOINTMENT:

[APPT-8-21](#)

Appointment of the following individual as Police Chief for Prince George's County:

Mr. Kosg Malik Abdul Al' Aziz

Nathaniel K. Tutt, Director of the Health, Human Services and Public Safety Committee (HHSPS), provided an overview. Miriam Brewer, Appointments Liaison, Office of the County Executive introduced the nominee and spoke to his background and credentials. Mr. Aziz was present and spoke on his own behalf and offered his vision for Prince George's County. The nominee responded to questions regarding mental/behavioral health training; implicit bias training; staffing needs; D.C./Maryland border communities; language access; "Operation Heat Wave" Initiative and recruitment. Concluded at 11:40 a.m.

A motion was made by Member Turner, seconded by Member Streeter, that this Appointment be Favorably recommended to the County Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

BRIEFINGS:

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BRIEFING ON PROTECTIONS FOR SENIORS AND ALL CONSUMERS FROM PREDATORY ACTIONS

First Panel:

Angie Barnett, President/CEO
Better Business Bureau of Greater Maryland, Inc.

Second Panel:

Mike Hughes, Senior Vice President, State & Local Government Relations
Wells Fargo & Company

Ron Long, Esq., Director Elder Client Initiatives Center of Excellence
Wells Fargo & Company

Final Panel:

Alisa Bralove-Scherr, Esq., Deputy Director of the Mediation Unit & Arbitration Administrator
Office of the Maryland Attorney General

Jeffrey H. Myers, Esq., Assistant Attorney General
Maryland Department of Aging

Steven M. Sakamoto-Wengel, Esq., Assistant Attorney General
Consumer Protection Counsel for Regulation, Legislation and Policy
Office of the Attorney General

Attachment(s): Presentation - Preventing Senior Fraud
Presentation - Combatting Predatory Activities
Presentation - Consumer Issues Impacting Seniors
Presentation - Protecting Elder and Vulnerable Adults
from Predators
Presentation - Senior Asset Recovery

Convened at 11:41 a.m. Due to technical difficulties, the Panel Guests were taken out of order.

SECOND PANEL:

*Mike Hughes, Senior Vice President, State & Local Government Relations,
Wells Fargo & Company*

*Ron Long, Esq., Director Elder Client Initiatives Center of Excellence, Wells
Fargo & Company*

*PowerPoint Presentation titled "Combatting Predatory Activities" focusing
on the Grandparent Scam; The Government Scam; Romance Scam; The
Refund Scam; Wells Fargo handling of Predatory Activities and Resources.*

THIRD PANEL:

*Alisa Bralove-Scherr, Esq., Deputy Director of the Mediation Unit &
Arbitration Administrator, Office of the Maryland Attorney General*

PowerPoint Presentation titled "Consumer Issues Impacting Seniors" focusing on Maryland Office of the Attorney General Consumer Protection Division; Robocalls; Common Scams; Telltale Signs of a Scam; Protect Yourself Against Scams; Solar Panels; Timeshare and Vacation Clubs; How to Contact the CPD and How to File a Complaint.

Jeffrey H. Myers, Esq., Assistant Attorney General, Maryland Department of Aging

PowerPoint Presentation titled "Protecting Elder and Vulnerable Adults from Predators" Focusing on Predators; Categories of Predators; Elder Abuse, Vulnerable Adults; Special Provisions for Vulnerable Adults; What is being done; What to do if you suspect financial exploitation and Resources and Contact Information.

Steven M. Sakamoto-Wengel, Esq., Assistant Attorney General, Consumer Protection Counsel for Regulation, Legislation and Policy, Office of the Attorney General

PowerPoint Presentation titled "Senior Asset Recovery" focusing on Statutory Authority; CPD Authority; Senior Asset Recover Unit; Program Results; SAFE Act and Contact Information.

FIRST PANEL:

Angie Barnett, President/CEO, Better Business Bureau of Greater Maryland, Inc.

PowerPoint Presentation titled "Better Business Bureau Preventing Senior Fraud" focusing on "A closer look at scams targeting the senior community and strategies to combat them"; Top 5 Scams Impacting Seniors; Risk Index Recap; Online Purchase Scams; Moving Scams; Phishing; Impact of the BBB; Scam Tracker; How to Connect with the Better Business Bureau.

The Panelists responded to questions posed by Council Members regarding Social Security scams; statistics and caretaker misconduct.

Concluded at 12:57 p.m.

THIS BRIEFING WAS HELD

[BR 06242021b](#)

COMMISSION ON COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES

Euniesha Davis, Director Office of Community Relations
Dereck E. Davis, Deputy Director Office of Community Relations
Daria L. Bailey, Division Chief Common Ownership Communities
Danielle Booz, Community Resource Assistant
Charice Young, Special Assistant to the Director
Timothy Smith, Chair Commission on Common Ownership Communities
Nicole A. Williams, Commissioner Common Ownership Communities

Convened at 12:58 p.m. Jackie Brown, Director of the Planning, Housing and Economic Development Corporation provided a brief overview and introductory remarks.

PANEL GUESTS:

*Euniesha Davis, Director Office of Community Relations
Dereck E. Davis, Deputy Director Office of Community Relations (unable to attend)
Daria L. Bailey, Division Chief Common Ownership Communities
Danielle Booz, Community Resource Assistant
Charice Young, Special Assistant to the Director
Timothy Smith, Chair Commission on Common Ownership Communities
Nicole A. Williams, Commissioner Common Ownership Communities*

Director Euniesha Davis and Commissioner Nicole Williams provided opening comments and introduced the panelists. Daria Bailey facilitated a PowerPoint Presentation titled Commission on Common Ownership Communities (CCOC)" focusing on the Establishment of the CCOC; Constituent Contacts; Connecting Resources; Monthly Commission Meetings; Community Services; Education; Training; EDvantage Online Training Modules; Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) and Upcoming Projects. Timothy Smith, Chair of the Commission provided additional comments. The Panelists responded to questions posed by Council Members regarding Commission enforcement authority and staffing needs. Concluded at 1:37 p.m.

THIS BRIEFING WAS HELD

RECESS

THE MEETING RECESSED AT 1:38 P.M.

A motion was made by Member Davis, seconded by Member Dernoga, to recess the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

RECONVENE

THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 2:12 P.M.

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HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL WORKGROUP - UPDATE AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Honorable Dannielle M. Glaros, HOFA Workgroup Co-Chair
Ms. Aspasia Xypolia, HOFA Workgroup Co-Chair

Attachment(s): [Presentation HOFA Briefing 6 26 2021](#)
[HOFA Transmittal Letter - 2nd Year Annual Report](#)
[HOFA Workgroup 2nd Annual Report 2020 - FINAL](#)

Convened at 2:12 p.m. Jackie Brown, Director of the Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee (PHED), provided an overview of the Housing Opportunities For All Workgroup and introduced the Co-Chairs.

PANELISTS:

*The Honorable Dannielle M. Glaros, HOFA Workgroup Co-Chair
Ms. Aspasia Xypolia, HOFA Workgroup Co-Chair*

A PowerPoint Presentation focusing on Housing Opportunities for All Workgroup Recent Activities and Accomplishments -- Background; Accomplishments to Date; HOFA 2020 Recommendations; Workgroup Activities September 2020-February 2021; Common Themes; Recommendations Relationship to the CHS; Information and Outreach Recommendation Actions; Tenant Protection Policies Recommendation Actions; Financial Assistance Recommendation Actions. Housing Opportunities for All Workgroup 2021 Ongoing and Future Activities --

Universal Design; Workgroup Activities March 2021 - March 2022. The Panelists responded to questions posed by Council Members regarding vacancy rates; land bank; affordability and transitional housing; Habitat for Humanity; landlord/tenant office and right of first refusal. Concluded at 2:46 p.m.

THIS BRIEFING WAS HELD

[BR 06242021d](#)

LOCAL IMPACT GRANT FUNDS MULTI-YEAR PLAN

Nathaniel K. Tutt, Director
Health, Human Services and Public Safety Committee

Stanley Earley, Director
Office of Management and Budget

Attachment(s): [Presentation - Local Development Council \(LDC\)](#)
[FY 22-Local Impact Grant Spending Plan Memo](#)

Convened at 2:47 p.m. Nathaniel K. Tutt, Director of the Health, Human Services and Public Safety Committee (HHSPS), provided an overview facilitated a PowerPoint Presentation focusing on the Beginning; Purpose; Hold Harmless; State Funding Requirements; Legislation to Note; Process; Reporting Requirements and Membership. Stanley Earley, Director, Office of Management and Budget spoke to the details of the Plan. The Panelists responded to questions posed by Council Members regarding the need for process changes. Concluded at 3:00 p.m.

THIS BRIEFING WAS HELD

ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS:

- a) *Presentation by Committee Staff*
(Including comments received by the Committee)
- b) *Comments from Sponsor*
- c) *Questions from Committee Members*
- d) *Comments from Agencies*
- e) *General Discussion*
- f) *Motion and Vote*

LEGISLATION

[CR-067-2021](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION OF FEDERAL, STATE AND OTHER FUNDS for the purpose of appropriating funding from grants in the amount of \$176,626,110 for Non-Departmental.

Sponsor(s): Hawkins, Turner, Streeter, Harrison, Ivey, Davis, Glaros, Anderson-Walker, Franklin, Dernoga and Taveras

Attachment(s): [R2021067](#)
[CR-067-2021 AIS](#)

Convened at 3:01 p.m.

PANEL GUESTS:

Stanley Earley, Director OMB
Amber Hendricks, OMB

Howard W. Stone, Director of the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee (GOFP), provided a staff overview. The Office Law finds CR-067-2021 to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption. Stanley Earley, Director, Office of Management and Budget facilitated a PowerPoint Presentation focusing on an Overview of the American Rescue Plan Act -- Background; Uses of Funds and Proposed Funding Categories.

A motion was made by Chair Hawkins, seconded by Member Harrison, that this Resolution be Held in Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Hawkins, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner
Absent: Anderson-Walker and Glaros

Whole[CR-068-2021](#)

Draft 1

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.

Sponsor(s): Hawkins, Franklin, Davis, Harrison, Turner, Ivey, Dernoga, Streeter, Taveras, Glaros and Anderson-Walker

Attachment(s): [R2021068](#)
[CR-068-2021 AIS](#)

Convened at 3:35 p.m. Howard W. Stone, Director of the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee (GOFP), provided a staff overview. The Office Law finds CR-068-2021 to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption. Lisa Chinn, Recruitment, Examination and Classification Division (OHRM) was available for questions.

A motion was made by Member Dernoga, seconded by Vice Chair Taveras, that this Resolution be Favorably recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

Absent: Glaros

[CR-069-2021](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY RESTAURANT OUTDOOR SEATING AUTHORIZATION for the purpose of extending the temporary suspension of certain restrictions on outdoor seating arising under Subtitle 27 of the Prince George's County Code, being also the Prince George's County Zoning Ordinance, and providing for the extension of temporary expedited administrative process to authorize outdoor dining to otherwise lawful eating and drinking establishment uses on adjacent exterior space or shared exterior space, under certain circumstance to further economic recovery.

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Hawkins, Davis, Franklin, Anderson-Walker, Dernoga, Harrison, Turner, Taveras, Glaros and Streeter

Attachment(s): [R2021069](#)
[CR-069-2021 AIS](#)

Convened 3:39 p.m. Jackie Brown, Director of the Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee (PHED), provided a staff overview. The Office of Law finds CR-069-2021 to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption. Additional comments were provided by Sakinda Skinner, Office of Law noted that when the State of Emergency is lifted the Resolution would require amendments. Dinora Hernandez provided further comments on the intent of the Resolution and explained the

proposed amendments.

A motion was made by Member Ivey, seconded by Member Franklin, that this Resolution be amended (1). The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

A motion was made by Member Ivey, seconded by Vice Chair Taveras, that this Resolution be Favorably recommended with amendments to the Clerk of the Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

[CR-075-2021](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION for the purpose of transferring certain appropriations and expenditures between certain programs in the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Operating Budget for the Recreation Fund.

Sponsor(s): Hawkins, Taveras, Turner, Streeter, Anderson-Walker, Glaros, Dernoga and Davis

Attachment(s): [R2021075](#)
[CR-075-2021 AIS](#)
[CR-075-2021 Report](#)

Convened at 4:04 p.m. Jackie Brown, Director of the Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee (PHED), provided a staff overview. The Office of Law finds CR-075-2021 to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption. The County Executive supports this Resolution.

A motion was made by Member Turner, seconded by Member Streeter, that this Resolution be Favorably recommended to the Clerk of the Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

ADJOURN

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 4:08 P.M.

A motion was made by Member Turner, seconded by Member Dernoga, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.