

## Prince George's County Council Agenda Item Summary

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**Meeting Date:** 5/13/2014  
**Reference No.:** CB-020-2014  
**Draft No.:** 1  
**Proposer(s):** Franklin, Harrison  
**Sponsor(s):** Franklin, Harrison, Turner, Davis, Toles  
**Item Title:** An Ordinance concerning Zoning Regulations □ Public Buildings and Uses – Exceptions for the purpose of providing a Public Buildings and Uses exception from certain prescriptions of the Zoning Ordinance for the proposed Public Safety Communications Center (9-1-1) and Emergency Operations Center facility on Anchor Street in Landover.

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**Drafter:** Karen T. Zavakos, Legislative Officer  
**Resource Personnel:** Brendon L. Laster, Chief of Staff District 9  
Rodney C. Streeter, Chief of Staff District 5  
Thomas Himler, Deputy CAO for Budget and Finance

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### LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

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| <b>Date Presented:</b>     | 5/6/2014   | <b>Executive Action:</b> |           |
| <b>Committee Referral:</b> |  | <b>Effective Date:</b>   | 6/17/2014 |
| <b>Committee Action:</b>   | 5/7/2014 - FAV   |                          |           |
| <b>Date Introduced:</b>    | 5/13/2014  |                          |           |
| <b>Public Hearing:</b>     | 6/17/2014 - 11:00 AM                                   |                          |           |
| <b>Council Action (1)</b>  | 6/17/2014 - ENACTED                                    |                          |           |
| <b>Council Votes:</b>      | WC:A, DLD:A, MRF:A, AH:A, ML:A, EO:A, OP:A, IT:A, KT:A |                          |           |
| <b>Pass/Fail:</b>          | P  |                          |           |
| <b>Remarks:</b>            |  |                          |           |

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### AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

27-122

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### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

#### Planning, Zoning and Economic Development

**Date 5/7/2014**

Committee Vote: Favorable, 5-0 (In favor: Council Members Turner, Campos, Franklin, Harrison and Olson)

CB-20-2014 amends the Zoning Ordinance to provide an exception to the applicability of certain zoning requirements for public buildings and uses to add the proposed Public Safety Communications Center (911) and Emergency Operations Center on Anchor Street in Landover.

The legislation is drafted to allow the provisions to become effective on the date of its adoption. The facility is recommended for inclusion on the list of exemptions to certain zoning requirements due to the unique nature of this project. The time constraints related to grant funding for the project as well as the role this building will serve in providing back-up 911 services for the County justifies the bill taking effect on the date of its adoption. The building has also been subject to previous public deliberation and County approval through its listing in the County's Capital Improvement Program.

Dr. Fern Piret, Planning Director, was present for the discussion and informed the committee that the Planning Board is in support of the legislation and would be taking a formal position during their next meeting scheduled for May 8, 2014. The Office of Law reviewed the bill and determined that it is in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its enactment.

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:**

(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

This bill amends Section 27-122 of the Zoning Ordinance to provide an exception to the applicability of certain zoning requirements for public buildings and uses to add the proposed Public Safety Communications Center on Anchor Street in Landover, so as to expedite the establishment of a backup 9-1-1 facility, and to ensure continuity of appropriate public safety / emergency communications and operations in the event of disruption of the primary center.

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**CODE INDEX TOPICS:**

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**INCLUSION FILES:**

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