



Prince George's County Council

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Meeting Minutes - Final Sitting as the Committee of the Whole

Thursday, June 4, 2020

10:00 AM

VIRTUAL MEETING

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ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS:

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Council Chair Turner at 10:00 a.m. with nine members present at roll call. Council Member Davis arrived at 10:08 a.m. and Council Member Franklin arrived at 10:34 a.m.

Also present:

Robert J. Williams, Jr., Council Administrator

William M. Hunt, Deputy Council Administrator

Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council

Theresa D. Myers, Legislative Assistant

Leonard D. Moses, Zoning Assistant

Karen Zavakos, Legislative Officer

Dinora Hernandez, Legislative Officer

Kathleen Canning, Legislative Officer

Warren Burris, Audits & Investigations

Kassandra Fields, Audits & Investigations

Arian Albear, Audits & Investigations

Nathaniel Tutt, III, HHSPS Committee Director

Donna Whitman, Legislative Officer

Colette Gresham, Legislative Officer

Terry L. Bell, Council Liaison

Sakinda Skinner, Associate County Attorney

LEGISLATION

[CR-029-2020](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING FISCAL YEAR (“FY”) 2020 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT for the purpose of amending the Prince George’s County Fiscal Year (“FY”) 2020 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development by adding eligible Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) and Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program activities not originally funded or described in the FY 2020 Annual Action Plan.

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

Attachment(s): [R2020029](#)
[CR-029-2020 Attachment A](#)
[CR-029-2020 Attachment B](#)
[CR-029-2020 AIS](#)

Panelists:

Estella Alexander, Director, DHCD

Ray Gilley, Deputy Director, DHCD

Pat Isaac, Program Manager, CDBG, DHCD

Kathleen H. Canning, Legislative Officer provided an overview of CR-29-2020. Estella Alexander, Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development spoke to the details of the Resolution which will amend the Prince George’s County Fiscal Year (“FY”) 2020 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development by adding new Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) and Emergency Solutions Grants (“ESG”) Program activities, eligible activities not originally funded or described in the FY 2020 Annual Action Plan. The panelists responded to questions posed by Council Members regarding Emergency Solutions Grants, rental assistance, food assistance, Laurel Advocacy and Referral Services (LARS), unemployment and mortgage assistance. The Office of Law found CR-29-2020 to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption.

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

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

[CR-030-2020](#)

Draft 1

**A RESOLUTION CONCERNING FISCAL YEAR (“FY”) 2016-2020
CONSOLIDATED PLAN FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY**

DEVELOPMENT for the purpose of amending the Prince George’s County Fiscal Year (“FY”) 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development to modify its Citizen Participation Plan to include an expedited process for notice and reasonable opportunity to comment.

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

Attachment(s): [R2020030](#)
[CR-030-2020 Attachment A](#)
[CR-030-2020 AIS](#)

Panelists:

Estella Alexander, Director, DHCD

Ray Gilley, Deputy Director, DHCD

Pat Isaac, Program Manager, CDBG, DHCD

Kathleen H. Canning, Legislative Officer provided an overview of CR-29-2020. Estella Alexander, Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development spoke to the details of the Resolution which will amend the Prince George’s County Fiscal Year (“FY”) 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development to modify the Citizen Participation Plan for inclusion of an expedited process for notice and reasonable opportunity to comment. The Office of Law found CR-30-2020 to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption. There were no questions.

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

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

[CB-017-2020](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING TELEVISION AND RADIO EQUIPMENT REPAIR

for the purpose of repealing provisions of the County Code pertaining to the Television and Radio Equipment repair license requirements.

Attachment(s): [B2020017](#)
[CB-017-2020 AIS](#)
[CB-017-2020 Transmittal](#)

Panelists:

Melinda Bolling, DPIE

Lori Parris, DPIE

Heidi Stearlings, DPIE

Karen T. Zavakos, Legislative Officer provided an overview of Council Bill 17-2020. Melinda Bolling, Director of the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcements spoke to the Bill which proposes to repeal the license requirement for Television and Equipment Repair license. The panelists responded to a question posed by Council Members regarding the standing of the one remaining license. The Office of Law found CB-17-2020 to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption. The Office of Audits and Investigations reported there would be a negative fiscal impact.

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

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

[CB-018-2020](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING “GOING OUT OF BUSINESS” SALES for the purpose of repealing Division 3 of Subtitle 14 of the Prince George’s County Code.

Attachment(s): [B2020018](#)
[CB-018-2020 AIS](#)
[CB-018-2020 Transmittal](#)

Panelists:

Melinda Bolling, DPIE

Lori Parris, DPIE

Heidi Stearlings, DPIE

Karen T. Zavakos, Legislative Officer provided an overview of Council Bill

18-2020. Melinda Bolling, Director of the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcements spoke to the Bill which proposes to repeal the Going Out of Business Sales Permit. The panelists responded to a question regarding the tracking of business that are closing. The Office of Law found CB-18-2020 to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption. The Office of Audits and Investigations reported there could a possible positive fiscal impact.

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

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

[CB-019-2020](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING WEAPONS for the purpose of repealing and reenacting with amendments the requirement that a person obtain a written permit from the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement (DPIE).

Attachment(s): [B2020019](#)
[CB-019-2020 AIS](#)

Panelists:

Melinda Bolling, DPIE

Lori Parris, DPIE

Heidi Stearlings, DPIE

Nathaniel K. Tutt, Acting Director of the Health, Human Services and Public Safety Committee provided an overview of Council Bill 19-2020. Melinda Bolling, Director of the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcements spoke to the Bill which is for non-profits conducting an event, such as a turkey shoot. There have been no applications submitted or licenses issued since the inception of the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement, therefore no fees have been collected. There were no questions. The Office of Law found CB-19-2020 to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption.

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

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

[CR-033-2020](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING 2026 FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION WORLD CUP PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS for the purpose of supporting the fundamental requirements for United 2026 as laid out in the Federation Internationale de Football Association's (FIFA) "Proposal for a United Human Rights Strategy"; and encouraging certain persons to provide certain atmospheres, experiences, and policies for certain individuals at the 2026 FIFA World Cup.

Sponsor(s): Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Streeter and Taveras

Attachment(s): [R2020033](#)
[CR-033-2020 AIS](#)

Panelists:

Renee Battle-Brooks, Executive Director, Human Relations Commission

Mark Magaw, DCAO for Public Safety & Homeland Security

Joseph C. Ruddy, Office of Law

Nathaniel K. Tutt, Acting Director of the Health, Human Services and Public Safety Committee provided an overview of Council Resolution 33-2020. As sponsor of the Resolution, Council Member Dernoga spoke to the Resolution which provides support for the fundamental requirements for United 2026 as laid out in FIFA's "Proposal for a United Human Rights Strategy"; and to encourage certain persons to provide certain atmospheres, experiences, and policies for certain individuals at the 2026 FIFA World Cup. Mark Magaw, DCAO for Public Safety and Homeland Security and Renee Battle-Brooks, Executive Director of the Human Resources Commission were available for comments. The Office of Law found CR-33-2020 to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption.

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

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

[CB-021-2020](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING COMMUNITY INCLUSIVENESS for the purpose of amending certain Sections in Subtitle 2, Division 46 of the Prince George's County Code to expand the prohibition on notifying immigration officials prior to a person's release from custody, adding a provision that requires County agencies to report violations of this Division, requiring referral of any violation of this Division to their appointing authority for discipline, and comply with federal law.

Sponsor(s): Turner

Attachment(s): [B2020021](#)
[CB-021-2020 AIS](#)

Panelists:

Renee Battle-Brooks, Executive Director, Human Relations Commission
Mark Magaw, DCAO for Public Safety & Homeland Security
Joseph C. Ruddy, Office of Law

Nathaniel K. Tutt, Acting Director of the Health, Human Services and Public Safety Committee provided an overview of Council Bill-21-2020. Colette R. Gresham, Legislative Officer spoke to the Proposed Draft 2 of the legislation. As sponsor of the Resolution, Council Member Turner spoke to the Bill which proposes legislation will make amendments to certain County Code Sections in Subtitle 2, Division 46 to comply with federal law. Mark Magaw, DCAO for Public Safety and Homeland Security and Renee Battle-Brooks, Executive Director of the Human Resources Commission were available for comments. The Office of Law found CB-21-2020 Proposed Draft 2 to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption.

The following speakers spoke to the legislation: Honorable Colin Byrd, Mayor, City of Greenbelt, Claudia Ramos-Ardon, Antonio Aleman, Eric Lopez and Nick Steiner. Language interpretation was provided by Maria Fabara Nunez. Also available for interpretation, if needed, were Nancy Fabara Nunez and Trent Leon-Lieman.

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

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

ADJOURN

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 11:59 A.M.

A motion was made by Council Member Ivey, seconded by Vice Chair Hawkins, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.