

Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 11/15/2011
Reference No.: CB-032-2011
Draft No.: 2
Proposer(s): Park & Planning
Sponsor(s): Lehman
Item Title: An Act for the purpose of adding or amending certain definitions and otherwise clarifying applicability and certain regulatory requirements of the Woodland and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Ordinance.

Drafter: CJ Lammers, M-NCPPC Staff
Resource Personnel: CJ Lammers, M-NCPPC Staff

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented:	7/19/2011	Executive Action:	12/7/2011 S
Committee Referral:	7/19/2011 - THE	Effective Date:	2/1/2012

Committee Action: 9/22/2011 - FAV(A)

Date Introduced: 10/4/2011
Public Hearing: 11/15/2011 - 10:00 AM

Council Action (1) 11/15/2011 - ENACTED
Council Votes: WC:A, DLD:A, MRF:A, AH:A, LJ:-, ML:A, EO:A, OP:A, IT:A, KT:A
Pass/Fail: P
Remarks:

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

25-118, 25-119, 25-122

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Transportation, Housing and Environment

Date 9/22/2011

September 22nd, 2011

Committee Vote: Favorable with Amendments, 3-0 (In favor: Council Members Olson, Patterson and Lehman)

The Legislative Officer provided a summary of the bill and referral comments that were received. CB-32-2011 amends certain definitions and other wise clarifying applicability and certain regulatory requirements of the Woodland and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Ordinance.

C.J. Lammers, Director, Environmental Review Section, Maryland National Parking and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) spoke in support of this legislation and responded to questions from the Committee.

Chairman Olson offered an amendment, seconded by Council Member Lehman, to amend the fee-in-lieu provisions to leave the rate of ninety cents (\$0.90) per square foot with designated Priority Funding Areas (PFA) and increase it to one dollar and eight cents (\$1.08) per square foot outside the PFA in order to meet the State required twenty

percent (20%) differential. Favorable, 3-0 (In favor: Council Members Olson, Patterson and Lehman).

Maurene Epps-Webb, Zoning Hearing Examiner, offered several technical amendments to the bill, particularly on page 4, lines 19 through 21 and page 5, line 3. The Legislative Officer also noted the effective date in Section 3 of the bill will be February 1, 2012 per M-NCPPC request.

The Office of Law determined that CB-32-2011 was in proper legislative form.

The Office of Audits and Investigation indicated there will be not be any negative fiscal impact the County as a result of adopting CB-32-2011.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

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

This bill provides revisions to certain sections of this Subtitle of the County Code that were approved by the County Council on July 13, 2010 and became effective on September 1, 2010, collectively known as the “Environmental Legislation.” During the early implementation stages it was discovered that minor clarifications and streamlining language are needed. This bill also addresses edits needed for conformance to state regulations that came into effect after the passage of the environmental legislation in 2010.

CODE INDEX TOPICS:

INCLUSION FILES:
